



United We Stand



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What an honor it is to be serving as your Worthy Grand Matron with Brother Jim Rogers as Worthy Grand Patron along with our spouses, Brian and Alice. Your encouragement, prayers, support, and friendship are humbling. With your aid and assistance and by the help of God, I'm confident that I can perform the responsibilities of this office, because united we stand and will prosper. I'm beyond excited to dedicate myself to faithfully serve our beautiful Order throughout this journey of a lifetime of which you have elected me to serve. A special thank you to Whitestown Chapter, my loving District 10, the Harmony Rings steering committee and Dawn Chiles (chairman), Jim's Jolly Rogers steering committee and Louaine Sorg (chairman), Hanover Chapter, and Jim's loving District 3. You've given so much of your time, talents, and hard work towards making our installation, reception, year, and upcoming grand session absolutely spectacular!

Congratulations to Sister Gleda, Jr. PGM, and Brother Rick, Jr. PGP, for their "Symphony of J-O-Y" Grand Session. Their dedication and

leadership are to be commended. It was such an honor to serve in their Symphony of Faith and Love Grand Family and I know they will continue to serve in various capacities in this next phase of their Eastern Star journeys. Well done my sister and brother!

Brother Jim and I are eager to perform the duties of our office, but even more excited to spend time in each of your districts. After much prayer and consideration, we believe that we have given you five wonderful women to illustrate the sublime virtues of the heroines of our Order as they perform their official duties. As they traverse our state, welcome them, get to know them, and you too will see their servant hearts as we have witnessed. We are confident that all five of these spectacular women have the capability to lead and perform the present and future necessary duties as God's plans unfold to each of them.

This year our schedule will be very busy this summer as I have scheduled nine luncheons from June 24th to July 27th. For those that have already purchased my official calendar, you might have noted that there are two very full weeks of luncheons and inspections. One being in October and the other in April. There are also some Nationally Observed Holidays that I have scheduled luncheons on as well. These days are filled according to the days that I have off from teaching. After much prayer and consideration, I've chosen to continue teaching science at Lebanon Middle School while serving you this year. I share this with you for your consideration during the luncheons if a star point is unable to make it. By having several within a course of a week, it makes it nearly impossible for those that work to attend them all. However, I didn't want to forego the opportunity to fellowship with each of your districts at your luncheons.

This year, the Grand Officers will exemplify the work as a team at the first inspection and last inspection in the state.

However, the Grand Star Points Exemplify the work as a team in each district one time. These inspections have GSPE following the word Inspection in your calendars. I've done this for a few reasons. First, I want to give you the opportunity to see the Grand Officers exemplify the work, but more importantly, I want to see my sisters and brothers across the state perform their work. If I expect that work be committed to memory to the best of your ability (with the assistance of a prompter when needed), then I need to afford you the opportunity to show me your hard work and dedication in memorizing the lessons and lectures. The reason for having the Grand Star Points do the work one time as a team in each district is so everyone has an opportunity in their district to see them do their work; as many aren't able to travel to the first and last inspection. I also wanted to lessen the burden on your chapter's star points due to the vacancies of those offices within the other chapters in the district. Your deputy has been advised to let the Grand Officer and I know, with as much of an advance warning as possible, if a Grand Officer is needed to fill a vacancy at an Inspection. You can request one or more to serve, if no one in your district is available to fill an office. The more notice given, the better chance your Grand Officers will have to do their best to fulfill the request. I've asked the Grand Family to travel as much as possible, but there are times when they aren't able to attend due to other responsibilities in their own family or within their own districts.

When we are in your districts, Brother Jim will be sharing with you more details regarding our special projects, Freedom Walkway and Paws for Patriots, that we will be supporting this year. Our Order is dedicated to meeting the needs of others and being willing helpers in the service of humanity. Our projects are needed to better the lives of our sisters and brothers living at the Masonic Home in Compass Park as well as our heroes, those so willing to serve the United States as service men and women, who are in great need of specially trained service dogs to improve the quality of their lives. Your generosity and support of these two very worthy causes is greatly appreciated.

