



## SUNSHINE AND SMILES NEWS

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Hello, Indiana Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers!

I bring warm and sunny greetings from the East. Many hours of planning and prayers and thoughts have gone into this new year. I am truly blessed and honored to be serving as your Worthy Grand Matron with Brother Denver Gray, Worthy Grand Patron, and my husband Mike and Denver's wife Wanda. I am very humbled. Your faith in me and with your help and the help of God I hope to serve our order with grace and fulfill the responsibilities of the office.

I want to congratulate Sister Cindy Willyard, Jr. PGM, and Brother Harold Rowe, Jr. PGP, on a very wonderful year and Grand Chapter Session well done. Now you can enjoy a much needed rest.

This year begins with faith and hope for a year of work, fun, and love throughout our state. I look forward to seeing and greeting you during my travels in our great state. Our beautiful order needs us to join together to work and build our order with hope for the years to come. We must thank God each day that we are able to be free to meet with our sisters and brothers to serve our Eastern Star. We are blessed. We should all keep striving to build our order with new members and spread joy and blessings as we travel. Extend a helping hand to those in need and always, always share a smile. The smiles are free, just give them away.

In case you have not noticed, I love sunflowers and sunshine with added smiles. Sunflowers are a symbol of peace and rays of hope. We need peace and hope today in this crazy world around us. So, look to the sunshine like the sunflower and it will help brighten your days.

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This year is full of extra special events and celebrations, fun things that we hope you can all join us and make this year fun and special. Many things are planned for this year. Our Indiana Eastern Star sisters and brothers have been serving and representing our state in the last General Grand Chapter 3-year term. A new 3-year term will start in October with new Committee members and other possibilities for our wonderful state. We are a strong state with amazing members who represent our state so well. Let's support our Worthy Grand Chaplain, William Shoulders, and our Committee members to make Indiana great. We have a member, Sister Susie Roach, running for election of Right Worthy Grand Associate Conductress. Join us in marching forward in support for Indiana, and Bill, and Susie and all our appointments. Indiana is proud to serve in the General Grand Chapter. We will be taking a bus to General Grand Chapter in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, in October. The bus is provided by our Indiana Grand Chapter. I hope many of you will attend and show our support for all our Indiana representatives. It is our time for Indiana to shine.

Denver and I have the honor to celebrate the current Worthy Grand Chaplain of the General Grand Chapter, our own William Shoulders. His reception will be August 23, 2024, at the Embassy Suites in Plainfield, Indiana. Information is available now so make plans to attend. The reception will be a great time with guests attending from many states. The Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron are planning to attend. Let's show them some Hoosier Hospitality. Please help us honor William.

We will be having the Multi State celebration this year on August 24, 2024. Yes, the day after Bill's reception at the same location. We will invite and host the states of Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Michigan. I am sure many other states will be represented at the celebration. It will be a fun evening with a casual Hawaiian Luau and fun for all. Please try to join us. This information is available now also. Again, let us share some Hoosier Hospitality!

The 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Indiana Order of the Eastern Star was celebrated at the 2024 Grand Chapter Session. The Grand Chapter in 2025 will be the 150<sup>th</sup> Session and we will celebrate that also. Due to Covid we missed a session so it has caused our Session not to be in line with the actual birthday. We will still recognize and honor the 150<sup>th</sup> Session. Covid just messed up a lot of things! But we will overcome.

Denver and I look forward to seeing you at inspections, receptions, and other celebrations during the year. We want to spread kindness as we travel the state. Kindness really matters to each and every one of us. We are an order that promotes Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness. My Sisters and Brothers, let us join in kindness and smiles. We are privileged to be members of Eastern Star. I have been a member since I was 18 years old. My life would not be complete without Eastern Star. Some people are not able to join us, because they don't have the relatives to make that happen. Again, we are privileged. Be proud of being a member of our beautiful order of Eastern Star and work for the good of our order.

Here is a thought to close till next time: Advise From a Sunflower: Be Bright, Sunny and Positive. Spread seeds of Happiness. Rise, Shine, and hold your head high.

Spread Kindness Always!

Karen





## Words with the Worthy Grand Patron

Hello Sisters and Brothers,

Let me begin by saying that it is an honor to be serving as your Worthy Grand Patron this year with Worthy Grand Matron, Karen. We look forward to visiting your chapters and districts.

