



Jesus first - Others between - Yourself last



As I wrote this article it dawned on me that by the time you read it, it will already be Fall. I hope you are enjoying the

beautiful picture that God has painted for us with the orange, yellow, and red leaves. After being unable to gather for so long, it has been wonderful to see so many of our Sisters and Brothers again and being able to share smiles, hugs, and laughter once more.

I want to extend a special thanks to Districts 5 and 10 for all of their hard work to make our joint reception so beautiful and memorable. I also send a heartfelt thanks to all who were able to attend. Your outpouring of love and support was overwhelming.

Our year is definitely off to a great start. My first official act as your WGM was to present a Grand Representative appointment to Brother Roy Leap from District 5 at our joint reception. Then at the first inspection in Englewood, I was honored to present a 50-year jewel to our WGP, Rick Lassiter. Since that time we have had receptions, baby dedications, given more Grand Representative appointments, inspections, (where I have seen very good work from several Chapters I might add), and presented more 50-year awards and even some 75-

year awards.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the State Chairpersons as well as the District Chairpersons of each of our projects for their hard work in promoting their special projects. Also, thank you to all members who are supporting these projects. Without your work and donations none of these projects would be successful.

I have loved every minute of my journey so far and am looking forward to spending time with many more of you in the future. I realize that we are not "out of the woods" with Covid, but I pray that all will remain safe and healthy. I would like to leave you with this:

Always believe that something wonderful is going to happen. Even with all the ups and downs, never take a day for granted. Smile, cherish the little things, and remember to hug the ones you really love.

Until we meet again,

J*O*Y,

Gleda Brooks, WGM



Notes from Rick



Continuing with my membership develop program (R.E.S.T.) – We know that R stands for Recruit. Moving on to E – Engage.

Once we have people initiated, how do we keep them coming back? Think back to your own initiation – someone invariably got up and said, “You must come back; the more you put into it, the more you’ll get out of it.” Remember that? Unfortunately, that never encouraged anyone to come back.

We begin engaging – or we should begin engaging prospective members – during the investigation process. Go beyond the form and ask prospective members what they enjoy doing in their spare time, what their hobbies are. Come right out and point blank ask them, “What do you see yourself doing for the chapter?” Take this information, pass it along, exploit it to its fullest and put your new members to work. GIVE THEM A JOB! Give them a job that fits with their own vision of how they can help. For example, we really don’t need vouchers for our stated meetings, but you have a brand-new member who is “artsy” or “crafty,” let them make vouchers, posters, signs, programs, etc. If you have an extroverted new member, let them make

phone calls to shut-ins to bring them news of the chapter. They can also make phone calls to check on members you haven’t seen for a while and invite them back to chapter. When we give our new members a job, they will have taken ownership in the chapter. They will feel a sense of community and they will take pride in belonging to their chapter. Don’t force your new members into an office when they are not ready for this responsibility, but give them something to do. Don’t fall into the trap of “our memes are tired and we can’t get anyone to do anything,” when there could be newer members who are just waiting to be included. For example, I know of a chapter that had a member for SEVENTEEN years who had NEVER been asked to take an office. What a waste of talent and energy.

Inspections are going great; we have seen some beautiful work. Thank you to all the chapters that agreed to have an early inspection. We have had some very “warm” welcomes at some of our inspections and receptions, but the friendly greetings, hugs, and smiles made everything worthwhile.

Brother Richard Lassiter, WGP, received his 50-year Award of Gold at the first inspection in the state at Englewood on July 17th. Our own Sister Madonna Meyerrose, PGM, was able to present the pin and Sister Sherry Johnson, GGCCM & PGM, was also at their side.



WGM & WGP “Symphony of Friends” Reception

Families and friends gathered on June 26th at the New Brunswick Church of Christ in Lebanon for the “Symphony of Friends” reception held to honor Sister Gleda Brooks, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Richard Lassiter, Worthy Grand Patron.

