

**PROCEEDINGS of the
GRAND CHAPTER
OF DELAWARE
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**



NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

“MELODIES AND MEMORIES”

May 7-9, 2017

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**WORTHY GRAND MATRON
AND
WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

Barbara F. Lott Worthy Grand Matron
Robert A. Bradish, Worthy Grand Patron



PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Barbara Benton, PGM (OK)

Barbara F. Lott, Worthy Grand Matron

Robert A. Bradish, Worthy Grand Patron



GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Elizabeth West – Youth, PGM (NC)
Doris E. Egbert – Youth, PGM (DE)
Stephen P. Tolbert – ESTARL, PGP (DE)
Kathleen S. Anderson – Credentials, PGM (DE)
Barbara F. Lott, Worthy Grand Matron
Robert A Bradish, Worthy Grand Patron
Missing: J. Eddie Morris – Unfinished Business, PGP (DE)



**PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS
OF
DELAWARE**

Front Row (Left to Right)

Vickie J. Nicklas, Doris E. Egbert, Doris E. Lauer,
Henrietta R. McKelvey, Deborah “Debbie” D. Good, Ethelene Krauss,
Joan S. Edwards, Ann L. Street, Joyce Ann Myselwicz,
Euretta L. Schultheiss, Robert “Bert” Hiddemen

Back Row (Left to Right)

Lee Anderson, Joan L. Moore, Joy Hopkins,
Catherine “Scotty” Schultz, David A. Holley, Robert Steinman,
Jeffrey B. Dennis, Kathleen “Kathy” Anderson, Stephen P. Tolbert



GRAND OFFICERS 2016-2017

Row 1: Barbara Nakai, Grand Treasurer; Sara Quinby, AGM;
Barbara Lott, WGM; Robert Bradish, WGP.

Row 2: Arthur Holley, AGP; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Cathy Yaiser, Grand
Trustee 1 year; Virginia Crockett, GC.

Row 3: Carolyn Van Hekle, Grand Esther; Donna Austin, Grand Marshal;
William Lott, Grand Sentinel.

Row 4: Sue McLaughlin, Grand Adah; Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist;
Teresa Shearon, Grand Ruth.

Row 5: Donna Hiddemen, AGC; Tom Morganstern, Grand Warder.

Missing: Marty Mickles, Grand Martha and Virginia Robertson, Grand Electa.



GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Front Row (Left to Right)

Mary Shaver (KY); Carol Fehnel (IL); PJ Roby (VT); Jim Fleischamel (BC in AL) Judy Flerschamel (DE in AL); Brenda Aliff (GA in MD); Patricia Martin (MI);
Prestina Crockett (TX); Barbara Nakai (CO); Hazel Smith (DC);
Jennie Dull (MO); Elizabeth Abrams (WI)

2nd Row (Left to Right)

Karen Balkwill Donile (NC in NY); Rosie Vanderhoogt (NY); Sue Tolbert (AB); Heiress Stevens (ND); Billie Lee Banning (FL); Laura Williams (ON);
Jennifer Grasset (MB); January Kenall (WY); Olivia Hiddemen (MA)

3rd Row (Left to Right)

Jean Nicklas (NJ); Tom McLaughlin (MD); Eleanor Ellis (SC);
Karen Donlle (NC in NY); Sharon Stokes (DE In NY); George Sahutsky (NC);
Jack William (WV); Frank Knight (DE in TX); Joyce McTaggart (DE in MB);
Debbie Hodges (OH)



**WORTHY MATRONS and WORTHY PATRONS
2016-2017**

Walter Myslewicz (8); Joyce Myslewicz, PGM (8);
 David Holley, PGP (5); Ann Street, PGM (5);
 Jennifer Grasset, PM, DGL (9);
 Stephen Tolbert, PGM (16); PJ Roby (16);
 Debbie Hodges (15); Robert Bradish, WGP (15);
 January Kendall (19); Cathy Yaiser, PM Grand Trustee (20)
 Bert Hiddemen, PGP (19)
 Barbara F. Lott, Worthy Grand Matron
 Robert A. Bradish, Worthy Grand Patron

Missing: Marty Mickles (7); David Melvin (7); Wayne Stacey (9);
 Jane Morris, PGM, DGL (12); J. Eddie Morris, PGP (12);
 Sheldon Edwards, PGP (20)



50 YEAR MEMBERS

Elizabeth Abrams (20); Lillian Calloway (20); Diane Boyer (19);
Barbara Nakai, Grand Treasurer (8); Ann Street, PGM (5)

Missing but in attendance were:
Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain (15)
Bette McIntyre (16)



GRAND SESSION CHAIRMAN AND CO-CHAIRMAN AND PAGES

Front Row (Left to Right):

Catherine Schultz, PGM (12), Session Co-Chairman; Billie Lee Banning (8); Sue Tolbert (16); Terese Hensel (16); Jennifer Grasset, DGL (9); January Kendall (19); Marianne Sylvester (9); Olivia Hiddemen (19); Ann Street, PGM (5) Session Co-Chairman

Back Row (Left to Right);

Logan Esham (9); Rosie Vanderhoogt (16); Diane Boyer (20); Ethelene Krauss, PGM (7); Brenda Stineman (8); Laura Williams (5); Sandy Ragar (15); Prestina Crockett (15); Jean Nicklas (7)

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SUNDAY EVENING
May 7, 2017
MEMORIAL SERVICE

At 5:30 p.m., the Memorial Service began with an organ prelude provided by Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16), followed by a duet by Logan Mason, PM (9) and Jennifer Grasset, PM (9) “*There is a Balm in Gilead*”.

Opening remarks were given by Jana Bradish, PM, Grand Chaplain (15).

A scripture reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 was read by Linda Morganstern, PM (20) followed by the hymn, “*Abide with Me*”.

Joan S. Edwards, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus. DGL No. 9 (15) read the second scripture reading from Song of Solomon 2:1-6 followed by the hymn “*Be Thou My Vision*”.

Olivia Hiddemen (19) read the third scripture reading from Matthew 5: 3-11.

OUR MEMORIAL GARDEN

Jana Bradish, PM, Grand Chaplain (15) and Joan S. Edwards, PGM (15) read the names of those Sisters and Brothers who had passed to “that place not made with hands eternal in the heavens.”

As the names were read lilies of the valley were placed on a cross of white iris by the General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of each Subordinate Chapter.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, OES

Kathleen Anderson, PGM, GGCCM Credentials
Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM ESTARL
Doris E. Egbert, PGM, GGCCM Youth

Maxine Flint Justice, PMWGM March 26, 2017

GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE

Barbara F. Lott, WGM Robert A. Bradish, WGP
No Deaths

ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5

Ann L. Street, PGM, WM Arthur W. Holley, PP, WP
Loveyann Calloway May 5, 2016
Norma Cugler October 6, 2016
Alma Lee Smith December 28, 2016

SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7

Deena Yale, AM David Melvin, PP, WP
Ann Spicer April 8, 2016
Helen Russell May 18, 2016
Marguerite Steele June 17, 2016
Janis Robinson August 15, 2016
Jean Adkins September 16, 2016
Maxiciene Davis 2016
Rose Vizthum February 1, 2017

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8

Joyce Ann Myslewicz, PGM, WM Walter Myslewicz, PP, WP
Adele Cox June 3, 2016
Elizabeth Mavity..... June 3, 2016
Barbara Corner..... July 10, 2016
Phyllis Woodward..... November 28, 2016
Mary-Lynn Deafenbaugh..... December 6, 2016
Doris Pyle, PM.....December 24, 2016

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

Jennifer Grasset, PM, WM Wayne Stacey, PP, WP
No Deaths

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12

Jane M. Morris, PGM, WM J. Eddie Morris, PGP, GGCCM, WP
Ruth Daisey March 10, 2016
Juanita McDonald June 9, 2016
Doris Savage.....September 2, 2016

VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15

Deborah Hodges, WM Robert A. Bradish, WGP, WP
Rosalie Voigt June 11, 2016

UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16

Phyllis Jane Roby, WM Steven P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM, WP
Doris Wahowski March 23, 2015
Arlene Davis June 11, 2016
Edith Tomlin June 15, 2016
Eva Morosoff..... August 7, 2016
Marjorie Parker.....October 13, 2016
Helen Ritter..... November 24, 2016

RUTH CHAPTER NO. 19

January Kendall, WM Robert Hiddemen, PGP, WP
Mae Buss July 3, 2016
Robert KraussDecember 30, 2016
Joan Light February 16, 2017
Herbert Fulmer..... March 9, 2017

NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20

Catherine Yaiser, PM, WM Sheldon Edwards, PGP, WP
Charles DepferSeptember 8, 2016
Jack Weer..... November 27, 2016
Patricia Dillion, PM February 16, 2017

A meditation entitled *Tapestry* was given by Rev. Judith Stone, PM, WM, DGL and Grand Representative to Quebec (80 MD).

Following the mediation an offering was taken to benefit the *Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership* Scholarships amounting to \$358.00. While the collection was taken Logan Mason, PM (9) and Jennifer Grasset, PM (9) sang a duet of “*Good Night Good Morning*”.

Closing words were given by Kathleen Anderson, PGM, GGCCM Credentials (8, 15).

After the closing hymn “*Great is Thy Faithfulness*” was sung, Rev. Stone gave the benediction.

INFORMAL OPENING

At 7:00 p.m., Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16) rendered an organ prelude.

ANN L. STREET, PGM, CO-CHAIRMAN (5): Welcomed all to the 96th Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, “Melodies and Memories” Session.

This evening is the time we greet our distinguished guests and leaders of our Masonic affiliated bodies who may not be members of our beautiful Order.

We also celebrate our accomplishments and learn how those outstanding accomplishments have benefited the Delaware community.

PRESENTATION VISITING GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Before the award presentations were begun, Ann Street, PGM (5) introduced the visiting General Grand Chapter guests: Barbara Benton, PGM (OK), PMWGM; Tom Benton, PGP (TX) and Barbara’s husband; Alma Bane, PGM (TX), GGCC Chairman Bylaws; Bill Bane, PGP (DC), Ambassador to Romania and Grand Representative to San Paolo, Brazil (DC); Libby West, PGM (NC), GGCC Chairman Youth. A “hand of welcome” was given to the visitors from General Grand.

PRESENTATION GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS FROM DELAWARE

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware who are with us and have been given General Grand Chapter appointments for 2015-2018 are: Kathleen Anderson, PGM member of the Credentials Committee (8, 15); Doris G. Egbert, PGM, member of the Youth Committee (12); Stephen P. Tolbert, PGM, member of the ESTARL Committee (16); J. Eddie Morris, PGM, member of the Unfinished Business Committee (12) could not be with us this evening. A “hand of welcome” was given to the General Grand Chapter Committee Members from Delaware.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2016-2017 GRAND FAMILY

Grand Sentinel	William F. Lott (9)
Grand Warder	Thomas Morganstern (20)
Grand Electa	Virginia Robertson (19)
Grand Martha	Marlene Mickles (7) (had a family Emergency and could not be with us)
Grand Esther	Carolyn VanHekle (15)
Grand Ruth	Teresa A. Shearon (16)
Grand Adah	Sue McLaughlin (8)
Grand Organist	Ernest Fehnel (16)
Grand Marshal	Donna Austin (9)
Grand Lecturer	Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM (8, 20)
Grand Chaplain	Jana Bradish (15)
Grand Trustee	Robert Stineman, PGP (8)
Grand Trustee	Joyce Myslewicz, PGM (8)
Grand Trustee	Catherine Yaiser (20)
Associate Grand Conductress	Donna S. Hiddemen (19)
Grand Conductress	Virginia E. Crockett (8, 19)
Grand Treasurer	Barbara Nakai (8)
Grand Secretary	Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (7)
Associate Grand Patron	Arthur W. Holley (5)
Associate Grand Matron	Sara M. Quinby (20)

Worthy Grand Patron
Worthy Grand Matron

Robert A. Bradish (15)
Barbara F. Lott (9)

A “hearty hand of welcome” was given to the Grand Officers.

ENTRANCE OF THE AMERICAN FLAG

The American Flag was presented by David Melvin, PP (7). Guests were asked to rise and join in pledging allegiance to the flag of our country after which one stanza of the *National Anthem* was sung.

The flags of Canada, Christian, Jobs Daughters, and Grand Lodge were posted in the East.

Tribute to our Sister Jurisdiction to the North was given by singing the Canadian National Anthem, *O Canada*’ the words of which were printed in the program.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain (15).

GREETINGS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Barbara F. Lott (9)

Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers and Friends: It is my pleasure to welcome you to Dover, Delaware and the 96th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. To our visiting dignitaries, thank you for joining us at this Informal Opening. To those who are not members, may the events of this evening leave you so impressed that, if you are not a member, you will relieve me of these petitions when this evening is over. The members of the Order of the Eastern Star are “Good People” “Doing Good Things” “For Good Reasons.” Come join the warmth. To our members: Treasure the time; enjoy each other while you make a new friend or two and remember members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, all members of Subordinate Chapters are voting delegates. We have much work to do over the next two days. Be present not only in body but in mind for the business that will come before the Grand Chapter Session. Remember the actions we take may permanently affect the welfare of our Order in the future. Always think: “More we; less me.

Remember

- if you don’t go after what you want you’ll never have it
- if you don’t ask the answer will always be no
- if you don’t step forward, you’ll be stuck in the same place.

Let’s have another opening of another show!

GREETINGS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Robert A. Bradish (15)

Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers. I, also, have the pleasure to welcome you to the Memories and Melodies Grand Sessions of Delaware Grand Chapter OES. To all that came tonight to this informal opening I thank you. We do hope that you are impressed and will consider becoming members if not already one.

To our members, we have considerable work to accomplish in the next few days that can and will affect how we govern ourselves for years to come. Listen and vote with your heart for the good of the order. We may not all agree on every aspect of our legislation but remember there is never growth without change. To all please have an enjoyable evening and remember this organization governs itself with conscious not the will of any one individual.

PRESENTATION OF GRANTS TO CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Phyllis Roby, PM, GR (VT), Chairman (16)

WGM, WGP, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends, Good Evening:

We work throughout the year to raise funds for children with special needs in Delaware. We look forward to this time when we can share with you what we have accomplished and how we will assist these very special children and their families.

It is so wonderful to be able to help lift the spirits of a Mother or Grandmother, Father or Grandfather and to help Teachers and representative from the wonderful organizations who also assist these very special and precious children.

We are always happy to present these Grants and to share this evening with the recipients. It is with pleasure that I would like to introduce you to the following recipients of this year's Grants.

Our first grant is to United Cerebral Palsy of DE to send four (4) Children to Camp Lenape; accepting the award is Carma L. Carpenter, Director.

To the Southern Delaware Therapy Riding, Inc. is given a grant to provide four (4) children who will receive 10 lessons each; accepting this grant is Georgia Truitt.

To assist children at the John S. Carlton Program with hearing difficulties a grant is given for a Chatter Vox Complete System Plus & Pencil Microphone; accepting is Mindy Beck for the John S. Carlton Program.

Ryan Kennedy from Delaware Kids Fund received a grant for the Family of Dani d'Spirit; the Delaware Kids Fund will match our Grant.

Each summer children enjoy the healing qualities of a coastal environment at the Children's Beach House. A grant to send four (4) children to the Beach House this summer will be accepted by Pat Tosi, Director of Development for the Children's Beach House will accept a Grant to.

Coping with the loss of a loved one can be a challenging task. Camp New Hope provides the environment to help children cope with that loss. A grant to send three (3) children to Camp New Hope will be accepted by Erlene Vann, Coordinator for Delaware Hospice, Camp New Hope.

Before our final grant is given our Worthy Grand Matron would like to tell you a story. Several weeks ago, I was in a bridal shop in Delmar, DE. It wasn't for my wedding for that took place fifty-three years ago. I was there trying to find a dress to replace the official white dress for the 2016-2017 year as the one I had, had some issues that could not be resolved. When I went into the store I joked with the staff about finding something appropriate for my size. To my surprise one was found but needed some altering. The staff present at the time indicated that she needed to show the owner what needed to be done. When the owner came in, three other individuals joined her. Her daughter and two granddaughters. As the alterations continued with the owner present we talked about when I would be wearing the dress. I told them it would be the first Sunday in May. The mother asked if the event would be at Dover Down's. The mother then turned to the older of the two granddaughters and asked if she knew who I was. Once she learned that I was the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware the mother was overjoyed and in tears. The Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star was providing her daughter with sight. In Freedom's words, "to see dolphins better in the water." So, to Freedom and her parents Michael & Kennedy Wilson a grant that will provide an upgrade to the augmented 3d-reality headset for the legally blind for Freedom Wilson.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for giving me and the Committee, Barbara Davidson and Deena Yale, the opportunity to be a small part in

helping these very special children and their families. And, thank you to those who supported all the events that helped to raise the funds for these Grants. God bless these special children and their families; our beautiful Order and God bless America.

Total monies distributed \$11,374.99.

After the grants had been given each of the recipients and members of the family's present thanked the Grand Chapter for their awards.

RECEPTION AND REMARKS OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Grand Lodge of Masons of Delaware Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star, Sisters and Brothers all, good evening. I want to thank you for inviting me to attend this Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. It is an honor for me to be here and have the opportunity to speak with you for a few minutes.

It has been a privilege for me to serve as Grand Master of Masons in Delaware during this Masonic year. One of our objectives at the beginning of this year was to encourage support among the various Masonic bodies, and I am pleased to say that the Order of the Eastern Star has been very supportive at all Masonic activities and has worked diligently to support me as Grand Master. At the same time, the Grand Staff and Masons in Delaware have been working equally hard to support the Order of the Eastern Star events. I would like to see us continue working together and mutually supporting each other on all upcoming activities. By working together, we can see benefits for both organizations and hopefully encourage positive growth.

My theme this year is Obligation – Fraternity, Family and Community. The Obligation theme is based on three parts for a reason. The three parts need to be divided equally between Fraternity, Family and Community; just as an equilateral triangle has three parts. The triangle is the strongest structure in architecture and the three-part obligation encourages equal strength and support for our Fraternity, Families, and Communities. Each of us made a choice at the Holy Altar to live our lives in dedication to God, our families, our communities, and the fraternities by practicing the moral values, friendship, and love we were taught within the lodge rooms. Our fraternity or sorority devotion separates us from the rest of the community, requiring us to be proper role models by setting a good image in the public eye. Our family values demonstrate two others the importance of a strong family relationship with a dedication to include our spouse and children in daily life, and the work we do to support our communities should encourage other members of society to join our ranks and live in peace and harmony with a focus to help those in need.

Ask yourselves this question: If the Order of the Eastern Star had to close its door, would the Community know we were gone and miss us? I think the answer is a resounding yes! Your efforts and work both seen and unseen have helped so many others enjoy a better quality of life and obtain things they thought to be out of reach. You are making a difference in the lives of those less fortunate and by doing so you are making our communities better places to live. I have faith in your organization and faith in each of you that by continuing to work together, we can make a difference in society and show people that “We have a better way” to live our lives and help others. I encourage you to keep up the good work and welcome new members by making them an active part in your projects.

Youth is the key to success in our organizations. Let's give our younger members an opportunity to be active in the organization and significant contributors toward our future. For us older members, I say it is time to loosen the cords, let go of the reigns and

let the young people have a chance. They will do fine and our organizations will grow and prosper.

So, Mote it Be.

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware
A. Tony Maxwell, Most Illustrious Grand Master.

Worthy Grand Matron Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Members and Guests:

On behalf of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware, I bring you fraternal greetings!

Congratulations, Barbara, and your staff – on a fabulous year ... and congratulations Worthy Grand Matron-Elect Sara Quinby and your slate of officers for the ensuing year.

Barbara, and William Lott, our most recent Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Delaware, both of you serving in Grand capacities this past year. You are an example to us of Masonic values. Your teamwork, partnership & support of each other and your respective organizations. It is that spirit of working together that all of us can learn from, apply, and help keep all our Masonic organizations and members moving in a positive direction.

I know both of you put a lot of hours into your work as officers this past year, but your jobs are not over! You now have a bigger job – with your experience and new knowledge, to continue to support and help O.E.S. and Masonry move forward.

I look forward to learning more about your organization and assisting Worthy Grand Matron-Elect Sara Quinby and her staff during the ensuing year....and who knows, maybe someday there will be Co-masonry. I think ... our ladies help their men more than we help our ladies.

Anyone know who wrote *Auld Lang Syne*? (“Should old acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind ...”)? ... Robert Burns! Well, I think Robert Burns had our ladies in the Order of the Eastern Star in mind when he wrote the following poem:

“To see you is to love you,
and love but you forever,
for nature made you what you are,
and never made another.”

Thank you for what you do for Delaware Masonry and our communities through your wonderful philanthropic efforts!

