



## *Everything you do matters!*

I have a Deputy sister that collects elephants. The elephant is the largest land mammal on earth. Led by a matriarch they organize themselves into a complex social structure of females and calves. The male elephants tend to live in isolation or small bachelor groups. The calves are cared for by the entire herd of related females. The elephant protects itself using their massive size, their thick tough skin, and when threatened they protect each other by forming a circle with the weakest or smallest elephants inside the circle. When one of them becomes weak from illness or old age the other elephants surround her and even get closer to use their bodies to hold her up and support her until she gets healthier or dies. The family members alert others to danger so they can escape which helps with their survival. The elephants' tusks make them valuable to poachers and their numbers are being reduced. They grieve and shed tears when one of the herd dies. Our Eastern Star Chapter members should be more like a herd of elephants. Elephants love and protect one another.



I asked my District 12 members and other members what they love about Eastern Star and why they joined. For many members they joined Eastern Star because it was a family tradition. The women joined Eastern Star because they loved the International Order of Rainbow for

Girls or Jobs Daughters and wanted to continue to serve. Some members told me it was the lasting friendships and love for one another that lasted a lifetime. Another member said she liked the fellowship and the fact that it keeps her active, mentally fit, and emotionally involved. They loved being with people that have high moral standards. They really think it's fantastic that our members come from all walks of life. Our own matriarch, Past Grand Matron Madonna Meyerrose expressed how much she loved Grand Chapter, "I loved it, with all the pretty dresses, and how things were conducted. I have not missed a Grand Chapter since. I soon, after I was WM of my local Chapter, became an active member of it. But beyond all the stations I've held, the stories of the five Star Points are my favorite. My life relates to them. My membership has given me so many things—good friends; comfort during trying times; and opportunities to visit members around the world. Some say our ship is sinking, if that's true I assure you I'll not give up, I'll be the last one off the ship. I love EASTERN STAR. Outside of my love for God, my family, my love for Eastern Star shines brightly."

As an Order we have a lot of great attributes and yet our numbers are reducing. Perhaps we need to think about why new members attend chapters meetings for a while and then stop attending meetings. Perhaps it's because we don't form that circle and protect our new members like the elephants do. When the investigative committee meets with candidates, we should let them know that if initiated we will teach them what

---

---

### *WGM - Everything you do matters!*

they need to learn and will be happy to explain what we do and why we do it. We need to do more teaching after they are initiated. We need to teach them how to hold their hands in the reverent attitude, when to turn and face the altar, and why and how we should do the things we do. I was fortunate that the members of New Castle #116 taught me in a gentle way. There was one woman in our chapter who was not as kind or patient. I stopped at Kroger's and bought flowers to give to her at chapter one night. Her attitude towards me changed. She could have been more helpful to me from the beginning of my membership, but she was not. It was Larry and Nancy Frost that taught me why we do things in a certain way. Nancy said, "I know you want to learn it correctly. If you learn it wrong, it's a bad habit." It was her kind way that made me want to get things right. When teaching it is much better to be kind and use encouraging words than negative words. We all learn differently. Diagrams in our ritual are not always easy to read. I learn better by seeing it done correctly and then doing it while someone is there to gently correct my errors. We should tell the new members three things they did correctly before you ever tell them what was incorrect. Use honey not vinegar.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of our chapters should expect all members to protect each other, correct people in a positive and private way, form that circle and stop others from being so negative and cold towards each other. Some members of this order are behaving like the woman who did not help me. I was trying to make friends and trying to fit in when she did very little to help me. Why would

a woman or a man want to stay in our order when other people treat them unkindly? Form the circle to keep negative people from driving your new members or those members who are trying to serve in our order from leaving and giving up. Be the leader and say, "That's not how we are going to treat each other." Get closer to them and show the signs again and again until they get it correctly but do it in private.

Finally, be kind to people who have a head injury, have received chemotherapy, or who have suffered a stroke. Support them during their struggle. Their memory is affected and perhaps they can't do the ritualistic work the way they use to do it. We need to be more like the elephants and support them when they struggle with their work.

Everything you do matters!



Cindy Willyard, WGM



membership pins. Michael received his from his wife Lori and Gary from his wife JoDee. Pictured are Lori & Michael Brane, WM Jean Sneed, Jo Dee & Gary Dale, and Conductress Kaye Sorrell.

---

## **LaFontaine Events**

LaFontaine Chapter #301, met for their November meeting. A carry-in Thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed by 25 members, family, and guests.

Prior to the meeting the Chapter presented Michael Brane and Gary Dale with their 25-Year



## Focus on Star

Well, winter is here. It's a good time to snuggle up by the fire and have a hot beverage. I know that many Chapters are dark and we only have a few things going on with the Grand Chapter. While we enjoy the break in the Grand Chapter business this Winter, I am going to devote a much larger portion of my article to the "Focus on Star" section this month. During my time in OES, I have spent some time researching the background of the Heroines of our Order as well as some of the people that support them in their stories. Here is some more background for them, sourced from the

Bible as well as other historical texts.

