

"The Stars in the Sky"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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June 2015 – Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

The Schools of Instruction are almost finished. I have heard positive remarks about the Schools. Thank you for attending and participating in these Schools. I know the Supervisors appreciate your support and so do I.

I failed to thank Sister Shirley Boone, PGM, Chairman and Sister Linda Lamkin, PGM, ticket chairman for the La/Tx Exchange. You did an excellent job and worked so well together in keeping all of us informed. Thank you so much. You were appreciated.

May 17th was a wonderful day for a celebration. We celebrated the 100th birthday of Mystic Star # 108 In Denham Springs. Sister Bernadette Jones, Worthy Matron was outstanding in her program for the day. The history presented by Sister Billie Calvert, PM, Sister Debbie Poche', GC and Sister Bernadette Jones was very interesting. There were members from the chapter, members from the district and other districts, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, nine Grand Officers, friends, Masonic brothers, and even the Chief of Police in attendance. Did anyone other than Danny Warmack notice what the Chief of Police was driving? It was a great celebration and the cake, Ice cream and punch were delicious.

I hope each chapter is exemplifying the phase of work at each meeting, according to the list provided in your packet. For the month of May, exemplify the duties of the Warder and for June, exemplify balloting.

Clarification: If the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron or Secretary can't attend the School of Instruction or workshops in your district, you may appoint someone to attend representing these officers.

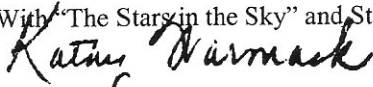
June 14th is Flag Day. Flag Day, is a day for all Americans to celebrate and show respect for our flag. Our flag is representative of our independence and our unity as a nation.....one nation, under God, indivisible. Our flag has a proud and glorious history. As Americans, we have every right to be proud of our culture, our nation, and our flag. So raise the flag on June 14th with pride.

June 21st is Father's Day. A little boy's prayer....There are little eyes upon you and they're watching night and day. There are little ears that quickly take in every word you say. There are little hands all eager to do everything you do and a little boy who's dreaming of the day he'll be like you. You're the wisest of the wise in his little mind, about you no suspicions ever rise.

He believes in you devoutly, holds that all you say and do, he will say and do in your way, when he is grown-up like you. There's a wide-eye little fellow who believes you're always right, and his ears are always open, and he watches day and night. You are setting an example every day in all you do. For the little boy who's waiting to grow up to be like you. Happy Father's Day to all our fathers.

The Golden Chain of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana has been broken with the passing of Virginia Jenkins, PGM. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

With "The Stars in the Sky" and Star love,



Kathy Warmack,
Worthy Grand Matron

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE COMMISSIONS:

Australia: Noel St Cyr, PP, Wm D White #141, 669 Newport Circle, Gretna 70056 - Expiring-12/1/2017

OFFICIAL VISITS

of the Worthy Grand Matron accompanied
by the Worthy Grand Patron and Other Grand Officers

Saturday, May 30 - District 12: Ruth Chapter #16, 717 Hodges Street, Lake Charles. Receiving line at 2:30 p.m. Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Meal to follow the meeting. Becky Josker, DDGM, 337/433-8707.

Friday, June 19 - District 18: Alberta Retif Chapter #252, 1105 LeBeau St., Arabi. Receiving line for DDGM, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers in the District at 6:00 p.m. with light refreshments. Meeting to follow. Joan Dumser, DDGM, 504/462-8830.

District 18 will host a reception honoring the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Committee Members - Terrie Castay, Ambassador of New Jersey, PGM, Grand Secretary and Diane Smith, Alzheimer's, PGM, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of District 18, Jerry Butters, Grand Ruth and Joan Dumser, DDGM immediately following the meeting - finger foods to be served.

Saturday, June 20 - District 17: A.W. Connely #117, 1029 Bayou Black Dr, Houma. Receiving line at 1:45 p.m. for DDGM, Past Grand Patron and Grand Officer in the District. Light refreshments at 2:00 p.m. Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Housing Chairman: Joan Huffman, PM, 985/876-0259. Martha Porche, DDGM, 985/791-8203.

Friday, June 26 – District 16: Slidell Lodge #311, 2202 Front St., Slidell. Light refreshments at 6:00 p.m with meeting to follow. Beverlyn Cowart, Housing Chairman, 985/863-7108. Karen Porter, DDGM, 985/641-4321.

Saturday, June 27 – District 15: Nova Stella #36, 286 E. Pine, Ponchatoula. Light refreshments at 2:00 p.m. Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Brenda Kuhn, DDGM, 225/294-2584.

Friday July 24 - District 6: Fair Park #18, 6407 Buncombe Rd, Shreveport. Light refreshments at 6:00 p.m. with meeting to follow. Faye Bacle, Housing Chairman 318-742-6142, Jennie Goodwin, DDGM, 318-865-2433.

Saturday July 25 – District 7: Natchitoches # 13, 110 Masonic Drive, Natchitoches. Light refreshments at 2:00 p.m. with meeting to follow. Joanna Wiggins, DDGM, 318-548-7651

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, June 6: Cancer Luncheon will be rescheduled (more information to follow)

Friday, June 12 – 13: Rainbow Grand Assembly, Shreveport. Welcome Banquet, Friday, June 12 – tickets required

Sunday, June 28: 100th Birthday, Eleanor # 105 – 5361 Hwy 63 – Pine Grove. 2:00 p.m.

July 10-12: MULTI-STATE FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE, "Denim & Diamonds", Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas. If you are interested, contact the Grand Secretary for information and paperwork. Deadline for pre-registration is June 1.

COURTESY VISITS:

June 1: A.W. Connelly #117, Houma. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Melissa Dumont, WM

June 23: Love Chapter #209, Sulphur. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Martha Bea Woods, WM

June 25: J.T. Charnley Chapter #197, Alexandria. Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Kay McCray, WM

July 6: Nova Stella #36, Ponchatoula. Meeting at 7:30pm. Brenda Kuhn, WM

July 7: Pearl River #237, Pearl River. Meeting at 7:30pm Cynthia Nobles, WM

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A motion was made and passed at Grand Chapter to hold a **Special Session** for the purpose of installing Brother Gerald Houston, as Associate Grand Patron, and that the time and place be published in the monthly newsletter, 30 days prior to the session. At least one-fourth of all the chartered chapters shall be represented at the transaction of ordinary business. **The Worthy Grand Matron has set the date for this Special Session for Saturday, May 30 at 7:30 p.m., prior to the first Official Visit at Ruth Chapter No. 16, at 717 Hodges Street, Lake Charles, La.**

APPRECIATION:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all of you who offered up prayers, sent well wishes and cards. The effects of your prayers were felt and guided the Doctor's hands. I am pleased to report that I have recovered. I had a Doctor's appointment on Monday April 13th and he reported that all is well. My meds are doing their job as he expected and he scheduled a stress test for 5 months away. Star love, Rocky Schexneider, Worthy Grand Patron; 5827 Common St, Lake Charles 70607

On behalf of the Baton Rouge Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center, Inc. I take this opportunity to extend our appreciation and thanks for your very kind and generous donation of \$4,758.12. This donation will assist us in our efforts to provide new devices and other items that Dr. Mendoza needs to teach our children to speak properly as well as provide for the building and grounds maintenance. We at the Scottish Rite are very proud of the progress that we have made in our effort to help these children. During the Calendar year 2014 the Center provided 296.5 hours of assistance to 102 children. These are children that would not have been able to receive help elsewhere.