A. Tony Maxwell, Most Illustrious Grand Master.
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware

Jobs Daughters International
Aimee Bright, Miss Job’s Daughter of Delaware 2017-2018
HQ, Bethel No. 5, Georgetown; PHQ Bethel No. 4, Middletown;
SBR (WY) 2016-2017

Good Evening,

Before I begin, I must say it is both a privilege and an honor to be here tonight and thank you for allowing me the time to speak to you all this evening.

My name is Aimee Bright and I am the Miss Job’s Daughter of Delaware for the year. While many people in this room may be aware of what Job’s Daughters is, for those who may not know, Job’s Daughters is one of the Masonic Youth Groups. Job’s Daughters is for young girls between the ages of 10 and 20 who believe in God and have Masonic relationship or sponsorship. Currently in Delaware we have 5 Bethels: Bethel #4,

Middletown; Bethel #5, Georgetown, Bethel #7, Dover; Bethel #9, Newark; and Bethel #11, Talleyville. I have been a member for just under 8 years, and am a member at Bethel #4, where I am a Past Honored Queen, and Bethel #5, where I am the current Honored Queen. Job's Daughters is different in that we also do a multitude of fun activities and fundraisers. Some fun activities we do include going ice skating, going to the movies, doing paint nights, and mini-golfing, just like I will be doing with Bethel #4 tomorrow night. We also hold fundraisers in order to pay for these fun activities, such as selling Mary Kay makeup, selling cookie jars, and many more. While we sometimes raise funds to support our Bethels, we also hold fundraisers for the Hearing-Impaired Kids Endowment Fund or HIKE, the philanthropic project of Job's Daughters International. As Miss Job's Daughter, a few of my duties include traveling to other Bethels and assisting them in their initiations, installations, and wherever else they may need me, traveling to the Grand Sessions of Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania or the Quad Squad states, and traveling to our Supreme Sessions and competing for Miss International as Delaware's representative this summer in Valley Forge, PA.

Job's Daughters is more than just memorizing apart from a ritual and going to a few fun activities. Through Job's Daughters, I have gained many things. I have learned to confidently speak in front of crowds, because 8 years ago, there was no way I would've spoken in front of everyone this evening. It teaches young girls to be leaders, and it's a great way for girls to make lifelong friends and sisters. Because of Job's Daughters, I have made friends for a lifetime that I otherwise wouldn't have met, and I am forever thankful for everything that Job's Daughters has provided for me.

To the outgoing Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I congratulate you on a fantastic year, and thank you for the support you have provided to Job's Daughters this past year, and I wish you luck on your future endeavors.

To the incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I wish you the best on your travels throughout this year, and if there is anything that Job's Daughters can do for you, please feel free to ask anytime.

Once again, I thank you for allowing me to be present and to be able to speak this evening. Congratulations to all of the outgoing officers on a successful term, and congratulations to all of the newly elected and appointed officers and good luck. I look forward to meeting you all throughout our travels this year. Thank you and I hope you enjoy your time here.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

In addition to the grants to Children with Special Needs in Delaware the Grand Chapter also has two scholarships that are available to individuals:

Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership Scholarships

Doris E. Egbert, PGM, GGCCM, Chairman (12)

Barbara Ewing-Joseph, PGM (16) Wini Walton, PM (15)

Doris Lauer, PGM (16) Susan Tolbert, PM, GR (AB) (16)

The ESTARL Scholarships are available to rising college juniors and graduate students who are pursuing a course of study in the ministry, church music or other religious areas. Monies for these scholarships are raised through activities held by individual Subordinate Chapters and donations received throughout the year.

The Robert & Jean Shustack Scholarship
William F. Lott, Grand Sentinel, Chairman (9)

Donna Hiddemen, Grand Conductress, GR (NH) (19) Cheryl Mongillo, PM (8)

The Robert & Jean Shustack Scholarship is available to seniors in high school that are members of Masonic Youth groups and is named after Robert and Jean Shustack who were very active in Eastern Star. This year there were no applicants for the scholarship this year.

The Julia M. Story Award
Sheldon Edwards, PGP, Chairman (20)
Vada Lockerman, PGM (20) Eugene Lockerman, PGP (20)

As none of the Committee Members on the Julia M. Story Award Committee were present, on their behalf the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron presented this year's Julie M. Story Award.

The Julia M. Story Award for Excellence which was begun in 2003 by the late Nancy Edwards, Past Grand Matron. She believed that there were those within the membership that went above and beyond providing service not only to the Order but in the wider community and she wished to see this recognized. Service is one of the main purposes of the Order of the Eastern Star. The award is named after Julia M(arr) Story the first Worthy Grand Matron of Delaware in 1921-1922.

Any member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware who is in good standing, except for the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, and Past Grand Patrons are eligible for the award. They must exemplify exceptional service and support their Sisters and Brothers in their own Subordinate Chapter or other Subordinate Chapters in Delaware and their wider community.

As the Worthy Grand Matron read the activities of this year's winner, the Worthy Grand Patron went to find the recipient and bring the individual to the East.

This year's awardee is an individual who has been active member since joining the Order. This individual:

- Volunteers at the VA Hospital in Wilmington with the Grand Chapter Hobby/Clothing Cart;
- Works with Habitat for Humanity as a wood worker. He was awarded their Volunteer of the Year for 2014-2015 as he had donated 400 hours of service;
- Works at his church with Operation Hope, a program where a team prepares food and takes it into Wilmington to serve to those in need;
- He also distributes clothing which the church collects.

As you can see Mercer Quinby of Naomi Chapter No. 20 is most deserving of this award.

A pin noting that Mercer has been presented the Julia M. Story Award and plaque that remains with Naomi Chapter No. 20 were presented to Mercer by the Worthy Grand Matron.

CLOSING OF THE INFORMAL OPENING

A reception for our Distinguished Guests in the foyer outside this room was announced.

Announcement that the "Melodies and Memories" Sessions would open at 9:30 a.m. Monday morning, Rehearsal for the Pages would begin at 8:45 a.m. and Grand Officers at 9:00 a.m. If you are not part of either group, the doors to the Chapter Room will be closed until 9:15 a.m. or until rehearsals are complete whichever occurs first.

Everyone was thanked for joining us tonight and the "Mizpah Benediction" was said in unison.

MONDAY MORNING

May 8, 2017

9:30 am

'O What a Beautiful Morning'

After an organ prelude by the Grand Organist, the Ninety-Fourth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, was called to order by:

CATHERINE "SCOTTY" SCHULTZ, PGM, SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN (12): Sisters and Brothers, good morning.

It is an honor and privilege to greet each of you, along with Ann Street, PGM (5) and the committee, who helped put this Session together and we thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this opportunity.

Before we begin the show, there are a few announcements I must make:

- Please familiarize yourself with the exits.
- Please be very careful when using the steps.
- Only the Pages, Hospitality Committee and the nurses are to use the unguarded door.
- Nurses are available to assist anyone, as needed.
- If you enter or leave during the meeting, we ask that you use the aisles along the walls quietly.
- Group pictures will be taken immediately following the close of the afternoon session. Please be prompt and ready when your group is called. Please refer to your program.
- Anyone making or seconding a motion or speaking to issues should identify himself or herself. This is very important. Please approach a microphone when speaking or request a Page to bring you a portable microphone.
- Voting delegates who received their Session packets on Sunday will need to pick up legislation at the Registration Desk.
- At this time, please turn off those cell phones, laptops, radios, etc. so that our Proceedings will not be interrupted. Thank you kindly.

At 9:37 a.m. the Grand Marshal was directed to escort Eurette L. Schultheiss, PGM (20) and David A. Holley, PGP (5) to the East by way of the Labyrinth, to open this Monday morning's "Melodies and Memories" Session.

WELCOME BY SISTER EURETTA L. SCHULTHEISS, PGM, WM (20): Sister and Brothers, it is the wish of the Worthy Grand Matron that this Session be in order for the reception of the Officers of the Grand Chapter. If there be any present that are not members of the Order, they will retire.

Good morning! WOW! Who would have thought I would be standing here again twenty-five (25) years later as Junior Past Grand Matron with my second Worthy Grand Patron Brother David Holley? We welcome you to the "O What A Beautiful Morning Session of the 96th Grand Chapter Session to be known as the "Melodies and Memories" Session.

It is indeed an honor to be able to welcome all in attendance and we are especially thrilled by the presence of Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Benton, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Ambassadors and Committee Members and other distinguished guests.

To all our guests from Sister Jurisdictions, thank you for spending this time with us and may you enjoy your visit to Delaware the First State.

I must say, Scotty, you had a very challenging year but in the end your efforts worked out and this is a very beautiful room. We appreciate all your efforts.

The Grand Marshal was directed to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers to enter the Chapter Room of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Officers, preceded by the Grand Pages, entered the Grand Chapter Room. The Grand Officers formed a pentagon around the Altar followed by the Hollow Square.

Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM, WM, greeted the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. No additional written remarks provided.

WELCOME BY DAVID A. HOLLEY, PGP, WP: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Grand Officers, our Sisters and Brothers. What a privilege to be honored along with my Worthy Grand Matron, Euretta L. Schultheiss to open the first session of your ‘Melodies and Memories’ Session, “the “*Oh What A Beautiful Morning*” Session.

Worthy Grand Matron I have only known you for a few years, however your dedication and accuracy and professionalism in working on the Constitution and Bylaws committee, and at other events has been amazing. Your creative abilities have amassed considerable finances to our charities and you have extended our journey in harmony. The reminder of “We and not Me” you made in many of your speeches is an endorsement for all to work together, as one, in our endeavors for the good of our beautiful Order.

Worthy Grand Patron when I was Associate Grand Patron you were Grand Sentinel and I observed your accuracy in many areas of our proceedings. This was an indication of your professionalism both in and out of our Order and I congratulate you now on a job well done as Worthy Grand Patron. I sincerely appreciate the plaque that you presented to me at the conclusion of our “Extended Journey in Harmony” Session last year. I will never forget your work in the making of this beautiful plaque and I will always treasure it. Thank you.

I thank you for the honor of opening the Monday morning “Melodies and Memories” Session with my 2015-2016 Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Euretta L. Schultheiss and we know that you both will make this Session well-run, complete, satisfying, with pleasure for all. “GOD Bless You”

The Grand Marshal, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress were directed to escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East where they were accorded with Grand Honors. The gavel was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron and she was invited to preside. The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

It was our pleasure to have you open this Monday morning “O What a Beautiful Morning” Session.

Euretta, you knew what had to be done and you took the lead to do it. Thank you for starting the process of updating of the law so that it was in line with our present practices. We hope that this last year has given you time to catch up with family and friends while still pursuing those things that you enjoy and remaining active in the Order.

David, music is life that is why our hearts beat. It is apparent through your music that you give thanks for the blessings you have. Thank you for the service you gave to this Grand Chapter last year and the service you continue to give to the Grand Chapter and your Subordinate Chapter. May life bless you always.

RESPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Thank you for your welcomes at the opening of this Melodies and Memories Grand Chapter Sessions.

Euretta, I had totally forgotten that you were Worthy Matron of Naomi Chapter when Jana and I were Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Newark Chapter those many years ago. How time flies when you are having fun.

David, I have really only known you for the 3 years I have been in the Grand Line but look upon you as a very caring and compassionate Brother. We hope that both of you have a very enjoyable Grand Chapter Sessions and can catch up with friends both within and without this Grand Chapter.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Worthy Grand Matron then directed the Grand Warder to inform the Grand Sentinel, that the Opening Ceremony of the Grand Chapter was about to begin and to allow no interruptions.

ROLL CALL OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

The Worthy Grand Matron then asked the Grand Secretary if there were a Constitutional number of Subordinate Chapter represented to form a quorum. The Grand Secretary proceeded to call the roll of Subordinate Chapters.

Adah Chapter No. 5	present
Sussex Chapter No. 7	present
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	present
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	present
Frankford Chapter No. 12	present
Victory Chapter No. 15	present
Unity Chapter No. 16	present
Ruth Chapter No. 19	present
Naomi Chapter No. 20	present

Finding that there was a constitutional number of Subordinate Chapters present to form a quorum, the Worthy Grand Matron proceeded to open the Grand Chapter in Ritualistic form.

RITUALISTIC OPENING OF GRAND CHAPTER

The Session was opened with the following Grand Officers in their stations:

Worthy Grand Matron	Barbara F. Lott (9)
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Robert A. Bradish (15)
Associate Grand Matron	Sara M. Quinby (20)
Associate Grand Patron	Arthur W. Holley (5)
Grand Secretary	Vickie J. Nicklas (7)
Grand Treasurer	M. Barbara Nakai (8)
Grand Conductress	Virginia E. Crockett (8, 19)
Associate Grand Conductress	Donna S. Hiddemen (19)
Grand Lecturer.....	Phyllis Ann Stewart Bowman (8, 20)
Grand Chaplain.....	Jana Bradish (15)
Grand Marshal	Donna Austin (9)
Grand Adah	Susan McLaughlin (8)
Grand Ruth	Teresa Sharon (16)
Grand Electa	Carolyn Van Hekle (15)
Grand Martha.....	Linda Morganstern, Pro-Tem (20)
Grand Electa	Virginia Robertson (19)
Grand Warder	Thomas Morganstern (20)
Grand Sentinel.....	William F. Lott (9)

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Chaplain led in the Opening Prayer, followed by the singing of the Opening Ode, “*Morning Has Broken*” after which

the Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, duly opened at 10:09 a.m.

The Worthy Grand Patron led the Grand Chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the singing of the National Anthem and the Canadian Anthem.

The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter.

DRAPING OF THE ALTAR

At this time, we give tribute to our members who have gone to greater service, who have received their call and have answered, who have bid “Good Night” to us and turned their faces to the LIGHT and have followed that LIGHT bidding “Good Morning” to that place not made with hands eternal in the Heavens”

Franklin Lee Stevenson said, “Another leaf has fallen, another soul has gone but still we have God’s promises in every robin’s song; for he is in His Heaven and though He takes away He always leaves to mortals the bright sun’s kindly ray. He leaves the fragrant blossoms and lovely forests, green and gives us new found comfort when we on him will lean.”

The sun has set on their busy lives and the end has come with no more strife. At last they have found a home on high through our memories of them will never die. By the hand of God, they will be crowned. Peace they gave and peace they found.

It is time for us to walk in the world for them; to sing a happy melody and keep their memory not far away. For us to find that life will bring all the best of everything taking special care of you, for them, today and always.

The Worthy Grand Matron called the members of the Grand Chapter to rise and requested the Grand Secretary read the names of those who have died during the past year.

IN MEMORIAM

The Tide recedes but leaves behind bright seashells on the sand
The sun goes down, but gentle warmth still lingers on the land
The music stops, and yet it echoes on in sweet refrains,
For every joy that passes, something beautiful remains.

Listing of deceased members can be found on pages 13 and 14

The Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress assisted by the Grand Chaplain to drape the Altar in memory of departed Sisters and Brothers. After the draping was complete, the Worthy Grand Matron placed flowers at the foot of the Altar and a Scroll listing the names of the deceased members was placed by its side by the Grand Secretary. Marianne Sylvester, PM (9) sang “*Whispering Hope*” after which the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary returned to their stations. The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter.

FILLING OF VACANCIES

Refer to Worthy Grand Matron’s Report

INTRODUCTION OF PARLIMENTARIAN AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

At this time the Worthy Grand Matron introduced Judith B. Fenner, PGM (MA) and Deputy to the MWGM for Rio de Janeiro Brazil (Region C) who would serve as Parliamentarian and reminded the delegates that the Order of Business is at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron except for the Election of Grand Officers, which shall take place at 2 p.m. on the second full day of the session; legislation which takes place after the Jurisprudence Report and approval of the budget will take place on Tuesday afternoon after the Jurisprudence Report. The Worthy Grand Matron also reminded the

delegates that when giving reports the following introduction shall be used, “Worthy Grand Matron [or title of the Presiding Officer] and Delegates.”

MINUTES OF THE 93RD ANNUAL SESSION

Motion was made by Vickie J. Nicklas (7,16) PGM and Grand Secretary that the Minutes of the 93rd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star be accepted as printed in the Proceedings and distributed; motion seconded by Virginia E. Crockett, Grand Conductress (08,19). There was no discussion. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following correspondence was received:

- A letter was received from Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (7), Grand Secretary stating that for health reasons she would not be standing for election to the office of Grand Secretary nor would she accept the office if nominated or elected.
- Letter from Stephen B. Tolbert resigning from the Constitution and Bylaw Committee as he will be standing for election to the position of Grand Treasurer.

No other correspondence was read.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE PARTIAL REPORT

Elizabeth Dickens (20), Chairman (absent)

Patrick Shearon (16) Kristine Butler, PM (15) Kathy Kee, PM (08)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates:

This partial report of the Credential Committee finds that ninety-five (95) Delaware members are registered and sixty-three (63) members from Sister Jurisdictions are registered for a total of one hundred fifty-eight (158). A complete report will be given on Tuesday afternoon before Elections.

MOTION:

It was moved by Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (7), Grand Secretary and seconded by Sandra M. Sahutsky, PGM (16) that Honorary Membership Certificates be given to those dignitaries not having received one previously. There was no discussion. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jeffrey B. Dennis, PGP (15), Chairman

Jennifer E. Grasset, PM (9) Kathleen Anderson, PGM, GGCCM (8, 15)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: It has been our pleasure to serve on this committee and after reading the 2016-2017 Proceedings, we made the following conclusion: There is no unfinished matters to be considered at this time.

The Worthy Grand Matron relinquished the gavel to the Worthy Grand Patron while she read her report.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

May 10, 2016 – April 22, 2017

Barbara F. Lott, WGM 2016-2017

Worthy Grand Patron and Delegates:

Let's walk along together
Down the road to yesterday
And live again some memories
That this year has stored away.
Memories are forget-me-nots
Gathered along Life's way,

Pressed close to the human heart
In a perennial bouquet.

This report is the culmination of a year where much peace and harmony prevailed. We are all aware of the great wealth we possess, not in silver and gold, nor coins in our pockets, but in the treasure of a goodly heritage and our circle of friends in this Grand Chapter. We are good people; doing good things; for good reasons. Our lives are like a treasure chest overflowing with precious gems from Life's storehouse. So, it is with this Grand Chapter of Delaware.

DEDICATION

This year was for and about the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware. The goal was to serve you as best we could; leaving this jurisdiction better than we found it.

IN MEMORIUM

Refer to "Draping of the Altar" page 25

OFFICIAL ACTS

Appointment of Grand Officers

Constitution and Bylaws Article IV Section 6 2nd sentence

Grand Chaplain	Jana Bradish (15)
Grand Lecturer	Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM (8, 20)
Grand Marshal	Donna Austin (9)
Grand Organist	Ernest Fehnel (16)
Grand Adah	Sue McLaughlin (8)
Grand Ruth	Teresa Shearon (16)
Grand Esther	Carolyn Van Hekle (15)
Grand Martha	Marlene Mickles (7)
Grand Electa	Virginia Robertson (19)
Grand Warder	Tom Morganstern (20)

Appointment of Standing Committees

*Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (2) and
Rules & Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware
Article I Section 2, Section 7, and Article II in its entirety*

Benefit for Children:	Phyllis J. Roby, WM (16) Barbara Davison, PM (20) Deena Yale, AM (07) William F. Lott, Grand Sentinel (09)
Chapter Under Dispensation, Charters & Consolidation:	Brenda Stineman, PM (08) 3 Years
Constitution and Bylaws:	Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM (16) 3 Years
Credential / Registration:	Kristine Butler, PM (15) 2 Years Kathy Kee PM (08) 2 Years
ESTARL:	Doris E. Egbert, PGM, GGCCM (12) 1 Year Susan Tolbert, PM (16) 5 Years
Grievance and Appeals:	Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (07, 16) 3 Years
Julia M. Story Award:	Eugene A. Lockerman, PGP (20) Vada A. Lockerman, PGM (20) Sheldon L. Edwards, PGP (20)
Jurisprudence:	Jacqueline W. Collier, PGM (15) 3 Years
Necrology:	Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain (15) Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16)

Joan S. Edwards, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeriti (15)
 Gale Lucas (15)

Nominating: Deborah Dale Good, PGM (08)

Printing (Proceedings): Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM (20)
 David Holley, PGP (05)
 Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM Grand Secretary (07,16)

Shustack Scholarship: William F. Lott, Grand Sentinel (09)
 Carolyn Van Hekle, PM (15)
 Donna Hiddemen, PM (19)
 Cheryl Mongillo, PM (08)

Unfinished Business: Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM (20) 3 Years

Ways and Means: Patricia Martin, PM (16)
 Jacqueline Collier, PGM (15)
 Kathy Trombly, PM (15)
 Ethelene Krauss, PGM (07)

Special Appointments and Special Committees

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (2)

General Grand Chapter Philanthropic Projects: Kathi Anderson, PGM, GGCCM (8,15)
 Stephen Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM (16)
 Doris Egbert, PGM, GGCCM (12)
 Eddie Morris, PGP, GGCCM (12)

Grand Fraternal Correspondents: Donna Hiddemen, Associate Grand Conductress (19)
 Virginia E. Crockett, Grand Conductress (08)

OES License Plates: J. Eddie Morris, PGP, GGCCM (12)

Annual Session: Catherine Schultz, PGM (12)
 Ann Street, PGM (07)

Constitutional Review Working Group: Henrietta McKelvey, PGM (20)
 Sandy Sahutsky, PGM (16)
 Stephen P. Tolbert, PGM, GGCCM (16)
 Robert Stineman, PGP (08)
 Sara Quinby, AGM (20)
 Arthur Holley, AGP (05)
 Ginny Crockett, GC (08)
 Donna Hiddemen, AGC (19)
 William "Bill" F. Lott, GS (09)
 Barbara F. Lott, WGM (09)
 Robert A. Bradish, WGP (15)

The first named member on each Standing or Special Committee was the chairman.