Start saving your pennies now so that you can join us in Muncie for the 148th Annual Session. We are honored to host Sister Glenda Winchester, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer Emeritus, and Past Grand Matron in South Carolina and Brother F Lon Lowry, Most Worthy Grand Patron and Past Grand Patron in Ohio to our Let Freedom Ring Grand Session. I look forward to their visit as I know that you will show them our warm Hoosier hospitality and

welcome them with your love and support.

Unfortunately, the Grand Chapter Committee list printed had several errors in it. Please look over the committee list on our Indiana Grand Chapter webpage for an accurate listing. After checking my committee list to remove those that had requested to be removed, noticing that there were several that hadn't served in this capacity for several years if ever, and switching some chairpersons to try to have people from more chapters involved, all of the corrections made didn't make it into the list distributed at Grand Chapter. I deeply apologize for this misinformation and the issues this might have caused, but I feel obligated to go with my intended listing.

Be sure to enjoy our freedoms by reading the Star-Lite Magazine as well as the letters of our State Chairpersons and by offering your continued service in the good works that we do in this beautiful Order of the Eastern Star. There are so many potential sisters and brothers out there that have gifts and talents to share, so be sure to share our good works throughout your communities. Don't let our Order be a secret from those around us. Keep reaching for the stars! We need them as much as they need us.

Humbly yours,

Angela

"Always pray to have eyes that see the best in people, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith in GOD." – Unknown Author



CONVERSATION WITH MY CALICO



Let me introduce you to Delilah. She came to my house several years ago looking for a home, food, love, safety, and companionship. She was bunking right next door to us at the time where she shared quarters with four dogs, a tomcat and four humans. The humans were okay and the Tomcat spent most of his time outdoors. But the dogs were down right abusive. She claimed they treated her like a squeaky toy, chewed on her, and left her covered in slobber on a daily basis. This may have been the reason for her obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) behavior of bathing constantly. Sometimes she even licks my fingertips.

As the years have rolled by Delilah has become the number two girl in my household. Luckily, Alice has never been the jealous type, but Delilah sensed almost immediately that there were some boundaries that should not be crossed if she was going to live in peace with the undisputed NUMBER ONE. This meant there were life lessons to be learned so I introduced her to the heroines of the Order of Eastern Star. First was the lesson of fidelity as taught by Jephthah's Daughter. It seems to be her favorite. As Alice and I travel Indiana, we are often gone overnight. But even if we only go to the grocery store or to run errands; when we return, she is much like Adah. She sees us coming from afar and runs from under (or off) the porch and down the driveway to welcome us home.

I feel the same way when I see my family arriving for Sunday dinner. Love and belonging to someone are important to Delilah, and it is ever so important to me, too. It is a big part of why I look forward to Lodge meetings on first Mondays, Eastern Star on second Tuesdays and having lunch with my high school classmates on every third Tuesday. The lessons we learn in Eastern Star are not just life's responsibilities; they are what make life a worthwhile pleasure.

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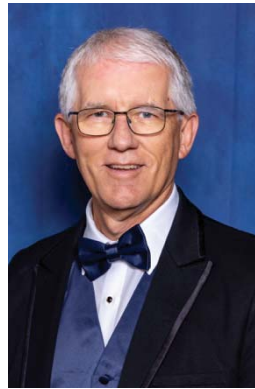
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Let Freedom Ring 2022-2023

WORTHY MATRONS AND PATRONS

Sparklers and Firecrackers

THEME

Let Freedom Ring – A statement that the ideals of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness should be spread across the Earth and allowed to flourish.

MOTTO

Faith. It does not make things easy; it makes them possible

AIM

May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right.

WATCHWORDS

Faith, Family, Honor, Happiness

EMBLEMS

American Flag & American Eagle

SYMBOLS

Cross, Apples, Christmas Trees, Stars

FUN SYMBOLS

1948 Red Ford Pick-up Truck and Quilts

HONOR GROUPS

Districts #10 and #3
Whitestown Chapter #248
Hanover Chapter #525
Masonic Youth Organizations

HONOR STATIONS

Ruth

SPECIAL HONORS

Active Service Men & Women
All Veterans of the Armed Forces

SONG

Always Be Humble and Kind

COLORS

Alabaster White, Desert Sand, Burgundy, Colonial Blue, Navy, Mocha, Smoke Gray

FLOWERS

Burgundy / White Mums, Navy / Burgundy Chrysanthemums, Red / White Roses, White Lily, Babies Breath, Shamrocks

BIBLE VERSE

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. Galatians 5:13

PRAYER

Prayer of the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron:

As we begin to take steps in the direction of our purpose, we ask that you give us wisdom. We ask in faith, that as your Word promises us, that you will give us wisdom in every small and large decision. We thank you that we don't have to rely on our own understanding, as we know that your wisdom will guide us to our exact purpose. Thank you that we can come to the throne and ask anything. We ask for your guidance, and we thank you for the gift and power of the Holy Spirit.

