# "The Stars in the Sky"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana Order of the Eastern Star

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February 2016 - Newsletter

## From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

My! It is February already. Time has flown by for this year. We hope that you have made memories, friends that will last a lifetime, and had a wonderful year. I certainly have done all of the above.

Several attended the Louisiana Masonic Grand Lodge Session January 29 - 30<sup>th</sup> at the SAI Convention Center in Alexandria. It was great to visit with the Masonic men and their wives. They always make us feel special. Mr. William Mollere is to be commended for his leadership this year. We pray for their session to be successful. We wish for Mr. Will Gray and his officers the best for the coming year.

Thanks to the District Chairmen who have worked so hard and also to the State Chairmen who have carried out the plans this year. At Grand Chapter, your reports will reflect your hard work. Please have your reports ready to be given at Grand Chapter. Remember to keep them short, and have three copies to give to the Grand Secretary.

Send money for the various projects to the Grand Secretary and information to the District Chairman and State Chairman. Remember to send a copy of the Chapter Annual Activity Report (Chapter Award of xcellence) to the DDGM and Worthy Grand Matron. I use these to prepare the award for the Chapters.

Chapter Secretaries, please send the names of the first five elected and installed officers complete with proper titles to the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Secretary, Grand Conductress and Chairman of Committee on Credentials. Please include the phone number and email address of the Chapter Secretary.

Congratulations to all the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, but especially to the members that will be serving as a Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron for the first time. I know you will carry your chapter to greater heights.

We need you to sing in the choir at Grand Chapter. We want to make a joyful noise and to do that we need you. Please contact Sister Beverlyn Cowart, or better yet, show up for Grand Chapter and surprise her by singing in the choir. Correct phone Numbers: 985/863-7108 house phone and 985/290-3425 for cell.

We need Assisting Grand Warders and Grand Sentinels. If interested, please contact Brother James Pantalion, Grand Warder, and Brother Richard Porche, Grand Sentinel.

Please send in your registration for Grand Chapter, and order your banquet tickets.

February 6<sup>th</sup> will be the Central Section Workshop. We have had great attendance, and great question sessions. Thank you for attending. If you haven't attended one, please join us at Palestine Chapter # 55 in Winnfield. Let's fill the chapter room to capacity.

Brother Rocky and I and the Grand Officers are hoping to see you at Grand Chapter on March 19-23, 2016 at the SAI Convention Center in Alexandria, La.

Please remember to pray for those who have been ill, had surgeries or lost loved ones, and remember our government and military.

Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, Sugar is Sweet, and so are YOU!

Happy Valentine's Day!

We can't - but God can

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

Kathy Wannack

Worthy Grand Matron

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

February 6: Work & Ritual Workshop, Central Section: Palestine #55, 106 N. Bevill St., Winnfield. Workshop 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. with lunch to follow.

February 27: DDGM School of Instruction Masonic Drive on Horseshoe Drive in Alexandria. Meetings begin at 8:00am

March 5: Fish Fry – Community Center, 26356 Hwy 15, Ferriday – 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Contact Rovenia McDonald, AGM, for tickets or more information.

March 19 - 23: Louisiana Grand Chapter, SAI Convention, Alexandria

October 9 – 16: Rovenia McDonald, AGM, and Gerald Houston, AGP, invite you to join them on their Fabulous 7 night Canada/New England Cruise. Royal Caribbean Cruise Line – Serenade of the Seas

Ports of Call – Portland, Maine; Bar Harbor, Maine; St John, New Brunswick; Halifax, Nova Scotia. For more information contact Rovenia or Gerald.

**ECTION OF OFFICERS:** Article 16, Page 65, Section 3 (i)

plural member may simultaneously hold office in a chapter of which she or he is a primary or plural member, provided, that she or he shall not simultaneously serve as Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, or Associate Patron in more than one Chapter, nor hold more than one office in the same chapter. A plural member may represent only-one Chapter at a Grand Chapter Session. (Amended 2008)

#### NOTICE:

Effective January 15, 2016 the merger between Victory Chapter #130 and Broadmoor Chapter #233 is complete. The remaining chapter is Broadmoor Chapter #233.

#### APPRECIATION:

Thank you to each and every one of you who sent cards, made phone calls, and said prayers for us while John was in the hospital. We are especially thankful for the prayers as we know that these were on our behalf and that God answered them. Fraternally, John and Rovenia McDonald

### **ROSTER CHANGES:**

Page 25: Electa #10 - Linda Shaw, Sec - email: lbshaw@suddenlink.net

Page 25: Sunny South #12 will meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Page 27: Fern Leaf #24 will meet on second Monday of each month

Page 36: Sunset Star #227 will meet on Fourth Thursday at 6:45 p.m. except on any Holiday. December meeting shall be held on the 2nd Thursday. Dark: July and August

# FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY:

Please note: Have you filed your Annual Return?

<u>MAILING LABEL PROGRAM</u> – Hope you enjoy using the labels. Thank you for your support of this important program that benefits Louisiana Eastern Star!

## **Received from the Subordinate Chapters:**

Sept 25: Jewel #100 suspended Marlene F. Doucet, Anna Elaine Orr and Robin Paulette Powdrill Orr for NPD

Sept 22: Dixie #179 reinstated Barbara Rhone

Oct 8: Bossier City #175 suspended Cora Sue Blair for NPD

Nov 10: Dixie #179 suspended Dianne Rosier for NPD

Dec 8: Golden Star #73 suspended Katheline McKay, Larry McKay and Shelton Foster for NPD

Dec 14: Noble Queen #45 suspended Joyce Marie Crowe, Judy Ann Bullock, Cassidy W. Williams and

Geraldine Sanders for NPD

Jan 12: Magi #85 suspended Don and Patricia Emanuel for NPD

**FY1:** Changes to the Ritual were approved at the General Grand Chapter Triennial Session and new rituals will be made available as soon as possible. I will make a note in the newsletter as to when they can be ordered.

**2010 Book of Instruction** - \$3.00 plus postage **2015 Constitution Revisions** - \$2.00 plus postage

Fraternally,

Terrie C. Castay, PGM Grand Secretary

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