Appointments to Fill Vacancies

Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article I Section 2

On the resignation of Susan Calloway, PM (7) from the ESTARL Committee appointed Doris E. Egbert, PGM, GGCCM (12) to fill the 1 Year term for the 2016-2017 year.

On the resignation of Esther Berner, PGM (7) from the Chapter under Dispensation, Charters and Consolidation Committee appointed Terese J. Hensel, PM (16) to fill the remainder of her 2-year term.

On the death of the Grand Representative to Oregon, Jean Atkins (7) recommended Barbara Edwards (16) to fill the unexpired term.

As Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM (20) indicated through Jeffrey Dennis, PGP (15) that she had never received a letter to serve on the Unfinished Business Committee, appointed

Kathleen “Kathi” Anderson, PGM, GGCCM (8, 15) Credentials to fill the three (3) year appointment. My records indicate that in the October 2016 a letter was sent but no reply was ever received.

Appointed Linda Morganstern, PM (20) as an additional member on the Necrology Committee and as Grand Martha pro-tem as Marty Mackles’ husband was unable to return home after his hospitalization in San Diego, CA.

The following committee was named after Grand Chapter. A Committee on General Grand Chapter Philanthropic Projects and consisted of Kathleen “Kathi” Anderson, PGM (8, 15), GGCCM, Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM (16), Doris Egbert, PGM, GGCCM (12) and J. Eddie Morris, PGP, GGCCM (12).

A committee on “Remembering our Veterans” was never named but the membership as a whole “Remembered our Veterans” through their generous contributions to Home of the Brave and the VA Hobby/Clothing Cart. I thank Watson Day, PGP (19), Janet M. Day, PGM (19), Walter Evans, PP (20) and Mercer Quinby (20) for their roles in keeping the work of the Order of the Eastern Star alive at the VA in Wilmington.

Checks Signed

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(5)

Per *Constitution and Bylaws*, the following checks were signed:

Date	Check Number	To Whom	Purpose	Check Amount
6/1/2016	428	Robert Stineman	Climate Control Deposit	\$124.00
6/1/2016	429	General Grand Chapter	Per Capita Tax	\$420.00
6/1/2016	430	General Grand Chapter	International Temple Fund	\$70.00
6/6/2016	431	Robert Stineman	Hand Cart	\$113.05
6/6/2016	432	S J Gary	Tax Preparer	\$435.00
6/23/2016	433	Barbara Lott	Directory Printing	\$255.72
6/23/2016	434	Selective Insurance	Liability Insurance	\$255.00
7/1/2016	435	Joan Edwards	Disposal	\$129.00
7/8/2016	436	Sentinel Self Storage	Tenant 228116 Unit 321	\$2,398.00
7/29/2016	437	Phyllis Roby	Sinatra Tickets	\$50.00
7/29/2016	438	Candlelight Theater	Dinner Tickets	\$1,421.00
8/31/2016	439	General Grand Chapter	Dues Cards	\$72.80
9/15/2016	440	Catherine Schultz	Session Advance	\$400.00
10/12/2016	441	Vickie J. Nicklas	USPS Secretarial Supplies	\$210.61
10/12/2016	442	Catherine Schultz	Sessions	\$50.00
10/12/2016	443	Selective Insurance	Surety Bond	\$232.00
11/2/2016	444	Phyllis J. Roby	Supplies for March Event	\$500.00
11/2/2016	445	USPS	2 Rolls Stamps	\$94.00
11/2/2016	446	Robert Bradish	GC Ways & Means Fruit & Nut Sale	\$74.30
11/13/2016	447	General Grand Chapter	Supplies for resale	\$261.54
	448	Void	Printed Crooked	
11/19/2016	449	Wrigleville Sports	Grand Representative Pins	\$466.00
11/19/2016	450	Joan S. Edwards	Proceedings Preparation	\$112.50
11/21/2016	451	Robert Stineman	Dell Computer plus 2 QuickBooks	\$1,247.97
11/25/2016	452	Sentinel Storage	Self-Storage Unit 321	\$42.00
12/05/2016	453	Grand Chapter PA	Worthy Grand Matron’s Special Project	\$100.00
12/05/2016	454	Grand Chapter MD	Worthy Grand Matron’s Special Project	\$100.00
12/05/2016	455	Grand Chapter DC	Worthy Grand Matron’s Special Project	\$100.00

Date	Check Number	To Whom	Purpose	Check Amount
12/05/2016	456	Grand Chapter NJ	Most Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project	\$100.00
12/20/2016	457	General Grand Chapter	Supplies for resale	\$614.85
12/20/2016	458	Vickie Nicklas	USPS & Office Supplies	\$153.02
2/2/2017	460	Staples	Printer ink for Treasurer	\$60.99
3/11/2017	461	General Grand Chapter	Supplies for resale	\$465.89
3/11/2017	462	M. Jackie Collier	Hospitality per Constitution & budget	\$2500.00
3/11/2017	463	Joy Hopkins	Distinguished Guest Breakfast per budget	\$100.00
3/11/2017	464	Vickie Nicklas	Computer Ink and USPS	\$174.48
3/11/2017	465	Deena Yale	Banner for Sinatra Event (Money to be transferred from Benefit to pay this)	\$110.95
3/22/2017	466	Phyllis Roby	2 Bartenders for Sinatra show/dance	\$250.00
3/22/2017	467	Appleton Catering	Sinatra show/dance dinner	\$1,897.42
3/26/2017	468	Platinum Entertainment	3 entertainers for Sinatra Event (\$300 to DJ; \$500 to Dame Edna; \$600 to Sean Riley (Sinatra))	\$1,300.00
4/11/2017	469	A.J. Morris Jewelers	Engraving of Two Jewels	\$170.00
4/11/2017	470	Marco	Badge Holders for Session	\$136.99
4/22/2017	471	Southern Delaware Therapeutic Riding, Inc.	4 camperships	\$1,400.00
4/22/2017	472	United Cerebral Palsy of De, Inc.	4 camperships	\$1,200.00
4/22/2017	473	De Kids Fund	D'Spirit Family	\$1,000.00
4/22/2017	474	Asyst Communications Co., Inc	John C. Charlton Program (Chatter Vox)	\$375.00
4/22/2017	475	Children's Beach House	For 4 children	\$1,000.00
4/22/2017	476	Delaware Hospice	Grief counselling for children (Camp New Hope for each of 3 Counties plus one)	\$1,400.00
4/22/2017	477	eSight Cor.	Esight glasses upgrade for 1 child	\$990.00
4/22/2017	478	Rogers Graphics	2015-2016 Proceedings	
4/22/2017	479	Home of the Brave	Home of the Brave II (Women's)	\$50.00
4/22/2017	480	Alzheimer's	Donation from Grand Chapter	\$438.70
4/22/2017	481	Hike Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment	Jobs Daughters	\$57.50
4/22/2017	482	E. Watson Day	VA Hobby/Clothing Cart	\$487.60
4/22/2017	483	Helen S. Graham Center	Cancer Research	\$210.00
4/22/2017	484	Breast Cancer Coalition, Inc.	Donation	\$378.00
4/22/2017	485	American Heart Assoc.	Donation	\$560.00
4/22/2017	486	Vickie Nicklas	Grand Secretary Honorarium	\$600.00

Date	Check Number	To Whom	Purpose	Check Amount
4/22/2017	487	M. Barbara Nakai	Grand Treasurer Honorarium	\$175.00
4/22/2017	488	General Grand Chapter	Supplies	\$215.60
4/22/2017	489	Badges Unlimited, LLC	Julia M. Story badge	\$28.00
4/22/2017	490	Void	Stuck in printer	
4/22/2017	491	De State Association of DeMolay Chapters	Delaware DeMolay Donation	\$57.50
			Total	\$32,707.84

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (6)

Questions were answered after careful research of the *Ritual [2015 White Edition]*, the Law of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, the law of General Grand Chapter and many times consultation with the Chairman of Jurisprudence, Joan L. Moore, PGM. Thank you for your assistance for many times two heads were better than one and at times a boiling pot was brought back to a simmer.

Question: In person by a member. You appointed a Grand Officer who is not a Past Matron to a Grand Star Point Officer. Is this not in violation of our law?

Answer: Our present law does not clearly define the issue. Traditionally only Past Matrons and Past Patrons were given Grand Floor Appointments. It was voted at the 2015 Annual Grand Chapter that **all** members of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware have one personal vote at the Grand Chapter Session. With this legislation, it is my opinion that if one has a vote in Grand Chapter, one is a "member" of Grand Chapter. When this legislation was presented Article IV Qualifications for Office Section 3 was not updated to reflect a change in membership. Our law states in Section 8 that "**all** members of this Grand Chapter shall be eligible to any office within its gift, except as otherwise provided...." As the delegates of Grand Chapter voted to include **all** members of Subordinate Chapters as members of Grand Chapter and did not define this further, the decision was made when appointing Grand Floor Officers that this individual had shown the qualities we were looking for in Grand Officers even though she was not a Past Matron but was a member of a Subordinate Chapter and thus a member of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Reference: ***Constitution Article VI, Representative and Proxies Section 1 and Article IV Section 8 states that "All members of this Grand Chapter shall be eligible to any office within its gift, except as otherwise provided...."***

Question: Via phone from an Elected Officer of a Subordinate Chapter: What does an Investigating Committee take with them when meeting with the petitioner?

Answer: They are given the name, address and phone number of the petitioner. Additional items might be the OES Tri-Fold and information from the delawareoes.org and easternstar.org web sites or other pertinent information in reference to membership. The petition itself remains in the hands of the Secretary of the Subordinate Chapter.

Reference: ***Ritual [2015 White Edition] page 167 and Book of Instruction page 6 first full paragraph.***

- Question: Via email from a Subordinate Chapter Secretary forwarded to me by Grand Secretary: We have a member who feels they are deserving of fifty (50) year recognition as they were initiated on 12/12/1966. There were breaks in membership and we are not sure how to calculate fifty (50) years of membership with the breaks. How should the fifty (50) years of membership be calculated?
- Answer: As there is no place in the *Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware* or the *Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the General Grand Chapter* and nothing is mentioned in the Subordinate Chapter's *Bylaws* the following formula is suggested for calculating fifty (50) year membership. Add fifty (50) years to the date the individual joined a Subordinate Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Next count the number of days that there was a break in service. Add the number of days to the date of fifty (50) year membership without breaks. The resulting answer is the date on which they would receive recognition as a fifty (50) year member.
- Reference: ***No reference was found for calculating fifty (50) year membership in the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction of the Grand Chapter of Delaware or the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction of the General Grand Chapter or the Subordinate Chapter Bylaws. Yes, there is a reference under Rules and Regulations Governing Grand Chapter Revenues Article III Section 1 (9) but that is only referring to who receives recognition at the Grand Chapter Session. See Appendix A letters under seal. Ritual [2015 White edition] page 17 only addresses how 50-year members are presented.***
- Question: Via phone from an Elected Subordinate Chapter Officer: Can a Subordinate Chapter vote on a petition at the Official Visit?
- Answer: The Ritual clearly states that balloting can only be done at a stated meeting. Even though this is the Official Visit of the Subordinate Chapter, it is a Stated Meeting therefore there is no reason that the members cannot vote on the petition.
- Reference: ***Ritual [2015 White Edition] page 13 and 167***
- Question: Via phone from Elected Grand Officer: Can X fundraiser be included with another fund raiser for the same cause?
- Answer: The Chairman of the Committee should be contacted before proceeding with any plans.
- Reference: ***No reference in our law*** but felt this should be a courtesy to the Chairman of any committee.
- Question: Via phone from Elected Subordinate Chapter Officer: Can the Worthy Matron of a Chapter serve on the Investigating Committee?
- Answer: The law only states that three (3) members are appointed to the Investigating Committee. The Brother is appointed to validate the Masonic credentials of a Brother who is listed on the petition or has chosen to petition a Subordinate Chapter. It is not customary for the Worthy Matron as the presiding officer to assign herself to an Investigating Committee but she is a member of the Subordinate Chapter and as such could be a member of the committee. It is suggested that calls be made to members of the Subordinate Chapter to see if they are able to process the investigation so that it can be read at the next meeting. If a member assigned cannot complete the Investigation that individual should notify the Worthy Matron so that

she may appoint another member. It is suggested that the Worthy Matron only appoint herself as a last resort.

Reference: ***Ritual page 165 [2015 White edition], Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters Article IV Membership Section 2 second paragraph (page 5), Section 9 (page 6) and Book of Instruction, Petitions (page 5)***

Question: In person from Elected Grand Officer. Can a Subordinate Chapter Officer attend a meeting and sit on the sidelines for Opening, Closing, and Initiation?

Answer: If the elected Officer is present they should do the Opening and Closing but another member who is qualified may/could step in to do the initiation

Reference: ***General Grand Chapter Rules and Regulation Section 54 page 115.***

Question: In person from a member. Can an individual who would like to be an elected officer in a Subordinate Chapter be excused from the proficiency or have it adjusted so that they can fulfill their desire to become Worthy Matron? The individual in this case has many medical issues that prevent them from doing memory work. This individual has been active in a Subordinate Chapter but had to step back for these medical reasons.

Answer: The law of the Grand Chapter of Delaware is very clear that proficiency is required for the Elected Subordinate Chapter Offices of Conductress and Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. At present, there are no measures that allow for individuals to take proficiency examinations in an alternative manner.

Reference: ***Constitution Section IX Duties and Prerogatives Grand Officers Section 8 Grand Lecturer Sub-Section 2 and 3; Book of Instruction page 13 first paragraph fourth full sentence. See Appendix A letters under seal.***

Question: In person from Elected Grand Officer and Elected Subordinate Chapter Officer. Can an individual who is a Buddhist join the Order of the Eastern Star?

Answer: No. Buddhist do not believe in the existence of a Supreme Being. They reject the notion of a Supernatural power and believe in the universe operates by natural law. The Buddhist religion is unique in itself where Buddhists do not worship any gods or God. Robert Free a practicing Buddhist for 25 years writes, "that Buddhism derives its authority from its testability, not from a claim of divine authority. It is important for some religions to explain the origin of the universe since the creator wrote the book. If the Buddha himself turned out to be fictional character, Buddhism would be unaffected since its effectiveness in relief of suffering would be unaffected." Stuart Resnick a practicing Buddhist writes, "that Buddhism is something you practice, and experience for yourself. So, there's never any need to "believe" in it." Tony Sharp a Theravada Buddhist writes, "that Buddhism isn't about understanding how the universe came to be. That's what science is for." In the Majjhima Nikaya (MN 22), the Buddha succinctly states the purpose of his teachings: "One thing and one thing only do I teach, suffering and how to end suffering."

Reference: ***Ritual [2015 White edition] page 164 landmark number 1 and petition to join the Order.***

Question From member during Subordinate Chapter meeting. I put in for the Robert Morris Award some time ago and have not heard anything. Why?

- Answer: I have contacted the General Grand Chapter Chairman concerning this question. At the time, I contacted her she was out of the country and indicated that she would check her records as soon as she returned. She did inform me that paperwork from the 2012-2015 Triennium and 2015-2018 Triennium are being considered together. On her return, Sister Rosie Fuscas, PGM of Wisconsin, Co-Chairman of the General Grand Chapter Membership Committee informed me that she did not have any paperwork from Delaware. The Secretary of the Subordinate Chapter has been notified and has resubmitted paperwork for this member.
- Reference: *The Right Worthy Grand Secretary directed me to the Co-Chairman of the Membership Committee of General Grand Chapter and the paper work for the Rob Morris Award which is available on the General Grand Chapter Web Site, easternstar.org.*
- Question In person from an Elected Grand Officer: May an individual other than a Past Matron or Past Patron assist in an Installation of Subordinate Chapter Officers?
- Answer: The Installing Officer must be a Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Past Matron or Past Patron but no lower rank than these mentioned officers as stated in the *Ritual*. There is no further mention if those lower than the rank of Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Past Matron or Past Patron can participate in the Installation. Therefore, as the *Ritual* does not speak of any other members of the Installing Team, the only individuals that must be of no lower rank than Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Past Matron or Past Patron. The other installing team members of Chaplain, Marshal, Organist, Warder and Sentinel must be members of the Order of the Eastern Star.
- Reference: *Ritual [2015 White] page 94 through 96 and Book of Instruction page 26.*
- Question: Via phone from an Appointed Grand Officer: An individual informed the Grand Lecturer that she could be installed as an elected officer and had a grace period of one hundred and twenty (120) days after the Subordinate Chapter Installation to obtain her proficiency. Is this correct?
- Answer: The individual was correct that she could be installed during the regular Installation of Subordinate Chapter Officers but only has sixty (60) days to pass the proficiency examination and must have the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron. The Secretary of the Subordinate Chapter was alerted to this fact and it was suggested that at the Subordinate Chapter's next stated meeting under old business the Subordinate Chapter needs to vote to request permission of the Worthy Grand Matron to install an elected officer out the normal line of progression and grant a sixty (60) day grace period for her to pass the proficiency examination as stated in the current law of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.
- Reference: Our present law has two sections concerning this and they are in conflict with each other. Under Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters Article III Officers, Section 3 Installation it states when the installation take place, that no Officer can be installed that is arrears in dues of more than one (1) year. It goes on to say that no elected Officer shall be installed who has not received a certificate of proficiency when required. It is my opinion that a phrase was left out of this sentence and should have indicated "no elected officer [in the normal line of progression] can be installed. In the *Constitution*

and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article IX Duties of Grand Officers, Section 8 Grand Lecturer d. Grace Period it clearly states that officers elected out of the normal officer's line of progression may, with the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron, be installed at the regular time and be granted a sixty (60) day grace period to pass their proficiency examination with the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron

Charters

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (7)

During this term, no Charters were signed to be delivered as there were no Subordinate Chapters constituted.

It is with regret that the Charter of Five Points Chapter No. 13 was received on May 12th, 2016. After its receipt, it was endorsed by myself as Worthy Grand Matron and the seal of the Worthy Grand Matron affixed to the Charter. The Charter was then given to Sister Joyce Ann Myselwicz, PGM, WM Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, the Chapter with which Five Points Chapter No. 13 merged. The Worthy Matron, Joyce Ann Myselwicz, PGM on behalf of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, in turn presented it to Fred Thornett, PP as a memento of his years of service as Sentinel of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Special Dispensations Granted

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (8)

Number	Purpose	Fee Accompanying Request
2016 - 01	Granted Special Dispensation to Sussex Chapter No. 7 to Install Marshal, Chaplain and Warder; to be used on May 19 th , 2016. Sussex Chapter Check 4350	\$10.00
2016 - 02	Granted Special Dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15 to Install All Officers; to be used on May 23 rd , 2016. Victory Chapter Check 1061	\$10.00
2016 - 03	Granted Special Dispensation to Frankford Chapter No. 12 to Install Treasurer and Star Point Esther; to be used on May 22 nd , 2016. Frankford Chapter Check 1978	\$10.00
2016 - 04	Granted Special Dispensation to Unity Chapter No. 16 to Install Star Point Adah and Warder; to be used on May 24 th , 2016. Unity Chapter Check 4046	\$10.00
2016 - 05	Granted Special Dispensation to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 to Install Marshal, Organist, and Star Point Electa; to be used on September 8 th , 2016. Caesar Rodney Chapter Check 6342	\$10.00
2016 - 06	Granted Special Dispensation to Adah Chapter No. 5 to Install Star Points Adah and Ruth; to be used on September 19 th , 2016. Adah Chapter Check 4174	\$10.00
2016 - 07	Granted Special Dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15 to Install the Associate Conductress and Star Point Esther; to be used on September 12 th , 2016. Victory Chapter. Check 1036	\$10.00
2016 - 08	Granted Special Dispensation to Naomi Chapter No. 20 to move meeting location from Cedars United Methodist Church 100 N. Harrison Avenue Wilmington, DE 19808 to Brandywine Lodge 2016 Faulk Road Wilmington, DE 19810; to be used on March 29 th , 2017. Naomi Chapter Check 1347	\$10.00
2016 - 09	Granted Special Dispensation to Sussex Chapter No. 7 to install Subordinate Chapter Officers for 2017-2018; to be used on April 15 th at 3 p.m. Sussex Chapter Check 4391	\$10.00

Number	Purpose	Fee Accompanying Request
2016 - 10	Granted Special Dispensation to Ruth Chapter No. 19 to install Worthy Patron and Secretary; to be used on April 17 th , 2017 Ruth Chapter Check 1245	\$10.00
	Total Special Dispensations as of 4/1/2017	\$100.00

Convening a Subordinate Chapter

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (9)

There was no need for the Worthy Grand Matron to convene a Subordinate Chapter in this jurisdiction this year.

