



Off and Running

Already so much time has passed. "Golden Roses and Golden Thorns" are out and blooming as beautiful as ever. We are already planning to get together in the spring.

Brother Kirk Little has more OES House Memorial bricks and History Booklets to sell to support the Masonic Home Project. Sharon Barnes has luminaries and beautiful heart earrings and charms for the Heart Fund. Sheryl Lentz has new Our World of Youth Charms, and additional charms have been arriving for ESTARL.

And just a reminder that Nettie Ransford Day is November 4th at IMH. We hope to see you there.

Puppy Power Fever is spreading in our communities. We have joined with other local events, had dinners, fun days and are busy planning the "Fur Ball" in November.

Several will be traveling to Florida for General Grand Chapter. Please have safe travels and we will see you along the way and in Orlando.

Our MAP, Membership and Participation Pin, has been going great. Already we've handed out the first 1,000 pins and had to reorder. The Charms for all the charities are being hung on our new pin and supporting each of our committees. We are filling and adding new charms almost every week. Your District Deputy has a list of all the charms available for each Charity.

Star Love and Puppy Hugs,

Diana Surfus, WGM

Our new bracelets for Project Red, White and Blue are in. They feature our Armed Forces, the Square and Compass and our Beautiful Star. These will be a great addition to our flags, charms and coozies. We continue to collect items to send to our Service men and women. I really appreciate your continued support of our troops and our Hometown Heroes.

District 14 News

District 14 is very proud of our own Sister Diana Surfus of Churubusco Chapter, the newly Installed WGM, and Brother Kirk Little of Columbia City Chapter, the Grand Sentinel! The Installation at Grand Chapter was lovely - Congratulations to all the new officers!

The Multi-State get-together is on August 10-12 at the IMH. Last year in Wisconsin was lots of fun! There are many fun events planned for the weekend. Don't forget your poodle skirt!

October is Cancer Month. We must continue to support these efforts for research and development for a cure. It continues to haunt us at every turn. Sister Sandie has ribbon, charms, comfort blankets and coin jars to fill. Let's help Cancer go away for good.

Cleo Nottingham, a member of Trinity Chapter, passed away in Muncie on May 30th at the age of 103. Sister Cindy Skura was able to present her 75 year pin at an Inspection in Muncie.

Maggie Dewey, DD#14

RAMBLINGS FROM THE HILLS



At the time of my last article I had just been installed as your Worthy Grand Patron. Things started happening right after I was installed. There were four chapters that had earlier elected to consolidate with another chapter and I conducted those Consolidation Ceremonies. It was a sad time for the members of these consolidating Chapters as expected. During the ceremony I emphasized that, even though it seemed as an ending, it was an opportunity to combine the culture, history and values of each chapter into something new that they could build upon. The meetings were well attended by members of the chapters involved and my words seemed to help.

On a sad note, there was one chapter that elected to close their chapter. Unfortunately they did not follow the CR&R in doing so. I am going to have to work to correct this situation. It was more a procedural issue than anything.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Reception was a huge success. With storms predicted for the day, the reception was moved into the Community Center. There were close to 250 members in attendance. We had a great meal and afterward everyone mingled, talked and seemed to have a good time. I had many positive comments about the afternoon. Thankfully the storms forecast never materialized.

We have gone to several Installations in District #5 where they had a full complement of officers. There were also several "first time" Worthy Matrons installed. Hopefully this trend will continue. I was installed as Worthy Patron for the 18th time at Lawrenceburg – where has the time gone??

The first Inspection in the state was held at Mt. Moriah in Anderson. The turnout seemed to be one of the largest that I have attended. Our five beautiful Star Point Sisters did their work with beauty, style and grace.

There are many projects this year that are very worthy of our time and support. The primary one is the Service Dog Project (Puppy Power). As you travel, look around, you will notice more and more service dogs on leashes. In the Worthy Patrons ritualistic work, in the Initiatory, it makes reference of "the work of our Order is worthy of our earnest endeavor". This Project is definitely "worthy of our earnest endeavor".

There is one Project that I hope will end – the Red, White and Blue Project which evolved out of the SOS Project. Undoubtedly, this will undergo many name changes over time – but – these materials are sorely needed by our service men and women. Someday this world will get its head screwed on right and this type of Project will be able to end.

Go to your individual OES meetings. If you know of someone who has not attended in a while ask them to accompany you. We all need to work together to make a difference and grow. We can accomplish much – The Journey is moving on.

Leslie I Simonton, Worthy Grand Patron



Grand Sentinel Reception

The reception for Kirk Little, Grand Sentinel, was held at the North Webster Community Center on August 4th. Fishing was the theme of the day - the tables had candles surrounded by gummy worms, the sign-in tables had some fish, and the East was decorated with a little boat and more fish.