As I begin to write this article, I can't help but to think of the declining membership in our beautiful Order. We who are members know how beautiful our ritual is and that we are a charitable organization. We need to find ways to relay this message to others. Our Eastern Star is still the same beautiful Order it was when I was initiated eighteen years ago. I can still remember how beautiful the chapter room looked with the decorations, the labyrinth rug and the lighted pedestals at each Star Point. I remember their beautiful lectures given by the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron and the Star Points. I was truly impressed with each delivery. If we could share the beauty of our Order with others, would it entice the younger generation to take an interest in membership?

I am looking forward to seeing the work done in each of the inspections we will attend throughout our year. Chapters and Districts are getting smaller in membership, so it should be the concern of every member to encourage their family and friends to join. It is the responsibility of each member to work to keep our beautiful Order strong. Our heritage of 150 years is too important to become just a memory. As we support our youth groups, we should be an example in their lives, encouraging them as they become of age to continue in the fraternal families by joining our lodges and Eastern Star Chapters.

Worthy Grand Matron Karen and I have decided to continue to support the charities of Eastern Star. Our project this year is "Curtains for Nettie." This is to replace the drapes in the Nettie Ransford Chapel at the Indiana Masonic Home (Compass Park). The drapes on the stage in the chapel are old and stained having been there for years. This project was chosen to pay honor to our Nettie and we believe the drapes will be there for several years. We will be supporting the Service Dog project, ESTARL, the Heart and Cancer Funds as well as our Youth Groups. We have chosen not to sell items this year, rather to have our District Chairpersons decide what fundraising project they choose to have in each District. We ask that our members continue to support these worthwhile projects.

As we journey through this year, let us work together for the good of our Order. As your Worthy Grand Patron, it is my hope and prayer for all to have good health and safe travels.

Denver Gray, WGP

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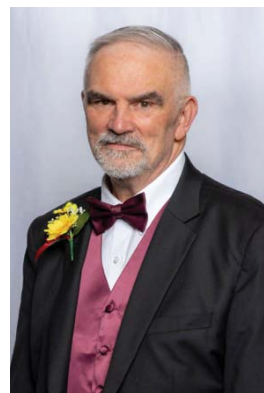
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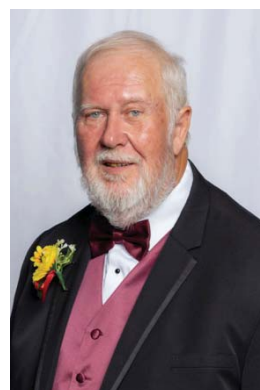
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## *“Dreams of Fun in the Sun” 2024-2025*

**AIM:**

Grow our Eastern Star membership through Fun, Love, and Kindness.

**Theme:**

Love one another each day and Smile always with Hope for our Order.

**Motto:**

Laugh often- Dream Big- Love Truly- Think Positive- Smile Often- and Live Fully.

**Watch Words:**

Love  
Faith  
Hope  
Kindness

**Symbols:**

Sunflowers are a symbol of Faithfulness, Loyalty, and Love. Smiles for Love and Friendship.

**Emblems:**

Open Bible for Guidance  
Dove for Love and Peace  
Cross for Hope, Faith, and Love

**Fun Emblems:**

Sunflowers, Star Fish, Seashells, Beach Balls, Umbrellas,  
Golf bags and clubs, Kites, and Teddy Bears.

**Honor Stations:**

Martha and Adah

**Honor Groups:**

District 2, District 4, Silver Roses, Washington Chapter, Seymour Chapter, Worthy Matrons, and Worthy Patrons.

**Colors:**

Black, Navy, Burgundy, Fuchsia, Gray, Teal, Silver.