Sister Gleda, Brother Jerry and Brother Rick greeted their guests in front of a large open music book. Ferns with music note ribbons adorned the foreground.

District Five hosted everyone in the social room with M&M trail mix and lemonade. The tables were decorated with a crystal vase of Gleda’s flowers, a crystal cross, and treble clef cutouts.

Sister Connie Branigan narrated the “Musical Celebration of You!” addendum. Connie told of Gleda’s and Rick’s fraternal lives and advancement to the East in Grand Chapter. Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of the families our honorees served in presented Gleda and Rick with boxed love gifts adorned with Hershey Kisses. These were a tribute to Sister Gleda always telling the steering committees to “Keep It Simple, Sisters,” or KISS! As each were introduced appropriate musical selections were played representing their year.

Following the addendum, Brother Rick introduced Ms. Jill Pitz, who played a beautiful selection of songs on the harp.

Sister Denise Wilson, Worthy Matron of Versailles Chapter, welcomed everyone. Sister Madonna Meyerrose, Past Grand Matron, gave the Invocation. Sister Mary Matlock, Worthy Matron of Radiant Chapter, led the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the first verse of our National Anthem. Those

assisting for the afternoon were Sister Linda Burdett Conductress of Radiant Chapter and Brother Carleton Hinshaw, Past Grand Organist and honorary member of the Tenth District Association.

Sisters Connie Branigan and Madonna Meyerrose presented Gleda and Rick with many love gifts from individuals, Chapters, and Associations within Districts Five and Ten respectively.

Brother Larry Mills, Past Grand Patron, offered the Benediction; Sister Sherry Johnson, GGCCM, Past Grand Matron, gave the Table Grace. Brother Jerry Matlock, Worthy Patron of

Radiant Chapter gave the dinner instructions.

The dining area was decorated in black and white with tubular flower vases wrapped in sheet music and tied with raffia. Multi-colored mini carnations, painted tree branches, and hummingbird clip-on ornaments filled each vase. Table favors were black pocket LED flashlights imprinted in white with “Symphony of Faith and Love; Gleda Brooks, Worthy Grand Matron; Richard Lassiter, Worthy Grand Patron.” Guests enjoyed a delicious buffet of beef tips on rice, grilled chicken breasts, salad, green beans, mixed vegetables, and assorted desserts.

Districts Five and Ten thank everyone for joining us in honoring Sister Gleda and Brother Rick on their special day! We wish for them and their Grand Family safe travels and a blessed joyful year of service.



“Greg-opoly” Reception Honoring the Grand Treasurer

Cicero Chapter pulled out the game board on August 21st as they honored Brother Greg Chiles, Grand Treasurer, with a reception. Mr. Monopoly and his sister greeted guests as they entered the C. W. Mount Building in Tipton. Cast in the role of Mr. Monopoly and Miss Monopoly were ten-year old Braden Rutledge and five-year old Bria Rutledge, niece and nephew of Brother Greg. As guests made their way to the receiving area, they viewed inspirational “property cards” and received a “property card” program.

Greg and Dawn welcomed all their friends in front of a 5' x 5' monopoly playing board complete with oversized game pieces (tokens) of the car, the hat and the ship (a model of the U.S.S. Sullivans which Greg’s father, Jack, served on). The dignitaries received origami corsages and boutonnieres made out of money.

Sister Lisa Perkey-Comstock, Worthy Matron, welcomed everyone on this special day. Sister Sherry Johnson, GGCCM and PGM, offered the invocation followed by the pledge to the Flag of our Country, one stanza of the National Anthem and pledge to the Christian Flag. Sister Rebecca Dunlap, acting Conductress, presented Brother Greg at the altar. After which, Sister Lois Wagoner, PGM, and the Treasures of the Heart Grand Family presented an escort. Brother Greg was dressed as Mr. Monopoly and Sister Dawn as the banker. The escorts carried giant monopoly token cutouts, money and a banner, “1991 He was our Treasure of the Heart; 2021 He is your Grand Treasurer.” Sister Lois gave a wonderful tribute to Greg sharing his accomplishments and qualifications for the office of Grand Treasurer.