Jephthah was the ninth judge of Israel. A Biblical judge was not only a judge in the legal tradition but also a military leader, chosen by God. Jephthah was the son of a harlot and had been expelled from his homeland of Gilead by his brothers because of his illegitimacy. He was a man of great valor and when the Ammonites made war against the Israelites, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah to lead the campaign against the Ammonites. He agreed to return on the promise that they would make him their Chieftain.

Boaz was a just, learned and pious Judge of Israel. One of the pillars of King Solomon's Temple was named after him. He was a rich landowner and a prince of the people, but he personally oversaw the work of his threshers to prevent any immorality or theft, which were common at the time. He was not in the habit of inquiring after the women working in his fields, but Ruth's grace and chaste conduct in her work induced him to inquire about the stranger. Boaz was a close relative of Naomi's husband, Elimelech. When Ruth went to work in the fields of Boaz, she was not aware that he was a relative of Naomi. After Boaz showed her many kindnesses, she told Naomi about him. Naomi realized that Boaz was her husband's relation and that he was obliged to marry her son's widow. Ruth eventually bore him seven sons including Obed, father of Jesse, father of King David.

Queen Esther was the second queen to King Ahasuerus of Persia. The first queen, Vashti, was deposed after she refused to submit when the king (being in "high spirits") ordered her to appear before him and his guests to display her beauty. King Ahasuerus was most likely King Xerxes I of Persia. Xerxes was the son of Darius I. Under Persia law, the king was required to choose a successor before going on any dangerous expeditions and indeed Darius was killed after a failed campaign to suppress a revolt in Egypt. Xerxes attempted to invade Greece twice during his lifetime, but both times he was forced to retreat. During his reign he built the Gate of all Nations, the Hall of a Hundred Columns and a palace twice the size of his father's. In 465 BC, Xerxes was murdered by Artabanus, the commander of the royal bodyguard.

Lazarus of Bethany, brother to Martha and Mary, is the subject of one of the most famous stories in the bible. As related in the Gospel of John, he was bought back to life by Jesus after being dead for four days. Lazarus' sister Mary was the same Mary who anointed the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair. While Jesus was traveling, he received word that Lazarus was gravely ill. Jesus decided to stay where he was for two more days, stating that Lazarus' sickness was "not unto death." After two days, Jesus set out to return to Judea despite the objections of his disciples. They were concerned that Jesus would be stoned to death if he returned. He told them that they needed to go because Lazarus was asleep. By that Jesus meant the final sleep, but his disciples misunderstood and said that sleep would do him well.

The story of Electa is told in the Second Epistle of John, written by Saint John the Evangelist. John the Evangelist is also the author of the Gospel of John, the first and third Epistles of John and possibly the Book of Revelation. John the Evangelist is also considered to be John the Apostle. The word evangelist means "writer of a gospel" in this context. John is the only Apostle of Jesus who lived into old age and was not killed for his faith although he may have been exiled for it. He is generally considered to be the "Beloved Disciple" in the Gospel of John. A symbol of St. John is the chalice, due to his association with the Last Supper. There is also a legend where he was handed a cup of poisoned wine, which he blessed and caused the poison to rise out of the cup in the shape of a serpent.

I hope that this has brought you a little more insight into the beautiful stories that we know so well. Our Heroines and the people around them lived in the most amazing times in history and I am always fascinated when I learn something new about their lives. I hope that everyone will have a year of peace and prosperity and I look forward to seeing all of you very soon.

Harold Rowe, WGP

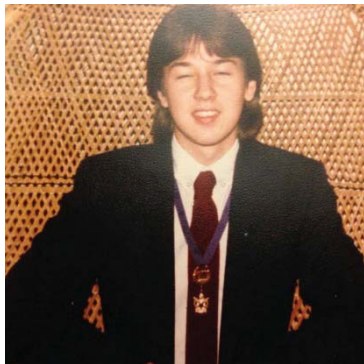


## *My Father's Masonic Journey*

By Keely Roe, Miss Indiana Job's Daughter 2023-2024



2023 Adult Youth Leadership Award from the Indiana Grand Council of Cryptic Masons for his involvement with DeMolay and Job's Daughters.



My name is Keely Roe, and I am your Miss Indiana Job's Daughter for the 2023-2024 term.