**Flowers**

Sunflowers, Hydrangea, Pansy, Roses

**Scriptures:****WGM**

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.  
Matthew 5:16

**WGP**

Give Thanks to the Lord, For he is Good. His Love endures forever.  
Psalms 136:1

**Our Prayer:**

Our Dear Heavenly Father, we know our strength comes from you. May we never forget the source of our strength and may we always look to you for guidance as we travel life's road. Amen

**Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons:**

“Our Guiding Stars”

**Deputies:**

“Sunflowers”

**Husbands and Escorts:**

“Gardeners”

**Songs:**

Opening Ode: There is Sunshine in My Soul

Closing Ode: How Great Thou Art

Baby Dedication: Jesus Loves the Little Children

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

## Clinton Chapter Celebrates 150 Years



It was a sunny and windy afternoon on April 20, 2024, in Frankfort as Clinton Chapter #6, O.E.S. celebrated their 150th Anniversary of our Gems of Eastern Star. For many years, Frankfort has been referred to as the Gem City. Guests were greeted as they entered the Frankfort Masonic Temple. They made their way to the second floor for a "Walk Down Memory Lane". Five posters were located in the ladies lounge telling about members of Clinton Chapter, or Chapters now affiliated with Clinton Chapter, who have served as Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Past Grand Officers, Past Grand Star Points, Former Grand Representatives, and a diagram showing the affiliation of several chapters over the years that are now a part of Clinton Chapter. Binders were on each table containing the numerous articles and other information gathered in the research of this event. Hanging on the wall in the ladies lounge are pictures of every Past Matron who has served our beautiful Clinton Chapter. A mannequin was also dressed in an 1800's dress and cape.

Across the hall in the library, a sheet was draped over the table, which contained signatures of Clinton Chapter's members, along with other dignitaries, who attended our 100th and 125th anniversary celebrations. Clinton Chapter members attending our 150th anniversary celebration signed the sheet. There was also a paper for all Clinton Chapter members to sign, a paper where all 2023-24 Clinton Chapter officers signed, and a paper that Clinton Chapter's Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, District Deputy, WGM, and WGP signed, all of which will be placed in our Chapter Bible.

Members and guests proceeded down the hallway where they signed the register and were given a black engraved souvenir pen with a clear gem on the top and a program book. Upon entering the Chapter room, they were greeted by a sign in the East stating "150th Anniversary" adorned with star point colored gems. Homemade quilts, lanterns, washbasin and pitcher were also a part of the Chapter decorations. Stacy Miller, Conductress, placed the WGM's Bible on the



## Clinton Chapter Celebrates (continued)



altar. Our newest 50-year members, Martha Mangis, Mary Lou McKinney and Arlene Tatum, were escorted to the altar. Cynthia Willyard, WGM, and Harold Rowe, WGP, gave the pinning ceremony. Memorable moments in their Eastern Star life were shared by the newly pinned sisters.

The Conductress then retired the WGM's Bible and placed the WGP's Bible on the altar. Cathy Scott, Worthy Matron, greeted our guests. After the Invocation given by Perrietta Appleton, PGM, and pledges to the flags, the WGP's Bible was retired and Clinton Chapter's Bible was placed on the altar for the remainder of the celebration.

Introductions followed. Cathy introduced Cynthia Willyard, WGM, and Harold Rowe, WGP, and those assisting her: Richard Scott, WP; Stacy Miller, Conductress; Lisa Weaver, Associate Conductress; Virginia McCabe, Organist; and Gordon Gill, photographer. The following dignitaries were escorted across the East: our own Betty Swisher, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Grand Trustee, PGM; Larry Frost, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Grand Trustee, PGP, and wife Nancy; our own Linda Singer, widow of Dwight Singer, PGP; Barbara Terry, PGM; our own Perrietta Appleton, PGM; Chris Rowe, widow of Fred Rowe, PGP; Lois Wagoner, PGM; Robert Surber, Grand Representative of California Grand Chapter in Indiana, PGP, and wife Jan; our own Jennifer Nicholson Maggart, PGM; Robert DeRolf, PGP, and wife, Melody; and Richard Lassiter, PGP. Members of the "Faith Moves Mountains" Grand Family were escorted East and introduced followed

by introductions from the floor.

The WGM and WGP presented Clinton Chapter with a 150th Anniversary plate that signifies Indiana Grand Chapter's 150th Anniversary. We are very honored to receive this gift. A surprise visitor then appeared. Mary A. Colby (aka our own Amy Flowers) gave a first person talk about Clinton Chapter in 1874. Much historical information was shared. Amy was dressed in historic period dress (1874) lovingly made by her mother-in-law, our own Patsy Flowers. Following the talk, we were entertained with bluegrass music by the group "Cornfields and Crossroads". The bass player was Amy's husband, Joe. After the music, the WGM and WGP signed our Chapter's Bible at the altar.

