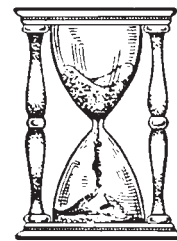


THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

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The Hour-Glass



About

THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

We are a continuing care retirement community located near historical downtown Plattsmouth.

We have served our Masonic Family for 117 years.

We offer Independent Living, Assisted Living, 24-Hour Nursing Care and Alzheimer's/s

For information on The Nebraska Masonic Home Please contact: Chris Abbott Admissions Coordinator at 402-296-7302 or cabbott@nemh.net

Mission Statement

The Nebraska Masonic Home is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of its residents by offering a continuum of care through gracious assisted living and quality nursing care to eligible members of the Masonic family.

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Things just improved for you! Expanded Admission Eligibility Guidelines

Not only have things changed at The Masonic Home during the pandemic in regard to visitors, outings, vaccines, isolation, etc. but we are thrilled to let you know that the eligibility guidelines for those wanting to apply for admission have been expanded.

The years of membership for Nebraska Masons and their eligible female relatives has been lowered to two years of continuous membership and good standing for pay basis or fraternal way application for admission. For Masons and their eligible female relatives with membership outside the Grand Lodge of Nebraska jurisdiction, continuous membership and good standing is now five years for pay basis application only.

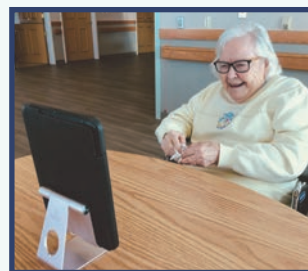
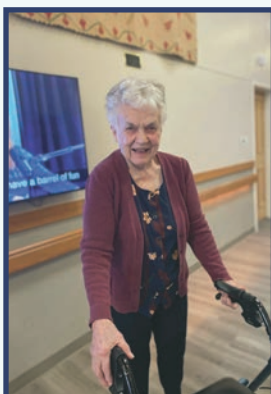
Admission for female relatives of Masons has also been expanded to include the great granddaughter and mother-in-law of an eligible Mason.

Eastern Star ladies will be glad to know that if they don't qualify for admission as an eligible female relative of an eligible Mason, they may qualify on their own Eastern Star membership if they are also the step daughter, step sister, step mother, niece, aunt, sister-in-law, sister, half sister, mother-in-law, grand niece, adopted daughter, or daughter-in-law of an eligible Mason.

Please be sure to contact Chris Abbott, our Admissions Coordinator, for any and all admission eligibility questions. Chris will work with you to determine eligibility and to assist you with the admission process.

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Meet Robert “Hoagy” Hoagland from Kearney, NE . . .

Hoagy was born in Hastings, Nebraska, and lived there until his family moved to Kearney when he was 8 and his older sister was 14. You could say Hoagy was just a little passionate about music as he dreamed of becoming a music teacher. He belonged to the vocal group “Magicals” in high school and during his adult years he was a member of a local band as well as several country western bands that traveled throughout the Midwest.

The musical plan for his life was put on hold when he joined the Navy. Hoagy became a jet mechanic and was a good one at that. He wanted to just work on the planes, but the Navy recruited him to teach others instead. He went on to be a Master of Arms Ships Police.

Hoagy returned to Kearney after the Navy and brought his new bride, Pat, and her two daughters, Laura and Jill, with him. He says they never had much in common; they just weren’t interested in the same things. Friends gave the relationship a year. This couple fooled them all; they found common ground and were married 50 years. In January of 2019 when Pat needed the kind of care that she had given to so many others in her lifetime as a nurse, Hoagy knew The Masonic Home was the best place for Pat to receive the care she so deserved.

Hoagy believes in being educated formally and informally, being passionate about what he enjoys, and working hard. These attributes led Hoagy to radio/TV repair, auto mechanics, and locksmith work. Unfortunately, hearing loss from the military squashed Hoagy’s dream of teaching music. Not being a man to stand still for long, Hoagy has climbed TV towers in all kinds of weather, repaired Fords, Chryslers, Chevrolets, Volkswagons and BMWs, enjoyed being in the pit crew for a local Kearney drag racer, and repaired locks of all kinds.