Mrs. MaryBeth Cambre entertained everyone with her beautiful voice as she performed several songs. Her selections varied from “Route 66” to songs of Worship. MaryBeth’s talent is a wonderful gift and full of love for the Lord!

Those assisting with introductions were Rebecca Dunlap, Associate Matron and Greg’s counterpart for next year; Brother Carleton Hinshaw, PGO and Honorary Member of the District Ten Association at the piano; Braden and Bria Rutledge. Brother Greg proceeded to introduce the many members and friends present: Sister Gleda Brooks, WGM, and Brother Rick Lassiter, WGP; three General Grand Chapter Committee Members; Twenty-eight Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Spouses; Twenty members and spouses of the Symphony of Love and Faith Grand Family; Fifteen District Deputies and their spouses/escorts. Mr. Monopoly and his sister presented each person escorted with a gift of an authentic property card note pad including a pencil with a green house on it. Other introductions were given from the floor which included many family, friends and groups. Following each group introduced Brother Greg drew a card from the yellow Community Chest and the orange Chance stack. The Community Chest cards had fun or little-known facts about the game, Monopoly. The Chance cards were Bad Dad jokes. We took a “chance” they might be funny! He closed with, “Do you know why there are no knock-knock jokes about the USA? Because Freedom Rings!”

Following Benediction by Sister Cindy Cohee, PGM, and table grace by Brother Larry Mills, WP & PGP, Brother Larry dismissed the groups for dinner. The tables were covered with the green color matching the board game and were adorned with shiny red hotels with large game pieces (tokens) popping out the top. Table favors from Cicero Chapter were theft protection sleeves for your credit cards. A delicious buffet was enjoyed as many continued in fellowship.



First Inspection in the State

The First Inspection in the State by Sister Gleda Brooks, WGM, along with Brother Richard Lassiter, WGP, was held July 17th in District 11 at Englewood Lodge, co-hosted by Corinthian, Englewood and Prospect Chapters. The 123 members that attended, dined on the delicious homemade chicken salad lunch held before the inspection. The treble clef & hummingbird table decorations were beautiful symbols of the "Symphony of Faith & Love" Grand Family.

The inspection was a wonderful gathering of Eastern Star fellowship, and we were blessed with 180 members in attendance, including a General Grand Chapter Committee Member; ten Past Grand Matrons; four Past Grand Patrons; the entire Grand Family and nineteen District Deputies.

The events started with Brother Richard Lassiter, Worthy Grand Patron, receiving his 50 Year Award of Gold from the WGM in a moving ceremony. The emotional tribute from Sister Gleda and heartfelt comments from Brother Rick brought tears to many eyes.



The officers of the Symphony of Faith & Love Grand Family did a beautiful job exemplifying the initiatory work. The Worthy Grand Matron was invited to make remarks and she engagingly shared information on her project for the year as "Dine & Glide", purchasing dining tables and handicapped-accessible gliders for the residents of the Indiana Masonic Home. The Worthy Grand Patron held up his little friend 'Sparky' a stuffed dalmatian puppy in an Eastern Star shirt, waiting to be adopted or shared with youngsters at Shriners Hospital, for a small adoption fee with funds going to support ICAN as part of his "Kanines for Kids" project.

District 11's own Brother Robert DeRolf, Jr. PGP, presented Sister Gleda, Brother Rick and Brother Jerry Brooks with Honorary Memberships from the Corinthian, Englewood and Prospect Chapters. The remarks concluded with a quip from District Deputy #11 "Why did the Worthy Grand Matron write on the window?" "She wanted her instructions to be perfectly clear."