Ron Stabler, PGP, gave the invocation. Gary Hill, WP of Waynedale, presented Kirk who was then escorted through an arch of fishing poles held by the members of District #14. Presentations were given by Carol Schaefer, WM, and Diana Surfus, WGM.

It was a lovely day with a good turnout of members from District #14 and the Grand Chapter. The Benediction was given by Bill Shoulders, PGP, and the Dinner prayer was given by Rick Lassiter, Grand Chaplain. A delicious dinner followed. Lovely music was provided throughout the morning by David Redman on his keyboard - he played many familiar hymns which were greatly enjoyed by all.



Celebrating Milly Degenhart

On April 5, 2018, a 75-Year Presentation was given by Sister Cindy Skura, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Cecil Scott, Worthy Grand Patron, to Sister Milly Degenhart of Golden Fleece Chapter #176. In

1954 under Sister Milly's direction, a Rainbow Assembly was chartered and she served as the first Mother Advisor of Princeton Assembly No. 98. There were several Eastern Star members present for the ceremony who knew Milly through Rainbow.

Pictured: Cecil Scott, WGP; Milly Degenhart; Cindy Skura, WGM
2nd Row - Debbie Bryant, Grand Organist; Lynn Shoulders; Angela Hensell, Grand Ruth;
Shirley Barnett; Pat Scott; Kristie Batey
3rd Row - Bill Shoulders, GGCCM & PGP; Brian Hensell

First Golden Roses Luncheon

The first Golden Roses Luncheon was held on July 17th at the Golden Corral in Fort Wayne in District #14. Thirty-three Golden Roses were present - three presiding Worthy Matrons: Shirley Crispen of Churubusco, Carol Shaefer of Columbia City, and Mary Lou Blinn of Waynedale; Secretary Barb Fritz of Churubusco, and Secretary Margaret Smith of Fort Wayne; and Organist Sandy Gordon of Waynedale and Trinity chapters. She and Mary Lou Blinn fill in at other Chapters, as well. Another sixteen are active in their respective Chapters, including Mary E. Bird, 99, a 77-year member of Trinity, and she rarely misses a meeting! A very good time was had by all!



Golden Roses Luncheon in D#6

On July 30th, 2018, District 6 had its first honor day for Diana's "Golden Roses". A luncheon was prepared by Greenwood Chapter #390 with approximately 55 people in attendance. Thirty Star members in attendance had 50+ years of membership, which is about 1550 years of fun and fellowship. Sister Diana, WGM, presented each sister with a Golden Rose and each brother received a pin. It was a great time for all.

PROJECT **RED** WHITE and **BLUE**

Project Red, White and Blue is under way. We are planning to send out the first shipment of boxes to service men and women the first of December. We will need items collected and money donated by November 22nd. Please contact your district chairperson or Terry Ring so they can be picked up.

This will be an ongoing project every two months throughout the year, not just the Holiday time. If you have a person you would like to receive a box please get name and complete mailing address and forward to tlring@peoplepc.com.

- Antiperspirants men's only
- Baby wipes
- Batteries
- Books
- Boot/crew socks
- Can openers
- Canned meat, tuna, pasta - no Pork
- Candy, nuts, trail mix
- Chocolate candy
- Cocoa mix
- Coffee
- Cookies
- Creamer packets
- Cup-a-soup packets (no large bowls)
- Cans Soup- Ok
- Dental Floss/toothpaste/toothbrush
- Disposable razors

- DVD/CD'S no nudity
- Eye drops/ Lip Balm
- Flea Collars
- Frisbees
- Granola, cereal bars
- Hand/Foot warmers
- Individual packets of condiments
- Individual packets of powder drink mix
- Individual packets of snacks, crackers, Cookies, etc. canned with popped lid tops
- Mechanic gloves
- Medicated body/foot powder
- Men's Body Wash (3in 1 is best)
- Microwave bowls small soup, mac-cheese
- Microwave popcorn
- Peanut butter
- Pens/Puzzle
- Books/Writing paper/envelopes
- Plastic bags with zipper
- Pop tarts
- Q-tips / sanitary products
- Slim Jims, beef log/sticks, jerky
- Sunblock/Tylenol/Advil
- Tang, tea bags
- Uno cards, travel size games, cards, dice, etc.

They also accept monetary donations to help with the shipping cost of \$18.00 per box.

“Journey of Love” Fur Ball



Join us for a fun filled evening of fellowship, good food and dancing at the “Journey of Love” Fur Ball. It will be held Saturday, November 17, 2018, at the Rolling Hills Shrine Club, 3815 N. State Hwy 7, North Vernon, IN 47265. Social Hour is 6:00 – 7:00 pm, dinner buffet is 7:00 – 8:00 pm, with dancing from 8:00 pm until midnight. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased through your district chairman or be contacting Terrie & Jerry Barber, State Co-Chairmen, 3050 W. Co. Rd. 200 S., North Vernon, IN 47265. Cell phone number is 812-592-0647 and email address is barberj720@aol.com. Reserve your ticket today!

