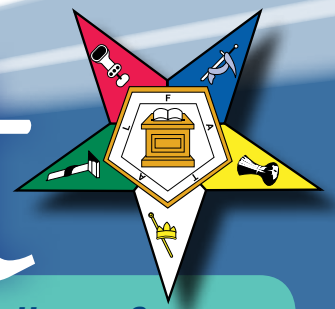


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LOOKING FORWARD *to the Future!*

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WOW...another Great Year!

So many things to reflect on and look forward to!

Looking back at the last five years, so many milestones and changes have occurred at The Ohio Eastern Star Home! We have been VERY busy!

I am frequently asked, "Where do you get your energy?" Followed by "Can I have some of it?" Well, I will tell you my secret...I get my energy and enthusiasm from people like you, from the residents we serve, from the people I come in contact with every day, from seeing great things happening all around and from seeing lives change! It fills me with gratitude, excitement and an enthusiasm to do even more!

Can you have some of my energy?! Yes, you can! Come to the Home and see how lives are changed every day—come see what has been accomplished and what is occupying our time now! And, ALWAYS—come see our residents! A visit with one of them will fill you with energy and joy every time!

Come see your Ohio Eastern Star Home! We look forward your visit!

Yours in Service,
Michele Engelbach, CEO
The Ohio Eastern Star Home



Michele Engelbach, CEO, Michelle Howell, WGM, Bill Cox, WGP, and Carl Calderhead, OESH Chairman, Board of Trustees

Looking BACK and Looking AHEAD

What a whirlwind year it has been! I cannot believe that another Grand Chapter year has ended and a new one has begun.

As we celebrate our 66th year at the Ohio Eastern Home, I reflect on the accomplishments that have been made in the past few years. Our campus has changed a great deal and is ready to meet the challenges of tomorrow. From the newly remodeled Hamilton assisted-living suites to the Gallagher Event Centre, to the four new Neighborhoods, to the new therapy gym and refreshed Moreland-Hughes Rehabilitation dining room. It's remarkable! We have good reason to celebrate and every right to be proud of our Home.

"But wait, there's more" — as our CEO, Michele Engelbach would say. We look forward to seeing the final touches of the overall project to be complete. Your Board of Trustees is ready to meet the challenges of tomorrow wherever they lead us. The future looks bright for our Home! If you have not visited our campus recently, 2018 would be a great year to come for a visit!

Carl Calderhead, Chairman
OESH Board of Trustees

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters

It was wonderful seeing you at the 128th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Ohio—the Unforgettable Stories Session—at Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky. We know that Home is where the heart is, whether that be Sandusky, Clarksville, or Copley. We also know that there is "No place like Home." And there is no place like our Ohio Eastern Star Home.

Our Charities T-shirts said it all with the slogan "Charity Begins at HOME." Remember what symbol dotted the "I?" The Eastern Star.

This year you saw a successful Capital Campaign completed, witnessed residents happily move into new buildings, and watched renovations to existing buildings. Over \$30,000 was donated to the "No Place Like Gnome" 2017 WGM/WGP project, creating a beautiful garden area for the enjoyment of our residents.

If you visit the OES Home in 2018, look for Gnom-co and Juliette, our gnome mascots, who will be waiting to greet you with a song: "I come to the garden with gnomes, while the dew is still on the roses!"

Thank you for the donations, interest, and visits to our outstanding facility which is truly HOME to many.

Sisters and Brothers, 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



Remembering Wroena Dusthimer

PGM & Secretary Emeritus

March 11, 1922 – September 18, 2017



Ohio Eastern Star lost its most beloved matriarch on September 18, 2017. Wroena was initiated into Kokosing Chapter on September 22, 1955 and served in many roles until becoming Worthy Grand Matron in 1973. As a Past Worthy Grand Matron, she willingly held a variety of offices in her local chapter and district, Grand Chapter and General Grand Chapter. After serving as Grand Chapter Secretary from 1978-1988, she was given Secretary Emeritus status. Wroena was a member of the Capital Campaign Task Force for the OES Home, and she was very pleased to see the vision of the new Neighborhoods become a reality.

More than all her titles, Wroena was best-known for her deep and genuine devotion to Eastern Star. Every member she met felt her love and kindness. Her faith was an inspiration to all who knew her.

Be assured Heaven had a grand celebration the day she went Home! Wroena would want us to respect our Eastern Star roots, work today to strengthen the Order and support the Home, and strive to ensure a prosperous future for both.