In Jesus' name,
Amen



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Thank you! We couldn't continue without your support!

Ivy Has A Busy Night

The regular meeting of Ivy Chapter #69 was held on April 18, 2022. The evening began with a special meal prepared by Eileen Sklar, Conductress. Robert Sklar, Associate Patron, explained the



significance of each dish of the Seder meal. The Seder plate normally has shank bone, egg, bitter herbs, vegetable and a sweet paste (charoset). He then gave a blessing and translated it. The meal was enjoyed by all.

Happy 135th Birthday Ivy! WM Linda Torpy, gave a brief history of the chapter. Ivy Chapter was chartered on April 11, 1887. The chapter initially met in little houses or rooms prior to finding a home in a three-story building on the corner of Main and Walnut Street in North Manchester, Indiana. WM Linda and WP Tom Torpy were initiated into Star at this building in 1974. The one thing that Linda could remember about this building was the long hallway. Byron Harting and WP Tom Torpy, both members of Deming Lodge in North Manchester, were the architects for the current building, which was the First Methodist Church on the corner of Front and Second Street in North Manchester. The chapter then sang Happy Birthday to the chapter.

Guests introduced were: Leila Ferguson, DD#18; Grand Chapter Committee Appointments – Roberta Ancil, Our World of Youth and Linda Torpy, Service Dogs - Paw Prints of Love; Kaye Sorrell, Grand Representative of Connecticut in Indiana; Darlene Turner, Grand Page for the 2022 Session; Jean Sneed, Worthy Matron of LaFontaine #301; and Judy and Jerry Hartman, Past Matron and Past Patron of Warsaw Chapter from District #20.



This evening was an honor night for the station of Associate Matron. Linda Torpy, WM, gave a tribute to honor Rosemary Trump, AM. Others in attendance gave their special greetings to her, too. As a special treat, Rosemary's favorite dessert of cherry delight was served at the meal earlier in the evening. The Worthy Matron and District Deputy gave gifts of appreciation to Rosemary.



WASHINGTON'S 125 YEAR ANNIVERSARY "QUAS-QUI-CENTENNIAL MEMORIES"

Washington Chapter #210 celebrated 125 years (1897-2022) on May 21, 2022, with a program enriching those present with both history of Washington Chapter as well as history of the Order of the Eastern Star during this timeframe.

Prelude was a CD that Joe Elmore, PGP, had made years prior to his passing. Also, Joe had been Grand Organist in 1974-75. The Organist/pianist for the afternoon was Darlene Small.

Four 50-Year awards were presented by Gleda Brooks, WGM, and Richard Lassiter, WGP. The recipients were Mary Jane Smoot-Stevens (pinned by Elizabeth Lashley, GGCCM/Gr.



Trustee/PGM) and she was accompanied by her son, daughter-in-law, granddaughter, and niece, Jill E. Lopez (pinned by Lesa Dreiman), Dorothy Nicholson, and William Nicholson (both pinned by Karen Hazelman, AGC).

Karen Hazelman, AGC/WM, opened with a poem by Helen Steiner Rice. The Pledge of Allegiance and singing of one verse of the National Anthem were done in unison. Invocation was given by Susie Roach, PGM. Introductions were given by Elizabeth Lashley, GGCCM/Gr. Trustee/PGM with Lesa Dreiman doing the escorting.

