# "GOD'S CHANNEL OF BLESSING"

Grand Chapter of Louisiana Order of the Eastern Star

Susan Freeman Worthy Grand Matron 7202 Frontier Dr. Greenwell Springs, LA 70739-3023 Diane Smith GGCCM Grand Secretary P.O. Box 99

Mt. Hermon, LA 70450-0099

March 2023 – Newsletter

# From the kitchen table of the Worthy Grand Matron

HI!

Hymn of the Month: I Can Only Imagine

**Bible verse of the Month:** 

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. — Romans 15:13

I am so proud of you.

When I asked you to contact inactive members and to seek out new members you did not disappoint me. You dedicated yourselves to increasing attendance at your meetings and enlarging your membership.

You also provided me with so many delightful memories. I enjoyed every Official Visit because I was able to spend time with so many of you. Your words of encouragement and support were heartwarming.

Without each one of you, our jurisdiction would cease to exist. Just think about that for a moment, if it were not for us where would those hoping to serve our Lord receive funds for their education; how many service dogs would lack the basic needs; how many of our relatives would need to borrow thousands of dollars to continue their education. Our charities benefited greatly from your generosity. Thank you for supporting each one. We are a Channel of Blessing to so many

#### **Celebrations:**

Mystic Star # 108: I have told you that new members will not just show up at the Lodge door but Mystic Star #108 proved me wrong. Two women, two consecutive days, arrived at the lodge asking for membership.

Lafayette #46 reeled in a fish

I apologize if I did not acknowledge your fishing story. If you email or text me, I will put it on the OES Friendship Line.

I am so proud of your fishing expeditions this year.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Grand Chapter: March 24 - 29.

Randolph Riverfront Center, Downtown Alexandria

If you are waiting until the last minute to reserve your hotel room and/or purchase your banquet tickets, the last minute is in two and a half weeks. Our rooms at the Holiday Inn will return to the usual price. You may attend only the banquets if you like.

Grand Chapter is going to be so much fun: fellowship, food, new friends!

**Grand Representative Lunch:** This is a favorite meal for all attendees; but we have an issue: we need people to volunteer to decorate tables. If you are a present or past Grand Representative, please contact Sister Jeanette Bailey (318/396-4506) to reserve a table to decorate.

**Hospitality Room:** Sister RJ Steyerman, PM, is President of the Grand Representatives Club. Grand Representatives both Present and Past - we are helping to supply refreshments at Grand Chapter in the Hospitality Room. Thanking all who will help us make this a great success. If your last name starts with -

A to F - 2L Coke and 2L Diet Coke

G to L - 2L Sprite and 2L Diet Sprite

M to R - 2L Dr Pepper & 2L Diet Dr Pepper

S to Z - small bottles of water

A Special Thanks: Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana – OES, Thank you so much for your very generous donation to our Louisiana Rainbow Girls. We always appreciate your continued generosity and your support.

In Rainbow Service, Emily Duckworth, Grand Worthy Advisor and Debbi Cocran-Hock, Supreme Confidential Observer & Supreme Inspector in Louisiana.

You have truly been a CHANNEL OF BLESSING this year.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron and my husband to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron.

# Susan Freeman,

**Worthy Grand Matron of Louisiana 2022-2023** 

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

Numbers 6: 24 - 26 Amen

## From the Desk of the Grand Secretary:

# **Grand Representative Appointments:**

Saskatchewan – Marcy Ross (108), 17860 Lake Azalea Dr., Baton Rouge – Exp. 11-30-24

## **Chapter/Roster Changes:**

Golden Star #73 – Suspended for NPD: George Hughes & Jana Hughes
Rachel Jackson No. 241 – Suspended for NPD: Karen Barker, Dorothy Boudreaux, Dianne Coates,
Billie Galloway, Patricia Hughes, Kenneth Milton, Terry Milton, Eugene Morse & Otis Whitlow

Roster 2022-2023 - \$5.00 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 blue) NOW BACK IN 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 your Constitution)

Constitution Revisions, 2019, \$.50

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: <a href="mailto:laoesgrsec@gmail.com">laoesgrsec@gmail.com</a>. Also, please include your chapter name and number. Secretaries and Members, please make all checks payable to "Grand Chapter of Louisiana, OES". Thank you.

Fraternally,

Hione Smith

GGCCM, Grand Secretary

laoesgrsec@gmail.com

Website: www.laoes.org