Hanging Out at Multi-State

Our own AGP Robert DeRolf is shown hanging out with the WGP of Michigan, and the WGP and the AGP of Illinois. All were enjoying a fantastic evening at our Indiana Multi State Dinner and Dance.



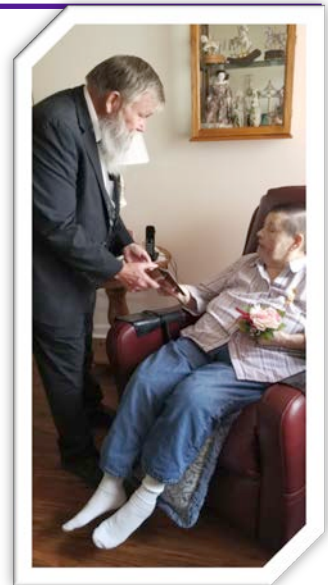
Versailles Chapter Honors *Eighty-Year* Member!



On May 1, 2018, members of Versailles Chapter gathered at Manderley Health Care Center in Osgood to honor, as a surprise, *Sister Josephine Lochard* for *eighty* years of membership in Eastern Star. A lovely vase of Eastern Star-colored carnations and star balloons decorated the family dining room and were a Chapter gift for Sister Jo. Rainbow sherbet punch, chocolate and white cake, and chocolate star candies were enjoyed by Sister Jo and her guests Gleda Brooks, AGC, WM, and Jerry, WP; Helen Sheckler, Adah; Connie Branigan, D. D. 5, Secretary; Deanna Trowbridge, Warder; and Joyce West, PDD 5, Electa. On May 2nd, Sister Jo moved to Compass Park and has already attended Ransford IMH Chapter's May meeting. Sister Jo is a real spitfire who reminded us to stay active and enjoy life! (Photo courtesy of Wanda Burnett of the *Osgood Journal* and Ripley News Company)

Lois Jean Burton Honored

On July 28th, 2018, an "Award of Gold Ceremony" was held at the home of Lois Jean Burton, Greenwood Indiana. Lois Jean is a member of Union Village #584 and became a member of Star on June 13th, 1968. Brother Howard Farrand, Past Grand Patron, District 8, presented Lois with her award. Those present for the ceremony were: Sister Edna Eldridge WM, Union Village; Sister Patty Knox, Secretary, Union Village; Virginia A. Prairie DD#6, Ransford IMH; and Mrs. Howard Farrand; along with Lois' loving husband, Bobby Burton. Bobby attached the pin to her blouse. It was a very emotional and moving ceremony, which brought tears to the eyes as Lois Jean described many wonder memories over the years with Star.



Happy Birthday Thelma!

At the June 13th meeting of Solsberry Chapter #547, Thelma Richardson was honored on her 96th birthday. She was a former member of Bloomington Chapter and has been a member of Eastern Star for 44 years.

FORT WAYNE ACHIEVES MILESTONE

Fort Wayne Chapter #432 recently celebrated their Platinum Jubilee—100 years as a Chapter in Eastern Star. As guests arrived they were greeted and given a coaster commemorating the day.

Eighty guests enjoyed a luncheon while viewing a slide show of various activities through the years. They could also view gowns which were official dresses through the years - dating back to 1961.

Three display cases held memorabilia from 100 years, including the original 1918 minutes from the first meeting under Dispensation, the first Grand Chapter Returns from 1918, New Temple Dedication program from 1926, minutes from the Non-Pareil group, original crown and scepter, original ballot box, Adah veil, seal, and items from our PGP Clayton Herrick and our PGM Edythe Gordon.

The East was adorned with white hydrangeas, white stargazer lilies, white roses, and platinum highlights. Sandra Gordon, PGr Organist, of Waynedale entertained with a prelude.

WM pro-tem Marcia Snow presided after AGM Diana Surfus gave the Invocation. The entertainment of Sandra Gordon and Bob Bier of Waynedale Chapter presented a program of a popular songs from each decade in our 100-year history.

Margaret Smith then shared a Proclamation granted by the Mayor of Fort Wayne, the Honorable Thomas Henry, proclaiming May 19, 2018 as Fort Wayne Chapter Day in Fort Wayne, followed by a similar recognition by State Senator Liz Brown. She then introduced Russ Jehl, District Deputy Director from the office of Congressman Jim Banks, who represents the 3rd District. Mr. Jehl brought greetings from

the Congressman and shared the fact that Congressman Banks is not only a Mason, but is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and recognizes the importance of such organizations and supports them fully.