Past Grands in attendance were: Nancy Elmore, widow of Joe Elmore, PGP; Susie Roach, PGM; and Linda Huff, widow of Henry Huff, PGP. "Symphony of Faith & Love" Grand Family and spouses attending were: Jerry Brooks, husband of WGM; Karen Hazelman, AGC, and husband Mike; Lori Barnett, Grand Adah and husband Kevin; Sandy Harris, Grand Ruth; Carol Davis, Grand Esther; Cathy Scott, Grand Martha and husband Richard; Susan Bradley, Grand Electa and husband Tom. The District Deputies, "Hummingbirds & Harmonizers", attending were: DD#1 Donna Bishop; DD#2 Rose Ann Tennant; DD#7 Tamara Shake; DD#10 Margot Wade and Tim; and DD#11 Miriam Murphy and escort Terry Prall.

Also present were 2 Grand Chapter Committee members, 1 Grand Representative and 4 PMs and PPs. After each introduction, Elizabeth noted the members of District 2 that had served either as WGM or WGP, the year they served and who they served with.

Entertainment was provided by Jodi Robinson, who incorporated music from a CD by the late Freddie Faye Burke, PGO for Susie Roach, PGM, and Dwayne Taylor, PGP. Two songs played were "In His Hands" and "Lord's Prayer". Jodi's entertainment consisted of "On the Banks of the Wabash", "God on the Mountain", Gospel medley by Sister Jodi, and "The King is Coming".

Elizabeth Lashley, PGM, gave a history of Washington Chapter. Attached to the program was a Tri-fold that contained the names and dates of historical reference of various members, starting with the 25 Charter members.

Michelle Mitchell and Sheila Adkins provided the meal of chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, and angel food cake. It took many members back in time as to when they were first in OES and attended banquets and dinners. The dining hall, was decorated "back in time". A 125 YEAR table displayed historical events, records, photos, and correspondence dating back to 1897.



Salem's Exciting Friends Night

Friend's Night at Salem Chapter #286 started out in the chapter room with PGP Dwayne Taylor presenting two College Scholarship's to two very deserving candidates: Halle Kemp (Great Niece to Grand Marshal Denver Gray) who is attending IU at Bloomington to study Exercise Science; and Hayden Cress who is attending Ivy Tech Nursing School.

Next, Salem Chapter had four members receive their twenty-five year awards. They were escorted and presented by PGM Loretta Reihl and PGP Dwayne Taylor. They are left to right: Sister Cindy Rutherford pinned by her husband, Arthur Rutherford; Brother Jon McCracken, pinned by his wife Rebecca McCracken; Sister Cheryl Brishaber, pinned by her husband Rondale Brishaber; and Sister Robin Frakes, pinned by her husband Gail Frakes. They each related memories of their years in Eastern Star as members.

The evening continued with fun in the dining room. The tables were colorfully decorated with colorful flowers and small "Fiesta" hats and other decorations. After eating a delicious Fiesta Nacho, everyone participated in a Mexican game like musical chairs except passing a Mexican hat.



Fun Day of Surprises in D#4

The Friends Day held at Lois Chapter was a fun day of surprises on 7 May, 2022. The dining room was decorated with pink and purple table clothes and pink gift bags for everyone attending. The lunch was a large tray of lunch meat and cheese with all sorts of delicious salads and desserts made by the chapter members.

The day started out with pinning Elizabeth Walker with her 25-year pin presented by PGM Loretta Riehl and Grand Marshal Denver Gray. Elizabeth was pinned by her dear close friend Joan Underhill who is also a 49-year member of Lois Chapter.

The afternoon was a lot of fun with old time Trivia games and later we played cards and Mad Marble games.



Nineveh Celebrates 100th Anniversary

On Saturday, May 28th, Nineveh Chapter celebrated its 100th Anniversary. Nineveh Chapter is located in the small town of Nineveh in Johnson County.

Early in the year our Worthy Patron, Chris Hittle, died suddenly from Covid. The chapter continued without their Worthy Patron. Ivan Lancaster, Associate Patron, gave the history of the chapter and details of Nineveh's development and service. The history included the cost of dues during the 100 years and changes over the years. He also introduced the family members of these early officers and members.

Present were some Past Grand Officers, present Grand Officers, District Deputies, members of Nineveh Chapter and many other Eastern Star members of Indiana who came to central Indiana to celebrate this momentous time.

The current officers are WM Barbara Heath, AM Audrey Evans, AP Ivan Lancaster, Secretary Laura Davidson, Treasurer Kathy Brewer, Conductress Sandra Heath, AC Patsy McKee, Chaplain Michael Duncan, and Organist Martha Duke.



