

"A Time for all Seasons"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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October, 2017 – Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Well, nineteen of us had a great trip to California. We flew into San Francisco, had a short tour of the city, checked in the hotel and then walked down to Union Square. The next day we toured Carmel and Monterey and visited the Aquarium there. Day 3 was Yosemite National Park, we hiked a little there and saw the Bridal Falls. Day 4 was lots of riding on the bus to get to Napa Valley, the landscape was amazing, so many different produce farms. Day 5 we loaded onto the Gourmet Express Napa train and had a delicious lunch on board and ended at the Castello di Amorosa winery (it's in a real castle). Day 6 we went to the Benziger winery and we got to see how they get the grapes off the stems, cleaned and ready for juicing. This winery was in a volcano. It was not time to harvest the grapes as yet so the miles and miles of vines we saw were heavily loaded with fruit. Next was a short hike in Muir Woods and saw the Redwood Pine trees. That night we saw a very funny play "Something Rotten!" and the writer of it is from Baton Rouge. Day 7 we all toured Alcatraz, it was amazing, then Fisherman wharf and the Golden Gate Bridge. Some of us got to walk part way up before heading to our farewell dinner and the tour of Treasure Island and the Cable Car ride. The food tasted different, but good, just ask Kitty White, it was not the Louisiana southern cooking we are used to. It was a great experience for all us.

Recap of Official visit: "A Time to be a Doer is when we cheerfully do the things that need doing with or without being asked. A Time to be a Guide" is when members need a little help to accomplish the goals in the chapter. We must use the talents God gave each of us to do our part for the chapter with a positive attitude. We never know who is watching our behavior, it could make a big difference in someone's life. "A Time for Fun and A Time to be Serious" there are times in the Chapter when we need to be serious about the work and learning the Ritual. Then there are times for fun in the chapter as well. Part of our meetings are for social enjoyment, let's keep out the negatives and reinforce the positives.

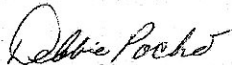
A special thank you to District 10 for hosting the Mid-Year meetings. Everything went very well and the lunch you provided was excellent. I do appreciate all that was done for us!!

Well, we almost did it!! We had 42 members signed up for the Four-State Exchange, Arkansas has 31 and Texas beat us by 2 they had 44. Those that went had a good time and saw a good part of Oklahoma and heard about the history for that area. Next year Texas will host it, hope many more can go to that one.

Chapter Secretaries and Treasurers Workshops are going very well. There is a lot of information being handed out. Any of the other members that want to know about the workings of your chapter can attend also. Check the times for each Official visit.

“There is a season for everything under the sun—even when we can’t see the sun.”

God Bless, I love you all,



Debbie Poche
Worthy Grand Matron

Upcoming events:

October 8-10, MO Grand Chapter – Jefferson City

October 12-13, Alabama Grand Chapter, Birmingham

October 14, District 2 Official Visit at Farmerville Chapter #207, Highway 2 East, Farmerville.

Secretary/Treasurer work shop at 1:00pm, meeting at 2:00 pm, with refreshments to follow. Housing Chairman: Dianne Sutton 318-325-7134 or 318-537-0007, dandesutton@comcast.net. Susan Hinckley, DDGM, 318-259-8595 or 318-533-3310.

October 21 – District 5 Official Visit at Eastern Star Lodge #151, **106 N. Bevill Street**, Winnfield.

Secretary/Treasurer Workshop, 1:00 PM, Meeting at 2:00 pm. Refreshment to follow. Housing Chairman, Florene Keene, 318-628-6528. Danneda Perkins, DDGM, 318-210-4697.

October 22, District 6 Official Visit at Orange Chapter @224, 2439 E Hawthorn Rd, Leesville.

Secretary/Treasurer Workshop, 1:00 PM, Meeting at 2:00 pm. Refreshment to follow. Housing Chairman, Danny Warmack, 318-256-5732. Karen Mitchell, DDGM, 318-663-5920.

October 24, Courtesy Visit – Love Chapter #209, Sulphur, 6:0 pm

October 27, Myrtle Celeste Luau, Courtesy Visit, Baton Rouge, 6:00 pm

October 28, District 3 Official Visit at Guiding Star #66, 401 Jefferson St, Oak Grove..
Secretary/Treasurer Workshop at 1:00 pm, Meeting at 2:00 pm, with refreshments to follow. Sheila Presley, DDGM, 318-450-1173.

November 4, District 11 Official Visit at Mystic Star Chapter #108, 313 Benton St N, Denham Springs.
Secretary/Treasurer Workshop at 1:00 pm, Meal at 2:00 pm, Meeting at 3:00 pm, Ice Cream Social to follow. Housing Chairman is Norma Cagle 225-665-5308. Ruth LeCompte, DDGM, 225-774-1321

Save the Date

September 17-22, 2018

Travel with Marilyn and Richard
To Tennessee
For great shows and entertainment

Pigeon Forge and the Smokey Mountains Show Trip
6 Days- 5 Nights

Leaving from Alexandria, Louisiana
Eastern Star Members, Friends and Family

~All are welcome~

More Information to follow.....

Deposit of \$100 per person is due at time of booking
Details on shows and
complete price will be on the flier

Tour Escort:

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Grand Representative Appointments:

Alberta, The Appointment has been changed to expire 9/30/2019

Alabama, Carol Vincent, 9526 Meadow Lane, Oscar 70762. Expires 8/1/2019

Delaware, Gerald Neal, 7115 Hwy 110 East, Lot MO-08, Longville 70652-4666. Expires 12/31/2019

New Hampshire, Jackie Dowden, 1221 Andrew Mouhot Rd, Ragley 70634. Expires 9/1/2019

Pennsylvania, Gwen Fontenot, P.O. Box 363, Woodworth 71485-0363. Expires 8/11/2019

Appreciation:

Dear Sisters and Brothers: I wish to thank you very much for attending the Wake and the funeral of my husband. I feel the love you showed to me and my family. Your phone calls, cards, and prays was deeply appreciated. Star love Kitty White

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY:

Received from the Subordinate Chapters:

July 18, 2017, Lafourche Chapter #251 Suspended Phil Gilligan for NPD.
September 11, 2017, Encircler #191 Suspended Todd Robertson and Troy Broussard for Lack of Masonic Affiliation

Roster Changes:

New Address, Otto Beverly, PGP, 325 Allen Dale Drive, Anacoco, LA 71403

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 - Large Print, Spiral Bound, Navy, Maroon, or White \$25.00
 - Extra Large Print, Spiral Bound, Tan \$33.00
 - Revised Book of Instruction, \$1.75
 - Rosters, 2017-2018, \$1.50
 - Constitution Revisions, 2016 \$1.00
- Secretaries and Members, Please make all checks payable to **The Grand Chapter**. Thank you.

Fraternally,



Pamela Gill, PGM
Grand Secretary

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Letter of Intent

I would like to submit my name for reelection to the Estar! Board. I have been a member of Eastern Star for 39 years and have served on several committees. I served as Grand Ruth in 2011-2012. I will do my best to serve with integrity and kindness.
Faye Bacle