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### All four doors are OPEN

# Woo Hoo! We hit a **grand slam...**

the anonymous \$250,000 challenge was FULLY MATCHED! No one was left stranded on the bases! (In other words, no money was left on the table!) THANK YOU!

To be able to say we "BUILT Neighborhoods of Family and Friends Living at Home"

is incredibly special!

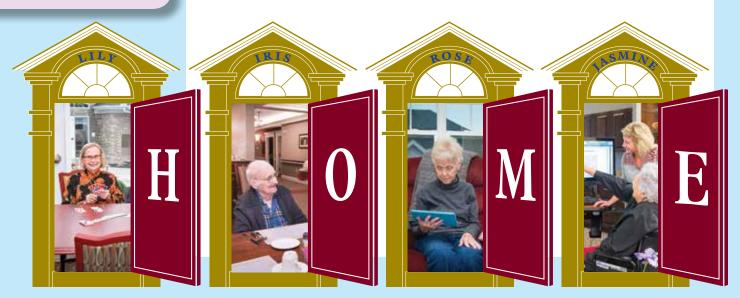
Please join us at Grand Chapter to see what YOU have BUILT!

Gleefully,

Michele Engelbach, CEO

The Ohio Eastern Star Home





**Capital Campaign** 

## Celebration

All four doors are open!

Over \$4.3 million raised

The challenge match of \$250,000 was met, adding \$500,000 which helped reach the final total!

Over 90% of all **OES** chapters supported the capital campaign!

In 18 districts. 100% of the chapters made a gift! And the

BEST reason to celebrate is that 62 residents are comfortably living in private rooms, enjoying all the amenities of their new neighborhoods!

There are SO MANY REASONS to CELEBRATE!

### ...And, there are SO MANY PEOPLE to THANK!

- Every person who donated to the capital campaign, the Anniversary Club and the Million Dollar Circle
- Individuals and chapters, who were able to fund a room or neighborhood
- Anyone who purchased a Bob Evans gift card or supported the Bob Evans "Elect to Support OESH" **Election Day fund raisers**
- All of you who gave a "Home Warming Shower" gift
- All who made announcements and gave updates about the campaign during the past four years
- The Ohio Masonic Home for funding a room
- The OES Home Trustees who made the decision to build the new neighborhoods
- The Capital Campaign Task Force who led the capital campaign
- Those of you who prayed for the OES Home during this time (please don't stop now!)



### The 2017 OESH Open House was a

"Playing" on a baseball theme, the annual OES Home Open House

was a major hit! Everyone had a ball! Ice cream was served in plastic major league ball caps and Cracker Jacks were given to all the fans!

The OESH Choir sang "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and

everyone joined in.



Ice cream was served in plastic baseball caps.



Carriage rides around campus were enjoyed by all.



The OES Home Choir sings "Take Me Out to the Ball Game!"

### Donor Celebration Dinner

The Friday evening before the Charities Extravaganza, a Donor Celebration Dinner was held in the Gallagher Centre to recognize major donors (\$15,000 and above) to the capital campaign. Guests included

individual donors as well as representatives from several OES chapters. The members of the Capital Campaign Task Force were





# Kalahari, here we come!

This year, Grand Chapter of Ohio moves its annual session to the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky. Our COA Jan Foy and her committee have been working hard to ensure a smooth transition. Tour busses are coming from SW and SE Ohio if you'd like a convenient and comfortable ride!

I'm inspired by the words of Ruth who said, ".... Whither thou goest, I will go and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people and thy God my God." Ruth was talking to her mother-in-law, but I see a parallel to our Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers. This year, "whither thou goest, I will go" means Sandusky, Ohio for Grand Chapter with all our Eastern Star friends! We invite you to join us. Information and forms are available from your Chapter secretary or can be found on the OES website www.ohiooes.org

Finally, remember that the most important things in life are the people we love, the places we travel together and the stories we make along the way. May God continue to bless you, my friends, and may all your stories be unforgettable.

Michelle Howell, Worthy Grand Matron William (Bill) Cox, Worthy Grand Patron



The 2017 OES Charities Extravagan raised \$14,819! The evening's entertainment, the "Parade of Calendar Brides," was enjoyed by a sell-out crowd of over 300. The dessert cupcakes were decorated with delicious handmade forget-me-not flowers.

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#### Gifts to the Capital Campaign received April 1 – July 14, 2017.

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(\$50,000 & Above)

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## Good News all around!

To say that the Board of Trustees is thrilled with the results of the capital campaign would be an understatement — raising over \$4.3 million is definitely cause for celebration! 2017 has been a banner year in the life of your OES Home. The neighborhoods were built, our residents moved into their new homes and we closed a very successful capital campaign.

On behalf of the Trustees of The Ohio Eastern Star Home, thank you for making the capital campaign such an incredible success. "Thank you!" if you made a personal gift to the campaign, if your chapter or district association made a gift to the campaign, or if you volunteered time or supported the Bob Evans fund raisers. There simply are no words to adequately express our gratitude and profound appreciation.

In addition to the great finish to the capital campaign, another encouraging event took place in April. During the weekend of the OESH Board of Trustees' meeting, time was set aside for a joint meeting with the Trustees of the Grand Chapter of Ohio. Both boards shared their goals and challenges, exchanged ideas and encouraged mutual understanding. Everyone felt it was a productive meeting and plans were made to get together annually.

I hope to see you at Grand Chapter!

Carl Calderhead, Chairman, OESH Board of Trustees



Eloise Wyse, PGM, chairwoman of the **Grand Chapter of** Ohio Trustees and Carl Calderhead.

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# Capital Campaign Celebration



What: The Ohio Eastern Star Reception

When: Friday, September 22, 2017

**Time:** 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Where: Grand Chapter of Ohio

Kalahari Conference Center —

The Nile Room

Please help us celebrate the successful completion of the capital campaign to build new neighborhoods.

A short "thank you" video will be shown at 2:30, 3:00 and 3:30 pm — you don't want to miss this special recap of the capital campaign!

Coffee, iced tea and light refreshments will be served.

**OUR MISSION:** The campus of The Ohio Eastern Star Home is dedicated to leading the way into the future while providing the highest quality of services and enriching the lives of all we serve. Our innovation and adaptability support our environment for growth and promotes our commitment to being an industry leader.

**OUR VISION:** To develop a continuing care retirement community to serve the Ohio Eastern Star members and related Masonic bodies and the Central Ohio community.