Several members of the Grand Family stayed until Sunday and enjoyed some fellowship at the Marion County Patron's Association (MCPA) annual picnic held at the Sahara Grotto. Everyone enjoyed the grilled burgers and dogs and the yummy potluck casseroles and goodies provided by the members of the district. It was a fabulous start to the year and we are all looking forward to much love and good work in the coming months.

Hand-Made EASTERN STAR QUILT to be Raffled

As many of you know by now, I have donated a hand-made quilt to the Youth Scholarship Committee this year to be used as a money-making project. After much thought by the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron, and the Grand Trustees, it was decided that a raffle would be the best way to handle it.

The quilt was made by my mother, Sister Helen Jackson, who was a 50-year member of Daleville Chapter No. 568. She had a little help from her sister from California when she was visiting and also from my District Deputy #13, Madeline Currie, who especially helped with the beautiful "padded" Star Point/Altar area. All this work was done by hand prior to the 1982 Grand Chapter Session when I was installed as Worthy Grand Matron, beginning the "Bluebirds of Happiness" year. My mother, dad, and sister, Kathy, presented it to me on stage that afternoon--quite a surprise! It has a sword and veil on it (as I had been Grand Adah previously). The background fabric is white, and the back of the quilt is blue.

I rarely had the quilt out of the closet. A very few times it was on our bed--but never as a cover for sleeping. It was just too special to use.

Here is some information that I think the members need to know about my decision to donate such a precious hand-made heirloom rather than keeping it to treasure and pass on to my heirs. The problem is that I have only one heir who is an Eastern Star member--our daughter, Cathy. (She is a twenty-five year member at Daleville.) Another problem is that she and her husband have no children--thus, no heirs.

I thought about what I could do with the quilt and decided to ask the Grand Trustees in 2019 if they would like to have it to either hang at the Grand Secretary's office or use it in some other way. Thus, after much consideration, this was the decision. "Now you know the rest of the story."



Fraternal love,
Linda Cline, P.G.M.

P.S. Vaughn and I miss all of you Sisters and Brothers very much and send our love and best wishes from out here in VERY HOT AND DRY NEVADA! We hope to see you next year??

App*lls 40th Reunion 1981 – 2021



• Seated - #5 Vergie Sharp, PGM Perrietta Appleton, #17 Judy Luck, #18 Doris Gingerich
 • Standing – GO Sandra Gordon, #14 Patricia Mossburg, Dan McFatridge, #16 Marilyn
 • McFatridge, #8 Stella Schlegel, #7 Sharon Lynch and Forrest Lynch

The App*lls Grand Family gathered at the Bluebird Café in Morristown on July 17th on a beautiful sunny day. The table was decorated with a lovely Golden App*ll centerpiece, which was made by our Momma, Sister Perrietta Appleton. A table was off to the side with various pictures and memories of our Grand year.

Sister Vergie Sharp gave a beautiful prayer to begin the festivities. After lunch, Sister Sandra Gordon, President, called the meeting to order. Sister Patricia Mossburg, Secretary/Treasurer, gave her yearly report. Sister Sandra and Pat presented each of us with a beautiful memory book of our Grand Year and they did a wonderful job in planning our special day.

Our Momma, Sister Perrietta, began a beautiful reading, "The World Is Mine",

ending with her very own words that she added. We then played her version of trivia in which she had "Golden App*ll" prized for each winner, and of course, we were all winners. She then talked about how each one of us held a special place in her heart. Our special Momma was then presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers from her Grand kids.

Brother Forrest Lynch gave a lovely memorial to the ones that had gone before us in the last year, #12 Sister Norma Jefferson, GE Sister Edna Boger, and Brother Jack Luck. Lots and lots of memories were shared and tears flowed, but what a wonderful time was had by all.

Proverbs 25:11 – A word fitly spoken is like Apples of Gold in Pictures of Silver.

