

IN THE GARDEN WITH THE WGM

Greetings to All,

The weather is beginning to have a chill, but the beauty of the trees is wonderful to look at as we travel the State.

Masonic Home Day was a success with beautiful weather, members and friends. Charlie, Diane and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Fred, and I attended church services before we enjoyed the day. A mini Tranquility Room of Love was on display in the big tent, we had a lot of visitors to view the display. Thanks to Sister Jan Warner and Sister Edna Baker for their work. The project was ex-



plained to Grand Master Dan Barenie and he was told how the equipment will be used for the residents in the Memory Care Unit.

I'm enjoying the luncheons followed by the inspections in the evening, both have been well attended. Thanks to everyone for their work and the beautiful decorations that each Chapter has for the luncheons and their inspections.

September 27th the Grand Officers did the initiatory in District 15 where I had the pleasure of initiating my son and daughter-in-law along with Michael Lamb, son of Rex and Sandee Lamb who are members of Greentown Chapter. It is a humbling experience to be part of a special day when your children start their Eastern Star journey. We had the pleasure of dedicating four babies and also three 50 year awards. Sharing in this special time with our members is an honor for me.

October 2nd - 5th was the WGM's Bus Trip, everyone had a great time. Nashville, TN is full of history of Country Music. Forty-five enjoyed music, food and fellowship. Some of the highlights were - Country Music Hall of Fame, General Jackson Showboat down the Cumberland River and historic RCA Studio B where we were inspired during a special recording session directed by a sound engineer right where Elvis himself stood to record over 200 songs. We were

the Star of the Day.

Saturday started with seeing where the stars of Nashville live then shopping at the Opry Mills Shopping Mall. Finally, the evening ended with the Grand Ole Opry where for more than 85 years country's best have performed. Following the show we had a backstage tour. Sunday ended our trip with a beautiful brunch served at the Captain's Quarters Riverside Grill nestled along the scenic banks of the Ohio River. The four days were filled with enjoyment. Sister Sharon Barnes, state chairman for the Bus Trip, and Sister Edna Baker, state chairman of the WGM's Project, also enjoyed the trip.

October 11th was the Hoedown sponsored by the Marion County

Patrons Association. We enjoyed a special meal and did some square dancing, playing cards or just sat talking to each other. It was a fun evening.

As we prepare for the Thanksgiving season I wish for everyone special memories with family and friends. Remember to be thankful for all the blessings we receive every day. Be safe in your travels to all events and time with family and friends.

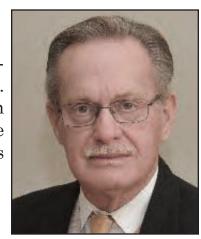
Betty Swisher, Worthy Grand Matron



GREETINGS FROM DISTRICT 20

Greetings to all of our Sisters and Brothers,

It is a pleasure greeting you when we come into your chapter. I look forward to having a chance to visit with each of you. I attended the Kentucky Grand Chapter and the Michigan Grand Chapter. The Hoedown was a lot of fun. I would like to thank all those individuals and Chapters for the love gifts and gifts, from my heart.



Fred Smith, Worthy Grand Patron





IGRA PAST PRESIDENTS

These Past Presidents of the Indiana Grand Representatives Association attended the Fall Luncheon on September 28th. Pictured Left to right are: Ann Mangus, Suzanne York, Nancy Pratt, Jan Warner, Phyllis Snodgrass, Amy Ogrentz, Judy Wurz and Carolyn Janik. Seated is Audrey Baldwin.





IGRA OFFICERS

The Indiana Grand Representatives Association Officers presided over their Fall Luncheon at the Indiana Masonic Home on September 28th. Pictured are Michelle Hetrick, Recording Secretary, Marilyn Dixon, Vice President, Becky Cleveland, President and Christina Carney-Click, Financial Secretary. Seated is Audrey Baldwin, Past President. They presented Audrey with several gifts as she is the oldest living Former Grand Representative of the Association.

FRANKLIN HONORS THE YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

On Wednesday, September 10th, Franklin Chapter invited the youth organizations to come to the stated meeting and be honored before the meeting began. There were three youth groups present: Caroline Haag, Worthy Advisor of the Rainbow Girls at Greenwood Assembly #78, Job's Daughters Bethel at Franklin, and the DeMolay at Franklin. There were adult leaders from the groups with them. A gift of \$100 was given to the organizations from the chapter.