Suspension from Office

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (10)

I am delighted to say that no Grand Officer or Subordinate Chapter Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron was Suspended from office this year.

Appointment of Special Deputies

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (12)

No Special Deputies were appointed this year.

Grand Representatives Recommended

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (13)

Jurisdiction	Name	Chapter #	Term	Presented
Alabama	Peggy Renning	7	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/5/2017
Alberta	Sue Tolbert	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/24/2017
Arkansas	Billie Lee Carver	19	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/7/2017
Australia	Donald McElwee	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	4/11/2017
Bolivia	Kathy Trombly	15	6/1/16 - 5/31/18	11/14/2016
British Columbia & Yukon	Eleanor DuBois	12	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/11/2017
Georgia	Faye Jones	19	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/1/2017
Idaho	Sara Johnson	15	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/23/2017
Iowa	Jackie Kyle	20	3/1/17 - 2/28/19	
Italy	Joe Notorfrancesco	8	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	4/13/2017
Kansas	Ellen Magee	12	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/11/2017
Kentucky	Mary Shaver	20	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/4/2017
Manitoba	Jennifer Grasset	9	1/1/17 - 12/31/19	4/5/2017
Maryland	Tom McLaughlin	8	6/1/16 - 5/31/18	5/27/2016
Michigan	Pat Martin	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/24/2017
Mississippi	Annalyn Sharpless	5	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	Received late
Missouri	Jennie Dull	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/24/2017
Nevada	Olga Casas	15	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/27/2017
New Brunswick	Walt Myslewicz	8	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/12/2017
New Jersey	Jean Nicklas	7	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/5/2017
New Mexico	Nancy Evans	8	4/1/17 - 12/31/19	3/14/2017
New York	Rosie Vanderhoogt	16	4/1/17 - 3/31/19	3/27/2017
North Carolina	George Sahutsky	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/24/2017
Ohio	Debbie Hodges	15	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/23/2017
Oklahoma	Jessie Wenke	16	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/28/2017
Oregon	Barbara Edwards	16	11/1/2016 - 12/31/18	1/24/2017
Pennsylvania	Elizabeth Toy	20	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	1/4/2017
Scotland	Jana Bradish	15	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	Not Received
South Carolina	Eleanor Ellis	16	1/1/17 - 1/31/19	1/24/20017
South Dakota	Dorothy Irwin	15	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/27/2017
Virginia	Barbara Davison	20	1/1/17 - 12/31/18	2/1/2017
Washington	Dick Mickles	7	1/1/17 - 4/1/18	12/31/2017

Jurisdiction	Name	Chapter #	Term	Presented
West Virginia	Jack Williams	16	1/1/17 – 12/31/18	1/24/20-17
Wyoming	January Kendall	19	1/1/17 – 12/31/18	

**Grand Representative Appointed
In Other Grand Jurisdictions to Delaware**

Jurisdiction	Name	Term
Alabama	Judy Fleischamel	5/06/2016 - 12/31/2017
Arkansas	Patsy Crawley	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Australia	Helen William	6/1/2017 –5/31/2017
Bolivia	Rosa Lenny Sanchez de Rivera	11/1/2016 – 10/31/2018
British Columbia & Yukon	Mernie Sutton	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
California	Marydith Currie	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Colorado	Lyric McKnight	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Florida	Anna Marie Miller	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Connecticut	Mary Ellen Blake	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Georgia	Virginia Pannell	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Idaho	Gordon Westervelt	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Indiana	Debra Stout	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Iowa	Wayne Thiese	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Italy	Chiara Basile	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Maryland	Frank Bradley	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Massachusetts	Sue A. Fulton	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Minnesota	Kim Boyne	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Missouri	Marcia McKee	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Nebraska	Courtney Relzlaff	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
New Brunswick	Florence Bessie Scott	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
New Jersey	Doris Forte	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
North Carolina	Linda Sigmon	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
North Dakota	Audrey Lunday	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Ohio	Wilhelmina Tazelear	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Oklahoma	Diana Lonkerd	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Pennsylvania	Carol Houtz	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Puerto Rico	Edgardo Rosado	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Saskatchewan	Penny Bradwell	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Scotland	June Miller	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
South Carolina	Mary Jo Porter	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
South Dakota	Karen Kinney	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Tennessee	Amanda Strode	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Utah	Lynne Berzins	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
Virginia	Rita Ann Heins	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018
West Virginia	Helen Ollis	1/1/2017 – 12/31/2018

Property

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(14)

During the Installation of Grand Officers on May 10, 2017 I was presented: “The Badge of Office” of the Worthy Grand Matron. After the Installing Grand Marshal declared the Grand Officers installed, “The Seal” of the Worthy Grand Matron of Delaware; copies of all Subordinate Chapter Bylaws; and the Worthy Grand Matron’s “Traveling Jewel” were presented to me by Eurette L. Schultheiss, PGM (20). The “Badge of Office” of the Worthy Grand Matron will be presented during the Installation of the 2017-2018 Grand Officers. Copies of all Subordinate Chapter Bylaws were transferred to the Associate Grand Matron, Sara M. Quinby (20) on Wednesday Evening, May 1, 2017 at the meeting of Naomi Chapter No. 20. All other property will be presented to the 2017-2018 Worthy

Grand Matron after the Incoming Addresses of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on Tuesday evening May 9, 2017.

Notification of Absence from Jurisdiction
Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(15)

As required by the *Constitution and Bylaws*, when out of state the Elected Grand Line Officers were notified that I could be reached via text or cell (860-465-6345) or email (barblott@aol.com).

Date out Jurisdiction	Returning	Purpose
May 16 th , 2016	May 17 th , 2016	Attending Grand Chapter of Virginia Introductions Williamsburg, VA
May 18 th , 2016	May 19 th , 2016	Attending Grand Chapter of Virginia Installation Williamsburg, VA
May 24 th , 2016	May 25 th , 2016	Attending Grand Chapter New Jersey Introductions Atlantic City, NJ
June 15 th , 2016	June 16 th , 2016	Attending the Official Visit Manchester Chapter No. 53 South Windsor, CT and as a member of the Masonicare Board of Trustees attending meeting of the Board in Wallingford, CT
June 20 th , 2016	June 21 st , 2016	Attending the Grand Chapter Pennsylvania Introductions York PA
June 22 nd , 2016	June 23 rd , 2016	Attending the Grand Chapter Pennsylvania Installation York, PA
June 26 th , 2016	June 30 th , 2016	Attending meetings of the Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth where I hold the position of Past Supreme Royal Matron Norfolk, VA
July 14 th , 2016	July 15 th , 2016	As a member of the Masonicare Board of Trustees attending meeting of the Board in Wallingford, CT
July 28 th , 2016	July 29 th , 2016	As a member of the Masonicare Board of Trustees attending meeting of the Board in Wallingford, CT
July 24 th , 2016	July 24 th , 2016	Gathering of family in Cape Charles, VA
July 31 st , 2016	August 3 rd , 2016	Attending Supreme Assembly International Order of Rainbow for Girls Providence RI
August 17 th , 2016	August 21 st , 2016	Dropping off items at Susquehanna Historical Society Montrose, PA and Scottish Rite Museum and Masonic Library Lexington, MA; meeting in Wallingford, CT and attending the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire Nassau, NH, Informal and Formal Opening Session.
October 7 th , 2016	October 8 th , 2016	Attending Grand Chapter of Rhode Island Friday afternoon Session Warwick RI
October 15 th , 2016	October 16 th , 2016	Family function in Elizabeth City, NC
October 17 th , 2016	October 19 th , 2016	Attending Amaranth gathering in Bartonsville, PA
November 3 rd , 2016	November 4 th , 2016	Attending Funeral in Middletown, NY
November 10 th , 2016	November 11 th , 2016	As a member of the Masonicare Board of Trustees attending meeting of the Board in Wallingford, CT
November 13 th , 2016	November 14 th , 2016	Assisting family in Elizabeth City, NC
November 23 rd , 2016	November 25 th , 2016	Celebrating Thanksgiving with family in Massachusetts

Date out Jurisdiction	Returning	Purpose
December 6 th , 2016	December 7 th , 2016	By invitation of the Chairman of the Honor Night for the Grand Representative of Delaware in Connecticut, attending the Regular Stated Meeting of Olive Branch Chapter No. 37 in Madison, CT
December 7 th , 2016	December 8 th 2016	As a member of the Masonicare Board of Trustees attending meeting of the Board in Wallingford, CT
January 10 th , 2017	January 11 th , 2017	By invitation of the Worthy Grand Matron of Connecticut, attended the Regular Stated Meeting of Betty Putnam Chapter No. 102, Woodstock, CT. Worthy Grand Matron of Connecticut was presenting Grand Representative Commissions and asked if I would present the commission to Delaware to Sister M Ellen Blake who I have known through several organizations.
January 12 th , 2017	January 15 th , 2017	Family outing to Goodspeed Opera in East Haddam, CT
January 27 th , 2017	January 28 th , 2017	Delivering item to family in North Carolina took longer than expected and did not return until Saturday morning.
February 8 th , 2017	February 9 th , 2017	Assisting family in Elizabeth City, NC
March 1 st , 2017	March 2 nd , 2017	Family outing to NYC

Appointment of Deputy Grand Lecturers

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(16)

With the pool of qualified members holding an “A” Certificate of Proficiency decreasing it is becoming harder to fill this position. During this past year, an attempt was made to have the Deputy Grand Lecturers be lecturers. As Worthy Grand Matron, I asked that the Deputy Grand Lecturers say more than that the work was done well. Ideas for short talks were provided to them at the beginning of the year and added to and sent to them over the summer. These short talks were also in the members only section of the delawareoes.org web site. The goal was to give members an opportunity to learn a little more about why we do things the way we do.

Adah Chapter No. 5:	Catherine “Scotty” Schultz, PGM (12)
Sussex Chapter No. 7:	Jennifer Grasset, PM, WM (9)
Caesar Rodney No. 8:	Margaret Keith, PM (8)
Georgetown Chapter No. 9:	Joan S. Edwards, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus (15)
Frankford Chapter No. 12:	Jane M. Morris, PGM, WM, Grand Treasurer Emeritus (12)
Victory Chapter No. 15:	Kathy Trombly, PM (15)
Unity Chapter No. 16:	Joy H. Hopkins, PGM (16)
Ruth Chapter No. 19:	Lana Donovan, PGM (20, 19)
Naomi Chapter No. 20:	Jackie Kyle, PM (20)

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(17)

School of Instruction was held at the Masonic Hall, 1478 Wyoming Mill Road, Dover on Saturday May 14th, 2016. The Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers gathered at

8:30 a.m. followed by all interested members at 9:00 a.m. Lunch was served by the Grand Chapter Ways and Means Committee at noon.

The morning was very productive as not only the *Ritual*, signs and passes were reviewed but parliamentary procedure and use of Facebook was also included. At the end of the session a take home quiz was distributed called “PRIDE”. This was an effort to have members read a little more in their *Rituals and Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction*. The “PRIDE” quiz and answers were posted on the Grand Chapter’s website.

After lunch, the Grand Officers gathered to go over procedures for being received at the Official Visitations and introductions at Birthday Parties.

Appointment of Nominating Committee Member for Three (3) Years

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(18)

Deborah Dale Good, PGM (8) was appointed for a three (3) year term on the Nominating Committee.

Waivers of Territorial Jurisdiction Requested

June 20th, 2016: Requested from the Grand Chapter of Maryland over the Petition of Mr. Warren Saunders of Hurlock, Maryland in favor of Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford, DE. Request granted by Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, MD; received September 14th, 2016.

Notification of Legislative Changes

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(23)

All Subordinate Chapters were notified on May 13th, 2016 of changes and legislation, in summary form, adopted at the 95th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. Subordinate Chapters were directed to spread the adopted legislation and changes upon the minutes. Due to the length of the constitutional revision, one copy of the revision of the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction was given to the Secretaries of each Subordinate Chapter. The revision is also available for download from the delawareoes.org website.

Waivers of Territorial Jurisdiction Granted

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(24)

There were no Waivers of Territorial Jurisdiction Granted as no requests were received.

Accounting of Monies Received

Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article IV Section 3

I received \$225 as per the *Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware*.

Below is an accounting of the funds spent during the year. Total amount spent for Official Visit mileage, tolls, deposit for hall rentals, and other official activities was \$269.09; of that amount \$44.09 is a donation. Note that the amount allowed by the federal government for volunteer/charity mileage is 14¢ per mile.

Received 5/11/2016			\$225.00
Date	Purpose	Expended	
5/12/2016	Mailing 9 First Official Letter @ 49¢	\$ 4.41	
5/12/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Five Points Dinner & Caesar Rodney Meeting 5/12/2016 (192)	\$26.88	
5/12/2016	4 \$1.00 Tolls to and from Five Points Dinner & Caesar Rodney Stated Meeting	\$4.00	
5/12/2016	4 \$1.00 Tolls to and from Five Points Dinner & Caesar Rodney Stated Meeting	\$4.00	
5/26/2016	4 \$1.00 Tolls each way to and from Caesar Rodney Office Visit (192)	\$4.00	

Date	Purpose	Expended	
6/09/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Caesar Rodney Official Visit (192)	\$26.00	
6/14/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Unity Official Visit (44.6)	\$6.24	
9/15/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Sussex Official Visit (51.2)	\$ 7.17	
10/12/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Frankford Official Visit (21)	\$2.94	
10/14/2016	Gift for Grand Master @ his reception from Grand Chapt	\$50.00	
10/17/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Ruth Official Visit (203)	\$28.42	
10/17/2016	4 \$1.00 Tolls each way to and from Ruth Official Visit	\$4.00\$	
11/21/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Adah Official Visit (49.4)	\$ 6.92	
12/07/2016	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Naomi Official Visit (22.8) *	\$3.19	
12/07/2016	2 \$4.00 Tolls each way to and from Naomi Official Visit*	\$8.00	
12/17/2016	½ Gift for Miss Jobs Daughter runner-up plus engraving and gold sponsorship for pageant	\$67.50	
1/23/2017	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Victory Official Visit (101.2)	\$14.20	
2/24/2017	Gas @ 14¢ per mile to and from Georgetown Official Visit (31)	\$4.34	
Total Spent			\$269.09

*Trip was from Super 8 in Pennsville, NJ as I had commitments before and after the Official Visit in Connecticut.

The Black Cube

Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware Article IX Section 1

I am happy to report there was no misuse of “The Black Cube” in this jurisdiction during the year.

Subordinate Chapter Meetings Not Held for Weather Emergency

Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapter in Delaware

Article I Meetings Section 4

A phone call was received Monday, January 9th, 2017 from Debi Hodges, WM (15) that road conditions would make travel for officers and members of Victory Chapter unsafe; therefore, as one of the first four elected officers she made the decision that Victory Chapter would not hold their Stated Meeting on Monday evening January 9th, 2017 due to a weather emergency. Members were notified by phone and email of this fact.

A phone call was received Wednesday, February 9th, 2017 from Joyce Myslewicz, PGM, WM (8) that road conditions would make travel unsafe for officers and members of Caesar Rodney Chapter due to the impending storm that was due. As one of the first four elected officers she was making the decision that the Thursday, February 10th, 2017 meeting would not be held because of a weather emergency. Members were notified by phone.

Bylaws Changes

Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware Article VII

On October 5, 2016, the following amendments to the Chapter Bylaws of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 were presented for my approval. After reviewing Georgetown Chapter Bylaws changes to Article II Section 1 No. 15 and Article IV Membership, Section 1, I did not approve. As the present format of the Chapter Bylaws had little organization to them, when informing Georgetown Chapter of the approved and not approved changes, I

urged the Chapter members to continue to work to organize their Chapter Bylaws to be more user friendly.

Article II Order of Business - Section 1 No. 15

Now reads:

This Chapter unless otherwise directed shall proceed with its business in the following manner:

1. Opening Ceremonies
2. Introduction of Distinguished Visitors
3. Reading of minutes of previous meetings
4. Approval of minutes
- 4a. Correspondence and Bills
- 4b. Treasurer's Report
5. Reading and referring of petitions
6. Reports of committees on petitions
7. Balloting
8. Reports of special committees
9. Unfinished business
10. New Business
11. Conferring of Degrees
12. Recess
13. Sickness and distress
14. Good of the Order
15. Business in the Hands of the Members
16. Closing Ceremonies

Change to read:

*This Chapter unless otherwise directed shall proceed with its business in the following manner:

1. Opening Ceremonies
2. Introduction of Distinguished Visitors
3. Reading of minutes of previous meetings
4. Approval of minutes
- 4a. Correspondence and Bills
- 4b. Treasurer's Report
5. Reading and referring of petitions
6. Reports of committees on petitions
7. Balloting
8. Reports of special committees
9. Unfinished business
10. New Business
11. Conferring of Degrees
12. Recess
13. Sickness and distress
14. Good of the Order
15. Business in the Hands of the Members
16. Closing Ceremonies*

Not approved. See *Book of Instruction - Order of Business p. 4*. This is the guideline for the Order of Business used in the Grand Chapter of Delaware. Note the wording used for each Order of Business.

Article III Officers (b)

Now reads:

At the first election of Trustees, one shall be elected for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter at each annual meeting one Trustee shall be elected for a term of three years.

Change to read:

*At the annual meeting one Trustee shall be elected for a term of three years and as many other Trustees as are required to fill vacant unexpired terms. *

Approved

Article IV - Membership - Section 1

Now reads:

Affiliated Master Masons in good standing, the wives, daughters, legally adopted daughters, mothers, widows, sisters, half-sisters, granddaughters, stepmothers, stepdaughters stepsisters, daughters-in-law, grandmothers, great-granddaughters, nieces, great-nieces, mothers-in-law, grandmothers, great-granddaughters, nieces, great-nieces, mothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and daughters of sisters or brothers of affiliated master masons and in good standing, or if deceased, were affiliated Master Masons and in good standing at the time of their death, as well as members-either active for three years or majority - of International Order of the Rainbow for Girls or the International order of Job's Daughters, each of whom have attained the age of 18 years, are eligible to membership in the Order of the Eastern Star. All petitions must have attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

Change to read:

*See *Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapter in Delaware Article IV - Section 1* *.

Not approved. Membership requirements are outlined in the *Ritual*. The change should reference the *Ritual* and not *The Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters*.

Article V - Fees and Dues - Section 2

Now reads:

Each member must pay the sum of ten (10) dollars as Annual Dues plus Grand Chapter Capitation, payable in December. All dues must be paid One Year in Advance.

Change to read:

Section 2: Each *member* must pay the sum of *twenty (20) * dollars as Annual Dues plus Grand Chapter Capitation, payable in December. All dues must be paid One Year in Advance.

Approved.

Article VII - Trustees - Section 3

Now reads:

The Chapter shall maintain a Safety Deposit box locally, keys to which will be in the possession of the Secretary and the Senior Trustee. The box shall be opened by the Senior Trustee and any of the following: Worthy Matron, Secretary, Treasurer and one of the Trustees.

Change to read:

The Chapter shall maintain a Safety Deposit box locally, keys to which will be in the possession of the Secretary and the Senior Trustee. The box shall be opened by the Senior Trustee and any of the following: Worthy Matron, Secretary, Treasurer and one of the Trustees. * In the absence of the Senior Trustee, the box will be opened by the Secretary and at least one Trustee. *

Approved.