I recently interviewed my father, Terrence Roe, 33°, about his involvement with the Masonic Youth organizations of Indiana. My dad is a Past Master of Warsaw Lodge #73, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Fort Wayne Consistory, and an advisor of John Chapman DeMolay Chapter in Warsaw. He is also a member of the Mizpah Shrine and Warsaw Chapter #88, Order of Eastern Star. He was awarded the 2021 Scottish Rite Youth Advisor of the Year and

2023 Adult Youth Leadership Award from the Indiana Grand Council of Cryptic Masons for his involvement with DeMolay and Job's Daughters. My dad started his Masonic career in 1984 as a charter member of Crimson Shield DeMolay Chapter in Kentucky. As a member, he "enjoyed getting to know people from around the state" at dances, regional meetings, and Conclave. He met many friends and mentors through DeMolay, many of whom he is close with today. DeMolay taught him several life lessons and skills, from learning how to tie a tie to public speaking. His career in DeMolay included a term as a State Officer after serving his chapter as Master Cuncilor. He was also presented with the Degree of Chevalier.

After being a member in his youth, my dad decided to join Freemasonry. Interestingly, his father was not a member. He really had no connection to Masonry other than DeMolay, but because "some of the advisors that we had in DeMolay were members of [Lodge]...I wanted to be a part of what they were a part of." He joined Polar Star Lodge #363 in 1990. He transferred to Warsaw Lodge #73 in 2013.

My brother, Griffin, and I are involved in Masonic Youth organizations. I am a member of Job's Daughters Bethel 8 in Fort Wayne, and my brother is a member of John Chapman DeMolay Chapter in Warsaw. The influence to join these organizations came from my father. "I remember what an impact DeMolay had on me," he said. "Having a common bond with other people my age" was very important. Learning how to "speak in public, conduct [yourself] in groups, and collaborative work in meetings" were skills that he wanted us to learn. Masonic Youth organizations were created for that purpose.



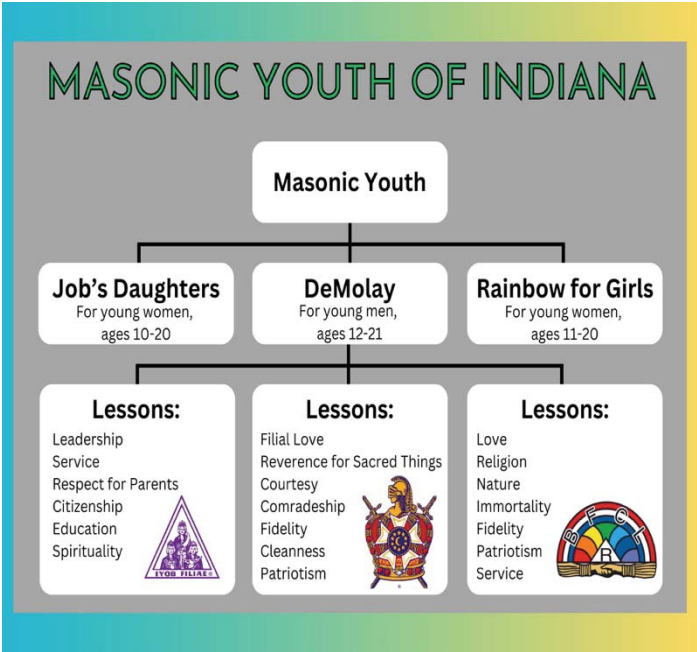
The influence of my father's support has given me the confidence and drive to be an active part of Job's Daughters. I'm sure my brother would say the same thing about DeMolay. My dad said that "knowing how to set goals and achieve them has been a real important part" of our Masonic Youth experience. Just like when he was a member, we have learned ritual, traveled around the state, and made connections. "You have been exposed to people I respect as Masons... You have had some exposure to some really good people and have good examples to look up to." On a personal note, being involved in Job's gave me an opportunity to grow closer with my dad. It gave us something to bond over. Our entire household is involved in at least one organization, which has given us something unique and special to enjoy together.

My dad's professional career is in education. With this in mind, he stated that "the youth of today need to learn to work collaboratively. They need to be exposed to the precepts of DeMolay and the ideals of Job's and Rainbow." All three of our organizations strive to teach citizenship, leadership, love and respect for parents, service, spirituality, and many more attributes that are necessary to be a well-rounded citizen. He also stated that the youth of today

should have the opportunity to “get to know the quality of people that are in Freemasonry and the Masonic organizations.” “It’s good for all the youth to have some connections [to] people who will look out for them, provide examples, and get [them] prepared for what [their] adult lives could be.”

We would love for you to invite your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors, or any other youth in your life to join one of our three organizations. Even if they are involved in other organizations or activities, the teaching of Masonic Youth is the icing on the cake. We encourage them to get involved even if they can’t attend every meeting or event. The lessons and tenets of Freemasonry are important to the welfare of our communities, and it starts with our youth. I encourage you to give your youth the opportunity to join your legacy of Masonry and benefit from our teachings.

Please reach out to the following people for more information about Masonic Youth in Indiana!



