



Jesus first Others between Yourself last

After a long delay due to Covid 19 we are finally starting a new Eastern Star year. I am humbled and blessed to be serving as Worthy Grand Matron with Brother Rick Lassiter as Worthy Grand Patron and my husband, Jerry.

Congratulations to Sister Jenny, Jr. PGM, and Brother Bob DeRolf, Jr. PGP, for a wonderful Grand Chapter. After 2 years of service as WGM/WGP you both have earned a well-deserved rest. You have truly spread your "Legacy of Hope" to others.

I realize it takes time and dedication to memorize each part of our Ritual. I believe that it is only right to allow our members to exhibit the "fruit of their labor". I am looking forward to visiting each District and watching work done to the best of the members' abilities and to greet old friends as well as making new friends.

Brother Rick and I have chosen five lovely women to represent the heroines of our Order and 21 wonderful women to represent us in their Districts. We are also proud of the other appointive officers that we have chosen. We know that they will serve our Order well and will make a great addition to our Grand Family.

A quick word about our projects this year: We will still be supporting our major projects; Service Dogs, Heart Fund, Cancer Fund, OWOY, and ESTARL. As you know this is the last year for our MAP pin. Many of you have already given a donation in the past to your favorite project and received a charm for your pin. You probably don't want another dog charm, ribbon, heart, etc., but would still like to show your support of your favorite charity. I have chosen bronze, silver, gold, and colored



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star charms that can be added to your existing charms for a donation of \$5, \$10, \$15, or \$20.

For the Masonic Home project, I have chosen two things. First, our sisters and brothers need 12 new tables for their dining room. I know that this is not a very spectacular project, but it is definitely a need that we can fulfill. My other project is "Whisper Glides". These are gliding swings with canvas awnings that are handicap accessible.

I know that with God's guidance we can achieve great things together. Remember, we walk by faith not by sight.

Joyfully yours,
Gleda Brooks, WGM





Notes from Rick

Grand Chapter is over and I hope you all have had a much-needed rest. I always look forward to Grand Chapter, but also am glad to get back home to my own bed and my own noises.

Our reception is over and it was a lovely day. I was so pleased to see and have a chance to chat with my long-time friends from “the good old days.” Thank you EVERYONE who joined us in Lebanon on June 26.

Gleda and I both are looking forward to being back “on the road again.” We miss being in your chapters and getting to see all of you. We wish you nothing but the best for your new Chapter year.

I received a lovely card and generous gift cards to Bob Evans and Speedway. Unfortunately, the card was not signed. Please let me know who sent this so that I can thank them properly.

Membership is on my mind after Grand Chapter and I hope it is on yours also. As we think of membership development this year, I would ask you to REST. No, I don’t mean pour yourself a glass of iced tea or a soft drink, flop down in your recliner and turn on the soap operas or a ballgame. REST is an acronym that stands for Recruitment, Engage, Support and Teach. I will be touching on each of those elements in my first Star-Lite articles.

Recruit! Recruit! Recruit! We can’t just sit back and wait for potential members to knock on our doors. Those days are long gone! We must go out there, meet the public and explain who and what we are and what we stand for and do in the community!

If you need ideas on how to recruit, contact Sister Cindy Essig of the Beech Grove Chapter in District #11. When she serves as Worthy Matron her goal is to initiate and/or affiliate a full corps of officers – and she almost always gets that job done! So, talk to Cindy about getting new members.

Until we meet again! Keep a song in your heart.



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Symphony of Faith and Love 2021-2022

WORTHY MATRONS AND PATRONS "Angels and Guardians"

THEME

J – Jesus First
O – Others Between
Y – Yourself Last

MOTTO

Be someone who listens and you will be heard.
Be someone who cares and you will be loved.
Be someone who gives and you will be blessed.

AIM

To strengthen our OES friendships through Faith, Love and Music.

WATCHWORDS

Faith, Hope and Charity

EMBLEMS

Open Holy Bible – Symbol of our faith and God's promise

Cross – To remind us of the great sacrifice made for us

Heart – An emblem of God's love for us and our love for Him

Treble Clef – To make a joyful noise unto the Lord

SYMBOL

Broken Column

FUN SYMBOLS

Hummingbird and Treble Clef

HONOR GROUPS

Districts #5 and #10
Versailles Chapter #333
Radiant Chapter #200

HONOR STATIONS

Martha and Organist

COLORS

All hues of green, purple and orange (teal, plum, coral and peach), mauve, silver and black

FLOWERS

Carnation, Shasta Daisy, Peony and Iris

SCRIPTURES

Gleda's Scripture:

"Love the Lord with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength and all your mind. And love your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

Rick's Scripture:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your path." Proverbs 3:5-6

PRAYER

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

"May Christ go before you to prepare a way of service and beside you as leader and guide; May Christ go within you as a comfort and stay, and behind you to gather up your effort for His glory. May He always uphold you with His everlasting arms as He reigns as your Lord Supreme and grant you peace."