OFFICIAL VISITS

May 26 th , 2016:	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8: Joyce Myslewicz, PGM Worthy and Walter Myslewicz, PP Worthy Patron.
June 14 th , 2016	Unity Chapter No. 16: Sister Phyllis J. Roby, Worthy Matron and Brother Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM ESTARL, Worthy Patron.
September 14 th , 2016	Sussex Chapter No. 7: Marlene “Marty” Mickles, Grand Martha, Worthy Matron and David Melvin, PP, Worthy Patron.
October 12 th , 2016	Frankford Chapter No. 12: Jane M Morris, PGM Worthy Matron and J. Eddie Morris, PGP, GGCCM Unfinished Business, Worthy Patron
October 17 th , 2016	Ruth Chapter No. 19: January Kendall, Worthy Matron and Robert “Bert” Hiddemen, PGP, Worthy Patron
November 21 st , 2016	Adah Chapter No. 5: Sister Ann Street, PGM, Worthy Matron and David A. Holley, PGP, Worthy Patron
December 7 th , 2016	Naomi Chapter No. 20: Cathy Yaiser, PP, Grand Trustee, Worthy Matron and Sheldon L. Edwards, PGP Worthy Patron.
January 23 rd , 2017	Victory Chapter No. 15: Debi Hodges, Worthy Matron and Robert A. Bradish, WGP, Worthy Patron.
February 24 th , 2017	Georgetown Chapter No. 9: Jennifer Grasset, PM, DGL, Worthy Matron and Wayne Stacey, PP Worthy Patron.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

What a treasured little piece of paper an Honorary Membership is. Thank you for accepting me as an Honorary Member into your Subordinate Chapter. I look forward to returning and visiting the Subordinate Chapters in the future.

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	Unity Chapter No. 16
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Frankford Chapter No. 12
Ruth Chapter No. 19	Adah Chapter No. 5
Naomi Chapter No. 20	Victory Chapter No. 15

Out of Jurisdiction Honorary Memberships were received from:

Grand Chapter of Virginia at “Friendship, Love, and Loyalty” Session @ Williamsburg VA May 16th, 2016
Wicomico Chapter No 91 Salisbury, Maryland @ Exchange Visit September 24th, 2016

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

It was a pleasure to share each Subordinate Chapter’s Birthday Party with special words written especially for each Subordinate Chapter and gift of song from the Grand Family.

May 23 rd , 2016	Victory Chapter No. 15	74 th Birthday
May 26 th , 2016	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	96 th Birthday
June 3 rd , 2016	Georgetown Chapter No. 9	93 rd Birthday
September 14 th , 2016	Sussex Chapter No.7	96 th Birthday
September 21 st , 2016	Naomi Chapter No. 20	55 th Birthday
October 25 th , 2016	Unity Chapter No. 16	74 th Birthday
November 21 st , 2016	Adah Chapter No. 5	98 th Birthday
March 20 th , 2017	Ruth Chapter No. 19	57 th Birthday
March 22 nd , 2017	Frankford Chapter No. 12	89 th Birthday

INSTALLATIONS

I had the pleasure of attending eight (8) of the nine (9) installations of Subordinate Chapters. Due to Bill's recent eye surgery, I was unable to attend Ruth Chapter No. 19's Installation on April 3rd, as I was acting as driver since Bill was unable to drive at night and had to a commitment that he was to attend. It was my pleasure to serve as Installing Organist in Victory Chapter No. 15, Unity Chapter No. 16, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 19 and Sussex Chapter No. 7.

April 3 rd , 2017	Ruth Chapter No. 19
April 5 th , 2017	Naomi Chapter No. 20
April 7 th , 2017	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
April 10 th , 2017	Victory Chapter No. 15
April 11 th , 2017	Unity Chapter No. 16
April 12 th , 2017	Frankford Chapter No. 12
April 13 th , 2017	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
April 15 th , 2017	Sussex Chapter No. 7
April 17 th , 2017	Adah Chapter No. 5

WORLD OF YOUTH

May 21st, 2016: By invitation of the Executive Officer of Delaware DeMolay attended Masonic Night to help raise funds for members who will be traveling to the DeMolay International and during the coming year.

July 30th, 2016: Attended the Supreme Assembly Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Providence, RI with Robert Bradish, WGP, Grand Chaplain Jana Bradish and Grand Sentinel Bill Lott. We witnessed impressive degree work, enthusiasm among the members and saw the Installation of the 2017-2019 Supreme Officers headed by Mrs. Susan Rennagle, Past Grand Worthy Advisor (CT), PM of (CT and VA). Attendance also provided an opportunity to connect with old Rainbow Friends, as I served as Advisory Board member in Willimantic Assembly No. 27 (CT) and Manchester Assembly No. 10 (CT), Mother Advisor of Willimantic Assembly No. 27 (CT), and Grand Deputy in Connecticut; and see our Grand Chaplain, Sister Jana Bradish presented as a Past Grand Worthy Advisor of Rhode Island.

November 30th, 2016: Attended the Supreme Visit of Pat Pelham, Miss Jobs Daughter Taila Gouge and Supreme Honored Queen Paige to Bethel 11 International Order of Jobs Daughters with Robert Bradish, WGP and Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel. Also, in attendance at the meeting were: Robert "Bert" Hiddemen, PGP who was Associate Bethel Guardian. After meeting had brief communication with Linda Ferguson who is Deputy for Delaware as there is not a Grand Guardian Council for Delaware and it is under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Jobs Daughters International, in the hopes of opening the lines of communication between our two organizations.

March 11th, 2016: Attended the Miss Jobs Daughters Pageant; brought remarks and gave the First Runner Up Plaque to Miss Marianne Oliver. Other winners in the pageant were: Miss Aimee Bright, Miss Job's Daughter; Miss Sage Reynolds, Miss Congeniality; and Miss Alden Partyka, Miss Junior Jobbie. Other members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star in attendance were: Sara Quinby, AGM; Arthur Holley, AGP; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel; Henrietta McKelvey, PGM; David Holley, PGP; Cathy Yaiser, Grand Trustee, Grand Representative to San Paulo Brazil; Other Grand Representatives Kathy Kee (PR), Betty Toy (PA), PJ Roby (VT); Bernadette and Charles Porter and

Brother Rob Roby. PJ was a judge for both the afternoon and evening events of the pageant.

MASONIC EVENTS

- June 18th, 2016: At the invitation of Most Worshipful Nathan Zahn, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware attended Grand Lodge Day at the VA Hospital in Wilmington. Those in attendance included: Robert Bradish, WGP, Ginny Crockett, GC; Donna Hiddemen, AGC; Bill F. Lott, Grand Sentinel; Linda Morganstern, PJ Roby, Grand Representative (VT), Carol McElwee and Prestina Crockett, Grand Representative (TX); and Joe Notorfrascio Grand Representative (GA). These members assisted in manning a table for the Order of the Eastern Star that included information on the Benefit for Children with Special Needs, scholarships available from the Grand Chapter and a brochure telling about the Order of the Eastern Star.
- October 9th, 2016: At the invitation of Most Worshipful Grand Master Nathan Zahn attended the Grand Master's Banquet with Bill Lott, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons in Delaware.
- October 10th, 2016: With Robert Bradish, WGP, brought greetings to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware Ancient Free and Accepted Masons from the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star at the morning session and attended the annual Grand Lodge Banquet held in the evening.
- October 13th, 2016: Attended the Installation of Most Worshipful Dale T. Irwin and his suite of Grand Officers for 2016-2017 at the Clayton Fire Hall, Smyrna. Also, in attendance were Robert Bradish, WGP, Sara Quinby AGM and Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel
- October 14th, 2016: Attended the Reception of Most Worshipful Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master 2016-2017 and brought the greetings and a gift from the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star.
- March 9th - 11th, 2017: Attended York Rite Weekend accompanying Bill Lott, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware; brought remarks at the Friday Evening York Rite Banquet; Was honored to receive the Lady of the Grand Council Award.

OUT OF STATE VISITS

- May 16th - 19th, 2016: Grand Chapter of Virginia Annual "Friendship, Love and Loyalty" Session: Kelly O'Mara, Worthy Grand Matron and William Rennagle, Worthy Grand Patron. Installed for 2016-2017 were Lynne E. Jones, Worthy Grand Matron and Lee Jackson Sloppy, Worthy Grand Patron. Those in attendance included: Myself; Robert Bradish, WGP; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel and Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM.
- May 24th, 2016: Grand Chapter of New Jersey Annual "With God All Things Are Possible" Session, Receiving of Distinguished Guests: JoAnn Bingenheimer, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Donald R. Robinson, Most Worthy Grand Patron. Those in attendance included: Myself; Robert Bradish, WGP; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel; Sarah Quinby, AGM; Cathy Yaiser, Grand Trustee, Grand Representative San Paulo, Brazil, Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM, Grand Lecturer, Fran Miller, PM and Teresa Hensel, PM. Although not present, those installed for 2016-2017 were Diane Capel, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Robert Parsons, Most Worthy Grand Patron.

- June 20th & 22nd, 2016: Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania Annual “Blossom Time in God’s Kingdom” Session, Informal Opening and Installation; Mary Stillman, Worthy Grand Matron; Thomas R. Mason, Worthy Grand Patron. Installed for 2016-2017 were Diana P. Michael, Worthy Grand Matron and William D. Johnston, Worthy Grand Patron Those in attendance include: Myself, Robert Bradish, WGP, Sara Quinby, AGM, Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist and Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel; General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Doris E. Egbert, PGM, Youth and Kathi Anderson, PGM, Credentials and Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, ESTARL; Past Grand Matron’s Scotty Schultz, Joyce Myslewicz, Jane Morris, Joy Hopkins, Sandie Sahutsky; Past Grand Patrons William E. Edwards and Jeff Dennis; Eleanor Ellis, Betty Toy, Diane Boyer, PM, Sue Tolbert, PM, Carol Fehnel and Mercer Quinby. Others in attendance at other parts of the Session included Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM.
- August 13th, 2016: Multi-Jurisdictional Gathering in Alexandria, VA and District 20’s Honor Night (Day) for the Worthy Grand Matron, Lynne Jones and Worthy Grand Patron, Lee Jackson Sloppy of Virginia. Those in attendance included: Myself; Robert Bradish, WGP; Arthur W. Holley, AGP; Ginny Crockett, GC; Donna Hiddemen, AGC; Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM, Grand Secretary; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Donna Austin, Grand Marshal; Tom Morganstern, Grand Warder; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel, Sandie Sahutsky, PGM; Bert Hiddemen, PGP; David A. Holley, PGP; Hazel Smith, PM, Grand Representative (DC); Joe Notorfrancesco, Grand Representative (GA) Elizabeth Abrams, PM, Grand Representative (WI); and Jean Nicklas.
- August 18th, 2016: Grand Chapter of New Hampshire Annual “Rock the Boat to the Future” Session, Informal and Formal Opening Session; Cynthia M. Rogers, Worthy Grand Matron; Mark H. Blodgett, Worthy Grand Patron. Those in attendance included: Myself; Robert Bradish, WGP; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Phyllis Bowman, PGM, Grand Lecturer who was accompanied by PMWGM (NJ), JoAnn Bingenheimer and Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel.
- September 24th, 2016, Exchange with Maryland at Wicomico Chapter No. 91 Salisbury Maryland: This was the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, Diane J. Smith accompanied by Theodore Shea, III, Worthy Grand Patron. Those in attendance besides myself were: Robert A. Bradish, WGP; Arthur Holley, AGP; Doris E. Egbert, GGCM ESTARL; Ethelene F. Krauss, PGM; Robert Hiddemen, PGP; David Holley, PGP; Ginny Crockett, GC; Donna Hiddemen, AGC; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Sue McLaughlin, Grand Adah; Teresa Shearon, Grand Ruth; Carolyn Van Hekle, Grand Esther; Tom Morganstern, Grand Warder; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel. Other members present included: PJ Roby, WM (16) and Grand Representative (VT), Jean Nicklas, Linda Morganstern, Eleanor Ellis, Florence Horsey and Tom McLaughlin, Grand Representative (MD). A skit entitled “Cabana Boy” was presented for our entertainment; a delightful afternoon with no cost luncheon before the meeting and a wonderful array of desserts after the meeting.
- October 8th, 2016: Grand Chapter of Rhode Island “Bloom where you are Planted” Annual Session, Informal Opening; Edith L. Johnson, Worthy Grand Matron and Richard P. Harrell, Worthy Grand Patron. Those in attendance: Myself; Robert A. Bradish, WGP; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Catherine Bradish, Grand Representative to Rhode Island in Delaware. Jana, Catherine and Bob are all former members of

Providence Chapter No. 1 which merged into Adah Chapter No. 15. Jana received her 50-year pin from the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island earlier this year. An evening of sociability was shared at dinner with some members of this year's Grand Family of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, Order of the Eastern Star.

October 28th, 2016: Picnic at Chloe Wiggin's home prior to the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Virginia, Lynn Jones and Lee Sloppy, to District #24 in Virginia held at the Temperanceville Masonic Building. Those in attendance part or all of the day included: Myself; Robert A. Bradish, WGP; Arthur Holley, AGP; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist; Tom Morganstern, Grand Warder; Past Grand Matrons, Ann L. Street and Sandie Sahutsky; Past Grand Patron, David Holley; Grand Representative, Carol Fehnel, Illinois; and Hazel Smith, PM, Linda Morganstern, PM and Jean Nicklas. A beautiful fall afternoon shared with Virginia and Maryland members.

December 6th, 2016: Honor Night for Grand Representative of Delaware in Connecticut, Melissa Tomlinson of Olive Branch Chapter No. 87, Madison, CT. As this Grand Representative and her family are known to Bill and me, it was my pleasure to attend the night that her Chapter honored her. It is a tradition in the Jurisdiction of Connecticut that each Grand Representative is honored by their Subordinate Chapter once during their term as Grand Representative. The Grand Representative is expected to give a report on the Jurisdiction she has represented. A unique experience for the Grand Representative of Delaware in Connecticut to have the Worthy Grand Matron of Delaware in attendance for the Grand Representative Special Honor Night.

January 10th, 2017: With Madolyn Morgan, Worthy Grand Matron of Connecticut presented the Grand Representative Commission to Delaware to Mary Ellen Blake, who I have known for some years, of Betty Putnam Chapter No. 102. Also in attendance was Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel. Another unique experience to have the Worthy Grand Matron of the Jurisdiction to which a Sister or Brother receives a Grand Representative commission in attendance and assisting in the presentation of the commission.

OUTSTANDING EVENTS

Installation May 10th 2016: An outstanding evening and 72nd birthday party for me. One of the goals for the year was to fill the session room on the night of the Installation of Grand Officers. We didn't quite make it but came very close. An outstanding installation ceremony was performed by Catherine "Scotty" Schultz, PGM and Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP and GGCCM ESTARL Installing Officers with their suite of officers including: Doris E. Egbert, PGM and GGCCM Youth, Installing Chaplain, Henrietta McKelvey, PGM, Installing Marshal, and J. D. Hammett, PGP (CA) and GGCCM.

Reception June 12th, 2016: Held at the Millsboro Town Center and given by Georgetown Chapter No 9 and Victory Chapter No. 15. A wonderful day with great food, good friends and good fellowship was had by all. The bar was raised on what it means to gather and celebrate each other. "Family Feud" will never be the same; those that participated were good sports. A big thank you to everyone who attended or worked on the event especially Georgetown and Victory Chapter members.

Multi-Jurisdictional Social Afternoon November 5th, 2016: Instead of an exchange visit with formal meeting, it was decided to have a social afternoon with a special program and dinner. The Legacy Degree of Queen of the South was chosen as the special event with a dinner done by a Chapter within Delaware. By the first of October there were about 30 individuals coming; a little disappointing. By the reservation deadline there were about 70; still disappointing but at least the room would have sideliners. About a week before the event there were 89; relief that there would be a good crowd. On the day of the event there were 112 who came to witness the degree and socialize with members from other jurisdictions; WOW!!! Members came from Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. The sidelines of the "Palace" were full except for three seats. Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM and Grand Lecturer coordinated the portrayal of the degree and Joyce Ann Myslewicz, WM and members of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 provided a ham dinner after the degree was finished. I am indebted to Phyllis and the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of our own Jurisdiction and from Sister Jurisdictions who took stations for this degree. Thank you so much for making this event one that was enjoyed by all who attended.

State Wide Holiday Party Evening of December 10th, 2016: A State-Wide Holiday Party was held at Sussex Eastern Star Hall, Seaford. The committee for this event consisted of Donna Austin, Grand Marshal, Ginny Crockett, GC and Donna Hiddemen, AGC. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron had contributed toward the meal so that the Grand Officers and Deputies were complimentary. We were delighted that other members came to share in this occasion. Approximately fifty members and guests enjoyed dinner, supplied by the members of Sussex Chapter No. 7, and sociability with games including trying to name disguised Christmas Carols and songs and holding an Ugly Sweater Fashion Show which found Donna Hiddemen having the most outrageous, Joe Notorfrancesco, ugliest, and Barbara Nakai, cutest (the snowman hat made it). Although cards were exchanged we had requested gift cards for Home of the Brave and were delighted to be able to provide twenty \$10.00 Walmart gift cards plus \$100 in contributions to the Wilmington VA for socks, lounging pajamas and other items.

Official Visit of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 on February 24th, 2016: What a joy to see the Chapter Room filled with Grand Officers, Past Grand Matrons and a few Patrons and visitors who came in support of the Georgetown Chapter, its members, Jennifer Grasset as a DGL and myself on the occasion of the last Official Visit. Although he could not be with us during the Official Visit, it was good to see Bill Edwards, PGP and his wife Barbara, Grand Representative (OR), present before the meeting in the dining hall. A spirit of warmth filled the entire building during this evening. We were welcomed by the train rolling through Georgetown at 7:30 and again as the meeting ended. Congratulations to Wini Walton who won the Grand Chapter Ways and Means Meat Raffle and a thank you to all who participated hoping their ticket(s) would be the lucky one drawn. The evening was capped off by the members enjoying not only the refreshments but a social time with each other. This is what the Order of the Eastern Star is all about.

Presentation of Grand Representative Commissions on various dates: It was so satisfying to see the look on members faces when Grand Representative Commissions were presented. Finding out that there was a relative in

the jurisdiction to which the commission had been given or that spouses were assigned to a jurisdiction as part of their responsibilities as a General Grand Chapter Committee Member or that they were just blown away by the appointment gave me much satisfaction. May these commissions as Grand Representatives be among the warmest memories of these member's Eastern Star life.

89th Birthday of Frankford Chapter No. 12: All Subordinate Chapter Birthday celebrations are special but Frankford Chapter's 89th Birthday was made extra special by the presence of one very feisty Agnes Hurley. Agnes has been a member of Frankford Chapter for fifty-nine (59) years and will tell anyone that listens this was the best decision of her life. When asked to speak Agnes did not hesitate and went to retrieve her notes in a black bag and brought out none other than a roll of toilet paper with notes that seemed to have faded away. The notes may have faded away from the roll of toilet paper but not from Agnes's mind. Agnes extolled the opportunities that her membership had provided for her over the years. She not only served her Frankford Chapter and Grand Chapter of Delaware but also Jobs Daughters International as a Past Bethel Guardian and Past Grand Bethel Guardian of Delaware. The standing ovation she received was well deserved. At eighty-five (85) may I be as feisty as she is.

BANQUETS

October 8 th , 2016	Ruth Chapter No. 19
October 22 nd , 2016	Victory Chapter No. 15
March 4 th , 2017	Unity Chapter No. 16
March 12 th , 2017	Sussex Chapter No. 7
March 18 th , 2017	Caesar Rodney No. 8
March 19 th , 2017	Naomi No. 20
April 17 th , 2017	Adah Chapter No. 5

Georgetown Chapter No. 9 did not hold a banquet and there was no announcement of a banquet for Frankford Chapter No. 12.

CHARITABLE EFFORTS

This year's charity was devoted to raising funds for "The Benefit for Children with Special Needs." Our goal was to collect a mile of quarters and have other fund raisers during the year; approximately \$9,000 was collected in quarters or a half mile. We also donned our favorite character for a Halloween Party at Caesar Rodney; got in the holiday spirit with the Christmas show at the Candlelight Dinner Theater in Arden; and enjoyed an afternoon with Frank Sinatra. As of April 22nd, 2017, there was approximately \$14,000 available funds for grants to Children with Special Needs in Delaware.

We are so blessed and there are so many that need additional assistance during the year. At the Holiday Party, a collection was made to assist the VA Hobby/Clothing Cart and the Home of the Brave. \$200.00 in ten-dollar Walmart Gifts cards was collected for Home of the Brave I and II. \$487.60 was collected for the VA Hobby/Clothing Cart.

LOG AND INTINERARY

May 10 th , 2016	Installation of Grand Officers @ Dover Downs, Dover Installed as Worthy Grand Matron
May 11 th , 2016	Mailing of 1 st Official Letter Granted Special Dispensation to Sussex Chapter No.7 to Install Marshal, Chaplain and Warder on May 19 th , 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15 to Install All Officers on May 23 rd , 2016

May 12th, 2016 Attended Dinner for closing of Five Points Chapter No. 13; Accepted and endorsed Charter which was given to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

May 12th, 2016 Attended stated meeting of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. members Of Five Points Chapter No. 13 were welcomed into Caesar Rodney Chapter.