Joyful JJ Grand Family 31st Anniversary

The Joyful JJ Grand Family celebrated our 31st anniversary with a fun overnighter in Warsaw on August 12-13, 2021. We gathered at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, then carpooled to The Boathouse Restaurant, with our view being Winona Lake. After a delicious meal and great fellowship, we went to the Wagon Wheel Playhouse to watch "NunSense". This was an excellent and fun play! It was nice having our hotel right next door, too!

Highlights from our business meeting were Momma Joy bringing out a tote of memories from her WGM year. She said she had a lot of fun and glad she had this opportunity. Gloria Jonas, wife of the late Jerry Jonas, our Pop, was recognized as being appointed Grand Representative of California, even though she didn't get to finish out her term due to Covid. The deputies shared funny stories from our year of service, 1990-1991. We were called the "Glory Bells". A memorial was held for our Grand Organist, Melba Thompson and her husband Everett Thompson.

The following morning after breakfast, we met in the courtyard where we were honored to witness Gloria Jonas receiving her 50-year Award of Gold from our Momma Joy Ellen Kuppler. Gloria had brought a pretty lace tablecloth to cover a table used as the altar, to where she was escorted by Martha Santus. Gloria brought her family Bible to sit on the altar, which held flowers from Jerry's funeral, as well as her dad's funeral. Jerry's deputy, Kay Stone, pinned Gloria with Barbara Kemplen's 50-year Award of Gold, a gift to Gloria. She also wore a special pin from her dear friend, Virginia Brosier. It was a lovely ceremony in a beautiful setting.

Those in attendance were Momma Joy Ellen Kuppler, Gloria Jonas, LeAnne and Darryl Huls, Kay Stone, Martha Santus, Deanna Carrington, Shirley Wolf, Regina and Terry Hiple, Arlene Mohler, and Joyce Owen. And that's in protocol order!





Doris Jenkins 75-Year Award



On July 17, 2021, Doris Jenkins was presented her 75-year pin. Martha Brown, PGM, presented the ceremony and Doris was pinned by her daughter, Susan Gray. Doris is a member of Royal Center Chapter #375 in District #18 and resides at Chase Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Logansport. The staff decorated a room with many flowers that was filled with 26 family members, friends and Eastern Star members who witnessed the ceremony.



Doris spoke of her many years as an active member and of the many offices she held during those years. Following the ceremony cupcakes and punch was served.

50-Year Past Master Pin

Jim Brooks, Past Patron of Fishers Chapter #446, received his 50-year Past Master pin on August 5, 2021. It was presented by the Grand Master of Indiana, Danny Martin. He was also presented one of the Grand Master's Coins and pins. Jim's wife Janice was able to put the 50-year pin on him. Jim had a nice presentation of the history of the lodge.



Columbus Installation

Columbus Chapter #339, Order of Eastern Star, held its annual Installation of Officers at the Columbus Masonic Lodge in Columbus, Indiana on the evening of June 25, 2021. The following Officers were installed: Worthy Matron, Joan Cowan; Worthy Patron Jerry Lemmon; Associate Matron, Jan Lemon; Associate Patron, James Buchanan; Secretary, Jill Kelly; Treasurer, Jennifer Bryant; Conductress, Mary Price; Associate Conductress, Jennie Lutes; Chaplain, Bud Lutes; Marshal, Jani Knott; Organist, Martha Duke; Adah, Charlotte Smith; Ruth, Betty Houchens; Esther, Deborah Hash, DD#4; Martha, Barbara Lake; Electa, Kate Ebel; Warder, Kody Knott; and Sentinel, Betty Buchanan. Jan Lemmon, Installing Officer, was assisted by Terrie Barber, Installing Marshal; Betty Houchens, Installing Chaplain, and Judith Brown, Installing Organist.

The Worthy Matron has selected as her Motto, "JOY" Jesus first, Others second and Yourself last. Her fun

slogan is "Dare to be different". The Worthy Matron's first project is to fill a couple of school bags with supplies for the financially strapped families. United Way fills 2,000 bags a year for Bartholomew County school system, and Columbus Chapter is helping the United Way with this wonderful cause.