Jonny Beeler, Worthy Matron, gave a tribute to the "future of our organizations: those who will be building our Eastern Star chapters and the Masonic Lodges." A gift of flashlights was given to the DeMolay and the gentlemen adult leaders. The young ladies and the adult leaders of the Rainbow and Job's Daughters were given sacks of assorted items as their gifts.

After the youth groups were dismissed, the Franklin Chapter officers held their stated meeting. A practice of the floor work for the initiation was held after the business. We have our Instructional Visit of the District Deputy at our second September meeting. We completed the plans for the upcoming reception for Grand Adah, Lexi Johnson on Saturday, September 13th.

An assortment of chips was served with dip and salsa following our meeting.

Barbara Heath, Star-Lite Reporter for District #6



What's My Secret Message?

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Find the LAST names in the puzzle. The numbers represent the district they are from. The extra letters spell out the answer to the title of this puzzle.

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SHRINERS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Paula Wilkie, WM, and members of Olive Chapter #396, Portage, present Brother George Alex of the Shriner's Children's Transport with a \$1,500.00 donation for the Shriner's Children's Hospital. The Chapter held several events during the year including the annual breakfast for the hospital.



Sitting are: Sally Spencer-Rogers and Janice Webster-Parker. Standing left to right: Lynne Tone, Doris Gast, Ann Marcrom, George Alex, WM Paula Wilkie, Mariann McCombs, and David Parker.





AUDREY BALDWIN IS 105

Audrey Baldwin was born on 1909 and celebrated her 105th birthday on July 26. She resides at IMH and still goes to church services. According to the nursing staff she still rocks at this tender age.

On October 6, 2014, she will be a 70 year member of OES. She was appointed as Grand Representative of Idaho in 1969 by Sister Maxine Moser, P.G.M., and Bro. James Moore, P.G.P. She served as President of Indiana Grand Representatives Association in 1970.

She attended the recent Grand Representative Luncheon at IMH and was presented with a lovely corsage, a certificate of appreciation for her services in OES and IGRA, a lifetime paid dues card, a gift from the Officers and a Roadrunner Centerpiece along with her lunch. We wanted to honor her because she is Indiana's eldest living former Grand Representative, if not also in the world. We were so thrilled to have her grace us with her presence at our Fall Luncheon. She is so deserving.



Thanksgiving, or Thanksgiving Day, is a holiday celebrated in the United States on the fourth Thursday in November. It became an official Federal holiday in 1863, when, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens", to be celebrated on Thursday, November 26. Also, there are reports that the original Thanksgiving proclamation was signed by George Washington. As a federal and public holiday in the U.S., Thanksgiving is one of the major holidays of the year. Together with Christmas and New Year, Thanksgiving is a part of the broader holiday season.

The event that Americans commonly call the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated by the Pilgrims after their first harvest in the New World in 1621. This feast lasted three days, and it was attended by 90 Native Americans (as accounted by attendee Edward Winslow) and 53 Pilgrims. The New England colonists were accustomed to regularly celebrating "thanksgivings"—days of prayer thanking God for blessings such as military victory or the end of a drought.

FIRST 2014 INSPECTION FOR SIX

On Monday, September 22nd, four chapters of District Six joined together for the Official Visit of Sister Betty Swisher, Worthy Grand Matron, at Kresge Chapel at the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin, Indiana. Morristown, under the direction of Sandy Thomas, W.M. and Jim Thomas, W.P. of Morristown Chapter took their stations for the Dedication of Samuel Ray Shepherd, infant great-grandchild of Sue and Dick Midkiff of Ransford Chapter.

Fortville Chapter's Worthy Matron Wanda Lillyblade with Lonnie Small, Worthy Patron, pro-tem, opened the Official Visit. Betty Swisher, W.G.M., was presented at the Altar for greetings by words of the heart and escorted to the East. The following Past Grand Matrons were presented at the altar: Perrietta Appleton; Joyce Small, Grand Trustee; and Lois Wagoner. Then the following Grand Officers were introduced: Jonny Beeler, Grand Secretary; Jill Rice, Grand Conductress; Ron Mendenhall, Grand Chaplain; Lexi Johnson, Grand Adah; Sherrell Bryant, Grand Esther; Deb Cramer, Grand Martha; and Diana Surfus, Grand Electa.