Queen for the Day

Lois Chapter in District #4 has a very special star, Eunice Low, celebrating her 90th birthday.

Before the meeting started, WP Steven Brown and Chaplain Darrin Moore escorted Eunice Low into the chapter room where everyone awaited with a special script about Eunice's past in O.E.S. written by Jean Hoffman, Secretary. Eunice was adorned in a crown and cape for the special occasion and she was totally surprised.

Members pictured are: 1st row - Janice Hogan, Beth Wessler, Steven Brown, Amanda Spurgeon, and Jean Hoffman. 2nd row - Marilyn South, DiAnna Fogle, Carol Siebert, Pat Durbin, Toni Durbin, Darrin Moore, and Rick Sasser.



THREE AWARDED 75 YEAR PINS

On a beautiful spring afternoon, Sunday, May 22nd at 3 p.m., there was excitement at Wesley Manor, a retirement community in Frankfort, Indiana. Sisters, brothers, family and friends of two new 75-year Eastern Star members gathered to watch them receive their pins and hear their words of reminiscence.

The honorees were Sister Phyllis Bates and Brother Richard Crum members of Clinton Chapter #6. Family members attending included: Phyllis' daughter Shellie Dexter and Granddaughter Kimberly Culp; and Richard's two daughters, Becky Kruger and Janet Balsley.



Sharon Jones, WM, gave an Eastern Star history of the honored guests and Gleda Brooks, WGM, assisted by Richard Scott, WP, presented the pins. Phyllis lives at Wesley Manor and they allowed Clinton Chapter to hold the pinning ceremony there.

But that's not the only exciting thing that happened! A third new 75-year member of Clinton Chapter #6 now living in Eugene, Oregon received her pin at nearly the same time. Sister Rosella Gushwa FaceTimed WGM Gleda, Phyllis and Richard for a chat prior to her ceremony in Oregon. April Leathers, Sec., and Peggy Levenhagen, WM of Meridian Chapter #179 in Eugene, OR, helped present Rosella's pin. What a rewarding day for all who attended this momentous event. The afternoon ended with cake and punch and much conversation.

Marion County Patron's Association

The District 11 Marion County Patron's Association (MCPA) hosted their final meeting for the Symphony of Faith & Love year on May 19th at Prospect Masonic Lodge. The dining room was festively decorated with a racing theme. Fifty-five members and guests were welcomed with the quip "Why don't drivers eat before a race?" "They don't want to get Indigestion."



After a delicious homemade meal (that did NOT give indigestion), the members of the MCPA presented Brother Richard Lassiter, WGP, a glass engraving honoring him for his ongoing contributions to the Order of the Eastern Star in Indiana. Brother Rick said he was very honored and knew just the spot where this tribute would go in his home.

After the presentation everyone retired to the Chapter room where the new corps of MCPA officers for 2022-2023 were installed: Terry Prall, President; Dean Logan, Vice President; Ron Buchanan, Treasurer; Bill Stout, Chaplain; and Doug Sausville, Marshal. The Installing Officer was Robert DeRolf, Jr. PGP; Installing Marshal LeVon Holmes, PGM; Installing Chaplain Bonnie Allinder, PGM; and Installing Organist, Peggy Barassi, PGO. Everyone had a wonderful evening of fellowship and fun. Many thanks to the members of the MCPA for all you do.

Lynhurst Presents Many 50-Year Awards

Lynhurst Chapter #505 presented several 50-year awards to several very deserving members. The first award was given back in October of 2020 when we were able to go back to having regular meetings. Pictured are Bonnie Allinder, PGM; Guy Dennis, Treasurer; Susan Marsh, PM, Chaplain; and Robert DeRolf, WGP.

More recently on April 12th before our stated meeting, Sister Connie Bourne received her 50-year pin.

Pictured are a friend of Connie's; daughter-in-law and son Jeff; husband Edward; Sister Connie; Robert DeRolf, PGP; and in front of the altar presenting the award is Bonnie Allinder, PGM.

