

"Miracles of Faith"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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February, 2019 -- Newsletter

From the Desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It was amazing to see so many of our members showing such great interest in the Ritualistic Work of our Order. This was exhibited by the good attendance at each of our Work and Ritual Workshops in all three sections of the state. Your questions and discussion were very pertinent in every area. Thank you, Work and Ritual Committee Members, you did a superb job. Thank you, also, to Bossier #175, Pinehurst #33 and Mystic Star #108 for hosting these workshops for us. You are greatly appreciated.

In order to complete listing the Grand Chapter Committees, I will be listing two committees during February and March. First is the Committee on Necrology. They are George Wilkinson, PGP, Chairman; Nancy Hickman, PM and Jean Stafford, PM. The second is Time and Place: Paula Moore, PM, Huston Dickinson, PP and Marilyn Lawson, PM.

Secretaries, I want to remind you to remember that the Seal of your Chapter is required on all correspondence. Emails are fine for announcements, but official correspondence must have the Chapter Seal. If necessary, for times sake you must send an email, follow with a hard copy with the Chapter Seal.

We will need Assisting Grand Warders and Assisting Grand Sentinels at Grand Chapter on Tuesday and Wednesday. If you are able to assist, please contact Brother Robbie Baker, Grand Warder (318-356-8397; email bakerrobbie50@yahoo.com) or Jim Josker, Grand Sentinel (337-532-4001; email stat_man540@outlook.com.)

Looking forward to seeing you at Grand Chapter. Don't forget to register with Credentials and the hotel and order your tickets.

Remember, we walk by faith and not by sight

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Upcoming events:

March 2, 2019 – Annual Fish Fry & Auction 10:00 AM-2:30 PM at the Community Center, **26356 Hwy 15**, Ferriday, LA. Join us for fun day with OES friends for great food and unique auction items. Donation \$15. For tickets or information, contact Bennye Randall, Judith Avery, or Sharon Powell.

March 23-27 – Louisiana Grand Chapter at Alexandria Convention Center, 2225 N. MacArthur Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Appreciations:

My family and I want to thank each of you for your calls, cards, attendance and prayers during the unexpected death of my husband, Merton Mestler, PGP. May our Lord be with each of you. Star Love, Dora Mestler, PM and family.

Dear members of Louisiana:

My many and most sincere thanks to each of you for your concern, cards, calls and most important for your prayers during and after my invasive back surgery on November 27th. The sciatica nerve pain disappeared instantly. I am now standing and walking and also going to aqua therapy several times a week. What a change this has made in my life and your prayers have made a difference.

Star Love & Miles of Smiles

Diane Smith, PGM

Announcements for Grand Chapter Session: Hospitality Room

CALLING ALL MEMBERS!

Reminder to all District Deputies and Grand Representatives – please remember your appropriate items for Grand Chapter in March. Please continue to collect handmade items as well as novelty items for our 2018-2019 Grand Chapter Session in Alexandria. Novelty items such as fingernail files, trial size lotions, mouthwash, Kleenex tissues, snack bars are excellent, in short, anything that would be useful in a pinch while traveling. District Deputies; please bring in items collected in your areas (needed by Saturday to stuff bags). Grand Representatives, please bring two- 2 liter soft drinks with A-G bringing Dr. Pepper, Sprite/7 Up; and H-M bringing Coke, Diet Coke and Snapple. Grand Representatives N-Z, please bring packaged food items for brunch Sunday and breakfast Monday, i.e. chips, dips, fruits, veggies, Kolaches, donuts, blueberry muffins etc.

Barbara Turner, PM

Distinguished Guests/Special/Hospitality Committee Chairman

Grand Representative Appointments:

Arkansas, Charolette Elmer, 316 Iris Park Drive, Pineville 71360-4419 Expires 9/30/2020

Georgia, Carl Jackson 3025 Murphy Dr, Baton Rouge, 70809-1529 Expires 9/1/2020

Kansas, James Duncan, 37164 Oak View Lane, Denham Springs 70706 Expires 1/1/2021

Nevada, Darlene Lait, 1365 St Ann Place, Slidell 70460 Expires 12/31/2020

**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY:
ROSTER UPDATES:**

Fidelity Chapter #160 has changed the location of its meeting. It will meet at Livonia Lodge #220 at 1288 Poydras Street, New Roads, LA

Rebecca #2 the correct address is 310 S Adams, Welsh

Letter of Intent

November 21, 2018

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Grand Chapter and members for giving me the opportunity to serve as chairman this past year for the Clinton Ardis Mills Educational Scholarship Fund. During this past year our committee has been able to further the educational for 4 young ladies.

I would like to be considered as a candidate for the Clinton Ardis Educational Scholarship Fund representing the central section.

Thank You,
Richard J Shaw, PGP, Electa Chapter #10

Received from the Subordinate Chapters:

November 26, Lee Emmett Thomas #198 suspended Sarah Herring for NPD
December 10 – Noble Queen #45 suspended Jeannie Mizell Bergeron for NPD
December 20 – Esther #26 suspended Kimberly Helton for NPD

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

There will be no Rituals available until after General Grand prints new ones. I will let you know when they are available.

Revised Book of Instruction, \$1.75

Rosters, 2017-2018, \$1.50

Constitutions are available. They are as follows:

Constitution Revisions, 2018, \$1.00 (If you only want to update you Constitution)

Constitution Pages Only, \$4.68 (You have your binder and tabs but want new updated pages)

Constitution Tabs, \$3.62

Constitution Pages and Tabs, \$8.10

Constitution Binder, \$6.00

Fraternally,



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