Carey Carter, PGr Master, brought greetings from Grand Lodge and shared his beliefs in the good works of the Order and closed by wishing us many more successful years.

Margaret gave a brief history of the Chapter, indicating that history books are available for \$1.00. She then introduced the most senior PP Max Poorman who served with Grace Whonsetler in 1957. Max will be 95 years old in July. Following Max was the most senior PM Mabel Keppeler, who served as Worthy Matron in 1985 and is the current Treasurer. Following Max and Mabel were Chapter's newest members, Sarah Rodrigues and Jessica Poiry, who are 6-month members. Sarah could not attend, but Jessica spoke about being a new member.

Cindy Skura, WGM, congratulated the Chapter on achieving this milestone. Ron Stabler, PGP, shared many memories and urged all members of OES to reach out to friends and family to encourage them to join and keep the Order going. AGM Diana Surfus said she enjoyed the day and explained some of the changes we would see for next year in OES. DD Louise Misegades said she felt especially close to Fort Wayne Chapter as she was initiated in this very room and held many offices.

All were thanked for coming to make this day a special one in the history of Fort Wayne Chapter. Ron Stabler, PGP, gave the Benediction after which everyone repeated the Mizpah Benediction.



A Family Affair

A "Family Affair" reception was held honoring Brother Jim Terry, Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Montana in Indiana and Sister Tina Terry, District Deputy #17.

Approximately 130 guests were greeted at the sign-in table by co-chairs Sharon Tyler and Barb Lawson. Jim and Tina greeted guests downstairs in the picture area with Lawrence Barton of Crystal Chapter taking pictures.

The program was held upstairs in the Chapter room where all enjoyed a prelude by Betty Barton of Crystal Chapter. Sandy Whitton, Organist, played for the program. The Chapter room

was decorated with daisies, cowboy boots and hats and a Terry family crest in the West.

Julie Perkins gave the Invocation and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the National Anthem. Tina and Jim were presented at the altar by Sharon Tyler, Conductress, and Barb Lawson, Associate Conductress pro-tem. They were greeted by Worthy Matron Barb Terry. Rick Lassiter, Grand Marshal, sang "How Great Thou Art", Jim's favorite hymn, to them at the altar. They were escorted to the East with Jim dressed as a cowboy and Tina as a daisy.

Tina introduced Cindy Skura, WGM, and

Cecil Scott, WGP. Cindy gave Tina's tribute. Jim introduced Jill Rice, PGM, and she gave Jim's tribute with the help of Karen Mendenhall.



Those escorted across the East and introduced were: Pat Endsley, GGCCM and husband Bill; 15 Past Grand Matrons & Patrons and spouses; 12 Grand Officers and spouses; 13 District Deputies and spouses and escorts; and 6 Grand Representatives and spouses. Other guests were introduced from the floor. Then Tim and Breanna Terry, Jim and Barb's son and granddaughter, were escorted across the East and introduced.

Benediction was given by Cary Hetrick, PGP, and table grace by Cecil Scott, WGP. Gary Hollingsworth, Chaplain, retired the Bible. Bert Tyler who served as Worthy Patron for the day, gave the dinner line-up. Those staying for dinner had sack lunches of chicken salad croissants, applesauce, potato chips and a bag of cookies enjoyed in the dining room decorated with daisies and Montana state flags. Those who could not stay were given their sack lunches to go as they left the Temple.

All of the committees outdid themselves and once again Remington Chapter put on an amazing and memorable reception.

Nineveh Presents Scholarships

Peggy Hittle and Chris Hittle, Nineveh's WM and WP, presented 2 scholarships to students of Indian Creek High School Senior Class. They had to have a connection to a Mason and/or an Eastern Star member in their family. Levi Spurgeon received one of the OES \$1,000.00 scholarships. Both recipients received several honors. We were pleased that the Hittles and Patsy McKee were there for the event. Nineveh Chapter has presented scholarships for several years.

Wings of Faith Reunion



Past Grand Matron Cathie Randles' Wings of Faith Grand Family met in Franklin on a Sunday afternoon this past winter. Despite the cold weather we had a great turnout for our meal, business meeting and fellowship. Reunions are always a wonderful time!

West Terre Haute Scholarship

Every year West Terre Haute Chapter #428, OES, and West Terre Haute Masonic Lodge #687 give a girl and a boy who has Eastern Star or Masonic ties a scholarship of \$500.00 each. This year we only had 1 who qualified and her name is Emily Macak who will be going to Rose Hulman. Her grandparents are in the Eastern Star and Masonic Lodge in West Terre Haute. She is also a graduate of West Vigo High School.