On April 21st another 50-year award was presented. Sister Lennes Smith was in "The Springs of Mooresville" facility for therapy and unable to attend our regular meeting so we traveled to her. Pictured are: Bonnie Allinder, PGM; Mary Hutson, WM; Robert DeRolf, PGP; sister-in-law Carolyn Russell; and Stella England, Secretary. Seated are Sister Lennes Smith and her husband Charles Smith, a new member who joined Lynhurst in December 2021. There were several other members from Lynhurst, Corinthian and Englewood Chapters for the presentation. We all enjoyed sugar cookies, a favorite of Lennes', and drinks furnished by the facility.



Teacher Appreciation Week



The Spencerville Eastern Star is invested in supporting the education of our youth. The cornerstone of a great education starts with people dedicated and vested in the values, spirit, and creativity of the children in our community.

Teacher Appreciation Week in our DeKalb County begins the 2nd week in May. The Spencerville O.E.S. offers a Pop(corn) Quiz Party for 4 local schools and 3 local preschools in our community. At each school a wrapped basket including many school supplies, \$50 gas card and a \$75.00 school supply card is delivered. Each Teacher is allowed 1 guess of the number of pieces include in the basket. Winning classrooms are awarded the basket and a "Popcorn Party".

Pictured left is Riverdale Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher Mrs. Coldren holding her gift basket. She has been teaching 15 years and has 18 students in her classroom. This is our 5th year supporting this program for DeKalb County Schools.

New Castle Lodge and OES Donate to Police K-9 Fund

On Saturday, May 28th, New Castle Lodge #91 and New Castle Order of the Eastern Star #116 met at the Lodge Hall to present checks to the New Castle Police Department K-9 fund. New Castle Police currently have two K-9 officers and were raising funds to add a third K-9 to their ranks. This will enable the department to have a K-9 available 24 hours a day. A total \$20,000 needed to be raised to fund the training of the newest K-9 to the force.

Brother Larry Frost currently serves as a General Grand Chapter Committee Member of the Service Dog project. When he found out that the police department needed funds for a new service animal, he asked both the Lodge and Eastern Star to make donations to the fund. A total of \$600 was presented to the officers present.



Those present at the event from New Castle Lodge were: Jason Fox, Worshipful Master; Duane Matthews, Secretary; David Mitchell, Junior Warden; and Larry Frost, Trustee. Also present from New Castle Eastern Star were: Carla Lynch, Worthy Matron; Larry Frost, Worthy Patron; and his wife, Nancy Frost, Conductress.

Representing the New Castle Police Department were Officer Justin Farr and his K-9 Kori and Officer Jake Nicholson and the newest member of the Department, his K-9 Awper. They thanked both groups for their donations. Officer Brandi Pierce is the third officer of the Department with her K-9 Zorro. Officer Pierce was on duty and could not make it to the presentation, but she helped with setting up the presentation



Blessing Bags for Camp Illiana



On June 20, 2022, Sister Elizabeth Lashley, PGM, presented to Camp Illiana a box of filled Blessing Bags, as well as individual travel, soaps, shampoos, lotions, lip balms, Kleenexes and hand sanitizers. The program director, Ellen Raymond, was very appreciative and stated that the items would be put to good use.

In the meantime, we had a conversation. I was telling her about the Order of the Eastern Star and she stated that she knew who we were and our objectives. She revealed that her son had been a recipient of an ESTARL award initiated by Brother Joe Elmore, PGP. Her son is Andrew Raymond and is Interim Youth Minister at New Hope Christian Church in Washington, IN. Being on the General Grand Chapter Committee for ESTARL, I was delighted to hear this and wanted to share with our membership.

Elizabeth Lashley, GGCCM-ESTARL/Grand Trustee Chair/PGM

S&H Star Gazer Grand Family Celebrates 30 Years Together

The S&H Star Gazer Grand Family gathered at the Blue Bird Café in Morristown on May 14, 2022, to celebrate their 30th anniversary with Joyce Small, PGM, and Bob Hoagland, PGP. Donna Thieke gave the invocation by signing "How Great Thou Art," followed by table grace by Doris Howard, PGM. All enjoyed fried chicken or roast beef lunches.



Shirley Glessner, PGM, presented a surprised Jean Pieper west of Joyce's open traveling Bible. Joyce then gave the 75-year award ceremony, and Margie Hubbard pinned her mother. What a great milestone for this almost 101 year-old special lady who is grateful to be living at the Indiana Masonic Home!