Opening Ode: "The Bible Tells Me So"

Closing Ode: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" (1st verse only)

Baby Dedication Song: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

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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 August 2021, 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!

Many Thanks!

My Sisters and Brothers, I so appreciate all the love and kindnesses extended to me through the years.

To the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and the Grand Families I have been privileged to serve with - I have so many memories of the year we served together and reminisce often of those days. I thank you for the tribute at Grand Chapter and for the beautiful etched vase and flowers I received. I will cherish it and your friendship always.

To the Grand Trustees, both present and all those I have had the honor of being associated with - I thank you for the invitation to your meetings and the friendships we have formed. To the present Board - My appreciation for the tribute and the beautiful stained-glass replica of my Grand Family pin. It has a special place in our home.

I am humbled and honored that the members elected me as Grand Treasurer Emeritus. Words cannot express my thanks to each of you. My years of service to our Grand Chapter have been a 'Rainbow of Happiness' in my life. I will look forward to seeing you along the OES Trail.

My Love,
Barb Terry

Corinthian Celebrates 100th Anniversary

May, 2021, has been exciting for Corinthian Chapter #456 in District 11. On May 19, 2021, we celebrated the 100th Anniversary of our Chapter, and Friend's Night, with a "Roaring 20's" themed open house. Chapter members were either dressed in Roaring 20's fashion or in styles from the many decades between 1921 and today. There were displays of antique items from tools, household item, and photos, to fashions, recorded music, and a slide show of pictures from the Chapter history book.

Many members of the Grand Family attended and were also dressed in Roaring 20's fashion, which added to the fun. During the celebration, WGM Jennifer Nicholson and WGP Bob DeRolf, called for the attention of everyone and announced that our long-time member, Marian Bradbury, has been appointed to be the Grand Representative of Manitoba, Canada, in Indiana.

Many thanks to the members of the Grand Family who attended, our many friends from other Chapters, and the members of Corinthian who made this a truly memorable event. A good time was certainly had by all!



Waynedale Chapter Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Nearly 100 people gathered at the Waynedale Masonic Temple, 7039 Elzey Street, on Saturday, May 8, 2021, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Waynedale Chapter #600, Order of the Eastern Star.

With the theme, "Sparkling for 50 Years," our program included recognition of two Charter members in attendance (Sister Diana Smith and Sister Kathleen Petty) and all Past Matrons and Past Patrons. A 50-year Award to Brother James Gordon was presented by Brother Ron Stabler, Past Grand Patron, and pinned by his sister, Sister Sandra Gordon, Organist. Music by Sister Sandra Gordon and Brother Bob Bier, and remarks by District 14 Deputy Jackie Baker bringing greetings from Worthy Grand Matron Jennifer Nicholson were also in the program. Waynedale Lodge #739, F&AM, dedicated the Lodge kitchen in memory of Sister Ethel Sklenar who died last year. THEN the Masons fed us with a wonderful meal featuring smoked Chicken Cordon Bleu. Wow! We are blessed. Thanks to all in our Chapter who made this event so wonderful (and sparkling!) and to the Masons of Lodge #739, including Andy Fracica for catching it all in photos.

Sister Linda Buskirk, Worthy Matron, was delighted that the celebration guests included many Waynedale Masons and spouses. "What a joy it was to see the members of our Chapter and the Masons of Waynedale Lodge #739 working together, eating together, and celebrating together," she said. "It was a grand opportunity to highlight the fraternal love and benefits of membership in our Order."



Charter Member Diana Smith shared memories from the beginning of the chapter.



Ron Stabler, PGP, presents James Gordon with his 50-year award, pinned by Sandra Gordon.



Ron Stabler, PGP, with WM Linda Buskirk and WP Ron Buskirk.

Dorothy Cartheuser 50-Year Award

Beach Grove chapter along with friends traveled from Indianapolis to Thorntown on March 28th. This was in order to present Sister Dorothy Cartheuser her 50-year award. This is due to the fact that Sister Dorothy was unable to travel to the chapter. We met at her Daughter-in-law's house and were greeted by Linda, Dorothy's daughter-in-law.

Sister Dorothy was presented with a vase of beautiful flowers from the chapter, as well as a gift of a golden rose by the Worthy Grand Matron, which was presented by the Worthy Grand Patron. She was also given gifts from other members and friends.

