### REGISTRATION 2024 Dues Card Required Deadline: March 15, 2024

Kansas members and Out-of-State guests may preregister by completing the enclosed form or through the Kansas Grand Chapter website. The Registration fee is \$20.00. Payments can be made via check, information located on the registration form.

Courtesy and Registration for Out-of-State guests and Kansas Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons will be in the Ramada Inn and Convention Center beginning Thursday, April 25, 2024, starting at 8:00 a.m.

#### **REGISTRATION**

Registration will be located in the Lobby of the hotel. Registration Committee hours are:

Thursday	8:00 a.m. to	3:00 p.m All Members
Thursday	5:30 p.m. to	7:30 p.m All Members
Friday	7:00 a.m. to	6:00 p.m All Members
Saturday	7:00 a.m. to	9:00 a.m All Members

All members will be required to show a registration receipt to enter chapter sessions.

#### HOUSING

No Hotel reservations may be made directly with the hotel. Please complete the housing form and a self-address stamped envelope must be included with your request for return confirmation. Send Housing requests to:

The Grand Chapter of Kansas c/o Patti White, PGM 5721 Georgia Avenue Kansas City, KS 66104

#### **WEB SITE**

The Kansas Grand Chapter web site address is: <a href="https://www.KansasGrandChapteroes.com">www.KansasGrandChapteroes.com</a>. The In-State and Out-of-State Registration form, Housing form and other Session information can be found in the 2024 Session area. NO online payments will be accepted this year. Please send registration and/or meal payment to the address on the form.

#### **SOCIAL RESERVATIONS**

All Social Reservations and payments are located on the Registration Form. Breakfast is included in the hotel room reservations. All meals are Buffet and served in the Golden Ballroom. Please note: there is NO RESTURANT at the hotel.

#### **GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

Visiting Grand Representatives, you are invited to march with your Kansas Counterpart. Instructions will be in your registration packet.

#### **VOTING PROCEDURES**

Kansas members must provide their Registration Receipt to receive a ballot. Ballots must be picked up prior to 9:00 a.m., Saturday, April 27, 2024.

#### **HEADQUARTERS**

Ramada Hotel & Convention Center 420 SE 6<sup>th</sup> St Topeka, KS

#### REPORTS, WELCOMES, AND RESPONSES

Email to oes-ks@sbcglobal.net or file two copies, type written, with the Grand Secretary, prior to presentation.

#### TIME LIMITS

Welcomes & Responses: 2 Minutes Reports: 3 Minutes

#### **VENDORS**

The Vendors will be located in the lower level of the Ramada Inn Hotel, Jefferson Ball Room.

Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### DRESS EXCHANGE

Bring your gently used formals you no longer want in your closet to Fountain Room 3. If you see a formal you want, make a donation and its yours. The exchange is sponsored by KSDS. Please head to Fountain Room 3 to check out the dresses available.

#### PROCEEDING BOOKS

The proceedings of our Grand Chapter Session may be purchased for \$20.00 for a printed book, \$10.00 for a CD, or \$5.00 for an electronic file via email. All orders must be paid for in advance at session. Order forms can be found in the Session Program book. Make checks payable to Grand Chapter of KS, OES.

#### LIABILITY

The Grand Chapter of Kansas does not assume any responsibility of Liability nor agree to pay for any losses or damages incurred during this Session.

#### **HOSPITALITY ROOM**

The Grand Representatives of Kansas are hosting the Hospitality Room from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. Located in the Parlor B.

# THE GRAND CHAPTER OF KANSAS ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Extends Fraternal Greetings and a Most Cordial Invitation to attend the:

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL

"In God We Trust"
GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

April 25-27, 2024
Ramada Hotel & Convention Center
420 SE 6<sup>th</sup> St
Topeka, KS



Dear Members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Kansas: It has been a wonderful experience for us, your 2023-2024 Grand Officers to have the opportunity to visit your chapters. Thank you for the love and support we have received this year. Please remember this is your Grand Chapter Session and we hope you attend and enjoy everything we have planned for you this year.