Star Gazer trivia and memories were shared by all. Those present were given a booklet filled with photos from the "We Have Seen His Star in the East" Session,

trivia, address updates and a list of the 37 members lost over the past 30 years. Donna Thieke signed the "Lord's Prayer" for the benediction. Afterwards all enjoyed the 30th Anniversary cake decorated with the star colors.



Carousel of Love 25th Anniversary

On Saturday, May 21, 2022, at Muncie's MCL Cafeteria, the Carousel of Love Grand Family (1997-1998) and Grand Representatives appointed by PGM Shirley Glessner and PGP Beryl Harrison gathered for its twenty-fifth anniversary. The tables were decorated with glass bottles of various shapes, sizes, and colors containing mini lights. The bottles, assembled by PGM Shirley Glessner, were given as gifts to the "family" members and to the grand representatives.

It was good to see and visit with everyone. Although busy schedules and health issues prevented many from attending, those sharing this special time are pictured.



Senior Buddies Program

Spencerville Eastern Star Nursing Home Project



The Spencerville Eastern Star is dedicated to helping the elderly people living in nursing homes within our community. A program has been initiated to assist 2 Nursing homes within DeKalb County. *Our goal* is to purchase items for these facilities that their budgets may not cover. The types of items we will consider for assistance are: items for their activity center, library items such as large print books, watercolor paint books, gardening items for their courtyard, clothing, and personal care items. We have budgeted \$1,500.00 a year to assist the following nursing homes: *The Laurels of Butler Nursing Home in Butler, IN* and *Betz's Nursing Home (ASCCARE) in Auburn, IN*.

Our Committee of Spencerville OES Members Laura Dangler, Ann Merritt, and Suzette Rodgers awarded *The Laurels* a 40" TV for the Activity Center and an iPad tablet to assist staff with doctor visits and Facetime visits connecting families unable to visit with their family member living at the Laurels Nursing Home. In many instances, these families have not met with their loved ones for many months because of Covid restrictions and limitations.

The Bet's Nursing Home received gardening hand tools, 2 elevated outdoor planters and 3 Tomato Trellis Gardens on Wheels for wheelchair bound residents to enjoy outside gardening projects. They also received a 4-piece outdoor patio furniture set to enjoy outside visits with their families.



Our mission is to enrich the lives of our elderly citizens living within our community by helping fill the gap between nursing home reimbursement and personal care needs and items that provide personal enjoyment for the residents living within these facilities.

Pictured are: Spencerville OES Member Ann Merritt, Laurels Admin. Brooke Peters, Spencerville OES Laura Dangler, and Suzette Rodgers.

Wonderful Events at Kokomo

At the May 17th meeting of Kokomo Chapter #89, our Worthy Matron, Contessa Barber, was presented her 25-year pin. Contessa is a first-time matron and was very honored to receive this award. She was pinned by her daughter, Kahria Barnett Blackburn, our Worthy Matron elect. Then, to her great excitement at our last meeting on June 7, Worthy Matron Contessa was presented with her Past Matron pin from our chapter.



Our Chapter's next exciting event was the appointment of our own Stephanie Graves as Deputy of District #15. Our chapter is very proud of her and looks forward to a good year with 'Lady Liberty' Stephanie and her 'Freedom Rider' Bill.

Corinthian Awards

On May 4, 2022, Corinthian Chapter #456 in District #11 honored Sister Pamela Hardy, who has reached 25 years of service in the Order. She was pinned by her father, Arnold Hardy, and presented with an heirloom Star ring by her mother, Virginia. Both parents related stories on Pam's participation in Job's Daughters and her career as an educator.

On May 11, 2022, we were thrilled to have Sister Gleda Brooks, WGM, and Brother Richard Lassiter, WGP, present Sister Judith Atkinson with her



Award of Gold. Sister Judith was accompanied by most of her family and a joyous celebration was held in the dining hall after the meeting.

Those who were unable to receive their Award of Gold at this meeting are: Blanche V. Wade, Linda C. Hackett, Nancy L. Hammer, Thomas E. Opel, Marylouise Bullington, Sheila K. Hunter, and Eulalia Faye Moore. We also have a 75-year recipient who was unable to attend: Betty M. Hildebrand.

On June 25, 2022, we held our Installation of Officers. Lona Bonds, our new Worthy Matron, is serving in the East for the first time so this was a real celebration for us!

