

# “JEWELS OF THE SEA”

Grand Chapter of Louisiana  
Order of the Eastern Star

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October 2021 – Newsletter

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## From the desk of the Worthy Grand Matron

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our state has again been ravaged by another hurricane, as Ida made her landfall on the same date as Katrina, sixteen years ago. I don't think there is a single person in this state that has not, at one time or another, been in the path of one of these storms or experienced damage from their winds and rains. We feel and pray for our Sisters and Brothers in the affected area. As soon as it was possible, I started trying to contact our members and together, with the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence and Finance, came up with a plan to rapidly respond to help our members. So far we have given aid to many of our members and will continue to do so until they are whole again. We are working with our Brother Mason's to help deliver supplies and collections are being taken up all over our state to help those in need. We encourage you to donate to the Disaster Relief fund so we can continue our work. If your Chapter would like to donate supplies, you may call myself or the Worthy Grand Patron and we will see that they are collected and get to the affected area.

The “Jewels of the Sea” had a great time at our Port of Call in Lake Charles when we visited District 8 for the Official Visit. Many Chapters brought supplies and donated money and we were able to fill a trailer full of supplies which were delivered the next day. Sister Ivy Schwartz, the DDGM, was not able to attend her meeting as she is recovering from Covid, and we wish her a speedy recovery. Sister Sandra Jones, her Page, stood in for her and did a fabulous job. The location was perfect and their decorations were ever so beautiful. The Chapters did their work perfectly, and are to be commended. Afterwards, we all went to Moss Bluff Lodge for an ice cream social hosted by Sister Juanita Wilkinson and her daughters. A good time was had by all that attended and we extend best wishes to Sister Juanita and Brother George.

Our next Port of Call was in Oak Grove for the Official Visit of District 3. The “Jewels of the Sea” were shining, as we had a wonderful meeting led by Nancy Lee, DDGM. The dining hall was decorated with our theme and the food was delicious. The Chapters did their work very well and we enjoyed our visit in their part of the country.

Bossier City was our next Port of Call for the 4 State Friendship Exchange. There were 176 registered for the event from Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas. Everyone had the very best time dancing and enjoying the country and western band on Friday night. Elvis joined us for the Saturday morning breakfast and DDGM, Kristina Donovan, impressed us with her beautiful voice at the formal banquet on Saturday night. Only good comments were heard about the great time our guests from the three states had at this event.

Due to the hurricane, we changed the date of the Southern Section Work and Ritual Workshop. It will now be held on October 23, 2021.

The Central Section Work and Ritual Workshop will be held on October 2, 2021 at Orange Chapter #224, 2439 Hawthorne Road, Leesville. A meal to benefit Donna Baker, AGC, will begin at 11:30a m. and the meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your Ritual, Book of Instruction and Blue Constitution book, if you have one, as we will be going over these books in the meeting. Please attend as these meetings will help you in your work and the work of your Chapter. The dress is casual, but please ladies, no leggings, no shorts, or jeans.

Remember that travel teaches you a little about the world and lot about yourself and if you change the way you look at things, the things you look at will change.



Kay McCray,  
Worthy Grand Matron

## Up Coming Events

**October 2, 2021, Central Section Workshop:** Orange Chapter #224, 2439 Hawthorne Rd., Leesville, Meal at 11:30 a.m. benefitting Donna Baker, AGC, meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**October 23, 2021, Southern Section Workshop:** Eunice Chapter #14, 4627 Church Street, Zachary, Meal at 11:30 a.m. benefitting Susan Freeman, AGM, Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**November 13, 2021 Northern Section Workshop:** Magi Chapter #85, 111 N. Vienna Street, Ruston, Meal at 11:30 a.m. benefitting Susan R. Williams, Gr. Cond. Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

These meetings are open to all, regardless of your location in the state. We encourage you to attend. Please bring your Ritual, Book of Instruction and Blue Constitution Book.

**October 9, 2021, District 12, Official Visit, Metairie Ridge #169, 2122 Causeway Blvd., Metairie, Kristina Donovan, DDGM, C-504-452-3659, Formal Dress, Light refreshments at 1:00 p.m., meeting at 2:00 p.m.**

**Alabama Grand Chapter Session, October 14 -17<sup>th</sup>, Birmingham, Ala.**

**Oklahoma Grand Chapter Session, October 17 – 19<sup>th</sup>, Guthrie, Okla.**

**Mississippi/Louisiana Exchange, Saturday Nov. 20, 2021, First Church of the Nazarene, 3428 Wisconsin Ave., Vicksburg, Ms. "Old Fashioned Christmas". Register by Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Bring a Christmas ornament to exchange and wear red or green.**

**Notice:** Monetary donations should be sent directly to the Food Bank or Food Pantry, with a record kept by the Chapter secretary and reported on the form at the end of the year. Do not send donations to the Grand Secretary. If your Chapter donated supplies to the storm victims, please keep a record and report on the same form at the end of the year.

**Grand Representative Appointments:**

**New York:** Betty Jo Morgan, PM, (228) 408 Phillips Rd. Westlake, Exp. 7/1/2023

**Rhode Island:** Karen Young, PM, (16) 213 Helen St. Apt.1, Westlake, Exp.7/1/2023

**Massachusetts:** Carolyn Edgar, PM (27) 5910 Roma Dr., Shreveport, Exp.7/1/2023

**Georgia:** Robert Strickland, PP (197) P. O. Box 97, Ball, Exp. 7/1/2023

**Letter of Intent – ESTARL Board:** I would like to submit my name for re-election to the ESTARL Board. I have been a member of Eastern Star for 43 years and I am a member of Bossier City Chapter #175. I served as Grand Ruth in 2011-2012. I will do my best to serve with integrity and kindness. Faye Bacle, PM

**Roster/Chapter Changes:**

**Janet Shook, PGM** – New address: 3790 Cedar Plaza Lane, Apt. 2227, Dallas, TX 75209

**Rebecca #2** – Change of domicile effective 10/1/2-21 - 728 North Main St., Jennings 70546

**Magi #85** – New Time: 6:00 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

**Bossier City Chapter #175** – Meeting on First Monday at 7:00PM (No meeting on holidays, or holiday eve)

**Westlake #228** – Suspended for NPD: Tina LeBeouf, Peggy Humphries & Martha McIlwain

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

Roster 2021-2022 - \$2.00 each

Ritual – Large spiral bound - \$26.00 each (5 ¼ x 8 ¼ - navy blue or white)

Ritual – Extra Large spiral bound - \$36.00 ea. (7 x 10 ¾ – purple)

Revised Book of Instruction, \$1.75

Constitutions are available. They are as follows:

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

Constitution Revisions, 2019, \$.50 (If you want to update your Constitution)

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

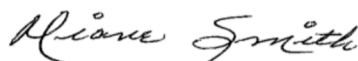
Constitution Tabs, \$3.62

Constitution Pages and Tabs, \$8.10

Constitution Binder, \$6.00

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Thank you.

Fraternally,



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