**Indiana Job’s Daughters**  
Tammy Watson, Grand Guardian  
Jake Higgs, Associate Grand Guardian  
Email: indianaggc@gmail.com  
Website: <https://www.injdi.org/>

**Indiana DeMolay**  
Eric Vermeulen, Personal Representative  
Mat Bryant, Executive Director  
Email: info@indianademolay.org  
Website: <https://www.indianademolay.org/>

**International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Indiana**  
Lynn Shoulders, Supreme Inspector in Indiana  
Email: lynnshoulders@gmail.com  
Website: <http://www.iniorg.org/>

### Making Christmas Magic

Hymera Chapter #289 in District 7 helped to bring some Christmas magic to the children of Northeast East Elementary School just in time for the holidays! The Santa this year was Sister Martha Santus who shared the spirit of Christmas during story time and the children shared their Christmas wishes for themselves and their families. All of the children (and staff!) received a candy cane to remember Santa’s visit and the true meaning of this blessed holiday season!

Merry Christmas to you all from District #7!



## Cicero Gives Back



November and December are times of giving thanks and of giving back to our communities. Cicero Chapter in District 10 had their annual Thanksgiving dinner and gave back to their community.

Each one of us reached into our closets and storage and brought out gently used winter coats, gloves, scarves, socks, hats, blankets and more for the homeless in the Indianapolis area. The response was overwhelming to our guests from Living Waters Outreach. Julie Patterson and Scott Long gave us a look into the lives of the homeless camps with a slide presentation and shared their life experiences encountered in this ministry. Scott emphasized that they refer to those they are helping as friends. If people are called "homeless" that classifies themselves and they fail to aspire to improve their situation.

Not only does Living Waters provide clothing, but they also partner with other area outreach programs to offer a meal on a daily basis. Living Waters provides resource information to their friends for housing, medical, vision, dental and veterinary assistance. Many friends do not seek out shelters to stay in. Shelters are typically

segregated by gender and don't allow pets. Thus, it is more important to them to keep their "family unit" together in the camps.

We learned so much and really drove home how truly blessed we are. Their Christian ministry is based on John 4:14; *Jesus said, Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never thirst...it will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.*"

Julie and Scott were most grateful for the donations and encouraged all of us to give them the most needed gift of all, our prayers! Not only for their ministry, but also for them as they continue to share God's life-changing plan of salvation with those who are willing to listen. Cicero Chapter was blessed by the message and the opportunity to give to our friends. Pictured are Scott Long and Julie Patterson from Living Waters Outreach along with WP Larry Mills and WM Pam Mills, plus all the donations are pictured with members from Cicero Chapter.



## *District 8 Worthy Matrons & Worthy Patrons*

The newly installed Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons from District #8 are: from Bowling Green #304 – Dorothy Keiser, WM & Randy Mittins, WP; Brazil # 80 – Darla Scherb, WM & Greg Justice, WP; Knightsville # 238 – Ann Mangus, WM & Rob Keirshner, WP; Pimento #516 – Andrea McColl, WM & Doug Sloan, WP; Terre Haute #43 – Cheryl Phillips, WM & Timothy "K" Poff, WP; and West Terre Haute #428 – Kathy Eastom, WM & Timothy "K" Poff, WP. Congratulations to all and especially to our first time Worthy Matron, Kathy Eastom.

## District 10 Activities and Awards

On October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Plainfield Chapter presented Sister Rhonda Blakey with her 25-year service award. Sister Joyce Blakey (Mother-in-law) escorted Rhonda Blakey and had the honor of pinning the award on Rhonda. It was a beautiful ceremony. In the picture below (left) are Sister Joyce Blakey, PM and current Treasurer, Sister Rhonda Blakey, Sister Dori Cooper, WM, and Brother Starling Cooper, WP.

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, Plainfield had their Friend's Night with the theme "Best Decorated Mask." Plainfield had a very nice turnout for their Friend's Night. There were 4 Districts represented – D# 6, D#8, D#10, and D#11. Attending were: PGM Sister Sherry Johnson, PGP Brother Rick Lassiter, Grand Treasurer Brother Greg Chiles, DD#10 Deanna Hartman, and DD#8 Peggy Wiggins.

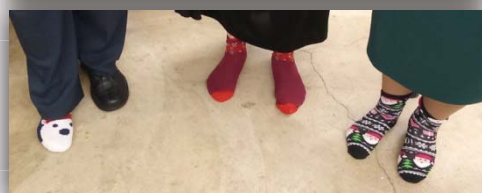
There was a nice array of finger foods and desserts. Much fun was had by all! A special game was played that most learned something from. The winner of the Best Decorated Mask was Sister Kim Pierce, Conductress at Plainfield #414.

Pictured are: Sister Kim Pierce, Sister Patty McBride, Sister Evelyn Miller, Sister Dori Cooper, Sister Dawn Chiles, behind Dawn is Brother Starling Cooper, Sister Candi Hamilton, and Sister Pam Pizzato.



## Upland's Christmas Socks

The members of Upland OES #411 met Monday, December 11th prior to our stated meeting for our annual Christmas carry-in. We all enjoyed great food and fellowship and we exchanged Christmas socks filled with goodies. We enjoyed posing for pictures of the socks we received. The members took up a collection of money to buy Christmas gifts for a resident of our local community to continue our year of giving.