District 10 Events

We have been busy in our District 10 this Spring. Colleen Parks from Whitestown received a Grand Representative appointment for Illinois at the Inspection on March 18th.

Fishers Chapter invited the chapters in our District to our April 12th stated meeting for a Friend's Night that was a baby shower for the Food Pantry at the Fishers United Methodist Church next door. We had a couple of games and, of course, food and fellowship. Plenty of diapers and wipes were donated that evening.

On April 14th we traveled over to Plainfield for their stated meeting and Friend's Night. They were honoring their Worthy Matron Joyce Blakey as she and another member received their Award of Gold presented by Richard Lassiter, WGP. We had food and fellowship and Plainfield presented the ladies with various Precious Moments figurines and the men received decks of cards.



April 28th was Whitestown's Friend's Night. We each painted a picture on a 5x7 canvas and had more food and fellowship.

May 6th was the send-off for our own Richard Lassiter, WGP, and Angela Hensell, AGM. They recognized all of our District 10 that are part of the Grand Family. It was a fun evening. Cindy Cohee, PGM, presented Charles Hendricks at the altar so WGP Richard could present him with a Grand Representative appointment of Scotland.

Spring was a busy time for us, but we enjoyed it all.

Stellar Stars

Stellar Stars is a great way to honor or remember an individual or a group for a full year. The costs of Stellar Stars are: \$10 - \$24 for 1 Star; \$25 - \$49 for 2 Stars; \$50 - \$74 for 3 Stars; \$75 - \$99 for 4 Stars; and \$100 and up for 5 Stars.

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1 Star

2 Stars

In Loving Memory of
Janice Gastineau, PD#7, 1967
Jeweldean Haseman, PD#7, 1998
Diana Brookshire, PD#7, 2000
Who are missed by
The Past Deputies of District #7

In Honor of
Judith Adkins, PM for her many years of
service as Secretary of the chapter
And
Jeanne Bain, PM for her many years of
blessing our chapter with beautiful
music
From Corinthian Chapter #456

In Memory of
Walt Randles "Papa Walt"
Husband of Cathie Randles, PGM
From his Deputy Daughters
& Spouses
of the Wings of Faith Family

3 Stars

In Honor of
Marian Bradbury
Grand Representative of Manitoba,
Canada in Indiana
From Corinthian Chapter #456

In Loving Memory of
Betty Bush, PGW & PD
Hartsville Chapter #550
From your Sister
Sue A. Vandagriff

4 Stars

5 Stars



WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

Aug 6	Grand Warder Reception
Aug 13	Grand Sentinel Reception
Aug 20	Grand Organist Reception
Aug 27	AGC Reception
Sep 10	DD#10 Reception
Sep 10	LEGO Event
Sep 11	IMH Festival, Compass Park
Sep 17	Grand Master's Reception
Sep 25	Grand Representative Luncheon
Oct 1	Fountain Chapter 125 th Anniv.
Oct 15	Hope Chapter 150 th Anniv.
Oct 15	Hoedown, D#11
Oct 22	PAWS for Patriots
Oct 29	DD#3 Reception

INSPECTIONS / LUNCHEONS

	Inspections - Baby Dedication 7:00 pm
	Award of Gold 7:10 pm, Inspection 7:20 pm
	GSPE = Grand Star Points Exemplify Initiatory
Aug 22 D#6	Inspection GSPE
Aug 25 D#13	Inspection GSPE
Aug 29 D#3	Luncheon/ Inspection GSPE
Sep 2 D#1	Inspection
Sep 7 D#18	Inspection
Sep 8 D#6	Inspection
Sep 16 D#20	Inspection GSPE
Sep 19 D#12	Inspection
Sep 23 D#9	Inspection GSPE
Sep 28 D#4	Inspection
Sep 29 D#8	Inspection GSPE
Oct 6 D#13	Inspection
Oct 7 D#15	Inspection GSPE
Oct 12 D#3	Inspection
Oct 14 D#7	Inspection GSPE
Oct 18 D#5	Inspection
Oct 20 D#11	Inspection
Oct 21 D#14	Inspection GSPE
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Oct 25 D#20	Luncheon/ Inspection
Oct 27 D#2	Luncheon/ Inspection GSPE
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