

"Miracles of Faith"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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May, 2018 – Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

May is the month we honor our mothers. I hope you have included plans to show special appreciation for the mothers in your life during this month. Whether it be your mother, your children's mother, or your mother-in-law, make it an occasion to be proud of.

Mississippi Grand Chapter was a great experience as they emphasized the "Family of Stars." There were twenty-six Louisiana members there to enjoy the activities. We were ten Grand Officers, three General Grand Chapter Committee Members, six Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and seven other members present. Thank all of you for representing Louisiana well.

Reports of good attendance at the Schools of Instruction are encouraging. Please take advantage of these schools. It is a good chance to re-enforce what you already know and ask questions you may want answered. The Supervisors are prepared and willing to help guide you.

I will be highlighting the Grand Chapter Committees each month. Most of them are Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and do not get introduced with their committee title. This month's committee is the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence. They are Mary Howell, PGM, chairman (1yr); Gerald Houston, PGP, (2yrs.) and Linda Lamkin, PGM, (3yrs.).

Remember, we walk by faith and not by sight

Appreciations:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Lonnie and I would like to, once again thank you for a wonderful successful year. It was filled with many memories of accomplishments, laughter and love. The Grand Chapter Session was a great ending of our year with you. Our hearts are filled with appreciation and love for you all. Our hope is that you enjoyed it with us. Thank you for accepting the positions we asked and carrying them out to perfection. I hope we have encouraged you to commit to the Order and to always be kind and loving one to another. We are still here to assist in any way you need us. We love you all, Debbie Poché, PGM and Lonnie Smith, PGP

Grand Representative Appointments:

Australia, Tina Watson, 318 S. Moore Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37411, Expires December 31, 2019

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY: ROSTER UPDATES:

Received from the Subordinate Chapters:

February 8, Crescent #64 Suspended Mrs. Nancy Ludwig, NPD
February 8, Crescent #64 Suspended Mrs. Carolyn Lindsay, NPD
February 8, Crescent #64 Suspended Mrs. Kelly Johnson, NPD
February 8, Crescent #64 Suspended Mrs. P.M. Marie Stout, NPD
February 8, Crescent #64 Suspended Mrs. Cheryl Dunlap, NPD
February 8, Farmerville #207 Suspended Mrs. Jerrie May J Baez, NPD
February 8, Farmerville #207 Suspended Mrs. Betty Whit, NPD
February 8, Farmerville #207 Suspended Mrs. Clara Hearn, NPD
March 12, Greenwood #202 Suspended Mrs. Sue Hanson, NPD
March 12, Greenwood #202 Suspended Mrs. Jo Ann Schroeder, NPD
April 23, Esther #26 Notified of Suspension of Jessie Campos from Masons effective 12/31/2017, Therefore Suspended from Chapter due to Lack of Masonic Affiliation

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Upcoming events:

May 5 – Homecoming Reception for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and the 2018-2019 Grand Officers, 1:00 PM, Gueydan Civic Center, 901 Wilkinson Street, Gueydan.

May 20 – Special Grand Chapter Session – 2:00 PM, Masonic Temple, 1415 Horseshoe Drive, Alexandria. This session is only for the installation of the newly appointed Grand Treasurer. Dues card for chapter represented must be shown.

June 6-9 – Demolay Conclave, Woodworth.

June 8-9 – Rainbow Assemble, Kenner.

June 16 – MS/LA Exchange, Natchez First Baptist Church, 150 Devereux Drive, Natchez, MS. From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Flyer in News Letter and on Website.

June 23 – District 14 Official Visit, Meal 1:30 PM, Receiving line 2:30 PM, Meeting 3:00 PM, 1029 Bayou Black, Houma.

June 30-July 1 – Grand Lodge, Alexandria Riverfront Convention Center.

July 7 – District 8 Official Visit, 3:00 PM, TBA

July 8 - District 7 Official Visit, Pineville.

July 20-21 – Multi State, Macon, Georgia Information website. (laoes.org)

July 29 – District 13 Official Visit, 2:00 PM, TBA

August 4 – District 2 Official Visit, 3:00 PM, TBA

August 5 – District 5 Official Visit, 2:00 PM, TBA

September 17-22 – Pigeon Forge & Smoky Mountain Show Trip, \$595.00 per person based on double occupancy. See your chapter secretary for flyer and booking form or email the Worthy Grand Matron at omabsh@ktctelecom.net.

<<<<<<<<< AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE >>>>>>>>>

General Grand Chapter is getting ready for the Triennium and the printing of new Rituals. They are trying to liquidate their inventory and have temporarily placed the Rituals on sale. They are approximately half price. If you purchase one now, you might need stickers after the Triennium; so keep that in mind. The stickers usually run from \$3 to \$5.

These are full prices:

Small Print, Hardbound, Black or Green \$19.00

Large Print, Hardbound, Navy, Maroon, or White \$23.00

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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