May 13th, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Frankford Chapter No. 12 to Install Treasurer and Star Point Esther on May 22nd, 2016 Delivered to Grand Secretary letter to accompany legislation Passed at the 95th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter. Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting and as Associate Matron presided in the absence of the Worthy Matron Jennifer Grasset

May 14th, 2016 Held School of Instruction at Masonic Hall 1478 Wyoming Mill Rd. Dover Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers section was @ 8:30 a.m. Open to all other members at 9:30 a.m. Lunch served after which the Grand Line rehearsed reception at Official Visits and Introductions at Birthday Parties

May 16th, 2016 Attended Grand Chapter of Virginia, Williamsburg, VA. Introduction of Distinguished Guests.

May 17th, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Unity Chapter No. 16 to Install Star Point Adah and Warder on May 24th, 2016

May 18th, 2016 Attended Grand Chapter of Virginia, Williamsburg, VA. Installation of 2016 - 2017 Grand Officers.

May 19th, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Sussex Chapter No. 7 to Install Marshal, Chaplain and Warder

May 21st, 2016 By invitation, attended DeMolay Masonic Family Gathering @ St. John's Lodge New Castle 6 p.m.

May 22nd, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Frankford Chapter No. 12 to Install Treasurer and Star Point Esther Meeting with Chairman of Benefit for Children with Special Needs and Coordinator of Events of Nur Temple to discuss the March 26th, 2017 event.

May 23rd, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15 to Install Officers Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Stated Meeting for the purpose of celebrating their 74th Birthday and Installation of all 2016-2017 Subordinate Chapter Officers.

May 24th, 2016 Granted Special Dispensation to Unity Chapter No. 16 to Install Star Point Adah and Warder Attended Grand Chapter of New Jersey Harrah's Atlantic City, NJ. Introductions of Distinguished Guests.

May 26th, 2016 Attended Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 Stated Meeting for the purpose of celebrating their 96th Birthday and presenting a Grand Representative Commission.

June 1st, 2016 Signed checks 428 to 430

June 3rd, 2016 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated meeting for the purpose of celebrating their 93rd Birthday; served in my elected station of Associate Matron for Opening and Closing.

June 6th, 2016 Signed checks 431 and 432

June 9th, 2016 Attended Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 Stated Meeting for the purpose of Official Visitation

June 12th, 2016 Attended reception for Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Elected and Appointed Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers @ the Millsboro Town Center, Millsboro, DE

June 14th, 2016 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Stated Meeting for the purpose of the Official Visitation

June 18th, 2016 Attended Grand Lodge Day @ VA Hospital in Wilmington and manned table for OES with other Delaware OES members
Mailed Letter to Right Worship Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master – Elect concerning unity of the craft with invitation to the 96th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and the “Halloween Party” on October 28th, and “Afternoon with Frank Sinatra” March 26th, 2017

June 20th, 2016 Attended Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania York, PA.
Introduction of Distinguished Guests.

June 22nd, 2016 Attended Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania York, PA. Installation of 2016-2017 Grand Officers.

June 23rd, 2016 Signed checks 433 and 434

June 27th, 2016 Received letter of thanks from Grand Representative of Delaware in Missouri
Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 State Meeting for the purpose of an Initiation and Potluck beforehand. This initiation was special as one of the new members initiated was the Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Delaware AF & AM.

July 1st, 2016 Signed check 435

July 7th, 2016 Mailed letter to various Sister and Brothers concerning the 2017 Annual “Melodies and Memoires” Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware
Granted Special Dispensation to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 to Install Marshal, Organist and Star Point Electa on September 8th, 2016

July 8th, 2016 Signed check 436

July 20th, 2016 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Ice Cream Social to benefit ESTARL

July 23rd, 2016 Attended the “All Members Summer Gathering” at home of Sister Joan Moore, PGM
Mailed letter appointing Special Committee to review how the Jurisdiction of Delaware deals with the Grand Chapter Philanthropic efforts and should a change be made to make this a Standing Committee for these charities; a report was requested at the Annual Grand Chapter Session in May.

July 25th, 2016 Received invitation to Banquet and Monday Morning Session of Grand Lodge
Prepared and delivered via email attachment letter to Grand Secretary to be included in the Grand Representative packets

July 26th, 2016 Mailed letter to Grand Trustees concerning the Printed Program

July 27th, 2016 Attended meeting of Constitutional Review Working Group at home of Brother Robert Bradish

July 29th, 2016 Signed check 437 and 438

July 30th, 2016 to August 3rd, 2016 Attended Supreme Assembly International Order of Rainbow for Girls in Providence, RI

August 13th, 2016 Attended Multi-Jurisdictional Gathering in Alexandria, VA

August 18th, 2016 Attended Grand Chapter of New Hampshire, Nashua, NH.
Informal and Formal Opening Session

August 22nd, 2016 Attended planning meeting for Holiday Party at Smyrna Dinner
with Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, and Grand
Marshal

August 23rd, 2016 Meeting with Session Co-Chairman Catherine “Scotty”
Schultz, PGM and Ann L. Street, PGM.

August 24th, 2016 Attended meeting of Constitutional Review Working Group at
home of Robert Bradish

August 31st, 2016 Signed check 439

September 8th, 2016 Received letter from Georgetown Chapter No. 9 with request for
Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to declare
station vacant

September 14th, 2016 Received notification that Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, MD
had granted a Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction for Mr.
Warren Saunders
Sent letter to the members of Sussex Chapter No. 7 informing
them that request for “Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction”
was granted

September 15th, 2016 Signed check 440
Attended Sussex Chapter No. 7 Stated Meeting, for the purpose
of the Official Visit and celebration of the Chapter’s 96th
Birthday

September 16th, 2016 Meeting with Phyllis Bowman to discuss the Queen of the
South and Joan Moore as chairman of the Jurisprudence
Committee.
Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 State Meeting; served in
my elected station of Associate Matron

September 21st, 2016 Attended Naomi Chapter No. 20 Stated Meeting for the purpose
of celebrating the Chapter’s 55th Birthday

September 22nd, 2016 With Sussex Chapter No. 7 attended funeral service for Sister
Jean Atkins

September 24th, 2016 With Sussex Chapter No. 7 attended funeral service for Sister
Betty J. Long, mother of the Worthy Matron Sister Marty
Mickles. Participated as Star Point Esther
Attended Exchange with Maryland held at Wicomico Chapter
No.110.

September 25th, 2016 Attended Grand Line Reception for Grand Officers of Maryland
at Richlin Ballroom & Catering, Edgewood, MD

September 28th, 2016 Attended meeting of the Constitutional Review Working Group
at the home of Robert Bradish.

September 30th, 2016 Mailed letter to go with Sara Quinby, Associate Grand
Matron’s trip announcement

October 5th, 2016 Mailed letter to Georgetown Chapter No. 9 concerning revised
Subordinate Chapter Bylaws

October 7th, 2016 Attended Informal and Formal Opening Session of the Grand
Chapter of Rhode Island.

October 8th, 2016 Attended Ruth Chapter No. 19 Banquet at Hunters Den,
Wilmington, DE

October 9th, 2016 Attended Grand Master’s Banquet at Sands Hotel Rehoboth
Beach, DE as a guest.

October 10th, 2016 Attended Grand Lodge of Delaware AF & AM and brought
greeting from the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the
Eastern at the Morning Session of the Annual Grand Lodge

Communication and attended the Grand Lodge Banquet in the evening.

October 12th, 2016 Signed check 441 to 443
 Attended Frankford Chapter No. 12 Stated Meeting for the purpose of the Official Visit

October 13th, 2016 Attended Grand Lodge Installation Clayton Fire Hall

October 14th, 2016 Attended Reception for MW Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master @ Ionic Lodge No. 31 and brought gift on behalf of the Order of Eastern Star for his charities.

October 15th, 2016 Attended the GRODELS meeting

October 17th, 2016 Attended Ruth Chapter No. 19 Stated Meeting for the purpose of the Official Visitation.

October 21st, 2016 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting and as Associate Matron presided in the absence of the Worthy Matron Jennifer Grasset

October 22nd, 2016 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Banquet

October 25th, 2016 Mailed letter to Subordinate Chapter Secretaries concerning the Printed Program
 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Stated Meeting for the purpose of celebrating their 70th Birthday

October 26th, 2016 Meeting with Joan Moore, PGM and Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee

October 28th, 2016 Attended picnic @ Chloe Wiggin's home prior to the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Virginia, Lynne Jones and Lee Sloppy to District #42 held at Lodge Hall in Temperanceville, Virginia.

October 29th, 2016 Received letter from Nancy Davis in rebuttal to letter written by WGM concerning vacant station
 Attended Caesar Rodney's Halloween Party to benefit Children with Special Needs in Delaware.

November 1st, 2016 Mailed Thanksgiving "Third Official Letter" to Subordinate Chapter Secretaries

November 2nd, 2016 Signed checks 444 to 446

November 4th, 2016 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting; served in my elected station of Associate Matron

November 5th, 2016 With Robert Bradish, WGP, hosted the "Multi-Jurisdictional Social Afternoon (Exchange) with the portrayal of the "Legacy Degree: Queen of the South" at Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8. Dinner provided by Joyce Ann Myslewicz, PGM and WM and the members of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

November 13th, 2016 Signed check 447
 Meeting for Afternoon with Frank Sinatra, Dame Edna, Dover Masonic Building 2 p.m. Meeting of the Elected Line Officers including Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and Grand Trustees meeting at home of Robert Bradish. 6:30 p.m.

November 15th, 2016 Mailed letter to Sister Bernadette and Brother Charles Porter concerning questions concerning proficiency

November 19th, 2016 Signed checks 449 and 450
 Attended "Town Hall" meeting for constitutional revision 10 a.m. at the home of Victory Chapter No. 15.
 Presided at a meeting of the Elected Grand Line Officers, including Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and Grand

Trustees, at the home of the Worthy Grand Patron
following “Town Hall” meeting

November 20th, 2016 Letter mailed to Grand Secretary reference the profit of the Queen of the South Degree presentation

November 21st, 2016 Signed check 451
Attended Adah Chapter No. 7 for the purpose of the Official Visit and Celebration of the Chapter’s 98th Birthday

November 22nd, 2016 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Stated Meeting serving as Pro-Tem Organist

November 25th, 2016 Signed check 452

November 26th, 2016 Received letter from Secretary of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 concerning issue of declaring office vacant

November 28th, 2016 Sent letter to Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to address issues of contention with letter of September 8th, 2016

November 29th, 2016 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Stated Meeting for the purpose of Initiation; served as Associate Conductress for entire meeting including Initiation.

November 30th, 2016 Attended Bethel No. 11 Jobs Daughters International visit of Supreme Deputy Pat Pelham, Miss Jobs Daughter Taila and Supreme Bethel Honored Queen Paige; brought greetings and mentioned scholarships that are available through OES; one Robert and Jean Shustack scholarship form was given out and Deputy for Delaware Linda Ferguson has remainder of both Shustack and ESTARL Scholarship Forms

December 2nd, 2016 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting and Christmas Pot Luck; served in my elected office of Associate Matron.

December 5th, 2016 Signed checks 453 to 456

December 6th, 2016 Attended Olive Branch Chapter #68, Madison, Connecticut for Night Honoring Grand Representative to Delaware; served in the station of Associate Matron for the evening.

December 7th, 2016 Attended Naomi Chapter No. 20 for the purpose of the Official Visit and presentation Grand Representative Commissions

December 10th, 2016 Attended State Wide Holiday Gathering @ Sussex Eastern Star Hall, Seaford Hosted by Donna Austin, Grand Marshal, Ginny Crockett, GC and Donna Hiddemen, AGC.

December 12th, 2016 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Pot Luck and Stated Meeting

December 13th, 2016 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Pot Luck and Stated Meeting; served as Organist, pro-tem.

December 15th, 2016 Attended St. Andrews Commandery No. 3 Christmas Observance provided music for the Observance.

December 18th, 2016 Attended Christmas Show @ Candlelight Theater, Arden, DE to benefit Children with Special Needs.

December 19th, 2016 Held meeting at my home for the purpose of putting to rest issues that were surrounding the March 27th, 2016 event of an “Afternoon with Frank Sinatra, Dame Edna, and DJ Bongo Mike.

December 20th, 2016 Delivered to Home of the Brave donation of Gift Cards from Holiday Gathering donations in lieu of cards

December 31st, 2016 Received a “Thank You” letter from Home of the Brave for our gift card donation

January 4th, 2017 Signed checks 457 and 458
Attended Naomi Chapter No 20 for the purpose of presenting Grand Representative Commissions.

January 5th, 2017 Attended calling hours and funeral for Robert Krauss husband of Ethelene Krauss, PGM at Concord United Methodist Church, Concord, Seaford, DE
Attended Sussex Chapter No 7 for the purpose of presenting Grand Representative Commissions serving in the station of Associate Matron

January 6th, 2017 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting; as no quorum was present no meeting was held.

January 9th, 2017 Notified via email and phone by Debi Hodges of Victory Chapter that she deemed the roads around Dover a safety hazard to her members and was notifying them via phone and email that no meeting would be held due to weather emergency.

January 10th, 2017 Attended stated meeting of Betty Putnam Chapter No. 102, Woodstock, Connecticut for the purpose of presenting the Grand Representative Commission of Delaware in Connecticut

January 18th, 2017 Attended meeting of Constitutional Review Working Group at home of Robert Bradish

January 22nd, 2017 Mailed letter to Elected and Appointed Grand Officers with five (5) tickets to sell or purchase

January 23rd, 2017 Letter to Nur Shrined Hall Rental with personal check to cover the remainder of rent for the March 26th, 2017 event.
Received from the Grand Secretary letter requesting extension for the 95th Annual Session Proceedings
Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Stated Meeting for the purpose of The Official Visit and presentation of Grand Representative Commissions.

January 24th, 2017 Hand delivered letter to the Grand Secretary granting extension for the 95th Annual Session Proceedings
Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Stated Meeting for the purpose of presentation of Grand Representative Commissions; served as Organist, pro-tem.

January 25th, 2017 Mailed letter to Secretary of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 concerning Fifty (50) year membership issue.
Attended Frankford Chapter No. 12 Stated Meeting; served in the Star Point Station of Ruth, pro-tem.

January 26th, 2017 Mailed letter of invitation to those who have been identified to open the individual Sessions of the 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Session of the Grand Chapter.

January 29th, 2017 Received from the Chairman of the Nominating Committee letter to review announcing those that are seeking Elected Grand Office in at the 2017 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Grand Chapter Session

January 30th, 2017 Mailed letters to members who would be honored for their Fifty (50) Years of membership in the Order of the Eastern Star inviting them to the Monday Afternoon Session of the 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Session.
Mailed letters to Supreme Inspector Job’s Daughters and State Executive Officers Delaware Associate of DeMolay requesting flag bearers and escorts for Sunday Informal Opening of the 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

February 1st, 2017 Attended Naomi Chapter No. 20 Stated Meeting for the purpose of presentation of Grand Representative Commission

February 2nd, 2017 Signed checks 459 and 460
 Attended Sussex Chapter No. 7 Stated Meeting for the purpose of presentation of Grand Representative Commission; served as Secretary, pro-tem

February 3rd, 2017 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting; served in my elected office of Associate Matron

February 6th, 2017 Attended Ruth Chapter No. 19 Stated Meeting for the purpose of presentation of Grand Representative Commissions

February 8th, 2017 Notified via phone that due to weather emergency Caesar Rodney would not be holding their February 9th, 2017 Stated Meeting
 Attended Frankford Chapter No. 12 Stated meeting; served as Associate Conductress, pro-tem.

February 15th, 2017 Mailed letter to Grand Chapter of District of Columbia acknowledging their invitation to their 121st Annual "Ignite Your Light" Session
 Attended meeting of the Constitutional Review working group at the home of Bob Bradish

February 17th, 2017 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Sub and Sundae Dinner.

February 22nd, 2017 Attended Frankford Chapter No. 12 Stated Meeting.

February 24th, 2017 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Special Meeting for the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Associate Grand Officers; served in my elected station of Associate Matron for Opening

February 27th, 2017 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 Stated meeting; presented Grand Representative Commissions; served as Organist pro-tem

February 28th, 2017 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Stated Meeting; presented Grand Representative Commission; served as Organist pro-tem

March 3rd, 2017 Meet with Henrietta McKelvey at her home to review needed work on constitutional review before Wednesday March 8th, 2017 meeting of the Committee
 Attended Georgetown Chapter No. 9 Stated Meeting and Elections; served in my elected station of Associate Matron.

March 4th, 2017 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 Banquet; presented remarks
 Granted Special Dispensation to Naomi Chapter No. 20 to move special meeting of March 29th, 2017 from Cedars United Methodist Church 100 N Harrison Avenue Wilmington, DE 19808 to Brandywine Lodge 2016 Foulk Road Wilmington, DE 19810.

March 8th, 2017 Attended meeting of the Constitutional Review working group at the home of Robert Steinman, Jr.

March 9th, 2017 Attended the Knights Templar Feast prior to York Rite Weekend.

March 10th – 11th 2017 Attended York Rite Weekend at Doubletree Concord Delaware

March 11th, 2017 Brought greetings and remarks at the Friday Night Banquet.

March 11th, 2017 Attended meeting of the GRODELs at Victory Chapter No. 15 Dover.
 Attended Miss Jobs Daughters Pageant at Nur Shrine; brought greetings and remarks; presented plaque to First Runner Up

March 12th, 2017 Attended Sussex Chapter No. 7's Banquet at the Eastern Star Hall in Seaford; brought remarks.

March 13th, 2017 Attended Victory Chapter No. 15 serving as Organist pro-tem.

March 14th, 2017 Attended Unity Chapter No. 16 serving as Organist pro-tem.
 March 18th, 2017 Attended Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 banquet; brought remarks.
 Received request for Special Dispensation from Susse Chapter No.7 To Install 2017-2018 Subordinate Chapter Officers on April 15th at 3 p.m.
 Granted Special Dispensation to Sussex Chapter No. 7
 March 19th, 2017 Attended Naomi Chapter No. 20 banquet; brought remarks.
 March 20th, 2017 Attended Ruth Chapter No. 19 57th Birthday
 March 22nd, 2017 Attended Frankford Chapter No. 12 89th Birthday
 March 23rd, 2017 Received letter from the Office of the Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge AF&AM of Delaware with directive from MW Dale T Irwin Grand Master concerning the temporary removal of recognition of Delaware DeMolay. Contacted Jurisprudence Committee concerning action that should be taken and after several emails sent letter for their review that would be sent to all Subordinate Chapters. In phone conversation with MW Dale T. Irwin given a clearer understanding of the issues involving the temporary removal of recognition and suspension of all activities of the DeMolay.
 March 24th, 2017 Received return email from Jurisprudence Committee concerning Delaware DeMolay indicated that the draft letter the committee received was sufficient.
 March 25th, 2017 Letters sent to all Subordinate Chapters concerning the Delaware DeMolay with copy to the Grand Lodge of Delaware AF&AM attention the MW Grand Master.
 Attended the open meeting of the Constitution Review Working Group in preparation for the 2nd reading of the revised Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction at the 2017 Grand Chapter Session.
 Met with the Elected Grand Officers to alert them to above issue; answer any questions that I could, and provide them with verbiage to use when asked questions concerning this issue.
 March 26th, 2017 Attended and assisted in kitchen at “Afternoon with Family and Friends” listening to the music of Frank Sinatra presented by Sean Riley, laughing with Dame Edna all with DJ Bongo Mike in the background and eating all to benefit the Children with Special Needs fund.
 Received request for Special Dispensation for Ruth Chapter No. 19 to install Worthy Patron and Secretary on April 17th, 2017
 March 27th, 2017 Granted Ruth Chapter Special Dispensation to install Worthy Patron and Secretary on April 17th, 2017.
 Attended the Stated Meeting of Victory Chapter No. 15; served as Organist pro-tem.
 March 28th, 2017 Attended the Stated meeting of Unity Chapter No. 16; present Grand Representative Commission; served as Organist pro-tem.
 April 1st, 2017 Attended the 2017-2018 Big Reveal of Grand Officers at Cornerstone Methodist Church in Bear, DE.
 April 5th, 2017 Attended the Stated Meeting followed by the closed Installation of 2017-2018 Subordinate Chapter Officers at Naomi Chapter No. 20.