Happy 90th Birthday Jean Butler



The Wings of Faith Grand Family could not allow a special birthday number for one of our own go by without us! Past Deputy #4 Jean Butler celebrated her 90-years-young birthday. Her family hosted the party at her church in Columbus and invited her deputy family to join the celebration. We loved sharing this moment with her! Happy Birthday Sister Jean! You are a very special lady!

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2018 Multi-State in Indiana

The 2018 Multi-State event recently held at the Masonic Home was a big hit, a home run. There were almost 200 members registered from Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky & Wisconsin. Many, many positive compliments were heard from the attendees who said they had a wonderful time and thanked Indiana for all that we did.

Although there weren't a lot of visitors to the Hospitality Room at the hotel Friday evening, probably because many of the attendees had just eaten, several visitors did thank us for having the room available.

Saturday's weather was very pleasant and not too hot. A delicious luncheon was held in the picnic pavilion and our special grill masters cooked the hamburgers and brats to perfection. Also on display were the many gift baskets for the silent auction that evening.

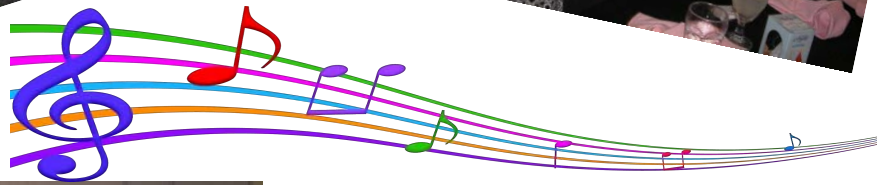
The theme of the Saturday evening banquet was the 50's and 60's and the dress code was very informal, poodle skirts for the women and jeans and white t-shirts for the men. Our hostess, Sister Diana Surfus, WGM, welcomed all to get the evening started. After a delicious meal it was on to the entertainment led by our appropriately attired MC, Tom Coathe assisted by our WGM. There were several special visitors including Elvis, Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta, the Andrews Sisters, The Captain & Tennille plus Sonny and Cher. There was also a DJ playing both oldies and newer music and many enjoyed dancing including a few grand officers and the WGM. Indiana has set a high bar for entertainment for the other states!

Kim Zook, Grand Esther, won the prize for best poodle skirt and even though Indiana had the most attendees, Illinois won the attendance prize because the host state is not eligible for the prize.

Pictures and article submitted by Doug Dewey



2018 Multi-State in Indiana



Exciting Things in D#4

There has been a lot of exciting things going on in District #4. We have had seven installations with each one being unique and beautiful. We had a consolation between two Chapters, Clifford merging with Hartsville.

Several Chapters are initiating new members. Three of them have already taken offices for their Chapters.

The new Worthy Matron's and Patrons for our District are: Hayden Chapter - W M Nancymae Witters & WP Donnie Poer; Hartsville Chapter - WM Clara Bewley & WP David London; Columbus Chapter - WM Jan Lemmon & WP Jerry Lemmon; Lois Chapter - WM Debbie Hash & WP Steve Brown; North Vernon Chapter - WM Terrie Barber & WP Jerry Barber; Salem Chapter - WM Cheryl Brishaber & WP James Jarvis; Seymour Chapter - WM Margaret Kroman & WP Rick Smith.



Mooreville's Fun Night for B.J.



May 30th was a busy night for Mooreville Chapter. It was a fun night including a chili cook-off of seven different kinds of chili served, tasted and graded. Everyone sampled the different soups and at the end Sharon Allman won with a white chili. We also ate PBJ sandwiches and pie.

Guests present were Joyce Small, PGM, and B.J. Mitchell, DD#6.

Recently Cecil Moore had been an honored veteran by being chosen to take an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., to visit some of our country's beautiful monuments. Sandy Harris, Worthy Matron, presented him with a beautiful stained glass angel.

B.J. Mitchell, retiring Deputy #6, was presented a big variety of snacks for Grand Chapter by her Worthy Matrons: potato chips, crackers, candy, etc. This was to keep her "busy" and "happy" while serving her district at Grand Chapter. She was also presented the traveling angel from this past year. A quilt having embroidered squares from each chapter was given to her as well.

Franklin Initiates Grand Faith



Franklin Chapter #439 held an initiation for Caroline Haag, Past Worthy Advisor of Greenwood Rainbow Assembly and Grand Faith, who is the daughter of Sheila Haag, Worthy Matron of Franklin Chapter #439. The initiation was on Wednesday, May 23 at Franklin Masonic Lodge in Franklin.

