

"The Stars in the Sky"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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October 2015 – Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

September was busy, and now we begin another busy month. Hopefully the weather will be cooler and we will see the leaves on the trees begin to change colors.

The Myrtle Celeste Luau was fun. Thank you Bro. Terry Howes for the beautiful program. It was heart-warming. The members of Myrtle Celeste went all out with the delicious food, decorations, and hospitality. Sister Diane Smith, PGM, did an awesome job on the La/Ms Friendship Exchange. We had 132 "Musical Stars" present. The food was delicious, and the entertainment was far more than expected. Wasn't it fun? Thank you Sister Diane, for all that you have done for Eastern Star. Thank you to Sister Linda Lamkin, Ticket Chairman. She did an awesome job, also.

Thank you to the District Deputy Grand Matrons and chapters that hosted the Official Visits in September. As always, everything was wonderful. There are three more official visits. District 5 will be held on Friday, October 2 at Lee Emmett Thomas Chapter #198 and District 4 will be held on Saturday, October 3 at Mt. Gerzim Lodge #54 in Bastrop. The last one will be District 8. It will be held at the Old Anacoco Baptist Church in Anacoco. You can find the complete information about these Official Visits in the Newsletter. Attendance has been very good. I have enjoyed visiting with each member, especially getting to know the new members.

Alabama Grand Chapter and Oklahoma Grand Chapter will be held this month. I hope to see many of you there.

Remember to honor the DeMolay this month. Collect your silver drill and turn it in to the Grand Secretary. You may wish to have them come to your chapter for a visit. Saturday, October 17th, will be the "Cancer Roundup" Luncheon. Trent and Rejeanna Bonnette, Co-chairman have been preparing for this luncheon. Tickets are available from Sister Linda Lamkin, PGM. I hope to see you at the luncheon. We will take donations at the luncheon to go toward our Cancer project.

We are preparing for General Grand Chapter – October 31 – November 4, 2015. If you plan on attending, please let Sister Terrie Castay, GGCCM, PGM, know. Wednesday, November 4th will be a breakfast

honoring Sister Terrie, Sister Diane, and Brother George. It will be Dutch treat. We will let you know place and time. Please send your donations for these GGCCM as soon as possible to your Secretary. If you don't meet before this date, please send it directly to the Grand Secretary noted for the GGCCM. (Cut Off date is October 15th)

Don't forget about our courtesy visits. More information is available in the newsletters. Chapters always love to have visitors. Last call for the Branson Extravaganza. You will enjoy the trip to Branson, so if you haven't signed up and would love to go, please let us know as soon as possible.

If you have shoes for the Mexico Shoes project, please let me know. The last date that I will be able to accept the shoes will be November 1st. Thank you so much for your participation with this project.

District Deputy Grand Matrons, please contact Sister Joye Denny, PGM, to schedule your District School of Instruction. You may contact her at 318-336-5238.

Please remember those who have been ill, had surgeries, or have lost loved ones. Brother Edward Lamkin, PGP has been in the hospital. Please continue to remember him and Sister Linda. Also, Brother Edward Burnitt passed away on September 12th. Please remember Sister Paula, and her family. Brother George Barker had surgery and is home resting. Remember the military and our government.

Clarification Moment: You must have seven of *your* members, not including Honorary members, present to open the chapter. You must fill the stations of Worthy Matron, Associate Matron, Secretary, Conductress, Associate Conductress, Warder, and Sentinel. (One of the first four officers must be present)

We can't – but God can

With the “Stars in the Sky” and Star love,



Kathy Warmack,
Worthy Grand Matron

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

Friday, September 25: District 2, Shongaloo Lodge # 352, Highway 159, Shongaloo. Light refreshments at 6:00 p.m. with meeting to follow. Amanda Strange, Housing Chairman, 318-245-2618. Nobie Morehead, DDGM, Home 870-694-1200 or Cell 318-578-0561.

Saturday, September 26: District 1, Masonic Temple, 1805 Creswell Ave, Shreveport. Receiving line at 2:30 p.m. Refreshments and meeting to follow. Angela McNicoll, PM, DDGM.

Friday, October 2: District 5 – Lee Emmet Thomas # 198 – 1349 Broadway St – Delhi. Short receiving line at 5:30 p.m. with refreshments and meeting to follow. Sheila Presley, DDGM 318-450-1173

Saturday, October 3: District 4, Mt Gerzim Lodge #54, 10506 Boswell St., Bastrop 71220. Housing Chairman: Ruth Watts, 318/281-2133 and Donna Gunter, 318/283-3162. Nancy Lee, PM, DDGM

Saturday, October 24: District 8 – Old Anacoco Church – East Hawthorne Rd – Leesville. Receiving line at 2:30 p.m. with meeting to follow. Meal will follow the meeting. Ria Moore, DDGM, 337-208-8349.

COURTESY VISITS:

October 6 – Thelma Hackett #225, 782 Hwy 27, Bell City. Meal at 6:00 p.m. and meeting at 7:00 p.m. Jo Schexneider, PM, WM

October 8 – Lafayette #46, 101 Carl St, Lafayette, Meal at 6:00 p.m. and meeting at 7:00 p.m. Debra Richard, WM

October 26 - Fair Park #18 – 6407 Buncome Rd, Shreveport. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Martha Adams, WM

November 10 - Baton Rouge #163 – 3950 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Melanie Jackson, WM

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 19: Midyear Meetings – 1415 Horseshoe Dr., Alexandria. 8:30 a.m. Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons; 9:30 a.m. Past Grand Officers; 10:30 a.m. Grand Representative Club

September 21: Caring & Sharing Meal at 6:00 p.m. Silent Brotherhood Lodge, 1036 Ringgold Ave, Coushatta.

Oct 9-10 Alabama Grand Chapter, Birmingham, Alabama

October 17: Cancer Roundup Luncheon - 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$20.00. Masonic Temple, 1415 Horseshoe Drive , Alexandria. Dress is casual (boots, traveling shirts, nice jeans) There will be guest speakers and a fashion show. Kent and Rejeana Bonnette, Co-Chairman. Linda Lamkin, PGM, Ticket Chairman, 293 Bear Creek Rd, Ruston 71370-1646. Cut off date: October 10th.

October 18-21: Oklahoma Grand Chapter, Guthrie, Ok

October 31 - Nov 5: General Grand Chapter, Pittsburg, PA

November 16 – 20: Branson Show Extravaganza \$610.00 plus gratuity. \$150 deposit per person. Details and sign up information is available from the Grand Secretary, Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron.

December 3-4: Arkansas Grand Chapter, Little Rock

December 12: Work & Ritual Workshop - Southern Section

ROSTER CORRECTIONS

Page 6: 1998 - Julio Morales, PGP - Email address: eaglejlm@bellsouth.net

Page 24: District 16 - Pushepatapa #239 is in Bogalusa

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY:

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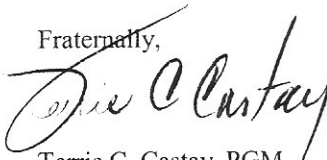
FYI: General Grand Chapter has informed me that there will be no reprinting of rituals until after the General Grand Chapter Triennium in November after which revisions to the rituals is anticipated and new rituals will be made available.

2010 Book of Instruction - \$3.00 plus postage

2015 Constitution Revisions - \$2.00 plus postage

2015-2016 Roster - \$6.00 plus postage

Fraternally,



Terrie C. Castay, PGM
Grand Secretary

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