After heartfelt greetings and hugs, Worthy Grand Patron Robert DeRolf escorted Sister Dorothy Cartheuser across the room where the ceremony was given by Sister LeVon Holmes, Past Grand Matron. Sister Dorothy was pinned by Sister Martha Sparks with her 50-year award. When the ceremony was completed refreshments of soft drinks, water, and a delicious cake were served by Sister Mary Birdwell, PM.



The rest of the afternoon was spent with many, many memories shared with Sister Dorothy. Several of these memories were based around times spent at Southport Chapter. Others who were in attendance were: Melody DeRolf, wife of the Worthy Grand Patron; Bev Mishler, PM; Diana Brown, PM; Rita Scales, Worthy Matron of Beach Grove; Ted Wurtz; Eric Ruckersfeldt, PP; Henrietta Gillahan; Dan Gillahan, PP; Marilyn Bohrer, PM; and Alex Birdwell, husband of Mary Birdwell, PM. Photos were provided by Alex Birdwell.



Anderson Chapter Honors 50-year Member

An ecstatic Cheryl Green received her 50-year pin at a ceremony at Anderson Chapter #154. Her excitement was very apparent as Past Grand Matron Lois Wagner conducted the ceremony. Cheryl's family was present as were many sideliners. Cheryl happened to have been initiated on the exact day that she received her pin, which was May 18, 1971. She is a very active member as well as being a dual member with Eden Chapter. We are proud of you, Cheryl. Three other members were eligible to receive their pins, but were not able to attend.

Secretary of the Year

At Grand Chapter this year, the 4th District is very proud to have its very own Lisa Wagoner named Secretary of the Year. Lisa has been Secretary for many years at North Vernon Chapter #183, and she does an outstanding job always ready to give 110% to her office. It is no wonder why she was named Secretary of the Year.



Royal Center Food Drive

WM Leila Ferguson and Associate Conductress JoAnn Metzger of Royal Center Chapter #375 delivered their Spring food drive on May 13, 2021. This collection went to the Community Food Mission through the Royal Center United Methodist Church. In addition to nonperishable food items, cleaning supplies and personal hygiene items, the Chapter donated meat for the food bank's freezer. Pictured are members of the Chapter.

Ivy Installation

On June 21, 2021, Ivy Chapter #69 in District #18 had an enjoyable evening starting with dinner prepared by Eileen Sklar, Conductress of Ivy, followed by a meeting and installation of officers.

The Installing Officer was Janice Miller of Ivy, Installing Marshal was Leila Ferguson of Royal Center, Installing Chaplain was Ed Purvis of Ivy and Installing Organist was Judy Hartman of Warsaw.

Ivy's officers that were installed are Worthy Matron Linda Torpy, Worthy Patron Tom Torpy, Associate Matron Rosemary Trump, Secretary Vi Miller, Treasurer Sue Purvis, Conductress Eileen Sklar, Chaplain Diann Slaymaker and Warder Cindy Freed.

After the installation everyone went to the dining room for cookies and social time.



Dwyer Leadership Scholarship



Spencerville OES is very excited to announce the winner of the 3rd annual \$600.00 Dwyer Scholarship to 2021 Eastside graduate Brock Seiler. Brock's Great-Grandmother and Grandmother were members of the Spencerville Eastern Star. Brock's family has been working in the Spencerville OES Donut Trailer for over 60 years. Brock Seiler plans on attending Purdue University to pursue a degree in civil engineering and to graduate college debt-free. Spencerville OES members presented this award at the Eastside High School Awards Ceremony in Butler, IN.

Spencerville New Members

Spencerville Chapter conducted initiation at our April Stated Meeting and also a Called Meeting in May to initiate our new Members. Pictured are at left: Christine Fodera, WM; new members Michell Mitchell, Laura Dangler, Jonna Lepper, Suzette Rodgers, and Richard Garrin, WP



Spencerville OES Provide Treats for COVID Clinic

Workers at the DeKalb County Health Department's COVID vaccination clinic received breakfast treats from members of the Spencerville Eastern Star and Dutch Heritage Baking and Catering of Spencerville. The treats included cookies of all flavors, brownies, cinnamon rolls and lemon bars. The vaccination clinic is at Middaugh hall on the DeKalb County Fairgrounds in Auburn, IN.

Pictured from left are: David Webb of Dutch Heritage; Denny Winnebrenner, COVID vaccine register; DeKalb County Health Dept. Director Cheryl Lynch; Spencerville OES members Terri Rosenbury and Becky Hoover; and nurse April Ruckman.