The following were the guest officers for the Initiation: WM - Lynn Shoulders - Rainbow Supreme Treasurer and Supreme Inspector in Indiana; WP - Bill Shoulders, PGP - President of the Indiana Rainbow Foundation; AM - Stephanie Myers - Mother Advisor of Columbus Assembly #36; AP - Brian Hensell - Assisting Grand Lecturer District 2, a member of Indiana Rainbow Foundation; Sec - Barbara Heath - Past Worthy Advisor of Vevay Assembly #99, Past Advisory Board; Treas - Linda Beeler, PM; Cond - Jane Sherrill - Mother Advisor of Greenwood Assembly #78; AC - Terrie Barber - Majority Member of North Vernon Assembly; Chaplain - Kathy Moore - Majority Member of Edinburgh Assembly; Marshal - Marilyn Stogdill - Grand Helper District 4; Organist - Nancy Custer - Grand Helper District 2; Adah - Lexi Johnson - Grand Helper District 4; Ruth - Angie Hensell - Grand Dean of the Grand Cross of Color; Esther - Stacy Custer - Grand Helper District 2; Martha - Lindsey Potts - Past Grand Worthy Advisor, Member of the Grand Officer Committee; Electa - Cindy Cohee, PGM - Grand Dean Indiana Rainbow for Girls; Warder - Martha Corbin; Sentinel - Howard Stogdill - Grand Helper District 4.

Barbara Heath, Star-Lite Reporter Emeritus

Rainbow Sno-cones

This is a great example of the Masonic Family at work in the community. Princeton Assembly #98, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, has had a stand at the Gibson County Fair for 60 years, selling sno-cones, soft drinks and popcorn. It is now the longest continuous stand at the fair and has always been next to the fair's grandstand. The Rainbow Assembly started in 1954. It is sponsored by Golden Fleece Chapter #176, OES, and is supported by the Masons of Prince Lodge #231.



Be An Active Member

Be an active member,
the kind that would be missed;

Don't be just contented
that your name is on the list.

Do attend meetings and
mingle with the crowd;

Don't stay at home and
crab both long and loud.

Don't leave the work for just a few
and gripe about the clique.

And take time out to visit a member
who is sick.

There is quite a program scheduled
that means success, if done,

And it can be accomplished
with the help of everyone.

So attend the meetings regularly
and help with hand and heart,

Be an active member
and take an active part.

Think this over, Member,
are we right or are we wrong?

Be an active member.

Please don't just belong.

D#11 News

We were busy in District 11 over the summer. I had the privilege to be at several installations. The first was at Golden Rule with WM Gladys Colon Clark and WP Scott Scheffield. The second was at Lawrence with WM Angie Harris and WP Tim Gann. Here the men wore Kilts to honor our PM Mitch Crask who we lost just over a year ago. The last was at Oakland with WM Virginia Walton and WP Earl Jacobs, Jr.

By the time this is published we will have had a Fish Fry at Millersville, one Friends Night and breakfasts at Millersville and Englewood. We will be anticipating the first inspection in D11 in November and Breakfast with Santa at Millersville the first Saturday in December. I will keep you updated to the happenings in District 11 as the year goes on.

Tammy Sweezy, DD#11

District #3 News

Many of us from District 3 safely returned from Grand Chapter and went to work in our chapters. Installations have been conducted and planning begun for another year of cheerful enjoyments and social companionship.

Hanover Chapter #525 had the honor of hosting the first inspection on August 30th in our district. It was a pleasure to see so many familiar faces from our district as well as several from the state. The Grand Officers were there to exemplify the work.
Phyllis Ashbrook, DD3

75-Year Pin for Valda Collier

On June 20, 2018, Sister Valda Collier of Warsaw Chapter #88 received her 75 year pin from Sister Sonda Schapson, PGM. Sister Valda was a faithful member of Pierceton Chapter until their consolidation with Warsaw. She was Organist for many years as well as being a Past Matron and she received a Grand Representative appointment many years ago. Valda is the mother of eight children who were present for the ceremony at her home near Pierceton. She was pinned by her eldest son and was surrounded by the other children for the presentation. Following the presentation a time of fellowship with light refreshments was enjoyed by her many friends and family



Fishers Feeds the Masons



On Thursday, July 5, 2018, Fishers Chapter #446 gathered together to prepare and serve a 50-Year Award dinner for the Hamilton Masonic Lodge #533. WM Margot Wade led the team in preparing and serving Meatloaf, Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Slaw, Rolls and Cake to 20 hungry masons. Those being honored were John Lauderbaugh and Max Brattain.



Fishers Field Trip

On Friday, July 27, 2018, Fishers Chapter #446 took a field trip to watch the Indianapolis Indians play a double header. Baseball, food, fellowship and fireworks was the game plan drawn up by Margot and Tim Wade. It was a fun evening and the Indians won both games!