## *Fun in District #11*



Marion County Patrons Association held a costume party on October 20, 2023. The winners were Susan Bradley and Randy Snyder who dressed as pirates. Also pictured attending are Chris Rowe, DD#11 Julie Snyder, WGP Harold Rowe and WGM Cindy Willyard. Larry "Frosty the Snowman" Frost and his wife Nancy "red" advertised for Susie Roach who is running for the General Grand Chapter office.



On October 28<sup>th</sup> a reception was held at New Albany Lodge for Randy Snyder who was appointed as Supreme 2<sup>nd</sup> Wise Man for White Shrine. He is pictured with his wife Julie who is District Deputy #11. Also attending were Gladys Colon Clark, Patricia Crask, April Cobb, WM Deby Harper from Lawrence Chapter, WM Tammy Sweezy from Millersville Chapter, and DD#11 Julie Snyder.



November 18<sup>th</sup> held another reception, this time for DD#11 Julie Snyder from Millersville Chapter. Julie is pictured with her husband, Randy, and also with WGM Cindy Willyard and some of her Deputy Sisters. The Grand Worthy Advisor of Rainbow for Girls gave the Rainbow Ribbon Talk at the altar.



December 2<sup>nd</sup> held Millersville Paws & Claus breakfast with Santa (Randy Phillips) and Mrs. Claus (Vickie Fullman) attending with special guests Sadie the black lab and Monkey the blonde lab ICAN dogs. The breakfast crew who served the breakfast had their picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. They are Ruth Hartley, Kim Frederick, DD#11 Julie Snyder, Tammy Sweezy, Randy Snyder, and Carole Sendmeyer.



### HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR STAR-LITE?

You have received this issue, but will you get the next one? Check your expiration date on the back page to the left of your address. If it says your last issue is February 2024, then you need to renew now! Fill out the form on the next to the last page and include your check made out to Indiana Grand Chapter, OES and mail to Nancy Pratt, 3597 N. Old U.S. 31, Rochester, IN 46975.

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

## Cover Lafayette



Hope Chapter #5 collected over 25 blankets and donated them to Cover Lafayette at our November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Cover Lafayette was created ten years ago by a Hope Chapter member, Sister Julie Albregts.

Worthy Matron Susan Clawson selected Cover Lafayette as the principal charity for her term. Blankets are stored on the back porch of a downtown Lafayette restaurant, Buttery Shelf, and anyone in need of a cover can help themselves to a blanket.

## Royal Center Fundraisers

Our Grand Chapter Committee members from Royal Center Chapter in District 18 are supporting their projects for the year by raising money to be divided among their committees. Those are the WGM & WGP projects, Sit Awhile & Supporting Our Future, the Cancer Fund, ESTARL, and the Heart Fund. We have set up booths at several local craft shows including the Francesville Fall Festival, the Royal Center Oktoberfest, the Cass County Home Extension Craft Show, and the Winamac Craft Show. Over \$1,026.00 was raised so far and divided among the committees. We are also going to donate our coin collections and money donated for members' birthdays for the year at the end of this term. Pictured are Malissa Poor and Judith Poor at the booth at the Francesville Fall Festival.





## US Flag Presentation at "2023 Masonic Night"

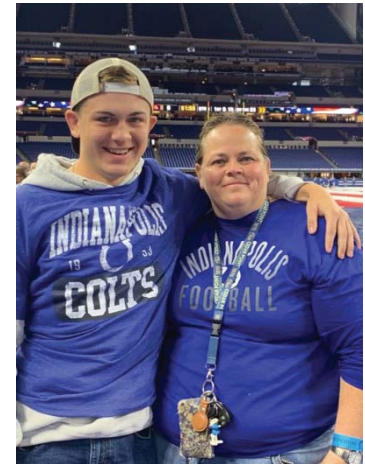
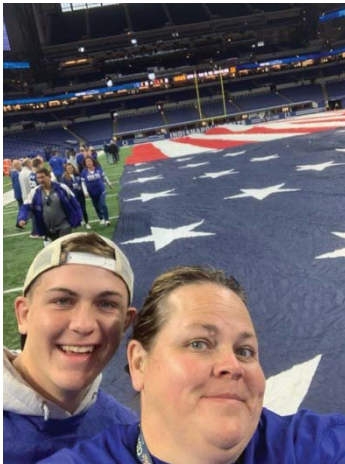
The Spencerville Eastern Star has been making Donuts at the DeKalb County Free Fall Fair since 1949. Our Donut Trailer uses 225 volunteers to make donuts for 6 days each year. We are fortunate to have many wonderful families, friends, Auxiliary Eastern Star Chapters, Masonic Lodges Volunteers, and many Non-Profit Organizations to help us make donuts every year!