Dear Distinguished Guests: We extend to you an Invitation to attend the Kansas Grand Chapter Session. Our members are looking forward to renewing old friendships and making new ones.

Wendy Cunningham Worthy Grand Matron

Dave Hendricks Worthy Grand Patron

Christy Hard, Grand Secretary 221 SW 33rd St., Suite 300 Topeka, KS 66611-2379 785-234-5743

**Tentative Schedule** Wednesday, April 24, 2024 1:30 p.m. Rehearsal - Grand Officers 3:00 p.m. Practice - Conductresses with Introductions 5:00 p.m. "In God We Trust" Grand Officers Banquet 7:00 p.m. Vesper Service 8:00 p.m. Practice – Grand Officers, Escorts and Special Pages Emblem Ceremony, 50/60/75 yr. Member Committee Thursday, April 25, 2022 8:00 a.m. Practice - Session Pages, Session Guards, District Aides, Grand Representatives 9:00 a.m. Practice - Grand Representatives Procession of Flags 11:30 a.m. Lunch 12:30 p.m. District Aids Meeting 1:00 p.m. Pages and Guards Meeting 2:00 p.m. Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons Meeting 4:00 p.m. "Proud to be an American" All Membership Banquet **INFORMAL OPENING** 5:30 p.m. Prelude 6:00 p.m. Presentation of the Grand Officers Opening Marches Call to Order Opening Flag and Emblem Ceremony Introductions Closing Marches Friday, April 26, 2024 7:30 a.m. Alpha-Omega Meeting 7:30 a.m. FAGO Meeting **CLOSED MEETING** 

8:30 a.m. Prelude
9:00 a.m. Entrance of Grand Officers and Special Pages
Ritualistic Opening
Reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy
Grand Patron
Presentation of Worthy Matrons and Worthy

Reports of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer

Closing March

11:30 p.m. "This Land is Your Land" Grand Representative

Luncheon

12:30 p.m. Grand Representative Meeting

#### **OPEN MEETING**

 1:30 p.m. Prelude
 2:00 p.m. Entrance of Grand Officers and Special Pages Grand Officers retire informally
 50 - 75 yr. Member Recognition Presentation of Veterans and Military Necrology Service – Flower Talk

4:30 p.m. Dinner

#### **CLOSED MEETING**

5:30 p.m. Prelude 6:00 p.m. Opening Marches Call to Order

Presentation of ESTARL and Scholarship

Recipients

Introduction of Distinguished Guests, not

previously introduced

Introduction of the Most Worshipful Grand

Master of Kansas Conferring of Degrees

Closing March

9:00 p.m. Reception - New Member and 50 - 75 year

Members

# Saturday, April 27, 2024

7:30 a.m. Secretary/Treasurers Meeting

#### **CLOSED MEETING**

8:30 a.m. Prelude

9:00 a.m. Entrance of Grand Officers and Special Pages

Grand Committee Reports

10:00 a.m. Election of Grand Officers

Business Session, Committee Reports Presentation of Subordinate Chapter

Secretaries and Treasurers

Ritualistic Closing Closing March

12:00 p.m. Lunch 4:30 p.m. Dinner

#### **OPEN MEETING**

5:30 p.m. Prelude

6:00 p.m. Entrance of Grand Officers

Call to Order

Introduction of Installing Officers 2023 - 2024 Grand Officers Retire Installation of 2024 – 2025 Grand Officers

9:00 p.m. Reception for the 2024-2025 Grand Officers

#### Restaurants Near the Ramada Inn

Townsite Café

120 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 3-130

The White Linen 112 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave

Iron Rail Brewing 705 S Kansas Ave

Classic Bean 722 S Kansas Ave

The Celitc Fox 118 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Ave

El Mezcal

511 SW Topeka Blvd

Hanover Pancake House 1034 S Kansas Ave

Pizza Hut 500 SW 10<sup>th</sup> St

## **Activities Near Downtown**

Evergy Entertainment Center – Check out the website for events

https://evergyplaza.com/events/

Topeka Zoo

635 SW Gage Blvd

Lots of Shopping 21st and Wanamaker