The following Deputies were then introduced: Juanita Cox, #1; Janet Sweet, #2; Tammy Bedell, #3; Wanda Gray, #4; Sue Hays, #7; Pat Crask, #11; Cheryl Tichenor, #12; and our own #6, Sandy Harris. There were ten Grand Chapter Committee Appointments and three Grand Representatives: Phyllis Pruner, Utah; Linda Beeler, North Dakota; and Sue Midkiff, Alberta, Canada. There were six Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons present and eleven Past Matrons and Past Patrons.

The only Affiliated Masonic body appointment present was Sandra Heath, Supreme Escort for the Canadian Flag and the Worthy High Priestess of Indianapolis White Shrine. Spouses present were: Charlie Swisher, husband of WGM; Gloria Jonas, widow of Jerry Jonas, P.G.P; John Rice, husband of Grand Conductress; Karen Mendenhall, wife of Grand Chaplain; David Johnson, husband of Grand Adah; and Mitch Crask, husband of D.D.#11.

The initiatory part was in the hands of Ransford IMH with pro-tem W.M. Bonnie Rife and Lonnie Small, W. P., and then they came back as the leaders for the Closing by Naamah Chapter. Remarks were made by Betty Swisher at the conclusion of the initiation. Lois Wagoner, P.G.M., presented the Honorary Membership Certificates. Refreshments were served in the hallway outside Kresge Chapel.

Barbara Heath, Star Lite Reporter #6

Check your Calendars

WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR Nov 1 Grand Electa Reception Nov 2 Nettie Ransford Day Nov 8 Grand Warder Reception Nov 15 Grand Sentinel Reception Dec 6 DD#15 Reception	Socia	Rita Scales, Grand Rep. of Massachusetts ewood Masonic Lodge l 2:00 pm, Program 3:00 pm er to follow				
Dec 13 DD#20 Reception	Nov 15	Les Simonton, Grand Sentinel				
INSPECTIONS Baby Dedication 7:10 pm, Award of Gold 7:20 pm Inspection 7:30 pm Unless otherwise noted Nov 3 D#2 at Washington w/ Odon	Dearborn Hills United Methodist Church Social 2:00, Program 4:00 Dinner to follow – Cost \$11.00 Remittance must accompany reservation Make checks & RSVP by Nov 5th to: Janet Bowlin					
Nov 4 D#3 at Scottsburg w/ Blazing Bright &	Nov 29	Cathy Sherman, Grand Rep. of				
Hanover Luncheon		Kentucky				
Nov 6 D#6 at Mooresville w/ Eminence &	At Fi	At Fishers Chapter, AM				
Morgantown						
Nov 10 D#19 Luncheon	Nov 29	Evelyn Miller, Grand Rep. of				
Nov 12 D#7 at Solsberry w/ Bloomfield &		California				
Stanford Luncheon	At Radiant Chapter, PM					
Nov 17 D#4						
Dec 2 D#17 Luncheon	Dec 6	Stacy Miller, DD#15				
Dec 4 D#16 Luncheon	D 40	D. H. I. DDWaa				
Dec 8 D#14 at Churubusco w/ Columbia City, Leo & Floral Luncheon	Dec 13	Patsy Kuhn, DD#20				
Dec 10 D#10 at Fishers w/ Cicero & Radiant	FRIEND'S NIGHTS					
	Meetings at 7:30 unless noted					
RECEPTIONS	Nov 1	D#7 Spencer				
Nov 1 Diana Surfus, Grand Electa	Nov 4	D#7 Columbian				
Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church	Nov 7	D#3 LaBelle 6:30pm				
Social 2:00, Program 4:00	Nov 17	D#11 Prospect				
Dinner to follow – Cost \$11.00	Nov 20	D#7 Bloomington				
Make checks & RSVP by Oct 27th to:	Nov 21	D#11 Golden Rule				
Diana Surfus	Nov 24	D#10 Pittsboro				
	Dec 11	D#11 Acton				
Nov 8 Arlene Mohler, Grand Warder						
Goshen Masonic Temple						

Social 2:00, Program 4:00 Dinner to follow – Cost \$11.00

RSVP by Oct. 30th to:

Patricia Fawley, Treasurer

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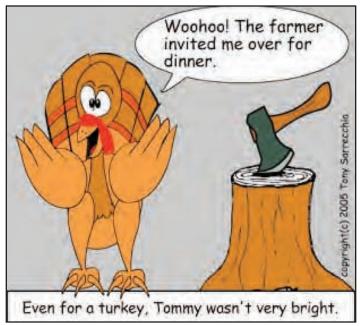
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