- April 7th, 2017 Attended the Stated Meeting followed by the closed Installation of 2017-2018 Subordinate Chapter Officers of Georgetown Chapter No. 9; served in my elected station of Associate Matron; Installed as Worthy Matron for 2017-2018; presented Grand Representative Commission.
- April 8th, 2017 Held meeting at my home to determine how funds would be disbursed for Children with Special Needs in Delaware; in attendance was PJ Roby and Robert A. Bradish and Bill Lott.
- April 10th, 2017 Attended the Stated Meeting and Open Installation of Victory Chapter No. 15; served as Organist pro-tem and Installing Organist.
Meeting held for discussion of distribution of funds for Children with Special Needs in Delaware.
- April 11th, 2017 Met with Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary to assist in preparing report for Sinatra Event
Attended Stated Meeting and Open installation of Unity Chapter No. 16; served as Installing Organist; presented Grand Representative Commission.
Received letter from Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary noting that she will not be able to stand for election nor can she accept election due to doctor's orders.
- April 12th, 2017 Prepared financial reports for March 26th event
- April 13th, 2017 Attended Caesar Rodney Stated Meeting and Installation; served as Installation Organist.
- April 15th, 2017 Attended Installation of Sussex Chapter No. 7; served as Installing Organist.
- April 17th, 2017 Mailed letter of thanks to the Subordinate Chapters and members for their participation and support this year and invited them to 95th Annual Grand Chapter Session.
Attended Adah Chapter No. 5 Stated Meeting and Installation of the 2017-2018 Officers which was preceded by a "Surprise" Honor Banquet for Ann Street, PGM,
- April 19th, 2017 Attended a Special Meeting of Naomi Chapter No. 20 and with the Grand Officers and substitutes performed the Initiatory Degree for four candidates.
- April 20th, 2017 After hearing the Grand Master had restored recognition to Delaware DeMolay, called the Grand Lodge Office for verification. Informed that letter should have been received. Grand Lodge Office to either email as attachment or mail hardcopy of letter restoring recognition.
Meet with Scotty Schultz to discuss the upcoming Grand Chapter Session.
- April 22nd, 2017 At the invitation of the Grand Chapter of Maryland attended the Grand Chapter Banquet with Brother Robert Bradish Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain and Brother Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Attaining fifty years of membership in our beautiful Order is a milestone. It is my pleasure to recognize those who have attained this milestone:

Adah Chapter No. 5	Ann L. Street (12/9/2016)
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Roberta Pinson (3/16/2017)
	Barbara Jo Emmons (3/16/2017)

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	M. Barbara Nakai (3/23/2017) Evelyn M. Bramble (3/23/2017)
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	None
Frankford Chapter No. 12	Cheryl Clark (10/12/2016)
Victory Chapter No. 15	Jana Bradish (6/1/2016) Mary Lou Lombadrdo (2/27/2017) Elisabeth Tomlinson (12/16/2016) Judith Perrott (00/00/2016)
Unity Chapter No. 16	Bette McIntyre (12/27/2016)
Ruth Chapter No. 19	Diane Boyer (9/12/2016) Margaret Degen (9/27/2016)
Naomi Chapter No. 20	Deborah S. Barr (3/1/2017) Lillian Calloway (5/21/2017)

IRREGULARITIES

“Certificate of Newly Installed Officers” not being forwarded in a timely fashion or not at all by Subordinate Chapter Secretaries; with copies to the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer and each Subordinate Chapter Secretary. **“Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware” Article IX Returns Section 1 Abstract third paragraph page 17.**

Copy of the “Secret Work” not being given to the Worthy Grand Matron. **“Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware” Article X Secret Work Section 2 last sentence last paragraph page 16. Also, the Constitution and Bylaws of the General Grand Chapter page 77.**

Secret Work not being given to the Officers of the Subordinate Chapter in a timely fashion or at Installation, so they may study. **Constitution of the Grand Chapter Article X Secret Work Section 2 page 16** clearly indicates what Officers are to have a copy of the Secret Work.

During the singing of the Opening and Closing odes, members not facing the East. **Book of Instruction page 25.**

When a Star Point Officer is absent and Worthy Matron addressing the Conductress saying; “Sister Star Point” or “Sister Ruth” not “Sister Conductress [pause] the sign of Ruth is”. **No reference it was my request, stated at the School of Instruction to use the wording “Sister Conductress [pause] the sign of Ruth is” this year.**

When opening the Bible, the Conductress gave a very low bow rather than a slight bow and did not give the sign of salutation correctly. **Ritual [2015 White] page 41 and Secret Work**

During Initiation, no Welcome Song being sung when Chapter is called up and the member(s) proceed along the north marching line and take position in the East facing West; or Welcome Song being sung at the wrong time. **Ritual [2015 White] page 91** fine print between second and third paragraphs.

Worthy Matrons not receiving a copy of the **Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and Bylaws governing their own Chapter.** I realize that some members have their own copy, but the Worthy Matron should be working from the Chapter’s copy of the **Constitution, etc.** as it should be up to date. **Ritual Installation Subordinate Chapters page 125.**

As a member left, the response from the Worthy Matron to the member was incorrectly given. See **Ritual [2015 White] page 83 and Secret Work 19** for complete explanation.

The issue is that it is the forearm not the entire arm is extended. If arm is kept close to

the side of the body and only the forearm lowered, then the sign is given correctly and not given like a salute.

During Initiation, Conductress proceeding from Preparation Room door (Which is the entrance door to the Chapter but as there is only one door it is also the preparation room door) diagonally to the back of Esther's Station instead of using the Marching Line.

Ritual page 53 [2015 White]. No guidance is given as how the Conductress should move but the implication is that she should move in straight lines except for Ritual [2015 White] 171 to 184 show square corners and using the Marching Line the Conductress should follow this when doing initiatory work that involves marching in straight line and squaring of corners.

During Initiation, the Associate Conductress taking the arm of the Candidate and not the other way around. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 53*** italicized print between two lectures of Conductress clearly indicates that the Conductresses offer their left/right arm to candidates.

During Initiation, Conductress not having Candidates and Associate Conductress in straight line and facing North while giving her first Lecture and when standing in front of Star Points for their lectures, the Worthy Patron and Associate Patron for their lectures. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 53*** third paragraph in New Times Roman font ***and bottom of page 54*** (wording in New Times Roman font); ***Grand Chapter Book of Instruction page 16.***

During Initiation, Worthy Patron taking the gavel with him to the Altar and holding it during the Obligation. There is no reference that this should be done. Reference notes that the Worthy Patron takes gavel and places on podium. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 57.***

During Initiation, the Associate Conductress was unsure of where she should stand when more than or less than two candidates. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 53 and bottom of page 54*** New Times Roman font provides the explanation. Diagrams ***page 171 to 185*** show where the Associate Conductress should stand and shows diagrams of marching lines during the Initiation.

When performing the opening ritualistic work, the signs are not being held by the Star Point Officers until after the Pass is given. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 34 paragraph in New Times roman font and Book of Instruction page 15.***

During Initiation, Star Point Officers being seated as soon as they have finished their lectures. ***Ritual [2015 White] page 60 second paragraph in New Times Roman Font*** explains that Star Officer remains standing until the Conductress and new members have passed her.

During Initiation in Prayer Circle members not dropping hands to their sides after prayer is said and singing "Bless Be The Tie That Binds" with hands at side not in Reverent Attitude.

During Initiation: When the Worthy Patron was explaining the Signet and the Conductress was using the pointer, the Conductress did not set the pointer on the Signet and proceed to work around Signet without lifting the pointer. ***There is no citation to this as the Book of Instruction on page 17 does not give clear directions given as to how the Conductress should use the pointer during the explanation. It seems to me that the Conductress not lifting the pointer from the Signet once the explanation has started is a tradition. Book of Instructions page 17. See section on recommendations.***

OES flag posted next to the flag of the United States at a meeting. The Flag of the United States is posted at the right of the Worthy Matron. The ***Book of Instruction page 1*** indicates where the Flag of the United States should be posted but does not indicate where other flags should be posted. For further information see ***United States Code Title 4, Chapter 1, Subsection 7, k Manner of Display.*** that says, "position of honor at

clergyman or speaker's right as he faces audience. Any other flags so displayed should be on the left of the clergyman or speaker or to the right of the audience.”

During proving of a Subordinate Chapter, Worthy Matrons continued to stand after they have requested the Associate Matron to see if all present were members of the Order.

Ritual [2015] p. 26

Worthy Matron and other officers not following dress code which states that “Sister Officers must wear white floor length dresses” *Book of Instruction p. 21*

When acting on issues or question, members still responding with the word “question” when asked are you ready for the question. It was pointed out in the School of Instruction that this practice is being incorrectly used (although it has been this way forever). When voting the Worthy Matron asks, “Is there any discussion?” When there is no reply, the Worthy Matron or presiding officer should proceed with the vote. *Roberts Rules of Order.*

When calling for a vote on a motion, the Worthy Matron voted with the rest of the members on an issue. The Worthy Matron does not vote on questions or motions as she is the Presiding Officer. *Book of Instruction page 23 “Voting”*

The “Printed Program” Booklet was not finished in a timely fashion. This was entirely the fault of the Worthy Grand Matron. There was also much misunderstanding of what the “Printed Program” would include. The Grand Trustees gave the Worthy Grand Matron until October 15th, 2016 to complete the work on this. The program was completed and was distributed to each Chapter, even though a Chapter may not have taken an ad, to all advertisers, and members who placed ads. Fraternal and Commercial advertisers were included in a program that was produced for the March 26th, 2017 “Afternoon with Frank Sinatra” at no cost to any of these individuals. *No reference.*

This is for information only

Subordinate Chapter Secretaries using out dated editions of the *Ritual* when reading the “Landmarks.” There are twelve (12) Landmarks not ten (10). *Ritual [2015 White] page 164, 165.*

When proving, a Subordinate Chapter the Conductress did not look at the individuals on the sidelines to ascertain if they were members; her eyes were focused straight ahead. *Ritual [2015 White] page*

Individuals serving pro-tem in Stations for which they do not have the appropriate proficiency certificate when the station they normally hold is being pro-temed by an individual with the appropriate proficiency certificate for the other station. *Although no reference was found it appears that the intent of proficiency is that a member will not serve in a station to which they do not have a proficiency certificate. The indication is that elected stations should be pro-temed by a Past Matron or Past Patron that is from Delaware or individuals who hold the appropriate certification but may be from another jurisdiction.*

The *Proceedings* of the 2016 Annual Session were not completed so that they could be distributed at least 100 days before the next Grand Chapter Session. *Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article IX Duties and Prerogatives of Grand Officers, Section 5 Grand Secretary (1) first (1) paragraph line three (3)*

Although there is no direction in the *Ritual*, at the Installation of Officers during the opening when the *Lord's Prayer* is said the *Grand Chapter Book of Instruction* clearly provides the direction as to who is to say that this will be done. *Ritual [2015 White] page 97 and Grand Chapter Book of Instruction page 27 sixth (6) paragraph.*

Subordinate Chapters not following instructions given for an Open Installation at a time other than at the first Stated Meeting in April. It is important that the current year's

Officers perform the opening of the Subordinate Chapter before any Installation Ceremony begins. *Ritual [2015 White] page 97.*

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. A welcome song become part of the Initiation Ceremony in all Subordinate Chapters in this Jurisdiction as noted on page 91 of the *Ritual*. Examples of “Welcome Songs” are provided in Appendix [letter]
2. There is a need for constancy in our Opening in reference to Star Points Signs and Passes. For some years when Star Point Officers were absent in the Opening the Worthy Matron would proceed to the next office in line. This changed in the past three or four years. One year the Deputy Grand Lecturer gave the Signs; the next the Conductress gave the Signs. Additionally, there was no consistency as to the wording used to request the signs. Instead of changing this ever year, it should be standardized and appear in the *Book of Instruction*.
3. There is no place in the **present** *Constitution and Bylaws* under the duties of the Worthy Grand Matron that makes it clear that she must officially visit each Subordinate Chapter and attend their Birthday meeting. This should not be an assumption.
4. Although Article IX Section 1 Worthy Grand Matron (24) provides a process for a Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction from another Grand Jurisdiction, there is a need to have a written process in place that provides guidance to the Worthy Grand Matron to request Wavier of Territorial Jurisdiction from the Grand Chapter of Delaware. It seems to be an assumption.
5. It would be helpful to have further explanation in the *Book of Instruction* on the use of the pointer by the Conductress during the Worthy Patron’s Signet explanation and not rely on the “way it has always been done” for which there is really no explanation.
6. The “Afternoon with Frank Sinatra” became a challenge as the courtesy of keeping the Worthy Grand Matron in the loop was not automatic. In the dealings with other organizations it is imperative that fraternal protocol be followed and the Worthy Grand Matron communicate in writing with the top leader of other fraternal organizations informing them that an individual oversees an event and has been authorized to communicate with them. A procedure should be included in the *Grand Chapter Book of Instruction*.
7. The listing of Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware in the Proceedings should also list the Chapter they represented.
8. There should be a standard **official** letterhead for ALL correspondence, whether from the Worthy Grand Matron, other elected Grand Line Officers, or committees. That official letterhead should have the names of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on each side of a box with the emblem of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star; below that are the words on two (2) separate lines: “Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star” and in italics “Organized November 14, 1921.” When used by other Elected Grand Officers or Committee Chairman, that information should be below the above block. I have noted that some Grand Line Officers and Committee Chairman use whatever letterhead they wish. This letterhead should be used for ANY and ALL correspondence that originates from Committees or Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. The Grand Secretary should keep a file with the Official Letterhead which should be used by all elected Grand Line Officers, or committees in their correspondence. This is not a difficult with the use of modern technology.

9. All Subordinate Chapters need to review their Bylaws and remove any language that is similar or identical to the *Ritual* or the *Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of General Grand Chapter* as this information is copyrighted and cannot be copied. The suggestion is that in cases where there is information in the *Ritual* or *General Grand Chapter Constitution, Rules and Regulations* that the phrase “See *Ritual or Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations*” be used.
10. Once a year our Subordinate Chapters act on those members who have not paid their dues. Subordinate Chapters should be working on this from the very beginning of the year but that rarely, if ever happens. Take note.... The Order of the Eastern Star is similar in many ways to a business in this regard. If we don't provide excellent customer service, we will lose customers. How is your Subordinate Chapter's customer service? If you were to rate your Subordinate Chapter honestly, would you be able to say unquestionably that it provides good value to its customers? Each member is a customer, and until our Subordinate Chapters understand that and work to provide excellent customer service, we will continue to lose members as fast as we take in new ones.
11. Events over the past several years and again this year have made it obvious that the rule for the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer that does not allow their offices to be vacated simultaneously be carefully studied, all scenarios considered, and legislation presented in the future that would allow situations of the past several years be avoided.

APPRECIATIONS

To the Members of the Order who received me and listened to my messages, my heartfelt gratitude; I challenge you to continue to work diligently for the Order.

Members of Victory Chapter No. 15: You accepted me as one of you and made me feel comfortable whenever I was with you. It has been a pleasure to share this year with you. One thing I will always cherish is the memory of being and working with you and the honorary membership you bestowed upon me.

Members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9: This has not been an easy year for our Chapter. But I hope that you have had pleasure in knowing that after fifty-nine (59) years you have had a member bring honor to our Chapter by her election as Worthy Grand Matron. This honor has not only been mine but the members of Georgetown Chapter. There will always be roses in memory's garden that grow because of you. Whenever my heart wanders there, every now and then to see the roses bloom anew. Thank you for all that you have done for me this year I sincerely appreciate every kindly act and smile. I hope that this year has been one in which having a Worthy Grand Matron from Georgetown Chapter has made you proud and whether you have been with us or not, you have shared in the year.

Sara and Arthur, Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron: As this 2016-2017 year is rapidly coming and to a close the 2017-2018 year is about to begin, I know that you have prepared well for this journey, and I am confident of your ability to lead our Grand Chapter. Into the design of this year you wove threads of light, by happy faces and the smiles you gave away. I wish you great success and enjoyment in your year. May all your dreams come true.

Ginny, Grand Conductress, Donna, Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Sentinel, Bill: As you move up another step to the Grand East, I wish you much happiness and success in your journey. Into the fabric of this year I find a texture of good will as you lay your plans. Into this year's design you have woven fibers of peace and quiet cooperation. Enjoy the adventure that awaits you.

Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary: Thank you for stepping up to the plate this year and taking on the job of Grand Secretary. All the work you do is greatly appreciated. Into the design of this year you brought fiber of faithfulness to duty. Our lives take different twists and turns, and the road is not always smooth. You are an invaluable member of this year's team. We appreciate you and all you have done.

Barbara Nakai, Grand Treasurer: It has been a year of milestones for you; new grandchild; fifty (50) years of membership; ten years of serving this Grand Chapter and efficiently handled the financial responsibility associated with the office of Grand Treasurer. The entire membership of this Grand Chapter is indebted to you for your service. May God watch over you and yours always. Now you can take those trips to Colorado and not have to think about Grand Chapter business.

Cathy Yaiser, PM, Joyce Ann Myslewicz, PGM, and Bob Steinman, PGP, Grand Trustees: You have worked hard this year to bring about consistency in processes and other important affairs. The membership of the Grand Chapter and I thank you for your hard work and we deeply value your efforts.

All Elected Grand Officers including the Grand Trustees, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer; may the winds blow softly, may the winds blow true, may they blow today from far away the peace of God's love to you. May they blow to the North your troubles; may they blow to the South your fears; and from the East and West, bring you all the best, now and in the coming years.

Appointed Grand Floor Officers: Friendship brings to life a smile, makes the ups and downs worthwhile; friendship takes all the clouds away; turns to gold the skies of gray; friendship is a gift that's true; it gave us such folks as you. Thank you for your hugs, smiles and support this past year.

Special thank you to Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM and Grand Lecturer: Your willingness to take on the task of Grand Lecturer and coordinate the Queen of the South Degree was most truly appreciated. The success of the Queen of the South Degree was due to your work in finding the right individuals to fill the stations and bring everything together. As Grand Lecturer, all I can say is thank you, thank you, thank you!

Deputy Grand Lecturers: Thank you for your strength for overseeing the "ritual" work in our Subordinate Chapters and being a lecturer in our Subordinate Chapters. Thank you for your love, support and smiles as we walked along this pathway for they have made the journey more worthwhile.

Grand Representatives: Your role is to serve as an ambassador of good will in Delaware on behalf of the Worthy Grand Matron in another jurisdiction. If you have the opportunity, travel to the Jurisdiction to which you have been assigned. Remember you don't have to travel in person you can write and enjoy a new-found friendship with a counterpart in another jurisdiction.

Committee Members: No organization can be run by one person alone. Thank you for your service and the work that you put into your assignments. Your commitment to our Order and your committee work has been behind the success of this year.

A special thank you to Joan Moore, chairman of Jurisprudence and Henrietta McKelvey, chairman of Constitution and Law and your committees; you became a sounding block as I made sure we were all on the same page. You have been willing to shoulder the extra load and be there whenever needed. Thank you for your dedication to the work of this year.

Thank you for the Benefit for Children with Special Needs in Delaware Committee for your work this year. Special thank you to PJ Roby for bringing together the Grand Lodge AF & AM of Delaware and the Grand Chapter as we came together for a delightful afternoon with family and friends as we heard DJ Bongo Mike, Dame Edna

(who folks say is better than the original) and had Frank Sinatra in our midst as Sean Riley performed a wonderful play list of his tunes. Being on this committee is an awesome responsibility and takes much work to bring together programs that will earn the monies needed to give grants to children with special needs.

We possess a treasure here in our Grand Chapter – a rich and commendable heritage in our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. May the precious links of memory bind the present with the past; may the golden chain you’ve lengthened be made stronger, firm and fast. May every blessing this life can hold be yours in fullest measure. Thank you for gifts of kindness, optimism, generosity and example; for these are gifts from the heart on which no one can put a price tag. They are loving gifts you have shared with me.

Delaware’s General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Doris Egbert, Youth and Kathi Anderson Credentials and Steve Tolbert, ESTARL and Eddie Morris, Unfinished Business: Our Grand Jurisdiction is proud of you as you work to promote your special projects for the General Grand Chapter. May the remainder of your appointment become a precious treasure in your treasure chest filled with memories.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2016-2017: I am grateful for your leadership in our Subordinate Chapters this year. I appreciate all that you have done and wish you much success. This year’s work has prepared you for further service to your Subordinate Chapter and Grand Chapter. May you have “fair winds and following seas” in all that you undertake. Thank you for serving your Subordinate Chapters as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron in 2016-2017 year.

Catherine Bradish: Thank you for taking the time out of your life to assist your father and I this year. You have a special talent and it is so appreciated. You have given much without thought of yourself.

Jana Bradish: There are some things in life that are so far above price, some things that no money can buy, some things we never can hope to repay, no matter how hard we try. ‘Tis the love of our friends who walk by our side, who encourage and cheer with their smiles’ ‘Tis the faith that is theirs, though mistakes we have made, that has made this year worthwhile. Thank you for your listening ear and wisdom. May all the days and all the years that God has still in store; be filled with every joy and grace and bless you more and more.