D#10 Installations

*Congratulations to all of the 2018-2019 WM/WP
and their Corps of Officers for District 10!*

Installation season was kicked off by the installation of 1st time WM/WP team of Margo and Tim Wade of Fishers Chapter on June 15th. We are so proud of them and know that they and their corps of officers will have a spectacular year. Their officers are: Linda Gasper, C. Don Munden, Elaine Johnson, Edna Baker, Joyce Shinault, Deanna Hartman, Margie Zaring, Karen Ingles, Tiffany Ingles, Sheri Fulkerson, Janice Brooks, Mary Kay Patterson, Cathy Thomas, Cathy Sherman, Jeff Zaring, Jim Brooks and Carolyn Waller.

Cicero Chapter was up next with the installation of veteran WM Beth Rutledge on June 19th. Allen Meyerrose, WP-Elect, was not available for the installation ceremony and will be installed later. Many fun times await us with this amazing team. Officers are: Pam Mills, PGP Larry Mills, PGM Madonna Meyerrose, Lisa Perkey-Comstock, Charlene Perkey, Dan Pritchard, Sharron Mayfield, Becki Dunlap, Evelyn Sellers, Barbara Langhammer, Carolyn McDougall, Fred Sellers, Dawn Chiles, Phyllis Stackhouse, Missi Chiles, Greg Chiles and Pat Witham.

Whitestown Chapter held another spectacular installation on June 20th. We welcomed Sarah Cooke and Dennis Tudor as the WM/WP team to the East. We know that they will have a stellar year. Their officers are: Jennifer Lockhart, Dennis Shepherd, Vicky Tudor, Ruth Ann Hussong, Traci Arnold, AGC Angela Hensell, C. Don Munden, Brian Hensell, Gloria Bayer, Susan Roe, Colleen Parks, Lillie Shepherd, Dan Jordan and Doug Tudor.

"A Fresh Start" was the theme for the installation of Pittsboro Chapter. WM Ann Kelley and WP Charles Hendricks eagerly took command for the ensuing year. Their installation was held on June 25th. They and their corps of officers are ready for action. Officers are: Ann Kelley, Charles Hendricks, Debbie Plummer, Elizabeth Priller, Jan Randall, Sue Hendricks, Pam Pizzato, Malinda Waters, Diana Rogers, Marilyn Blair, Karen Boone, Kate Stroup, Janet Mustin, Bill Mustin, Donald Waters, John Stroup and Mary McLaughlin.

New adventures await as PGM Cindy Cohee and Brian Hensell were installed as WM/WP at Lebanon Chapter on June 26th. Cindy has promised a few surprises to be sprinkled in throughout the year. Can't wait to see what's in store. Their officers are: Pam Cohee, Dena Townsend, AGC Angela Hensell, Sarah Hillan, PGO Carolyn Blubaugh, Lori Brindle and Kimberly Deckard.

Plainfield Chapter Installation of Officers was completed on June 29th, when Carolyn Janik and Lee Owen took their posts as WM/WP. District 10 is very proud and excited to see what this team has planned for their year. Officers are: Carolyn Janik, Lee Owen, Sandy Harris, Larry Alexander, Marcia Disbrow, Monte Janik, Dora Cooper, Tamyca Cameron, Lola Levington, B.J. Mitchell, Lois McDaniel, Virginia Jones, Linda Gray, Joyce Blakey, Elena Dix, Debbie Roe, Dave Pearson and Patty McBride.

District 10 Installation season closed with the Installation of Officers at Radiant Chapter on June 30th. Evelyn Miller and Rick Lassiter, Grand Chaplain, took over the reins as WM/WP and will lead their chapter "Hand in Hand – Heart to Heart". Their officers are: Mary Matlock, Jerry Matlock, PGM Sherry Johnson, Jaimie Foreman, Linda Burdett, Judy Dick, Patsy McKay, Teena Christ, Jan McConnell, Connie Jo Ensey, Marcia Stumm, Judy Johnson, Harriet Wise, Joann Boes, Jim Johnson and Pete McKay.

Color Life Beautiful

Versailles Chapter #333 and D#5 honored Sister Connie Branigan, DD#5, with a "Color Life Beautiful" reception on January 27, 2018, at the South Ripley Elementary School in Versailles. A rainy day outside, their 120 guests from across Indiana radiated warmth inside.

In Connie's colors of pink, turquoise and purple, the tables were decorated with angels, teapots, Longaberger baskets of treats and LED taper candles. The altar was draped in white with a crocheted "Star" cover lovingly made by Barbara Gadd of Brookville Chapter. Dawn Elston of Bennington Chapter played Connie's favorite 70's music while guests socialized and posed for pictures taken by Doug Sloan, PP of Pimento Chapter. Alyssa Lay, WM of Bennington Chapter, served as Secretary.

