



March 1, 2023

Re: Ohio Grand Chapter Service Dog Committee plans

Dear Chapter Secretary,

We hope this correspondence finds you all well, the Ohio Grand Chapter Service Dog Committee 2023, has been working hard to bring you opportunities to continue your support for Ohio's support in the name of Service Dogs. Your continued support will enable us to help numerous organizations dedicated to assisting people with obtaining the Service Dog they need as well as supporting those individuals who work every day to train and prepare the dogs to become Service Dogs.

We want to thank each and every one of you in supporting of your sunshine collection on the day of your Inspection with Service Dogs. THANK YOU! We are asking you to increase the donation to an even amount. We are humbled by your generosity.

Inspections

OES Service Dogs

All checks made payable to:	Grand Chapter of Ohio OES, Inc.
Memo section of check:	Service Dogs
Mail to:	DuAnne Farus, Grand Secretary Box 52, Duncan Falls, OH 43734

We have a new fundraiser, like our Tupperware Online party we had last fall, we are having an online Tastefully Simple party <https://www.tastefullysimple.com/p/11475779>. This party is active now and will end on April 30, 2023. There are sales happening all the time. Check out the website often. We also have links on our Social Media pages such as Facebook and soon Instagram.

Thank you for visiting our tables, unfortunately we will not have our selling table out on any of the Exemplifications. However, we will be at the Scottish Rite Ladies Vendor Craft Fair on March 18, 2023, from 11:30am – 4:30pm., at the North Olmsted Masonic Center, 23844 Lorain Road, North Olmsted, OH 44070. If in the area, please check out our table and other tables to help raise funds for the Dyslexia Learning Center in Rocky River. Is your Region or District having a similar event? Please reach out to any Service Dog committee member.

In years past the Service Dog Committee collected "D" Dollars. This year we have the five-dollar bones and one-dollar paws. Any Dollar will do but in exchange you receive a Bone or a Paw Print from our Star Point color of your choosing. As a bonus, sign your Bone or Paw Print and have yours displayed at Grand Chapter. Please see any Service Dog Committee member to get your Bone or Paw Print today.

In the month of June look forward to a virtual Run or walk 5k (3 Miles). Share Photos and videos on social media using #DIMES4SERVICEDOGSOES23 between June 1-17th.

Enjoy the day in Beautiful Mount Vernon in Ohio. Saturday, August 12th, 2023 - Ohio Eastern Star Service Dogs is partnering together with the Mount Vernon Music & Arts Festival for a 1k Dog Walk in Downtown Mount Vernon. Registration at 8:30. Walk begins 9:00 a.m. Then, travel to the Ohio Eastern Star Home Shelter. Visit the beautiful home, and then beginning approximately at noon, join us for the picnic, followed by Silent Auction, with Guest Speaker from Healing Companions, Inc., Jane Miller, at the pavilion at the Ohio Eastern Star Home Shelter. This year we have two programs we are highlighting this year, W.A.G.S. 4 Kids (<https://www.wags4kids.org/>) and Healing Companions, Inc. (<https://healing-companions.org/>). Healing Companions, Inc, located in Oberlin, Ohio, which is a nonprofit organization who raises awareness of the benefits of service dogs as they provide medically necessary support to qualifying residence of northeast Ohio who suffer from a variety of different mental illnesses. Healing Companions, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit committed to increasing awareness of and providing access to psychiatric service dogs (PSDs) as a form of treatment for mental illness.

Grand Chapter will be around the corner soon. Please continue to save your dimes for Grand Chapter Dime Challenge. We are asking the District Charities President to collect the dimes from your Chapters Secretaries in September 2023. The meeting closest to Grand Chapter and to get the Dimes to your Service Dog Committee member in your Region. Only Dimes will be accepted in this challenge. Last year District 18 won, will this year be your District?

This year we have the Service Dogs Speakers Bureau. Please reach out to the Service Dogs Committee if you would like to hear more about Service Dogs and have us speak at your Chapter. We look forward to supporting in with the Ohio Chapter Achievement Program.

Your support and participation are the backbone of any fundraiser and as such we ask that you share this information with members, families, and friends. As we advocate together, we can continue the great work such as Service Dogs in our Great state of Ohio. Additional flyers with further detailed information for each upcoming event, will be shared with the Charities Director and Chapter Secretary's. As well as, on the Ohio Grand Chapter website: <https://www.ohiooes.org/> .

Our deepest thanks for all your PAW-SITIVE support for the Service Dogs in Ohio. Let's make this the best year yet in the name of Ohio Service Dogs.

In Star Pawsitive Love,

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