



## Grand Chapter of Kansas Order of the Eastern Star

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Our adventure is in full swing! It is hard to believe we have done so much in just a few months. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron combined reception was a hit. Brother Tony and I thank you for what you did and for sharing in our celebration. The combined Grand Appointed Officers reception, although warm, highlighted the different personalities of not just our Grand Officers, but their home chapters. Lots of fun and fellowship and again thank you for celebrating them with us.

The combined Schools of Instruction are now complete, and our District Aides did a fabulous job at preparing this new way of interpreting our schools. We hope the schools gave you an opportunity to gain experience and an easier feel for using the tools we have, which are our ritual and Bluebook. These will assist you not just today but in the future. We had a fun time at the Alpha Omega activity day where we created distinguished guest bags and knitted children's caps. We encourage our members to consider joining.

Another new idea we tried was the way we participate in our exchanges with other states. The Nebraska Grand Chapter and their subordinate Tuscan Chapter # 35 in Kearney, Nebraska hosted. The Kansas members felt at home and well taken care of. After staying in Nebraska for the two days both grand families completed our degree work and had a wonderful fellowship creating forever bonds. The tornado warning Saturday night did not dampen the spirit of fellowship.

Brother Tony and I along with several Grand Officers were lucky to visit our youth groups, Jobs Daughters, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, and the DeMolay Conclave. Our youth are the future and we encouraged continued involvement in our fraternal organizations.

It was wonderful to see so many Kansas members at the five-state friendship weekend. Many skits were presented and enjoyed. The Kansas grand family

presented a skit that recognized all five states through movies with Kansas ending the skit with “The Wizard of Oz,” of course.

The Grand Officers are looking forward to continuing our adventure with official visits, pin presentations, and other social outings. Please remember to collect for the food pantries in your area, feed the dogs, and seek out new members! Our purpose on earth is not to get lost in the dark but to be a beacon of light so others may find their way.

Star love,

Gale Masten  
Worthy Grand Matron

Tony Anderson  
Worthy Grand Patron