One of the final phases of the overall capital campaign project involves a major face-lift for the main dining room. Since the majority of residents are now having meals in their neighborhoods, the big dining room will be renovated and converted into a community room. A low stage will be added to one side of the room and the traffic flow will be "re-routed" along the other side of the room. This new room will provide an ideal spot for musical performances, movies with the new projector and large screen using monies generously donated from this year's WGM & WGP project. As part of this phase, a new gallery will be devoted to the Eastern Star antiques and memorabilia; this gallery will be named "The Eastern Star Wroena Dusthimer Gallery." The WGM dolls will be displayed along the community room wall as before, with the Grand Family photos.

MISSION STATEMENT

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.

VISION STATEMENT

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

Kalahari

Grand Chapter Highlights

What a weekend we had at Kalahari Resort, the new location for Grand Chapter of Ohio. We all enjoyed the wet and wild amenities including the wave pool, water slides and hot tub. It was a great place to catch up with OES members!

Under the safari hut we displayed an aerial view of the OESH campus showing all the changes that have taken place. This was an amazing perspective for all who stopped by.

Our reception was well attended and we celebrated the end of the Capital Campaign. If you missed it, please view our heart felt "Thank You" video on our website under the Capital Campaign.



A Shot in the Park Photography



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WGM Sandi Herman and WGP David Sexton look forward to leading the year of "Make a Difference – Make it Happen" in Ohio Eastern Star!

Spotlight *on Our Donors*

Thank you for your generous support! The Ohio Eastern Star gifts listed below were given to various funds including Christmas, memorials, endowments, and the WGM/WGP Project from July 1 – September 30, 2017.

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Grand Chapter of Ohio

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Third District Association

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2017 Grand Representatives

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District 18 Association
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Larry Mayer
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LOOKING AHEAD

The Board of Trustees of The Ohio Eastern Star Home is ready for another exciting year. Attending quarterly meetings and spending time with our staff and elders are just a few ways the board members stay involved. Through their

dedication and commitment they show to our home, we can be assured the highest level of care for all our elders and the success of the OES Home will continue. Their energy and enthusiasm is unstoppable and we appreciate all they do!



(L-R) Ron Hardesty, Howard Lauder milk, Joell Buchanan, Barb Thatcher, Joan Wedge, Pat Eyestone, Becky Thatcher, Larry Mayer and Carl Calderhead

NOW OPEN... New Ambulance Entrance and Expanded Therapy Gym

In late August the new ambulance entrance and an expanded therapy gym were opened. The demolition of the old Units One and Two wings led to the demolition of the former ambulance entrance. Also, the therapy services provided by Blue Sky Therapy in the OES Home had outgrown the space they had.

A new therapy gym was built in the “Preston Hall” portion of Unit Two that was able to be renovated. The location of this new therapy gym is much more convenient for the residents and it has enough space to accommodate out-patient therapy services. Equipment from the former therapy gym, provided by a WGM/WGP Project, was moved to the new gym. There is now space for additional state-of-the-art equipment that will offer an even higher level of service.

The new ambulance entrance is located closer to the Moreland-Hughes Rehabilitation Center, offering easier access for guests and visitors.



The Glenn A. Gallagher Centre / Conference and Event Center



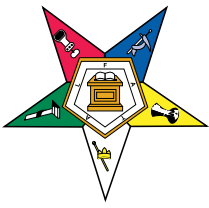
DID YOU KNOW...Your Eastern Star Membership has Privileges!

- Any Ohio Eastern Star event (chapter, district or OES group) receives **50% off room rental!**
- Any Ohio Eastern Star member may book a private event (wedding, graduation, etc.) and receive a **25% discount off room rental!**
- We have flexible menu options to fit your budget!
- Members are able to book an event up to 6 months in advance!
- The Community Room (adjoining the Chapter Room) which seats up to 40 people can be rented for only \$75.00 a day, can be booked up to 15 months in advance AND you can bring in your own food OR take advantage of our delicious catering.
- The annual OES Charities Extravaganza is not charged any room rental for the day before or the day of the event!



Contact Susan Moder, Event Coordinator at 740-263-7008

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We invite you to visit and see
all the changes at your
Ohio Eastern Star Home!
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to schedule a visit.
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*The residents, staff and trustees
of The Ohio Eastern Star Home
extend warmest wishes to you
and your loved ones for...*

Christmas and New Year's blessings!