"GOD'S CHANNEL OF BLESSING"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana Order of the Eastern Star

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July 2022 – Newsletter

From the desk of the Worthy Grand Matron

Dear Sisters and Brothers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!

Bible Verse of the month: Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Hymn of the Month: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Those who planned and fought for our freedom during the Revolutionary War probably clung to this verse. Even before the first shot was fired, they knew there would be a high price to pay. Yet, knowing the cost of freedom from the oppressive rule of England, they trusted that the Everlasting God was with them and would see them through to victory.

I am so thankful for each and every one of you because when the going gets tough, I have someone who will support me, lift me up. When times are good, I have someone to celebrate with me, to rejoice with me. Each one of you shares my joys as well as my sorrows. Thank you.

Of course, Jesus is the ultimate source of support. His arms are always available to support us; His ears to hear our voice; His eyes to see our struggles and victories. His comfort and peace are always available.

I know you are looking forward to our new Roster and you want to know the Committee Appointments. This was much more difficult than I thought. Everyone

is so talented that it makes it extremely difficult to decide who gets what. I am sorry it has taken me so long.

Also, the deadline to register for the WGP Trip to Branson is quickly approaching. The bus has many seats available and this is going to be a wonderful time of fellowship. Non-members are most welcome.

Are you prepared for hurricane season? Water, batteries, non-perishable food? Let's prepare for ourselves while also putting aside a few items for our sisters and brothers who may be affected by a storm.

Fraternal Assistance

If you need to request funds from Fraternal Assistance, your chapter secretary may contact any of the three members of the committee for the forms; however, the completed forms are to be returned to Sister Bennye Randall, Chairman of Fraternal Assistance.

CONGRATULATIONS

Initiations:

Fidelity Mystic Star

Esther Chapter had 3 inactive members return to chapter.

Celebrations:

Mer Rouge Chapter No. 148 - 100 years old

Thank you, Rosepine Chapter No. 204, for honoring Sister Becky Dobbins, Grand Esther.

Upcoming Events

Please don't forget about the ArkLaMiss Exchange in Pineville, July 16. This is a great opportunity to introduce family and friends to the Order of the Eastern Star. Invite inactive members to join the fun. Fraternally, Sister Rovenia McDonald, PGM.

July

Official Visit change: District 12 OV will be July 31 (Sunday).

- OV District 8 Rebecca Chapter 728 N. Main St., Jennings
 Light Refreshments 12:00 Noon Meeting 1:30 PM
- 16 ArkLaMiss Exchange at Kees Park in Pineville
- OV District 11 Greensburg Chapter 6273 Hwy. 10, Greensburg
 Meal 1:00 PM Meeting: 2:00 PM
- OV District 12 Pine Grove Lodge 286 E. Pine Ponchatoula
 Meal 11:30 Meeting 1:00 PM

August

- 5-7 Amaranth Grand Court: Kenner
- 10-13 Texas Grand Chapter: Beaumont
- 20 OV District 3
- 21 OV District 5
- 27 Little Red Schoolhouse, Pickens, MS

Birthdays

July

- 1: Sister Jean Smith, PGM
- 2: Sister Becky Dobbins, Grand Esther
- 4: America
- 5: Sister Diane Smith, GGCCM, PGM, Grand Secretary
- 6: Sister Susan Rabb-Williams, Associate Grand Matron
- 10: Bro. Gerald Houston, PGP
- 14: Bro. Eldon Howell, PGP
- 24: Bro. James Marze, Grand Sentinel
- 25: Sister Rovenia McDonald, PGM
- 28: Bro Otto Beverly, GGCCM, PGP
- 30: Sister Juanita Wilkinson, PGM
- 31: Sister Donna Nelken-Baker, Grand Conductress

August

- 5: Sister Marilyn Abshire, PGM
- 16: Sister Judith Duncan, Grand Electa

With my love,

Susan Freeman, Worthy Grand Matron of the best jurisdiction

From the Desk of the Grand Secretary:

Jane McDaniel, Ambassador, PGM – Change of address: 205 Oak Street, Denham Springs 70726

Golden Star #73 – Suspended for NPD – Brandon Bergeron & Kristina Bergeron

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

Roster 2021-2022 - \$2.00 each

Ritual – Large spiral bound - \$26.00 each (5 \(\frac{1}{4} \) x 8 \(\frac{1}{4} \) - navy blue or white)

Ritual-Extra Large spiral bound-\$36.00 ea. (7x10 3/4 purple) OUT OF STOCK

Revised Book of Instruction, \$1.75

Constitution Pages Only, \$4.68

Constitution Revisions are available. They are as follows:

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

Constitution Revisions, 2019, \$.50

Constitution Revisions, 2021, \$1.00

Constitution By-Laws Revision, 2022, \$1.00 – NOW AVAILABLE

Constitution Tabs, \$3.62

Constitution Pages and Tabs, \$8.10

Constitution Binder, \$6.00

Please contact the Grand Secretary at the following email address only: laoesgrsec@gmail.com. Also, please include your chapter name and number. Secretaries and Members, please make all checks payable to "Grand Chapter of Louisiana, OES". Thank you.

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