Cathy Scott, WM, asked 50-year members of Clinton Chapter to stand. There were seventeen 50-year members present and a total of 35 Clinton Chapter members present for our celebration. Many thank-yous were extended and remarks given. Cathy ended by saying, "In closing, I want to say to every person who helped put together this celebration, I thank you for your love and continued dedication to our beautiful Order. May the gems of Clinton Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, continue to shine for many more years!" We then adjourned to the dining room for a delicious chicken noodle dinner. The tables were decorated with lanterns and jars containing floating star point colored gems and lights. Much pride was felt by all Clinton Chapter members who had worked hard to make this historical day a reality.



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## Ashley Celebrates 125 Years

On a beautiful Saturday in May, Ashley Chapter #229 celebrated their 125th anniversary!!! The chapter was beautifully decorated with a May Pole and other assorted spring items.

Numerous members of the Indiana Grand Chapter were present to help us in recognizing this very special event. Also present was the daughter of the first Grand Officer, Evangeline Frederick, who was Grand Martha in 1943.

A report was given on the highlights of our past 125 years, including the purchase of a refrigerator in 1962 for the unheard-of price of \$30.00 and the yearly dues being just \$4.00. Another refrigerator was purchased in 1992, which cost \$500.00. Too bad we did not buy several back in 1962. The affiliation of several chapters occurred and all members from these chapters were warmly welcomed into the Ashley fold. Numerous types of fund-raising were tried over the years including bake and rummage sales, fashion shows, and the well-known shredded chicken at the ACD and Dekalb County Fair.

We then had entertainment from the Pokagon Pitch Pipers, a barbershop group, who serenaded us with Gospel, Patriotic, and Contemporary songs, which was enjoyed by all. After the program, a super sit-down dinner was served by Sister Diana Surfus, PGM, along with the ever wonderful Bill and Linda Alee, consisting of baked potatoes the size of the dinner plate, baked steak, a salad, pickles, olives, coffee, tea, lemonade, with cherry and strawberry pies.

Cheers to Ashley Chapter and best wishes for another 125 years.



## *Pittsboro Hosts Open House*

April 28, 2024, was “a wonderful day in the neighborhood” as Pittsboro Chapter hosted an open house for their Brother Charles Hendricks, Grand Representative of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland.

On entering the fellowship room, guests looked upon tables decorated with plaid center runners with American, Scotland, Indiana State, and Eastern Star flags and ceramic dragons, or as 3-year old Max Boggess, Charles’ great-nephew, said “wooly worms.” On the walls around the dining room were Scotland facts, special sayings, pictures of artifacts and animals that represent Scotland.

You could not miss the Pittsboro members. The ladies wore black and red plaid aprons and the men wore black and red ties. As guests registered, they were presented with a keepsake bookmarker and a bio of Brother Charles’ Eastern Star journey.

Finger sandwiches, fruit cups, cupcakes, mints, mixed nuts, star candies, and lemonade were served as guests mingled and pictures were taken.

Sister Gleda Brooks, PGM, and Brother Richard Lassiter, PGP, who were responsible for his appointment, presented Brother Charles with a green scarf (hand crafted by Brother Rick), for him to wear on his journey to Scotland. Sister Pam Pizzato, WM, on behalf of Pittsboro Chapter, presented Sister Gleda, Brother Rick, Brother Charles, and his wife Sister Sue, with a “stuffed” baby Loch Ness Monster.

Others in attendance were: Worthy Grand Chaplain William Shoulders, and wife Lynn; PGM Madonna Meyerrose; PGM Cindy Cohee, PGM Sherry Johnson; Jr. PGM Angela Hensell, and husband Brian; PGP Larry Mills; Grand Treasurer Greg Chiles, and wife Dawn; and Grand Sentinel Carl Hinshaw. Current and former Grand Representatives of District #10 as well as other guests, filled the room with conversations and laughter while the Loch Ness Monster was hiding nearby.

Yes, it was “a wonderful day in the neighborhood.”



Seated – Sue and Charles Hendricks, Joan Byron, Carolyn Blubaugh, Don Waters, Jane Randall, Melinda Waters, Elizabeth Priller, Karen Boone, Janet Mustin, Pam Pizzato, Ken Coy, Ann Kelley







## Spencerville 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 DeKalb County begins the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week in May. The Spencerville O.E.S. offers a Pop (Corn) Quiz Party for (4) local schools and (2) local Preschools in our community. At each school, a wrapped basket including many school supplies and a \$100.00 school supply gift card is delivered. Each Teacher is allowed (1) guess of the number of pieces included in the basket. Winning classrooms are awarded the basket and a "Popcorn Party."

