

The Ohio Eastern Star Home *Staying in Touch*

Summer
2020

While you are taking care of us...



It's a very different sight when you walk through our campus right now – what used to be a vibrant and busy place now seems quiet and subdued. I would like to assure you however, that even though we are not having large gatherings in the community

room, we are being very creative in new and different ways to promote happiness!

We are so fortunate to have amazing staff members throughout the campus that are working EVERYDAY to not only provide the physical care our elders need but also address their emotional needs! And I thank you for your part in supporting the BEST staff in Knox County as we are not only surviving, but as evidenced by the pictures; we are having fun as well!

This is difficult for us all, but also in addition to your recent support, you deserve a very special thank you as you gave the ultimate support to help build our Healthcare Neighborhoods with your donations, commitment and drive to provide a HOME for our residents to shelter in place through this unprecedented pandemic.

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Stay Strong – we ARE all in this together! From my heart – and the hearts of our elders, thank you!

Michele Engelbach, CEO
The Ohio Eastern Star Home

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We are taking care of our elders!

Order of Eastern Star Chapters have continued to support The Home, both financially and with tangible acts of generosity including food for the Care Partners, masks, and token gifts for the elders.

We are truly grateful to each and every one of you for your generous support and donations, especially as we experience uncertain times. Your donations will continue to make a difference.

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During our week-long Neighborhood celebration, family and friends drove the campus perimeter, greeted by signs and waves from the elders. Even from a distance, they were thrilled to see loved ones again. The twinkle in their eyes and smiles behind the masks said it all! The six parades included just over 200 decorated vehicles from all over the state, as well as the Mount Vernon police, fire and sheriff's departments. Events were attended by members of our OES Grand Family, along with our local Chapters.



A BIG THANK YOU to everyone that contributed to making masks and donating them to our elders and staff to help keep them safe.



Stacks of pizza boxes sent the most WONDERFUL aromas wafting throughout the OES Home. Thank you Ron and Evelyn; you are gems! The pizza was appreciated and enjoyed by many!

Though our hair grew long and natural colors were showing (like it or not) these creative masks have helped to enhance our appearance and lift our spirits!

It's relaxing to knit or crochet. Lap blankets created with love and lots of yarn, provided warmth and comfort during stressful times.

A gift of sweet treats from OESH Board of Trustees member, Bob Vanderhorst, gave Care Partners some welcome relief from answering daily screening questions and temperature taking.





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**Our hearts are
filled with gratitude
because of YOU!**

gratitude

noun

grat·i·tude | \ gra-t-tyüd, -tyüd \

: the state of being grateful : THANKFULNESS

// expressed *gratitude* for their support

gratefulness

thankfulness
appreciation