

“JEWELS OF THE SEA”

Grand Chapter of Louisiana
Order of the Eastern Star

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November 2021 – Newsletter

From the desk of the Worthy Grand Matron

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

What wonderful weather we have been having the last few weeks. Soon the air will have that crispness in it, leaves will start turning that wonderful golden color and the fall flowers will be in full bloom. Get outside, take a walk, or a drive along a country road, enjoy this wonderful harvest season.

The “Jewels of the Sea” made a port of call in Alexandria, for the Official Visit of District 6. The Cenla Shrine Club was decorated in an array of treasures found along our travels this year and great fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all that attended. The phase of the work was performed beautifully and those who took part are to be commended. The mid-year meetings were held prior to the event and they were all well attended. Business was completed, and new officers elected for the various groups for the coming year.

The Central Section “Jewels” attended the Work and Ritual Workshop on October 2, at Orange Chapter #224. Many, many questions were answered, and all phases of the work were performed. We encourage you to attend one of the remaining workshops and ask your questions. Knowledge is the key to success.

The “Jewels of the Sea” made a port of call in Metairie on October 9th, at Metairie Ridge #169. Sister Kristina Donovan, DDGM, did an outstanding job and the food and decorations were beautiful. The work was performed perfectly and their phase of the work was a delight to behold. Congratulations to this District.

As this Thanksgiving season comes, take a moment to remember and be thankful for this wonderful country we live in and the freedoms we enjoy. Never take these freedoms for granted. Remember our veterans on the eleventh month, the eleventh day and the eleventh hour. I wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving, shared with family and friends.



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Upcoming Events

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.

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

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser: Mark your calendar, January 8th, 2022, Central Lodge, 11575 Sullivan Road, Baton Rouge, 8:00 a.m. till 11:00 p.m., \$5.00 charge for a great pancake breakfast, benefitting Susan Freeman, AGM.

Arkansas Grand Chapter Session, Dec. 1-3, 2021, North Little Rock, Ark.

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:

Montana: Nancy Bedwell, PM, (141) 4032 N. Dells Dr. Harvey, Exp. 9/30/23

Ohio: Paul Cuevas, PP, (210) 7216 Hwy. 110 West, Merryville, Exp. 7/31/23

Letter of Intent for Fraternal Assistance Board – Southern Section

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I, Connie S. H. Billedeau, have been honored and humbled to serve on the Board of Fraternal Assistance for my term. This Board is made up of wonderful people with sincere hearts, dedication, and commitment to aid our sisters and brothers in their time of financial need. It is my heartfelt request that I am seeking re-election for another term on this Board. Respectfully submitted, Connie S. H. Billedeau, P.M., Sts. John Chap. No. 35

Roster/Chapter Changes:

Rebecca #2: Change of domicile to: Jennings Lodge #249, 728 North Main Street, Jennings – 1st Thursday at 7:00 PM (Exception: If holiday, will meet 3rd Thursday at 7:00 PM)

Fern Leaf #24: Temporary change of domicile, effective 10/1/2021 – to Pine Grove Lodge, 286 E. Pine Street, Ponchatoula (Due to Hurricane Ida)

Pearl River #237 – Suspended for NPD – Darlene Kelly Bene & Zelda Polk

Rachel Jackson #241: Temporary change of domicile, effective 9/1/2021– to Pine Grove Lodge, 286 E. Pine Street, Ponchatoula (Due to Hurricane Ida damages)

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

Roster 2021-2022 – Now available - \$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

Secretaries and Members, please make all checks payable to “**Grand Chapter of Louisiana, OES**”. Thank you.

Fraternally,



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