In 2019 we started a new reward program to thank our many volunteers. Anyone who works a shift in our donut trailer will be entered into several drawings for five gas cards and a \$25.00 donation to their favorite charity. Also, we will give away four "Donut Make You Smile T-Shirts" and a Ticket Package to an Indianapolis Colts Football Game (OES/Masons Members eligible only). We had 85 entries for the Colts Package. Melissa Amstutz of the Ft. Wayne Chapter won the Indianapolis Colts Football Game Tickets.

The Indianapolis Colts Package included 2 Tickets for:

1. Indianapolis Colt's vs Cleveland Brown's Game Day Tickets in October 2023.
2. Masonic Pre-Game Reception and Luncheon
3. U.S. Flag Presentation on the game field and free Colt's Gift.

The Giant Full Field U.S. Flag is 150' x 300' and requires a minimum of 300 people to open it on the game field. Participants practice carrying out and opening the flag on the field until they can perform this task in 2 minutes. Melissa Amstutz reported to Spencerville OES on her Indianapolis Colt's Game Day Experience. She told us the Colts Stadium is HUGE and the experience of presenting the U.S. Flag on the game field in front of 62,000 people while our National Anthem was playing, was a wonderful experience that she got to share with her youngest child.



---

## What Do These Words Have in Common?

M M O T H E R S G S C S H O R O B R A L  
 E I A D A E Y R S H E P U A N D O S P E  
 M E C R T S O G R S A N A B S I S A L L  
 O L D S T U U I N L T P I E M I S A A E  
 R Y A E N I S M M I R N C T N U S S B C  
 I E N D C T N S M I V R E D N T L Y O T  
 A W H E M I U L L E O I E D N E L O R I  
 L O H A W N T F U F R P G E I U L B C O  
 G S S T D Y O L D T E S R S J S L A Y N  
 N E K A N O E E O N H A O F K A E A V S  
 M E Y C L E M A D S P E O L C N D R V R  
 T A E S I R E E R D R H R K T I A E P A  
 Y O C W A R N T N S T E F K R I T H E E  
 Y L I E O C T A E R E R T F I E C B T Y  
 F A R R E L R A U N I V D N R N A E T W  
 X L D E T G L O P D U O E A I T G H I E  
 A S A D C A F A A T O J N O M W I J N N  
 T G Y G E A P Y H G S S R E H T A F R R

Find the words in the puzzle.

The extra letters spell out the answer to the title of this puzzle.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

APRIL FOOLS	ELECTION	JUNETEENTH	PATRIOT
ARBOR	FATHERS	LABOR	PRESIDENTS
ARMED FORCES	FLAG	MARTIN LUTHER	ST. PATRICKS
BLACK FRIDAY	FOURTH OF JULY	KING JR	SUMMER SOLTICE
BOSS'S	GOOD FRIDAY	MEMORIAL	TAX
CHRISTMAS	GRANDPARENTS	MOTHERS	THANKSGIVING
COLUMBUS	GROUNDHOG	NEW YEARS	VALENTINES
DDAY	HALLOWEEN	NEW YEARS EVE	VETERANS
EASTER	INDEPENDENCE	PALM SUNDAY	WINTER SOLTICE

---

---

# ***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.

These will run for 1 year after we receive the request. The short information you want printed about the individual or group can be mailed along with a check payable to Indiana Grand Chapter, OES with the notation: Stellar Stars, to:

**Nancy Pratt**  
**3597 N. Old U.S. 31**  
**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 Loving Memory of  
 Joan Franklin, PD#7, 1960  
 Lee Ann Wise, PD#7, 1971  
 Opal Sluder, PD#7. 1977  
 Who are missed by  
 The Past Deputies of District #7

To my wounded warrior  
 SSG Hector L. Munoz-Colon  
 & his beautiful family,  
 wife Nikki, daughters Lily & Sofia.  
 Thank you for being my family.  
 Love Gladys Colon-Clark

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

### **3 Stars**

In Honor of our most recent  
 50-Year Members  
 Judith Adkins, PM & Elizabeth Ritchie  
 From the members of  
 Corinthian Chapter #456

### **4 Stars**

In Honor of our most recent  
 75-Year Member  
 Jeanne Bain, PM  
 From the members of  
 Corinthian Chapter #456

### **5 Stars**

In Honor of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
 “BLUEBIRDS OF HAPPINESS GRAND FAMILY”  
 Established on April 27, 1983, by  
 Linda Cline, P.G.M. & Jay Shull, P.G.P.  
 (“Momma Bluebird” & “Poppa Jay”)  
 Also honoring the “Traveling Bluebirds”  
 and their “Birdwatchers”  
 With much love from “Momma”, Vaughn, & Dottie

In Loving Memory of  
 Betty Thousand  
 100 Years old & 77 Year member  
 Faithful member of  
 Rochester Chapter #70 and  
 Royal Center Chapter #375

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

---



### WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

**Feb 11** D4 Valentine Tea, IMH  
**Apr 4-5** Royal Arch Grand Chapter  
**Apr 20** Clinton Chpt. 150<sup>th</sup> Frankfort D#15  
**Apr 27** Last Inspection, Kokomo D#15

