

HOTEL INFORMATION

**Holiday Inn Des Moines
Airport/Conference Center**
6111 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50231
PH: 515 - 287 - 2400

**All reservations must be guaranteed
with a credit card for each person
sharing a room**

**Hotel reservations must be made directly
with the Hotel.**

The cut - off date to receive the Iowa Grand
Chapter rates is **October 23, 2026.**

*(Hotel reservations may not be
accepted after this date.)*

Hotel Rooms & Rates

\$125.00 King Room Rate

\$125.00 Two Queen Room Rate

**rates do not include applicable
taxes and fees*

All Rooms are Non-Smoking



GENERAL INFORMATION

Pre - Registration: **\$25.00**
Due by November 6, 2026

After November 6: **\$30.00**
**and registrations will only be
accepted at the session**

Registration Fees are Non Refundable

Send Pre - Registration, Social
Events & Payment to:

Grand Chapter of Iowa, OES

Jean Koss
Grand Secretary & PGM
P.O. Box 37
Huxley, Iowa 50124
641-261-7210

For Iowa Members, Registration will be open:

Thursday, Nov. 12 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Friday, Nov. 13 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, Nov. 14 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

REGISTRATION for Out-of-State Guests

Rooms 158 & 160 of the Holiday Inn Hotel

Thursday, Nov. 12 12:00 - 4:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 13 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Please refer to the enclosed form for the courtesies
extended to our Distinguished Guests.

Pre-Registration must be made with the
Grand Secretary

**REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE PROMPTLY
AT 12:30 PM ON SATURDAY**

**Election of Grand Officers and
Board Members at 1:00 pm on
Saturday, November 14**

Iowa Order of the Eastern Star

Cordially invites you to join us at the

“HERITAGE SESSION”

149th Grand Chapter Session

November 12 - 15, 2026



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Janice Alger
Worthy Grand Matron

Carroll Duysen
Worthy Grand Patron

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Thursday November 12, 2026 at 7:00 am
“Trailblazer’s Breakfast” for District Instructors
Hosted by Kelly Walker, Grand Conductress
& Anna Boecker, Associate Grand Conductress
(*Invitation Only*)

Thursday November 12, 2026 at 11:00 am
Travel Club Luncheon

Thursday November 12, 2026 at 6:15 pm
“A Celebration of Our Heritage”
All Membership Banquet
Receiving Line begins at 5:30 pm
WGM, WGP, MWGP, General Grand Chapter
Committee Members, Special Appointments of
Iowa
(*Informal Banquet; see Invitation*)

Friday November 13, 2026 7:30 am
“Standing United” Tall Corn Breakfast
(*men only*)

Friday November 13, 2026 11:15 am
Grand Representatives Luncheon
Hosted by The Hawkeye Links of Iowa OES
Grand Representatives Association

Friday November 13, 2026 4:30 pm
**“Where Eagles Soar” Past Grand Matrons
& Past Grand Patrons Banquet**
Hosted by Jean Koss, Grand Secretary & PGM
(*Open to PGMs and PGP’s and guest*)

Friday November 13, 2026 4:30 pm
“Tracing Our Roots” Dinner
Hosted by the Tracers Grand Family
(*Open to all not going to PGMs/ PGP’s Banquet*)

Saturday November 14 at 7:00 AM
“Tracing Back History” P.A.G.O Breakfast
Hosted by 2024 Shining Stars

Saturday November 14, 2026, 11:00 am
**“The Heritage Guides” Grand Conductress/Associate
Grand Conductress Luncheon**
Hosted by Kelly Walker, Grand Conductress
& Anna Boecker, Associate Grand Conductress

Saturday November 14, 2026 5:00 pm
**“Count Your Blessings” Associate Grand
Matron/Associate Grand Patron Dinner**
Hosted by Lori Rasmusson, Associate Grand Matron
& Tim Ramthun, Associate Grand Patron

Sunday November 15, 2026 10:30 am
ESTARL Brunch & Program

SOCIAL EVENTS

The deadline for meal reservation is **November 1**. All meal reservations are to be sent to the General Meal Reservations Chairman, and your check or money order must be included. Iowa members, tickets will be mailed if you enclose a SASE.

Out-of-State/ Distinguished members - tickets will be in your Registration Packets. Please use the enclosed form.

NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THE DEADLINE

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Raab, General Meal Reservation Chairman:
Raabsnest@aol.com | 515-664-7832

Please send the Social Events Form & Payment to:

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PRACTICE SCHEDULE & INFORMATION

Board of Custodians (Practice Directors)

Vicki Wallner, PGM, President
Mary Reicks, PGM, Secretary
Sandy Meredith, PGM, Member

**ALL PRACTICES WILL BE HELD IN THE GRAND
CHAPTER ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

PLEASE BE PROMPT FOR ALL PRACTICES

Thursday, November 12

8:30 am Instructions to Registration Committee
9:30 am Grand Officers March (Opening & Closing)
10:15 am Double March (Opening & Closing)
1:00 pm Grand Officers Special Closing
2:30 pm Bible & Emblem Ceremony
3:00 pm Flag Tribute
3:30 pm Instructions to Pages & Assistant Sentinels
(West end of Chapter Room)

Friday, November 13

10:00 am Draping & Memorial Practice

Saturday, November 14

9:30 am Instructions to Tellers (West end of Chapter Room)

Sunday, November 15

10:30 am Installation Practice - Chapter Room

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 12

7:00 am District Instructor Breakfast
11:00 am Travel Club Luncheon
5:30 pm WGM, WGP, MWGP, General Grand Chapter
Committee Members, Special Appointments of Iowa
“A Celebration of Our Heritage”
6:15 pm All Membership Banquet

Friday, November 13

7:30 am Tall Corn Breakfast
11:15 am Grand Representative Luncheon
1:15 pm Prelude
1:30 pm Formal Opening
Honoring 50-Year Members
Honoring Crystal Anniversary Grand Family
Fraternal Correspondent’s Report
& Parade of Flags
4:30 pm Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons Dinner
4:30 pm Tracing Our Roots Dinner
6:30 pm Prelude
6:45 pm Introduction of Grand Officers
Bible & Emblem Ceremony
Flag Ceremony
Entrance of Grand Officers & Double March
Presentation of Distinguished Guests & Remarks

Saturday, November 14

7:00 am P.A.G.O Breakfast
8:15 am Prelude
Entrance of Grand Officers
Reports of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy
Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer
Presentation of Worthy Matrons & Worthy Patrons
Honor Associate Conductress, Warder, & Sentinel
11:00 am Grand Conductress/ Associate Grand Conductress
Luncheon
12:15 pm Prelude
12:30 pm Entrance of Grand Officers
Report of Iowa Member Registration
Introduction of Tellers
1:00 pm Election of Grand Officers & Board Members
Legislation & Business Reports
Presentation of 2027 Projects
5:00 pm Associate Grand Matron & Associate Grand Patron
Dinner
6:15 pm Prelude
6:30 pm Entrance of Grand Officers & Double March
Presentation of “Dementia Friendly Iowa”
Remarks by Iowa’s General Grand Chapter
Appointments
Draping & Memorial Hour

Sunday, November 15

8:45 am Prelude
9:00 am ESTARL Worship Service
10:30 am ESTARL Breakfast & Program
1:00 pm Prelude
1:15 pm Entrance of Grand Officers
Installation of 2026 - 2027 Grand Officers
Closing of the 149th Grand Chapter Session