

# "BEACONS OF LIGHT"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana  
Order of the Eastern Star

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## **From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:**

It is with a grateful heart that I address you for the first time. I can hardly believe that I am **your** WGM ! I am very humbled and my constant prayer is to be blessed with God's wisdom, peace, and understanding so that each decision may bring us closer to our goals and bring peace and harmony to our Order.

The Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George Wilkinson, and I wish to thank our Installing Officers and you, the membership, for such a wonderful Installation night. We will remember it always. We also extend our love and appreciation to our Grand Officers for accepting their positions elected and appointed. A special congratulations to our newly elected Associate Grand Patron - Pierre "Rocky" Schexneider, and Associate Grand Conductress - Debbie Poche. We are looking forward to a great year with you. Sister Linn McNary, PGM, and Brother Otto Beverly, PGP, are to be commended for a wonderful year and great Session.

Thank you to the DDGMs who will start their year immediately. We know you will welcome them and extend every courtesy. They attended a great School of Instruction and have been studying hard so that they might assist you with your work.

For those of you who weren't at Grand Chapter, our projects this year are Cancer, Alzheimers, the Masonic Dyslexia Program, the Scottish Rite RiteCare Centers, and the Special Olympics. I hope you will join us this year as we raise funds for these projects.

Quote of the Month: "Count your blessings. Once you realize how valuable you are and how much you have going for you, the smiles will return, the sun will break out, the music will play, and you will finally be able to move toward the life that God intended for you with grace, strength, courage, and confidence."  
Og Mandino

Keep Your Lights Shining with Star Love,

  
Pamela Gill

## **GRAND REPRESENTATIVE COMMISSIONS:**

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## **INVITATION:**

Districts 10 and 12  
Order of the Eastern Star  
Cordially invite you to attend  
A Homecoming Reception  
For  
Mrs. Pamela Gill, Worthy Grand Matron  
And  
Mr. George Wilkinson, Worthy Grand Patron  
And  
The Louisiana Grand Family of  
2014-2015  
Saturday, May 3, 2014  
From 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.  
At  
West Cenla Shrine Center - Leesville

Directions: From North of Leesville travel south on Hwy 171. Turn right on Nolan Trace (landmark-traffic light by police station). Go 1.2 miles, turn right on HM Stevens Blvd. Enter fairgrounds. The Shrine Center is the 3<sup>rd</sup> building on the left. From South of Leesville travel north on Hwy 171. Turn left on Nolan Trace and continue with directions above.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**LA/AR WESTERN ROUNDUP FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE:** June 7 at Noon. Scottish Rite Temple, 205 University Ave, Monroe, LA. Tickets are \$20.00. Send money and SASE (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope) to Fran Slay, P.O. Box 71, Vidalia, LA 71373-0071. Deadline for ticket orders is May 24, 2014. Dress is Casual.

**"GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66":** July 11-13, Springfield, Missouri. Deadlines: June 1, 2014. Contact Grand Secretary for additional information or check website. Also check: [www.missourioes.org](http://www.missourioes.org) or contact information - - [Multistate2014@gmail.com](mailto:Multistate2014@gmail.com)



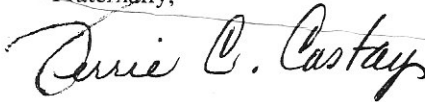
**RECEIVED FROM THE SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS:**

**Dec 10: Natchitoches #13** suspended Mrs Shirley Coe and Mrs Beverly M. Whitehead for NPD

**Dec 19: Istrouma #162** suspended Willie Watson and Shirley Higgins for NPD

**Jan 14: Esther #26** suspended Ramon Grant, Elois Sigler, Diana Smith, Cherie Fenison and Clarice Nash for NPD

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terrie C. Castay". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "T".

Terrie C. Castay, PGM  
Grand Secretary

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