### INSPECTIONS / LUNCHEONS

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

**Mar 11 D#5** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Mar 18 D#9** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Mar 19 D#16** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Mar 22 D#12** Luncheon  
**Apr 9 D#13** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Apr 11 D#10** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Apr 15 D#2** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Apr 16 D#1** Luncheon/Inspection  
**Apr 27 D#15** Last Inspection GOE

### RECEPTIONS

**Feb 10 DD#3** Donna Moore  
**Feb 17 DD#4** Karen Walker  
**Feb 17 DD#7** Lynn Padgett  
**Feb 24 DD#18** Rosemary Trump  
 Ivy Chapter, 208 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
 North Manchester, IN  
 Social 3:00, Program 4:00  
 Light meal to follow  
 RSVP by Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> to: Vi Miller  
 310 E. Mill St, Urbana, IN 46990  
 260-774-3410 or 260-750-7388  
 Millers2933@centurylink.net  
**Feb 24 DD#13** Katherine Lair  
**Mar 2 DD#17** Judy Luck  
**Mar 9** *Grand Adah Carol Sloan*  
 Terre Haute Masonic Temple  
 224 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Terre Haute, IN 47807  
 Social 2:00, Program 4:00, Dinner 6:00  
 \$20.00 Must accompany RSVP  
 Payable to Pimento Chapter #516  
 RSVP by Feb. 29 to: Sherrie Cheesman  
 11426 S. Mill St, Terre Haute, IN 47802  
 812-240-2199 [scheesman1@gmail.com](mailto:scheesman1@gmail.com)  
 In lieu of gifts give to "Supporting our  
 Future" Project  
**Mar 16 DD#15** Sharon Jones

**Mar 23** *Grand Esther Roberta Ancil*  
 Honeywell Center, 275 W. Market St.  
 Wabash, IN Social 2:30, Program 4:00  
 Dinner follows \$22.00 accompany  
 RSVP  
 Payable to LaFontaine Chapter #301  
 RSVP by Mar 8 to: Wendy Black  
 408 E. Kendall St  
 LaFontaine, IN 46940  
 407-756-2857 [laf301oes@gmail.com](mailto:laf301oes@gmail.com)  
 In lieu of gifts donate to your local  
 animal shelter

**Apr 6** *Grand Martha Tamara Shake*  
 Sullivan Civic Center  
 344 N. Main St.  
 Sullivan, IN 47882  
 Social 2:00, Program 4:00, Dinner  
 follows  
 \$20.00 Must accompany RSVP  
 RSVP by Mar. 27 to:  
 Joy Ellen Kuppler  
 4520 W. St. Rd. 48  
 Shelburn, IN 47879  
 812-564-1527

**Apr 13** *Grand Electa Judy Warstler*  
 Hamilton Life Center  
 4001 Terry Lake Dr, Hamilton, IN  
 Social 2:00, Program 4:00, Dinner  
 follows  
 \$20.00 Must accompany RSVP  
 Payable to Ashley Chapter #229  
 RSVP to: Renee Andrews  
 14235 Illinois Rd  
 Ft. Wayne, IN 46814  
 260-750-2626  
[renee6604@yahoo.com](mailto:renee6604@yahoo.com)

### FRIENDS NIGHTS/DAYS

**Mar 11 D#20** Bristol  
**Apr 19 D#20** St. Joseph  
**Apr 20 D#18** Royal Center 1:00 pm

If you don't see all the information that you need, please contact your District Deputy or Nancy Pratt, Editor. Please be aware that on occasion a date and/or location will be changed and it will be too late to make the correction in the magazine. Thank you for your understanding!

## *Star-Lite*

Published Bi-monthly (6 issues a year) \$20.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Indiana Chapter Number \_\_\_\_\_ Indiana District Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

### NEW SUBSCRIBER

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 Year \$20.00

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 Years \$40.00

### RENEWALS

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 Year Renewal \$20.00

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 Year Renewal \$40.00

Mail to: Nancy Pratt  
3597 N. Old U.S. 31  
Rochester, IN 46975

Send address changes to:  
Nancy Pratt

*Bulk mail is not forwarded by the post office*

**Make checks payable to: Indiana Grand Chapter, O.E.S. Put : Star-Lite on the memo line**

## **Star-Lite Committee Members**

**District 1**-Donna Bishop, Golden Fleece #176, P.O. Box 28, Patoka, IN 47666

**District 2**-Amy Creason, Odon #341, 420 W. Hwy. 57, Elнора, IN 47529

**District 3**-Sharon Barnes, Blazing Bright #597, 1906 Alberto Court, Sellersburg, IN 47172, 812-697-2093, smbarnes@twc.com

**District 4**-Jerry Barber, North Vernon #183, 3050 W. Co. Rd. 200 S., North Vernon, IN 47265, 812-592-4219, barberj720@aol.com