Pictured is the "2024 Riverdale Elementary School Teacher Appreciation Winner" 3rd Grade Teacher Jessica Snyder and her classroom. This is her seventh year of teaching at Riverdale Elementary. Jessica attended Huntington University and completed her Master's

Degree at IU. She has 20 students in her classroom. She enjoys theater, drama, and reading and is an avid dog walker. She has a puppy named Maggie.

This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year supporting this program for DeKalb County Schools.



## LAFONTAINE CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Prior to the stated meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup>, LaFontaine Chapter presented Turner Stephens with the Nancy & Dick Kumler Memorial Scholarship. He and his mother, Heather, were escorted to the East by his Great-grandmother, our Sister Darlene Turner. His father, Jeremy, received the very first scholarship LaFontaine Chapter presented 25 years ago, but was not able to attend due to his work schedule. Turner plans to attend IUPUI Fort Wayne majoring in elementary education. He participated in football for 4 years at Northfield High School, is in the National Honor Society and a member of the Honors Band playing the trumpet. He interned this past school year at Sharp Creek Elementary School. He told of his activities and plans for the future. We wish him well as he enters the next stage of his life.



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### Who Are These?

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D	C	I	N	R	O	L	S	N	I	N	N	T	S	O	S	H
A	R	E	R	T	O	A	L	N	O	O	I	H	S	O	M	Y
V	A	U	R	E	M	G	S	E	T	S	O	K	T	Z	A	E
I	M	U	A	P	T	H	A	L	H	U	W	S	R	N	L	L
S	B	M	L	N	A	H	I	N	L	C	R	A	A	E	L	L
N	P	E	A	W	D	M	G	D	S	O	T	M	L	L	P	E
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Find the NAMES in the puzzle. The extra letters spell out the answer to the title of this puzzle.

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ANDERSON, Roberta

GROGAN-SILLS, Sandy

PEFLEY, Barbara

APLHA, Susie

HAMILTON, Candi

PERKINS, Julie

BINGHAM, Jo Ellen

HAZELMAN, Karen

RING, Tom

BURTON, Anna

HINSHAW, Carl

SAMPLE, Elaine

CECIL, Donna

HOOVER, Donna

SHAKE, Tamara

CHILES, Greg

HYDE, Julianne

SHOULDERS, Lynn

CLAWSON, Susan

KELLEY, Lori Beth

SHROCK, Judy

COOPER, Dori

KENDELL, Marcie

SLAUGHTER, Bobby

CORN, Alicia

MARCY, Melanie

SMALL, Darlene

DAVIS, Carol

MARTIN, Rhonda

THOMAS, Cathy

FRAZER, Nancy

MITCHELL, Michelle

WEGHORST, Kayla

GASPER, Linda

OGRENTZ, Amy

YEADON, Jamie

GRAY, Denver

OSTER, Barbara

ZOOK, Keith

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# ***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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Rochester, IN 46975**

Please consider honoring or remembering those special Eastern Star people in your family, chapter or district with a Stellar Star for everyone to see and know that they are special to you.



### **1 Star**

In Loving Memory of  
Mary Means – 75-Year Member  
With Love, Tim & Margot Wade  
Son-in-Law & Daughter

### **2 Stars**

In Honor of the “Wings of Faith”  
Grand Family 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! 2003-2004  
Always “Walk the Walk of Faith”  
Love and Hugs, Mama Cat & Connie

45 Years!  
Grand Caroler Grand Family  
Anne Eastham, WGM  
Harry E. Jackson, WGP

In Loving Memory of  
Harold Crider 1925 – 2017  
P.P. Griffith #583  
Great Ritual Work  
With Love, Judi Crider, P.D.

