"A Time for all Seasons"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana Order of the Eastern Star

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April 2017 – Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Wow! What a fast month of March we had. The Fish Fry on the 4th was a great success. Thank you everyone that helped in any way, bringing cakes, auction items, bought tickets, helped setup and take down, and especially the cooks. Hope all enjoyed the fun and fellowship.

Then we had the time change on us, lost an hour there!! Getting ready for Grand Chapter made the rest of the month go very fast for me.

Congratulations to Rovenia, Jr. PGM and Gerald, Jr. PGP, for a successful year and a great Grand Chapter Session in Alexandria. My Installation was all I had hoped it would be. Thank you to all that participated in this new "Season" of my life. I have a great corps of Grand Officers this year and Lonnie and I expect to see a year of fun, fellowship and community projects. We hope to see everyone get involved!!

Thank you to all the Secretaries that sent in the list of Active PMs and PPs, they were very helpful in granting appointments for the year. Each of these committees are very important for the work of the Order, thank you to those accepting them. Praying for those who could not but wanted to. Everyone counts and I look forward to working with all the members this year.

This year we are having our Schools of Instruction first, the Supervisors are to teach and help you be more proficient. Please attend these schools, they are for you. The Deputies will do a follow up when they make their official visits with more instruction where it is needed. We can always do better to make our work more beautiful and come alive with excitement!!

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE: The FUN TRIP!! We are going to California. August 27th thru Sept. 3rd. **Deadline** for reservations with half payment due **May 15th**, balance due June 25th. The more people that come the cheaper the price for everyone!! Invite non-members, family and friends. All places are fun, educational and interesting for all ages. We have some grandchildren signed up with grandparents already.

See the enclosed Flyer and get in touch with SuEllen Kirk as soon as possible at 318-433-3549 or email at <a href="https://kirk.dai.org

Check out the upcoming events in this newsletter. I hope you come and share your time with us, it's always good to be with you. I pray that everyone has a joyful and safe Easter.

In each life, there is always "Time" to start anew. 2017-2018 - Our Time has come.

God Bless and Star Love,

Debbie Poche'

Worthy Grand Matron

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Grand Representative Commissions:

Nova Scotia, PEI: Regina Steyerman, P.O. Box 953, Rosepine, 70659-0953 Expires: Dec. 31, 2018 New York, Dean Rashong, 205 Manning Road, Logansport, 71049 Expires: Feb. 1, 2019 District of Columbia, Dorothy Purcell247 Los Adais Road, Frierson 71029 Expires: March 15, 2019

Calling all Past Matrons and Past Patrons, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, and Grand Representatives:

I still have some Committee Appointments available. If you are interested in any of the following: General Arrangements; Decorations and Property & Main Sessions Banquet; Louisiana & Distinguished Guest Registration; and Hospitality. You just can't have too many, this way everyone get a break from working all day. Still need a District 8 Chairman for Personal Achievement Award and I also would like to have a Grand Choir Director. You can email me at dpoche72@yahoo.com or call at 225-938-3015 with any questions or concerns.

Upcoming events:

You are cordially invited to attend the Grand Family Reception Honoring Sister Debbie Poché, WGM, and Brother Lonnie Smith, WGP, and the 2017-2018 Grand Officers at the Acacia Shrine Center, 7991 Commerce Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70815, on Saturday, May 20, 2017, from 2-4 p.m. Hosted by Districts 9 and 11.

April 6 - Regular Meeting at Mystic Star #108 - Homecoming of the WGM - 6pm

April 9-12: Mississippi Grand Chapter - Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

June 1-3: Rainbow Grand Assembly, Hilton New Orleans Airport, 901 Airline Drive, Kenner

April 13 – Regular Meeting at Lafayette Chapter #46 – Homecoming of the WGP – 6pm.

May 20 - Grand Family Reception - 2-4pm - Acacia Shrine Center, Baton Rouge.

Aug. 27 - Sept. 3: California Napa Valley Trip - Deadline for deposit -- May 15th

Call SuEllen Kirk - 318-433-3549 or email at kirkdaddy10@yahoo.com.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY:

Received from the Subordinate Chapters:

Seb. 2, 2017 Lafouche #251suspended Glenn Rodrigue for NPD eb. 2, 2017 Lafouche #251suspended Sonya Rodrigue for NPD

Feb. 10, 2017 Friendship #210 suspended Jennye Weynn Baker Miller for NPD

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Secretaries and Members, Please make all checks payable to The Grand Chapter. Thank you.

Fraternally,

Pamela Gill, PGM

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Grand Secretary

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