**District 5**-Lisa Barker, Versailles #333, 6826 E. Laughery Creek Rd., Aurora, IN 47001; 812-584-2658, LisaBarkerRE@gmail.com

**District 6**-Brenda Fulenwider, Naamah #73, P.O. Box 78 Gynneville, IN 46144; 317-460-0977

**District 7**-Becky Arthur, Newberry #198, 7341 S. Dove Hill Dr., Newberry, IN 47449; bekyarthur\_district7@yahoo.com

**District 8**-Cheryl Phillips, Brazil #80, 2032 N. 31<sup>st</sup>, Terre Haute, IN 47804; ccrop15@gmail.com 812-699-5027

**District 9**-Candy Buss, Athens #97, 907 Vandalia St. Crawfordsville, IN 47933 pigcollector@yahoo.com 765-376-7023

**District 10**-Margot Wade, Fishers #446, 1217 Bearsdale Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46216; 317-373-1600

**District 11**-Gladys Colon-Clark, Millersville #300, 5766 Devers Dr. Apt. J. Indianapolis, IN 46216 317-590-0896

**District 12**-Geraldine Howard, Loyal #49, 210 Woodlawn Ave., Richmond, IN 47374; 937-336-1125

**District 13**-Phyllis Nottingham, Muncie #104, 2104 N. Westbrook Dr., Muncie, IN 47304, 765-759-5347

**District 14**-Doug Dewey, Trinity #576, 6926 Riverton Dr., Ft. Wayne, IN 46825

**District 15**-Camille Swisher, Greentown #195; 1717 S. LaFountain, Kokomo, IN 46902 csbunger@hotmail.com 765-319-9677

**District 16**-Marilyn McFtridge, West Lebanon #162, 6886 N. 300 E., Pine Village, IN 47975, 765-418-4349

**District 17**-Betty Lou Barton, Crystal #165, 1095 Hanawalt Rd., Monticello, IN 47960 lwbjbarton@hotmail.com 574-583-3442

**District 18**-Rita Nolan, Converse #334, 8513 W. Delphi Pike, Converse, IN 46919 765-395-3642; ritaknolan@hotmail.com

**District 19**-Jeremy Dykhuis, Lake #408, 2020 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Lane, Crown Point, IN 46307 219-730-2864; bigdaddy8201@gmail.com

**District 20**-Don Laudeman, Starlight #181, 29155 CR 2, Elkhart, IN 46514

**District 21**-Terri Roasenburg, Spencerville #386, 6260 CR44 Butler, IN 46721; TSouthfarm@yahoo.com , 260-908-4713

**Star-Lite** is the official magazine of the Order of the Eastern Star in Indiana. It is published bimonthly (Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, & June) online and in print by subscription. Check your address label for errors in your name, address, and especially the chapter and district number. Report errors and/or corrections to Nancy Pratt.

### Star-Lite Magazine Publishers

Cindy Willyard, WGM  
Harold Rowe, WGP

### Star-Lite Director

Amy Ogrentz  
3444- 41st St.  
Highland, IN 46322  
Griffith #583, D#19

### Star-Lite Editor

Nancy Pratt  
3597 N. Old U.S. 31  
Rochester, IN 46975  
Royal Center #375, D#18

### Star-Lite Advisor

Gail Bailey  
2233 Huffman Road  
Boonville, IN 47601  
Chrisney #357, D#1

Barbara Heath, *Star-Lite Emeritus*  
Franklin #439, D #6

### Star Lite District Chairpersons

Listed on page 15



## PAID ADVERTISEMENTS

ADVERTISEMENTS are for any business, individual, chapter, district, steering committee, etc., that would like to place an ad in Star-Lite. If a profit is to be made on an event, then it is advertising and needs to be paid for. DEADLINE is the same as any article.

COST per ad per issue:

1/12 page (Business card size) is \$10.00

1/6 page is \$20.00

1/4 page is \$30.00

1/3 page is \$40.00

1/2 page is \$60.00

Full page is \$100.00.

SUBMISSION: All items should be camera-ready. Please make checks payable to **Indiana Grand Chapter, OES**. Send copy and payment to: Nancy Pratt, Editor

## WE NEED YOUR NEWS!

Help keep Star-Lite interesting! Submit your news so all can see what you are doing. Check deadline dates if you want your news in a certain issue, especially items for the calendar. Please limit articles to 500 words. There is no charge to print pictures. Please remember to identify everyone in the pictures.

Send articles and pictures with self-addressed stamped envelope if you want them returned to:

**Nancy Pratt, Editor**  
3597 N. Old U.S. 31  
Rochester, IN 46975-8312  
[starliteeditor@comcast.net](mailto:starliteeditor@comcast.net)

Copy Deadlines:  
April issue – February 15  
June issue – April 15  
August issue – June 15  
October issue – August 15  
December issue – October 15  
February issue – December 15