### **3 Stars**

I have three amazing children, Jennette I. Munoz-Colon, Hector L. Munoz-Colon, Danny R. Colon-Clark. I thank God everyday for these three blessings.  
Gladys Colon-Clark

### **5 Stars**

In Honor of  
William “Bill” Shoulders  
Worthy Grand Chaplain  
District 1

In Loving Memory of  
Debra Bryant  
Past Deputy of District 1  
Past Grand Organist  
Bill & Lynn Shoulders

In Loving Memory of friends lost in 2023  
Bonnie Allinder, PGM, Englewood Chapter  
Patricia Burns, PSWHP, Nineveh Chapter  
Debbie Schmidt, PM, Englewood Chapter  
Debbie Hooten, PN, Oakland Chapter  
*Well done good and faithful servants.*  
Rochelle A. Hargis

In Memory of  
Marguerite DeVore, PM  
From the members of  
Corinthian Chapter #456

In Loving Memory of  
Joyce L. Small, PGM  
50-Year member and charter member of  
Ransford IMH Chapter #605  
You are greatly missed.  
With much love,  
From all Ransford IMH members

In Memory of  
Sister Virgia Hendrick, PGM  
D#13 Past Deputies Association

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### WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

- Aug 3** 1<sup>st</sup> Inspection, Englewood, D#11  
**Aug 10** Grand Organist Reception  
**Aug 17** Grand Sentinel Reception  
**Aug 23** Worthy Grand Chaplain Reception  
**Aug 24** Multi-State Celebration  
**Aug 31** Assoc. Grand Conductress Reception  
**Sep 7** Gr. Warder & DD#1 Joint Reception  
**Sep 8** Indiana Masonic Home Festival  
**Sep 21** DD#2 Reception  
**Sep 22** Gr. Representative Fall Luncheon  
**Sep 28** DD#4 Reception  
**Oct 19** D#11 Fun Festival  
**Oct 24-31** Gen. Grand Chapter, Myrtle Beach, SC

### INSPECTIONS / LUNCHEONS

Inspections - Baby Dedication 7:00 pm  
 Award of Gold 7:10 pm, Inspection 7:20 pm

- Aug 3** D#111<sup>st</sup> Inspection in State, Englewood  
 Lunch 12:00, \$10  
 Checks payable to:  
 Englewood Chapter #483  
 Baby Dedication 1:00, Award of  
 Gold 1:10, Inspection 1:20
- Aug 7 D#18** Luncheon/Inspection, Converse  
**Aug 12 D#15** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Aug 15 D#6** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Aug 19 D#21** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Aug 20 D#14** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Sep 10 D#17** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Sep 16 D#9** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Sep 17 D#16** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Sep 23 D#14** Luncheon, GOE  
**Sep 30 D#1** Inspection  
**Oct 2 D#13** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Oct 3 D#12** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Oct 7 D#6** Inspection  
**Oct 15 D#5** Luncheon/Inspection

### RECEPTIONS

Social 2:00, Program 4:00  
 Dinner to follow \$20.00

- Aug 10** **Gr. Organist, Darlene Small**  
 Community Church of Vincennes  
 1548 S. Hart Street Rd  
 Vincennes, IN  
 Checks payable to:  
 Washington Chapter #210  
 Remittance must accompany  
 RSVP by Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> to:  
 Elizabeth Lashley, PGM  
 2498 S. 500 E.,  
 Montgomery, IN 47558
- Aug 17** **Gr. Sentinel, Bobby Slaughter**  
**Aug 31** **Assoc. Gr. Conductress,  
 Tamara Shake**
- Sep 7** **Gr. Warder, Lynn Shoulders &  
 DD#1, Jo Ellen Bingham**  
 Princeton Presbyterian Church  
 130 E. State St.  
 Princeton, IN 47640  
 Checks payable to:  
 Golden Fleece Chapter #176  
 Remittance must accompany  
 RSVP by Aug. 31st to:  
 William Shoulders, Sec.  
 1492 E. SR 64, Princeton, IN 47670  
 812-779-7748
- Sep 21** **DD#2, Michelle Mitchell**  
 Vincennes Masonic Lodge  
 501 Broadway  
 Vincennes, IN 47591  
 Checks payable to:  
 Washington Chapter #210  
 Remittance must accompany  
 RSVP by Sep. 16<sup>th</sup> to:  
 Elizabeth Lashley, PGM  
 2498 S. 500 E., Montgomery, IN 47558
- Sep 28** **DD#4, Roberta Anderson**  
**Oct 5** **DD#17, Julie Perkins**  
**Oct 12** **DD#20, Donna Hoover**

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Thank you and Happy Labor Day!

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