What Are These?

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

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

ALICE Hines	DENVER Gray	MARGOT Wade
ALYSSA Lay	DONNA Bishop	MARSHA Eldridge
ANGELA Hensell	ELENA Dix	MIRIAM Murphy
ANNA Burton	GLEDA Brooks	RACHEL Johnson
BRENDA Parker	GREG Chiles	RICHARD Lassiter
CAMILLE Swisher	HAROLD Rowe	ROSEANN Tennant
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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.

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:

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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

2 Stars

In Honor of
Jennifer Nicholson
Robert DeRolf and the
Legacy of Hope Grand Family
John Quinn, Englewood Chapter #483

In Memory of
Wilma Sausville
Passed away June 15, 2021
Beloved wife of
Doug Sausville
Beech Grove Chapter #465
By Mary & Bill Davis
Oakland Chapter #159

3 Stars

In Loving Memory of
PGP Mike Rumsey
Who is missed by
Sisters & Brothers of
Lois Chapter #147

3 Stars

Honoring 6 Stellar Officers of Knightsville
Chapter #238, D#8
who merit special appreciation
Timothy K. Poff
Ann Mangus
Joetta Brown
Rose Mary Price
James Poff
Vicki Beddow
By Mildred Cooley, WM
Knightsville Chapter

4 Stars

5 Stars

In Loving Memory of
Richard "Dick" Midkiff, PP
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Sue Midkiff

In Memory of Dwight V. Singer, PGP
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From Linda Singer and Family



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MARCH 18, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Since March of 2020, we have all faced the disappointing task of postponing, rescheduling and even cancelling planned Events due to the continued Health Concerns surrounding the COVID Virus.

Michigan was set to host Multi-State in 2020, and rescheduled this Event for 2021, due to the Pandemic. We were looking forward to welcoming our Sisters and Brothers to the Great Lakes State and taking part in the wonderful Celebration of Fraternal Fellowship with the Jurisdictions of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Wisconsin.

After much consideration, I am officially announcing the cancellation of Multi-State scheduled for August 21st, 2021. The Health and Safety Risks remain High for our Membership across these United State and around the World. This is just not the appropriate time to hold a large Social Event with OES Members from several Jurisdictions. My first priority will always be the Safety and Welfare of our Eastern Star Family.

My grateful appreciation to PGMs Janice Fowler and Colleen Wilcenski, for their continued dedication and commitment in coordinating this Multi-State Event for Michigan.

Please Stay Safe & Continue to adhere to the Regulations set by the CDC and within your State. Mask Up for the future of OES!

Faith is to Believe what you do not see; the Reward of this Faith is to see what you Believe.

Fraternally,

Dawn M. Talbot, Worthy Grand Matron
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WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

Aug 21 Grand Treasurer Reception
Sep 12 Masonic Home Day
Sep 27 100th Anniversary, Prospect, D#11
Oct 16 Hoedown in D#11
Oct 22 125th Anniversary, Newberry, D#7

INSPECTIONS/LUNCHEONS/RECEPTIONS

Weeknight Inspections

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

Saturday Inspections

Baby Dedication 2:00 pm
 Award of Gold 2:10 pm, Inspection 2:20 pm

Aug 5 D#8 Luncheon/Inspection
Aug 7 D#5 DD#5 Reception/Inspection
Aug 9 D#6 Luncheon/Inspection
Aug 14 D#10 DD#10 Reception/Inspection
Aug 19 D#7 Luncheon/Inspection
Aug 23 D#18 Luncheon/Inspection at
 Ivy/North Manchester
Aug 26 D#4 Luncheon/Inspection
Aug 28 D#3 DD#3 Reception/Inspection

Sep 2 D#21 Inspection
Sep 9 D#1 Luncheon/Inspection
Sep 11 D#13 DD#13 Reception/Inspection
Sep 16 D#20 Luncheon/Inspection
Sep 18 D#7 DD#7 Reception/Inspection
Sep 20 D#11 Luncheon/Inspection
Sep 23 D#15 Luncheon/Inspection
Sep 25 D#9 DD#9 Reception/Inspection
Sep 30 D#6 Inspection
Oct 2 D#19 DD#19 Reception/Inspection
Oct 5 D#17 Luncheon/Inspection
Oct 9 D#1 DD#1 Reception/Inspection
Oct 12 D#16 Luncheon/Inspection
Oct 16 D#11 DD#11 Reception
Oct 21 D#13 Luncheon/Inspection
Oct 23 D#2 DD#2 Reception/Inspection
Oct 30 D#12 DD#12 Reception/Inspection

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