

OES MARKETPLACE

The OES Marketplace located in Portune East Hall is the central location for all things “OES.” You will find Registration, Credentials, COA Staff, Vendors, Flower Orders, Promotional Tables, Information Boards, and “Grab-n-Go” Snack Bar.

Hours of Operation	Grab-n-Go
Thursday 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm	10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm	9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Saturday 8:00 am – 1:30 pm	9:30 am – 1:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am – 1:30 pm	9:30 am – 12:30 pm

GENERAL INFORMATION

Admittance to every session requires a 2026 or 2027 Dues Card and Registration Card which both must be countersigned and presented at every session. All forms and hotel information are available on the Ohio OES website - www.ohiooes.org - under the “Grand Chapter” Tab.

IN-STATE AND OUT-OF-STATE REGISTRATION

OES Members may register using the on-line registration system. Registration is \$20.00 (including Program Book). Program Book only is \$5.00. **Contact Carrie McGlaughlin, In-State and Out-of-State Chair, at 614-205-8815 or OhioOesRegister@gmail.com**

Program books and registration cards will be distributed at the August State Association Meeting for Ohio members who register by August 1. After August 1 or in-person registration, please see Registration in the Marketplace for program books.

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Non-members – please sign-in at Registration on Sunday.

CREDENTIALS

All Ohio members are eligible to vote for Grand Chapter Officers, Legislation and the Ohio Eastern Star Home on Saturday, September 26. You will need to present your countersigned current Dues Card (2026 or 2027) to the Credentials Committee to receive a voting packet. **As a reminder, you must have your Registration Card with your countersigned Dues Card to be admitted to all sessions.**

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Thursday	1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am to 12:30 pm

Note: Credentials close promptly at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 26.

HOUSING

Members are required to make their own hotel reservations. Reservations open **May 1, 2026**, at the Hyatt Place, LivINN, and Delta by Marriott Hotels—all located next to the Sharonville Convention Center. Hotel information can be found on the Ohio OES website – www.ohiooes.org – under the “Grand Chapter” Tab. **Contact Dee Ross-Kuttler, Housing Chair, at amrk527@aol.com or 513-490-1870.**

MEAL EVENTS

Reservations and payment can be made online. The system accepts credit cards and PayPal or Venmo for payment or you may send a check. All information and forms are available on the Ohio OES website – www.ohiooes.org – under the “Grand Chapter” Tab. **Deadline for all reservations is September 1 and no refunds will be made after that date without permission from the Chairman of Arrangements. Contact Wanda Petrenio, Social Activities Chair at (937) 974-6534 or petreniomw@gmail.com**

FLOWERS

Flower Order Forms will be available on the Ohio OES website - www.ohiooes.org. All orders must be picked up in the OES Marketplace (no deliveries). **Contact Janice Mason, Flower Chair, 513-860-3853 or jmmason129@gmail.com**

Flower Pickup Times:

Thursday	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Friday	12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am – 1:00 pm

TRANSPORTATION

Bus transportation will be provided between all hotels and the Sharonville Convention Center on Friday-Sunday. Airport transportation is available to all members flying into Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky or Dayton Airports. Cost is \$40 to or from the airport. **Contact Mike Bartholomew, Transportation Chair, at mbartholomew@fuse.net or 513 477-5614.**

COA INFORMATION DESK - LOST & FOUND

Thursday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Friday-Sunday 8:00 am - Close of Session

FIRST AID AND SAFETY

If you need medical assistance or have safety concerns, please seek assistance from committee members identified by their vests or badges. An Emergency Medical Form will be available on the Ohio OES website – www.ohiooes.org – under the “Grand Chapter” Tab. Members are encouraged to complete and carry this form with them. This form is strictly voluntary. **Contact Dorothy Berman, First Aid Chair, OES537@aol.com or 216-469-3242 and Kelly Sparks, Safety/Security Chair, deputysparksmcso@yahoo.com or 740-505-2296.**

PLEASE NOTE – only those members who are involved in setup or participating in the various practices on Thursday and Friday are permitted in the Grand Chapter Room (Portune West Hall) during those scheduled hours.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, September 24, 2026

8:00 am – 4:00 pm Ritual Competition
Location: Rooms 203/204 Crissy Willeke, Chair Crissywilleke79@gmail.com
Registration deadline: August 1, 2026

10:00 a.m. Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, September 24, 2026 (Cont'd)

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. 2026 Deputy Grand Matrons Luncheon - Honoring WGM and WGP
Location: Room 109/110
Reservations: Linda Taylor ctsuper82@gmail.com

1:00 pm – Circle of Knowledge Test
Location: Room 104

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 pm 2026 Grand Officers Drill Practice 2026 Grand Officers, Spouses & Traveling Companions
Location: Grand Chapter Room

5:00 pm Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons Business Meeting & Banquet Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Location: Room 111
Reservations: Janice Goerss goersja@sbcglobal.net

6:00 pm Last Supper - 2026 Grand Officers, COA, Drill Director, Spouses & Traveling Companions
Location: Room 109/110
Reservations: Jolie Stauffer jolieoes502@gmail.com