Following the Installation ceremony, guests adjourned to the dining room. A beautiful decorated cake with punch, sandwiches, pin wheels, and chips were served.



ICAN Dog - Thomas

Members of District 6 - Words cannot express the gratitude we feel for all of your support and contributions in the adoption of our ICAN dog, Thomas. We thank you for allowing us to name him in memory of Jim. An honor for a very worthy cause, he would have loved. After Grand Chapter, Thomas was headed for more training. We will let all know what the future holds for him. Again, THANK YOU all! We could not have done this without all of you.

Sally Nicholson, 6th District Chairman ICAN and Sandie Thomas.

District 10 Honors WGP



We all from District #10 are proud of Brother Richard Lassiter for being installed as Worthy Grand Patron. Several from our district came out to help escort him to the East to join Gleda Brooks, WGM. We are proud of both of them. Sister Margot Wade, District Deputy #10, presented Brother Rick with a Love gift from the Hummingbird Deputies after Sister Alyssa Lay, DD#5, presented Sister Gleda with a Love gift as well.

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 October 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!

Happenings in Clinton Chapter



Even though attendees had to weave through much roadwork in Frankfort to get there, Clinton Chapter #6 held its Installation on July 8, 2021. The evening began with a great surprise. Brother David Neal was presented with the honor of being named Grand Representative of the Texas Grand Chapter in Indiana by Jr. PGM Jenny

Nicholson. She had been trying to present him with this appointment for nearly 2 years, but Covid-19 and timing made this impossible. Since Brother David and his wife, Melody, live in Texas part of the year, this is a perfect appointment. We know Brother David will be a wonderful representative for Indiana OES in Texas.

The evening saw Sister Sharon Jones and Brother Richard Scott installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron respectively. Sister Sharon was escorted to the East through a choir of angels held by Past Matrons. The new officers looked lovely in their green blouses for the year, worn in honor of our own Sister Cathy Scott, Grand Martha.

Sister Sharon gave remarks and introduced her family. Remarks were also given by Sister Betty Swisher, Grand Trustee and PGM; Sister Jenny Nicholson, Jr. PGM; and Sister Camille Swisher, DD#15. Following the closing, fellowship was greatly enjoyed in the dining room.

North Manchester Summer Reading

Ivy Chapter #69 and Deming #88 Masonic Lodge, North Manchester, support the North Manchester Public Library's "I Heart NM" Summer Reading Program. The games purchased for this summer's program continue the combined annual sponsorship of the community library programs from both organizations. Unable to ensure safety due to continued issues with COVID-19, the library staff continued plans for programs to take place outside on the lawn surrounding the library. These games, Badminton, Find & Seek cards, and Catch Games, will be used this summer and for years to come, so the connection continues of our Eastern Star and Masonic family to North Manchester Public Library.



Heidi Lovett, Program Coordinator; Eileen Meyer Sklar, Ivy #69; Jeff Miller, Deming #88; and Sarah Morbitzer, Children's Department Manager, holding the games donated by Ivy #69 OES and Deming #88 Masonic Lodge.

A Day in District 18

The day, August 23rd, began with the WGM Luncheon held at Manchester University in North Manchester, IN. Tina Mullens, Jr. Past Grand Esther, and President of the D#18 Past Grand Officer and Past Deputy group, presided at the luncheon. WGM Gleda Brooks and 4 Grand Star Points attended along with many District Deputies and members of the D#18 PGO & PD group. All received a “warm” welcome since the air conditioning wasn’t working at that time. It was repaired a bit later and the luncheon continued on as planned.



That evening the first inspection in D#18 was held at Ivy Chapter in North Manchester. It began with 50-year awards presented to Rita Nolan from Converse Chapter and Neil Meeks from Ivy Chapter. Rita was pinned by WGP Richard Lassiter and Neil was pinned by his son Eric.