Another passion for this kind, caring, and devoted man is the Masonic fraternity and its appendant bodies. His Masonic affiliations include Rob Morris Lodge No. 46, Jachin Lodge No. 116, Tehama Shrine, Hastings York Rite, Hastings Scottish Rite, and Tuscan Chapter No. 35 O.E.S. He is a Past Master of both lodges, been Certified Proficient for 17 years, is a Past Patron in O.E.S. three times, and served as Senior Deacon for five years. (According to Hoagy, this is the best seat in the lodge room.) Hoagy also has a dream of going to outdoor degree work on horseback in Casper, Wyoming.

In August 2020 Hoagy ran into some serious health issues and was life flighted from Kearney to Omaha. When he was able to leave the hospital and rehab, he knew then that The Masonic Home was the only place to go for further recuperation. He recuperated so well that he is pleased to call The Masonic Home his home and is very happy living independently in an apartment. That is one of the special attributes of The Masonic Home . . . it is a continuing care retirement community with Independent Living, Assisted Living, Nursing Care and Alzheimer’s/Dementia Care.

We are so pleased to have Hoagy as a resident!

Not long after Hoagy arrived at The Home resident Grace Sullivan made him a Valor quilt to honor his years of military service.



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Make **2021** The Best Year Yet!!!



I wish we could say the pandemic is over . . . it is not. **The Nebraska Masonic Home** continues to have an ongoing need for PPE (personal protective equipment) to keep our residents and staff safe from this terrible virus. We have hope. Things are improving, and we will **conquer COVID-19**.

We are very excited about the vaccine as we were lucky to be one of the first facilities in the area to receive both doses. So far, we have 99% of the residents vaccinated and 69% of our employees. It seems that we are beginning to see some degree of normalcy as we were able to open our doors for inside scheduled visitations for the residents in mid-March. We look forward to when our doors will be open without restrictions, and we will be able to see you pass through our threshold.

PPE and additional cleaning supplies, staffing and other expenses continue. You and our other friends of The Nebraska Masonic Home have been incredible with your support. We have gone through some dire times in the past year. Things continue to improve but there is still an ongoing need. We appreciate your continued support. Please know we do everything we can to be good stewards of the money you send The Home.

Spring is almost here . . . the days are getting longer, the trees are budding, the grass is turning green, and the flowers are beginning to bloom. The troubles of the last year will fade away just for a moment. We forget about our various “vicissitudes of life” and are filled with warmth and maybe even a smile. Unfortunately, we are snapped back into reality and realize we still have **mountains to climb and many hurdles to overcome**. We will adapt and overcome.

Your help is needed now more than ever. Thank you so much for your continued support. Your donations make it possible for us to **help, aid, and assist your Brothers, Sisters, Family, and Friends. The Nebraska Masonic Home** is successful because of **your generosity!!!!**

Remember “What we have done for ourselves alone, dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal.” *Albert Pike*

We look forward to a year with improved health, happiness, and prosperity. See you soon.

Steven R. Barchus
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HAPPENINGS AT THE HOME



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We support The Nebraska Masonic Home simply because there is no better assisted living facility anywhere! It was a true blessing to have wonderful staff care for my father in the final years of his life. We took great comfort in the fact he thought of it as home and not “The Home.” He truly enjoyed the five years he lived there. We were so blessed to have the staff and administration make it possible for him to come home for his hospice care, even going so far as to set up a nursing care room with his personal items and furniture to feel like his apartment. To coin a phrase “there is no place like The Nebraska Masonic Home.”

Kevin and Elizabeth Grazier
La Vista, NE

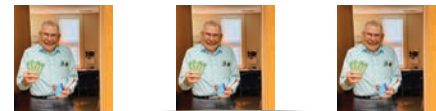


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