Gleda Brooks, AGC and WM of Versailles, welcomed everyone. Les Simonton, AGP and WP of Lawrenceburg Chapter, gave the invocation. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and Star Spangled Banner, WGM Cindy Skura instructed WGP Cecil to present Paul Mang, Sr. of Versailles Chapter at the altar. What a wonderful surprise to have Paul appointed as Grand Representative of Kansas in Indiana for his daughter, Melanie Marcy, lives in Kansas and recently served as its Grand Adah!

Denise Wilson, Conductress of Lawrenceburg, presented Connie at the altar. Jodi Lemmon of Riley Chapter sang "You've Got a Friend." Connie was then escorted to the East.

Her escorts were Past Deputies of D#5, Connie's Rays of Starlight WMs and WPs, and members of Versailles and Lawrenceburg chapters. Decked out with brightly colored butterfly wings, everyone fluttered back into the room. Connie, in her purple wings, fluttered through the aisle and was greeted by these loved ones holding butterfly signs



identifying traits Connie displays each day as District Deputy.

Connie introduced and welcomed WGM Cindy Skura and WGP Cecil Scott. WGM Cindy read a tribute about Connie's personal Rainbow and Eastern Star life. Connie called upon Jodi to entertain everyone with fun songs from the 70's.

She got us up to dance during her renditions of "Celebrate," "I'll Be There," and "Dancin' Queen." Someone recorded us and posted it on Facebook. Welcome to the 21st Century and social media!

Also introduced were 7 PGMs and PGP's along with 5 spouses and escorts, members of the Shining Lights of Faith Grand Family and 13 District Deputy Daisies and their Drivers. Each Daisy was presented with silk long-stemmed daisies tied in rainbow colored ribbons. Connie greeted each group with thoughts on life, friendship and beautiful living.

Connie's "chosen family" friends were introduced as: cousins Mary Jo and Rick Sloan; Milan friends, Dan and OES Sister Melissa Baker; and Beta Sigma Phi sisters, Elaine Kessen and Gwen Miller. Other introductions included 10 Grand Chapter Committee Appointments, 4 Grand Representatives, 5 WMs, 3 WPs, 13 PMs and PPs and 2 officers of Youth Groups.

Connie recognized those who helped her - Versailles and Lawrenceburg Chapters, D#5, the Reflections of the Heart Grand Family and her Wings of Faith Grand Family.

Connie and Jodi sang "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You" as the benediction. Jerry Brooks, WP, gave the Table Grace and dinner instructions. A delicious roast pork dinner and more fellowship followed.

Check your



WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

Oct 5-7 WGM Trip
 Oct 9 Michigan Grand Chapter
 Oct 20 D#11 Hoedown
 Oct 27-Nov 2 General Grand Chapter
 Nov 4 Nettie Ransford Day
 Nov 17 Journey of Love Fur Ball

GOLDEN ROSES LUNCHEONS

Oct 16 D#13
 Oct 17 D#16
 Oct 24 D#17
 Nov 16 D#10

INSPECTIONS

Baby Dedication 7:10 pm
Award of Gold 7:20 pm
Inspection 7:30 pm
 Unless otherwise noted

Oct 1 D#8 at Montezuma w/ Hedges
 Oct 10 D#4 at Hartsville GOEx
 Meal 6:00 pm CENTRAL TIME
 Oct 18 D#8 at Twelve Points GOEx
 Oct 19 D#7 GOEx
 Oct 22 D#6 at Nineveh w/ Union Village & Naamah
 Oct 23 D#18 at Converse w/ Ivy & LaFontaine
 Nov 7 D#14 at Churubusco GOEx
 Nov 13 D#11 at Corinthian GOEx
 Nov 14 D#16 at Dayton Masonic Lodge, Hope Chapter GOEx
 Nov 15 D#12 at Loyal w/ Fountain City & Middletown
 Nov 19 D#21 GOEx
 Nov 27 D#1 at Evansville w/ Friendship & Robert Morris
 Nov 28 D#2 Winslow w/Odon
 Nov 29 D#3 at New Albany w/ LaBelle
 Dec 3 D#6 at Fairland w/ Franklin & Eden
 Dec 4 D#4
 Dec 6 D#10 at Pittsboro w/ Plainfield

RECEPTIONS - HONOR NIGHTS

Nov 15 D#12 Honor Night after Inspection
 Grand Warder – Dewey Shepherd
 Dec 15 D#15 Gr. Representative Honor Morning
 Keith Zook, GR of South Carolina

WGM LUNCHEONS

Oct 2 D#8
 Oct 11 D#11
 Oct 12 D#10
 Nov 8 D#21
 Nov 9 D#19
 Nov 20 D#20
 Nov 26 D#7
 Nov 30 D#12
 Dec 7 D#9

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 Grand Family

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 Bill Duke
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 Henry Huff
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