The inspection was held with Ivy Chapter, Wabash Chapter and LaFontaine Chapter. Some of the offices were filled by members from the other chapters in D#18 as well. The officers had practiced and knew their parts very well so they all received very good comments from the WGM. Some “grab and go” refreshments were offered after the inspection.



Officers taking part in the inspection along with dignitaries are pictured. Front row - Wabash WM Jo Dee Dale, LaFontaine WM Jean Sneed, WGM Gleda Brooks, WGP Richard Lassiter, Ivy WM pro-tem Rosemary Trump. Back row - PGM Martha Brown, DD#18 Leila Ferguson, Wabash & LaFontaine WP pro-tem Jim Brown, Ivy WP pro-tem Robert Sklar.

LaFontaine Installation

LaFontaine Chapter #301 in District #18, held their Installation of Officers on July 5, 2021. Elected and appointed officers for this year are: Worthy Matron, Jean Sneed (PM); Worthy Patron, Jim Weaver (PP); Associate Matron, Sandra Weaver (Past Grand Martha); Secretary, Roberta Ancil (Jr. Past District Deputy #18); Treasurer, Beth Weaver; Conductress, Kaye Sorrell; Assoc. Conductress, Linda Harris (PM); Chaplain, Janet Weaver (Past Grand Electa); Adah, Kim O’Banion; Electa, Regina Hipple (PM); Warder, Darlene Turner (PM); Sentinel, Claude Brane (PP). Additional appointments are Prompter, Darlene Turner and Bible Bearer, Kaye Sorrell.

For the Worthy Matron’s year, Jean Sneed selected “Amazing Grace” as the Chapter’s opening ode and “In the Garden” as the Closing Ode. Leila Ferguson, District Deputy #18, was introduced. The Chapter’s Grand Chapter Appointment for this year is Roberta Ancil who is our District Chairman of Our World of Youth.

After the installation, everyone enjoyed the rest of the evening in the dining room for refreshments and social time.





Spencerville School Supplies Program

To help our local school children begin a successful start in the school year, the Spencerville O.E.S. partners with Riverdale Elementary School in St. Joe, IN and (3) Preschools in DeKalb Eastern School System. We supply each of the 20 classrooms with (2) Kits containing pencils, pens, crayons, markers, glues, folders, binder notebooks, paper tablets and many other supplies requested by the Riverdale Teaching Staff, Little Joes Preschool, Colburn Corners Preschool, and Butler HeadStart Staff. This is our 11th year supporting this program. To date we have provided School Supplies for 344 Kids! Pictured are: Tanner Dangler; Chance; Maddy Dangler; Laura Dangler, OES Member; Carter Smith; and Brennen Kitchen, Riverdale Principal.



Spencerville Donut Fundraising Project

The Spencerville Order of the Eastern Star is invested in supporting our community and its many non-profit organizations. Every organization is in need of additional funds, and we want to help! As we are continually looking at ways that we can help within our community, this was yet another way that we can work together. We hosted a new fund-raising project for our local schools and civic organizations.



We made our Spencerville OES Fair Donuts for four local organizations on August 21, 2021, at the Spencerville Masonic Lodge Parking Lot. The groups participating were Little Joe's School Preschool, Coburn Corners Preschool, Woodburn Children's Home, and Concord Fire Dept. We made a total of 1050 dozen donuts! Each organization was responsible for providing people to cook, package and deliver their donuts. The Spencerville Order of the Eastern Star charged for "ingredients only" and is donating the required equipment and skilled labor.

These groups worked very hard at selling and distributing their donuts, providing their organizations with an opportunity for a successful fundraising event. Total fundraising efforts for the day was \$5,775.00 for these 4 groups. Pictured is Spencerville OES Member Ronda Fogle.