9:00 p.m. Social Activities by Districts/Groups
(See Information Boards located in OES Marketplace)

Friday, September 25, 2026

8:00 am – 10:00 a.m. Breakfast & Business Meeting Statewide Association of Secretaries & Treasurers Honoring Grand Secretary & Grand Treasurer
Location: Northern Lights Ballroom
Reservations: Jacqui Umbach jumbachster@gmail.com

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 2026 Grand Pages and Aides Breakfast Honoring WGM and WGP
Location: Room 111
Reservations: www.ohiooes.org under “Grand Chapter” Tab

8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. 2027 Installation Drill Practice Sisters and Brothers of Districts 4 & 28, Worthy Matrons & Worthy Patrons-elect, 2026 Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Ohio and Escorts and Representatives of Masonic Youth Organizations.
Location: Grand Chapter Room

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 2027 Installation Emblem Ceremony Practice – 2023 Grand Star Points, Chaplain, Marshal, Organist
Location: Grand Chapter Room

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. 2026 Grand Pages & Aides Drill Practice
Location: Grand Chapter Room

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Starlinks Luncheon & Business Meeting Current/Former appointed G. Officers, COA/Drill Directors
Location: Room 111
Reservations: Jenna Geuy jgeuyrnc@aol.com

Friday, September 25, 2026 (Con't)

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. OES Chorus Practice

10:00am -12:30 pm - Group Pictures

curved staircase, Please be prompt

10:00 a.m. Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Ohio

10:30 a.m. OES Choir

11:30 a.m. 2026 Grand Pages & Aides

12:00 p.m. 2026 Deputy Grand Matrons

12:30 p.m. 2026 Grand Chapter Officers, Spouses & Traveling Companions

1:00 p.m. Organ Prelude and OES Chorus

1:45 p.m. Emblem Ceremony – 2022 Grand Officers

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Formal Opening

2:00 p.m. 2026 Grand Pages and Aides Drill

2:15 p.m. Introduction of 2026 Grand Officers

2:30 p.m. Call to Order

2:40 p.m. Grand Officers Drill

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. General All Member Dinner

Location: Northern Lights Ballroom

Reservations: www.ohiooes.org under “Grand Chapter” Tab

7:30 p.m. Informal Opening

Greetings from Other Masonic Bodies & Masonic Youth

Location: Grand Chapter Room

9:00 p.m. Social Activities by Districts/Groups

(See Information Boards in OES Marketplace)

Saturday, September 26, 2026

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. OES Home Business Meeting

Open to All OES Members

Location: Grand Chapter Room

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Morning Business Meeting

(Immediately following the OES Home Meeting)

Location: Grand Chapter Room

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Buckeye Links Luncheon and Business Meeting - Honoring WGM, WGP, Current & Former Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Ohio and Other Jurisdictions

Location: Northern Lights Ballroom

Reservations: Teresa Pience teresapience@yahoo.com

Saturday, September 26, 2026 (Cont'd)

1:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. Saturday Afternoon Session

Location: Grand Chapter Room

1:30 p.m. Call to Order of Afternoon Business Session

1:40 p.m. Grand Officers Drill

4:30 p.m. (approx.) Introduction of 2026 Gr Officer Escorts

4:50 p.m. Closing of Saturday Afternoon Session

4:55 p.m. Grand Officers & Escorts Retire

Retirement of 2026 Grand Officer Badges

6:30 p.m. Grand Banquet – Northern Lights Ballroom (Reservations and Ticket Required)

5:45 p.m. Doors Open

6:15 p.m. Introductions

6:30 p.m. Dinner

Reservations: www.ohiooes.org under “Grand Chapter” Tab

Entertainment immediately following in Grand Chapter Room

Sunday, September 27, 2026

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Lovelinks Breakfast & Business Meeting

Current/Former Dep. Gr. Matrons, Honoring WGM & WGP

Location: Northern Lights Ballroom

Reservations: Debbie Nungester debnungester@gmail.com

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Location: Grand Chapter Room

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. OES Chorus Practice

12:15 p.m. 2027 Installation of Grand Officers

Organ Prelude and OES Chorus

Entrance of 2027 Drill Directors(s) and Narrators

2027 Installation Drill

Emblem Ceremony

Call to Order of Sunday Afternoon Session

Formal Installation of 2027 Grand Officers

Announcement of Grand Chapter Committees

Announcement of District Charities Directors

Closing of Saturday Afternoon Session

Announcement of 2027 Deputy Grand Matrons

6:00 p.m. 2027 Installation Banquet

Location: Northern Lights Ballroom – Invitation Only

5:00 p.m. Doors Open

5:30 p.m. Introductions

6:00 p.m. Dinner

Schedule and times for events are subject to change

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137th ANNUAL GRAND CHAPTER SESSION



**Debbie Somerlot
Worthy Grand Matron**

**Todd Evans
Worthy Grand Patron**

**DuAnne Farus
Grand Secretary**



**September 25-27, 2026
Sharonville Convention Center
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