"Teace, Love and Harmony" Grand Chapter of Louisiana Order of the Eastern Star

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April 2024 – Newsletter

From the desk of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Sisters and Brothers,

Wow! The past three years have passed by quickly, and I have finally made it to the Grand East! Thank you all for the support and love you have shown me along the way. I would not be here without you!

Grand Chapter was amazing and if you missed it, you missed a really good time! Sister Susan Rabb-Williams, PGM and Brother Charles Smith, PGP showed us all what it means to "Pass a Good time". Our out of state guests were introduced to Mardi Gras, including taking part in a Second Line.

I hope that you will all do your best to attend the School of Instruction and the Official Visit in your district as well as the District Deputy Grand Matron's visit in your chapter. I would like to see you visiting your sister chapters for their special meetings throughout the year.

Brother James and I would love to have you join us on our cruise to Alaska in September. Please see the flyer enclosed in this newsletter. It's going to be a great trip, but it will be better if you go with us!

There were a couple of Official Visits left off the calendar. District 1 Official Visit will be October 5, 2024, and District 5 Official Visit will be November 5, 2024. The Official Visit for District 4 will be on November 16, 2024.

As we go into a new year, I want to encourage you all to remember Ephesians 4:32, "And be ye kind, one to another." Peace, Love and Harmony is not only the theme of our year, but it is also what Brother James and I expect to see as we travel this great state. We are family, and we should always remember our Obligation and treat each other with kindness and respect.

In the Spirit of the Star,

Donna Nelken-Baker, WGM

UPCOMING EVENT:

Homecoming for Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: Sisters and Brothers, you are cordially invited to attend the Homecoming for Sister Donna and Brother James on Saturday, May 11, 2024 from 2 to 4 PM at Eastern Star Lodge, 105 N. Bevill Street in Winnfield, LA.

From the Desk of the Grand Secretary:

Grand Representative Appointments:

British Columbia/Yukon – Joy Ledet (141); 3122 Torres Dr. Lacombe, LA 70445-2929 – Exp. 3-1-2026

New York - Jessica Haughton (108); 1551 Weeping Willow Dr. Denham Springs 70726 Exp.3-1-26

Puerto Rico –Tara Greene (169); 43351 Rainier Dr., Hammond 70403 Exp. 3-1-2026

Scotland – Joseph Rabb (108); 12337 Old Mill Stone Dr, Geismar 70734-3728 Exp. 3-1-2026

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