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Royal Center Installation

On July 14, 2021, at the regular stated meeting of Royal Center Chapter #375 in District #18, the Installation of Officers was held. The Installing officers were: Installing Officer – Leila Ferguson; Installing Marshal – Cynthia Biggs; Installing Chaplain – Nancy Pratt; and Installing Organist – Betty Goodrich. The following officers were installed: WM - Martha Brown; WP - Jim Brown; AM - Cynthia Biggs; Secretary - Nancy Pratt; Treasurer - Sharon Campbell; Chaplain DD#18 - Leila Ferguson; Marshal - Lori Helton;



Organist - Betty Goodrich; Adah - Kim Russell; Ruth - Sharon Litke; Esther - MacKenzie Ledley; Martha - Linda Lytle; Electa - Mary Barnett; Warder - Phil Litke; and Sentinel - Jo Ann Metzger. Our AP Don Mullens, Conductress Tina Mullens and Associate Conductress Becky Mullens were not able to be there, but were installed at the next meeting.

While WM Martha was at the Altar, MacKenzie Ledley sang “What a Wonderful World” which was Martha’s closing ode when she was WGM in 2001-2002, and to WP Jim she sang “The Wheels on the Bus”. The officers wore melon-colored vests with white tops and black skirts for the new OES year. Protem Conductress Cynthia Biggs and pro-tem AC Jo Ann Metzger escorted the new WM & WP to the altar to sign the Bible and presented Love gifts to them. Martha thanked her installing officers and gave outgoing WM Leila Ferguson a love gift.

Martha said it was 28 years since her first time as WM, 2 years later she was District Deputy, 2 years after that she was Grand Ruth, 6 years after that she was WGM, and now 20 years later she is WM again. Her goals are to make everyone welcome and to grow the chapter. She appreciates all our members and thanked them for taking their office so all of our offices are filled. Jim thanked MacKenzie for the appropriate song since his job is driving a 5-passenger bus in the early morning. He picks up a little boy who wants Jim to “Beep, Beep” his horn, but at 4:00 am he tells him no!

Martha gave several important dates of upcoming events for the chapter. The meeting closed in regular form with refreshments served in the dining room.

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 Beloved wife of
 Doug Sausville
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 By Mary & Bill Davis
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 Who are missed by
 The Past Deputies of District #7

3 Stars

In Loving Memory of
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 Who is missed by
 Sisters & Brothers of
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Timothy K. Poff, Ann Mangus
Joetta Brown, Rose Mary Price
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 Knightsville Chapter

5 Stars

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 Ransford Chapter #605
 Sue Midkiff

In Memory of *Dwight V. Singer, PGP*
 In Honor of his sister *Peggy Duncan,*
 75 Year Member
 From Linda Singer and Family



WGM OFFICIAL CALENDAR

Oct 16	Hoedown in D#11
Oct 22	125 th Anniversary, Newberry, D#7
Nov 7	Nettie Ransford Day
Dec 5	Grand Family Christmas Party

INSPECTIONS/LUNCHEONS/RECEPTIONS

Weeknight Inspections

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

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Baby Dedication 2:00 pm
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Oct 2 D#19	DD#19 Reception/Inspection	Oct 23 D#2	DD#2 Reception/Inspection
Oct 5 D#17	Luncheon/Inspection	Oct 30 D#12	DD#12 Reception/Inspection
Oct 9 D#1	DD#1 Reception/Inspection	Nov 4 D#10	Inspection
Oct 12 D#16	Luncheon/Inspection	Nov 6 D#6	DD#6 Reception/Inspection
Oct 16 D#11	DD#11 Reception	Nov 11 D#13	Inspection
Oct 21 D#13	Luncheon/Inspection	Nov 13 D#8	DD#8 Reception/Inspection
		Nov 19 D#21	Luncheon/Inspection
		Nov 20 D#18	DD#18 Reception/Inspection
		Dec 2 D#7	Inspection
		Dec 4 D#16	DD#16 Reception
		Dec 11 D#14	DD#14 Reception/Inspection
		Dec 13 D#5	Luncheon/Inspection
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