Bob, Worthy Grand Patron: Four Connecticut Yankees have found that it is indeed a small world. Who would have thought it? There definitely is a hand in our destiny, being sure that we are in the right place at the right time. You have given me what money can’t buy, for each project, the courage to try; your praise and encouragement for each task and your assistance and advice. And as this year is done, whether our objectives are lost or won, I’m richer than many with all their gold for the friendship the four of us have will never grow old. Thank you for your strength and support in all we planned and faith in our aims. Thank you for walking beside me and providing inspiration and encouragement.

Lastly, Bill, Grand Husband: You have supported me and supported all my work in this Order as well as all my fraternal activities. You never say no. You just say do it and sometimes I see the eyes roll. Almost fifty-three years ago, you had a vision of a team that support each other in all that they did yet were able to stand independently of one another; a team where each member would be a complement to the other with their talents. I’ve kidded you many times about the monster you created with that vision. Along the road of our lives together we’ve shared the joys and had our share of strife; we’ve traveled the road in sunny and stormy weather. More often than not it has been you that has lightened my load, but we’ve always worked together as we’ve traveled the road. We’ve received so many wonderful blessings as we traveled this road of life. Your praise, your confidence, your encouragement has enriched my life and multiplied

my successes; may the hours and effort you've given, and the good that you have done, return to you a hundred-fold. The story is old, yet fragrant and sweet; I've told you before but just let me repeat, I love you today as I did on that blind date at Penn State in the summer of 1962 and will continue to do so till eternity. I look forward, at some point in time, to more time on Rx4 Fun, traveling, genealogy (please don't roll your eyes), two books that need to be finished and maybe even a clean house and probably a barefoot cruise someplace; just guarantee there will be no storms, no pirates just fair winds and following seas.

CONCLUSION

One never accomplishes all one hopes, but if a few thoughts and ideas get started and if someone is stirred to action, not all is lost. Everything that was done this year was done with two things in mind; to improve the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star and to be of service to its members.

As the year was planned there were 3 goals set:

- Fill the Grand Chapter Room on the night of the Installation of Grand Officers for 2016-2017;
- Collect a "Mile of Quarters" for the benefit for Children with Special Needs";
- Bring sociability back into the meetings and other events of our Grand Chapter and Subordinate Chapters.

The Grand Chapter Room wasn't quite full on May 10th, 2016 but fuller than I had seen it in the years that I have attended Grand Chapter Installations. This goal was about three quarters met.

The "Mile of Quarters" was not met but doing a half mile isn't bad. Thank you for all the loose and rolled quarters. When this project started, I had no idea how far we would go but at Brother Bob's urging decided to go for a mile. Not only do I thank you but the children with Special Needs in Delaware thank you for your continued contributions to this worthwhile project.

It was a delight to witness what happened after the formal meetings ended. More than once I commented on the fact that a meeting would be completed by 9:30 p.m. or 9:45 p.m. and members stayed for 45 minutes to an hour enjoying each other's company. In my mind, this goal was met and surpassed.

Although more sociability was seen this year, it saddens me that peace and harmony did not always prevail within Subordinate Chapters and the Grand Chapter during the year. Sisters and Brothers, we need to remember that this is a fraternal, social and charitable organization. Listen to the words of our prayers in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the lessons given in the initiation. We need to lay our own personal agendas aside and work for the good of the Subordinate Chapters and Grand Chapter. Words may be inappropriately used or chosen, and actions may not be exactly what we would like in a situation but apologize. When the apology is given close the door and move on. Remember the sun rises and sets every day whether there are clouds covering it or not. Be big enough to be part of the solution not part of the problem.

The voyage is completed. The H.M.S. Delaware OES has returned to harbor. The winds are still, and it is time to be at rest. In the calm, the cargos of this journey can be transferred from the H.M.S. Delaware OES to shore and back to "the Good Ship Lollipop" for those that follow who wish to continue some of the work of this year. Neither one ship nor one person can travel or sail forever. We must periodically seek harbor or perish. The beacon of our lighthouse has provided the light for us to return safely from our journey. The angels of patience, flexibility, and humor are at rest. The H.M.S. Delaware OES can now be filled and prepared with new supplies for another journey; and so, it is with the travels of this year's "Melodies and Memories" Grand Family. We are in harbor to be renewed, to rest for travels in the future.

This year will soon be but a memory. I have not tried to do anything outstanding but tried to do my best and preside and live in a manner pleasing to you, my Sisters and Brothers.

The work I have done is with you in mind, maybe some things were wrong;

Like a note that mars the music; in the sweet flow of the song.

But, friends, when you think of me I only wish you would say of me she did her best;
Always with the members in mind.

APPENDIX A OFFICIAL LETTERS

Note: All letters did bear seal of Worthy Grand Matron and in two cases both the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's Seal

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First Official Letter

May 11, 2016

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, and Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

We extend greetings to all and appreciate the confidence you have placed in us by electing us to the positions of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. This honor comes not to us alone but also to our Subordinate Chapters, Georgetown No. 9 and Victory No. 15. We thank the members of our Subordinate Chapters for their support, prayers and assistance not only in the past but in the coming year.

As we begin this new Grand Chapter year may the compass to keep us headed along the right path; the lighthouse to guide our footsteps; an angel to watch over us as we travel; sextant help to plan the direction for the year; the and sails to move us forward.

We look forward to having you join in our efforts to raise funds for the Grand Chapter's charity, Benefit for Children with Special Needs. Save your quarters as we work toward a mile of quarters; join us Sunday, March 26th, 2017 for an afternoon with Frank Sinatra at Nur Shrine in New Castle; dust off your Halloween outfit and mark your calendars for October 29th at Caesar Rodney Chapter as we do the Monster Mash for our charity; and get into the spirit of the season as we gather at the Candlelight Dinner Theater for their holiday show on December 18th.

Each Subordinate Chapter has an appointed Deputy Grand Lecturer. The Deputy Grand Lecturer for [Chapter Name] [Chapter No.] is [Deputy Grand Lecturers Name]. It is their duty to answer any ritualistic question you may have or refer the questions to the Grand Lecturer whose responsibility is to answer questions concerning ritualistic work. All questions concerning the law of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star should be submitted in writing to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Our Grand Family is looking forward to visiting with the members at the Official and Birthday Visits to your Chapters and encourages you to join us for the Summer State-wide Summer Gathering July 23rd at Sisters Joan Moore's home in Lewes and State-wide Holiday Gathering December 10th at Sussex Chapter No. 7.

May each of you have an enjoyable summer and may our Grand Chapter have continued success, good health and much happiness.

During the coming year may there be: Unity in large things; tolerance in small things and charity in all things; and may the angels of patience, flexibility, and humor may with us along the way.

Fraternal Regards,

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Second Official Letter

May 13, 2016

To the Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

In accordance with the Constitution and bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Article IX Duties and Prerogatives of Grand Officers Section 5 Grand Secretary (12), enclosed you will find the Grand Secretary's record of changes and legislation, in summary form, adopted at the 95th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star which are to be spread upon the minutes. Due to the length of the constitutional revision, one copy of the revision of the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction has been given to the Secretaries of each Subordinate Chapter. The revision is also available for download from the delawareoes.org website.

Fraternal Regards,

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Third Official Letter

November 1, 2016

To the Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Thanksgiving, a time to be thankful for the countless blessings we enjoy: A time for remembering the sacrifices made to ensure we have a country where freedom is guaranteed; where schooling is given and not a dream; where one can move from place to place without fear of being arrested or tortured or shot dead. We who complain so often are the same ones that have more than can only be imagined by millions of others; we who take for granted what we see and do every day always wanting more without even the slightest thought that we should have to pay for it or work for it.

Take a moment during this special season to remember the men and women of our Armed Forces both here and abroad. Pray that they are kept safe and given the courage to face the perils which beset them.

Our Order exists for administering to others. During this Thanksgiving season let us remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

Should you or your Chapter wish to mark this special season with a donation to an Eastern Star Charity or earmark for a special function such as the VA Hobby Cart make all checks payable to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, OES; note in the memo line the charity you wish the check to be earmarked for; and send to our Grand Secretary, Sister Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM.

During this Thanksgiving season may you have peace in your world; love in your home; and the spirit of the season in your heart.

With gratitude

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June 20, 2016

To Grand Chapter of Maryland
c/o Donna Runyan, Grand Secretary
302 International Circle
Cockeysville, MD 21030-1300

Ref: Request for Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction

Dear Sister Donna:

Sussex Chapter No. 7 requests a Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction over the petition of Mr. Warren Saunders of Hurlock, MD in favor of Sussex Chapter 7 of Delmar, DE.

Fraternal Regards,

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September 14, 2016

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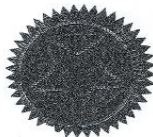
Dear Sister Barbara,

The officers and members of Caroline Chapter No. 82 have granted the request for a Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction by Mr. Warren Saunders. We wish him well on his Eastern Star journey.

Fraternalty,

Donna H. Runyan
Grand Secretary

Cc: Diane J. Smith, Worthy Grand Matron



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September 14, 2016

To: The Member of Sussex Chapter No. 7
Ref: Request for Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, MD has granted the request of Sussex Chapter No. 7 for a Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction by Mr. Warren Saunders.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
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September 5, 2016

Grand Chapter of Delaware O.E.S.
%Barbara F. Lott, Worthy Grand Matron
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Dear Sister Barbara:

In accordance with Article III Officers, Section 3 Installation, of the Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Georgetown Chapter No. 9 is requesting that you and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert Bradish, declare the office of Associate Conductress vacant as Sister Nancy Davis is unwilling to fill it for another year in accordance with this section of the Rules and Regulations.

Fraternally,

William F. Lott, Secretary

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September 8, 2016

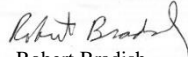
To: The members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9

Ref: Request to declare station vacant

As Sister Nancy Davis is unwilling to fill the station of Associate Conductress for another year and as there were no candidates for election to this office and no election for this position of Associate Conductress in March 2016, in accordance with *The Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Article III Officers, Section 3 Installation*, the office of Associate Conductress is declared vacant for the 2016-2017 year.

Fraternal Regards,


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Robert Bradish
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29 October 2016

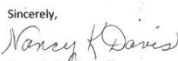
To the Officers and Members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 of the OES:

I am writing to express my concern with the letter from the Worthy Grand Matron which was received by this Chapter and read at the 16 September meeting in which I was accused of refusing the office of Associate Conductress in OES Georgetown Chapter, No. 9 for the 2016-2017 term.

1. On 7 March 2014, I was elected Associate Conductress for the 2014-2015 year. During that term of office I never signed for, nor received the Secret Work which was to be in my possession as Associate Conductress per the Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.
2. Although the Worthy Matron and Chapter members were made aware that I would not take a test to continue through the chairs, on 6 March 2015, I was again elected Associate Conductress for the 2015-2016 year. And again, never signed for, nor received the Secret Work.
3. I was not in attendance at the 4 March 2016 meeting. Elections were held, and I was not elected to hold the office of Associate Conductress. No one contacted me prior to the meeting nor after the meeting and elections regarding my holding any office.
4. Upon hearing a letter from the Worthy Grand Matron read at the 16 September meeting, I learned that I had refused to hold an office. This is absolutely untrue. **It Simply Is Not True. It Is A Fabrication.**

I feel that my character has been vilified and I want the records corrected.

I am, therefore, requesting that the Worthy Matron instruct the Chapter Secretary to send a letter to the Grand Chapter of Delaware correcting the original letter which was written accusing me of refusing to hold the office of Associate Conductress and expunging all reference from the records of said alleged refusal. This letter should state that I did not refuse to hold the office of Associate Conductress, due to the fact that I was not elected to said office for 2016-2017.

Sincerely,

Nancy K. Davis

CC – Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Delaware

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November 28, 2016

To: The members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9
Ref: Request to declare station vacant

THIS LETTER SUSPERSEDS OUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

As Sister Nancy Davis **was not present** for the Election of Officers to fill the station of Associate Conductress for another year and as there were no candidates for election to this office and no election for the position of Associate Conductress in March 2016, in accordance with *The Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Article III Officers, Section 3 Installation*, the office of Associate Conductress is declared vacant for the 2016-2017 year.

Please note that we can only make decisions from May 10, 2016 to May 9, 2017. Any previous decisions or issues are not under our administration as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Fraternal Regards,

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Robert Bradish
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October 5, 2016

To the Members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

I have reviewed the changes to Georgetown Chapter Bylaws submitted to me on October 1, 2016 and submit the following approvals and disapprovals to the Chapter. I would also urge the members of Georgetown Chapter to continue to review your Chapter Bylaws and organize them in a fashion that will be more user friendly.

Article II - Order of Business – Section 1 is not approved. *Book of Instruction for Chapters* page 4 provides the guidelines for the Order of Business. Note the wording used for each Order of Business.

Article III Officers (b) is approved.

Article IV – Membership – Section 1 is not approved. Membership requirements are outlined in the *Ritual*. The change should reference the *Ritual* and not *The Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters*.

Article V – Fees and Dues – Section 2 is approved.

Article VII – Trustees – Section 3 is approved.

Fraternal Regards,

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November 15, 2016

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Porter
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Ref: Proficiency requirements

Sister Bernadette and Brother Charles:

You approached me at the installation of the Grand Master on October 13, 2016 and asked if an elected officer in a Subordinate Chapter could be excused from the proficiency requirement or have it adjusted so they can fulfill their desire to become Worthy Matron? Additional you asked if there was any way an exception could be made for an officer who had difficulty memorizing their "ritual." It was explained to me that health issues had caused Sister Bernadette to be inactive for some time and that she now wished to become more active again. It was also stated that those health issues were making it harder or almost impossible for her to memorize. There was concern about having to be prompted every other word. At the time, you approached me I thought a verbal response was all you required. Because you have asked for a more formal response, I will explain my answer in written form.

The law of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star is very clear that proficiency is required for the stations of Conductress, Associate Matron and Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron in a Subordinate Chapter. The requirements are the "C" examination for Conductress, the "B" examination for Associate Matron and Worthy Matron and the Worthy Patron examination by the Associate Patron for Worthy Patron. The requirements for these can be found in the "*Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article IX Duties and Responsibilities of Grand Officers, Section 8 Grand Lecturer, Sub-section 2 and 3.*" At present, there are no provisions for alternative arrangements for taking any proficiency examinations. I also want to point out that our proficiency is more than just memorizing "ritual". There is a considerable amount of demonstrating the required floor work. If the proficiency would be waived there is still the issue that only one ritual is allowed to be opened during open Subordinate Chapter meeting and that is by the Deputy Grand Lecturer. This requirement is found in the *Book of Instruction Rituals page 22.* Reproduction of any part of the "ritual" is also not allowed by General Grand Chapter." See *Ritual, Ritual and Secret Work, page 165.*

In our conversations, you asked if there was any way I as Worthy Grand Matron could issue a special dispensation or overrule the law of Grand Chapter. As Worthy Grand Matron, under the current law, I cannot issue a special dispensation to lay aside requirements set forth in the "*Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.*" Additionally, any decision or actions I take as Worthy Grand Matron only apply to the current term of office and are null and void once my successor has been elected and installed.

If there are portions of the "*Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction*" that you feel should be revised, you have the right, as voting member of Grand Chapter, to submit a proposed change to the law and have it acted upon at the Grand Chapter Session.

I would suggest that you might begin your quest to a Subordinate Chapter Office by stating your desire to those Elected Subordinate Chapter Officers who are in line to become Worthy Matron. You might also start with a station that has minimal memory work and work into stations that include more memory work.

Learning "ritual" is different for each individual. Not everyone can simply learn the "ritual" by looking at the written words and put it to memory. An alternative approach might be to work with your Deputy Grand Lecturer or another member face to face. When we were children many times this was how we learned songs and rhythms. Think about the "ritual" like a song or rhythm you are learning word by word as you hear it and repeat it.

All the best to you in the future.

Fraternal regards,

Handwritten signature of Barbara F. Lott in cursive script.

Barbara F. Lott
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NOTICE

DATE: March 20, 2017

TO: ALL LODGES, PAST GRAND MASTERS, APPENDANT BODIES and ADJACENT
GRAND JURISDACTIONS

FROM: OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY
James E. Waecker, SR., P.G.M.

SUBJECT: Removal from office of Ronald Keller as E.O. of DeMolay in Delaware and G.
Thomas Taylor as Chairman on Youth in Delaware.

Each of the above named have been officially notified of their having been removed from
their respective appointed offices.

TAKE DUE NOTICE AND GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY!



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SUBJECT: DeMolay of Delaware

You are hereby notified that because of an incident occurring on October 15, 2016 at an
event held by Delaware DeMolay at the Cape Henlopen State Park, and the ongoing
investigation into the same I, Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, have
ordered the temporary removal of recognition of DeMolay in Delaware.

With this order all activities of DeMolay in Delaware are suspended as of the above date.

Anyone who violates this directive will be considered as acting in a un-masonic manner
and will be treated accordingly.

TAKE DUE NOTICE AND GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY!

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**OFFICIAL LETTER TO BE READ IN ALL SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS AT THE FIRST MEETING
FOLLOWING ITS RECEIPT**

March 23, 2017

To: The Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star


Ref: DeMolay of Delaware

Sisters and Brothers:

On March 23, 2017, a letter dated March 20th, 2017 was received from the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Delaware indicating the Most Worshipful Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware was temporarily removing recognition of DeMolay in Delaware and all activities of DeMolay in Delaware were to be suspended as of March 20th, 2017. Therefore, until the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Delaware reinstates recognition of DeMolay in Delaware in like fashion the Grand Chapter of Delaware is suspending recognition of Delaware DeMolay and all Subordinate Chapters and members will in like manner not have any fraternal interaction or official dealings with Delaware DeMolay.

The letter from the Grand Lodge Office is available from the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron
Fraternal Regards,

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Notice

Date: April 17, 2017

To: All Lodges, Past Grand Masters, Appendant and Concordant Bodies, DeMolay International, and Adjacent Jurisdictions

From: Office of the Grand Secretary

Subject: DeMolay of Delaware

Friday, March 17th, 2017, Grand Lodge received notification of a complaint and allegation of un-DeMolay like conduct and an allegation of inappropriate contact between some DeMolay boys at an event held on October 15th, 2016 at Cape Henlopen State Park.

Upon receiving this notification, I, Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, filed a report with the State of Delaware, Division of Child Services, Child Protection Agency as required by Title 16 Delaware Code Para. 9. To insure the safety of all young men in Delaware DeMolay, recognition of DeMolay in Delaware was temporarily removed on March 20, 2017 and all DeMolay activity ceased. The Executive Officer for Delaware (EO), Chairman of the Committee on Youth, and All DeMolay Advisors were temporarily removed from their respective active duties pending investigation. An investigation was started by the State of Delaware and all Masonic bodies were notified not to interfere with the State investigation.

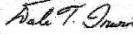
Whereas the EO Ronald G. Keller had taken necessary and appropriate disciplinary actions regarding the DeMolay members involved in the incident and the necessary notifications had been made to DeMolay International in October of 2016 as required; therefore, I, Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, am ordering the restoration of full recognition of DeMolay in Delaware. I am also restoring to active office, Ronald G. Keller, EO; G. Thomas Taylor, Chairman of the Committee on Youth; and All DeMolay advisors effective April 11th, 2017. DeMolay Chapters can resume full activities beginning Monday April 17th, 2017. All advisors who have completed the

Required DeMolay Advisor training prior to April 17th, 2016 will be required to complete refresher training as directed by the EO. Any advisor who has successfully completed the training within the past twelve months will not be required to complete refresher training at this time.

Whereas the State of Delaware has not concluded their investigation, all advisors, officers, and masons are instructed not to interfere with the ongoing investigation. Neither are they to engage in any activities that may impede or disrupt the State investigation. Full cooperation with the State is to be expected by all individuals.

Take due notice and govern yourself accordingly.

Fraternally,



Dale T. Irwin
Grand Master of Masons in Delaware

CC: Ronald G. Keller, Executive Officer of DeMolay in Delaware
G. Thomas Taylor, Chairman, Committee on Youth
M.W. H.J. Atkinson, Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence
Grand Secretary
R.W. John W. Marinucci, Deputy Grand Master
William Sardone, Grand Master of DeMolay
Bro. Kevin Baird, Committee on Law

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FOLLOWING ITS RECEIPT**

April 22, 2017

To: The members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

Ref: Delaware DeMolay

Sisters and Brothers:

On April 20th, 2017, a letter dated April 17th, 2017 was received from Dale T. Irwin, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware restoring full recognition of DeMolay in Delaware. All activities of DeMolay were resumed Monday, April 17th, 2017. You are hereby notified In like fashion the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star is restoring full recognition of Delaware DeMolay. Your support of Delaware DeMolay going forward is encouraged.

The letter from the Grand Master is available from the Worthy Grand Matron.

Fraternal Regards,



Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron (SEAL)

Cc: Grand Lodge of Delaware AF & AM



Vickie J Nicklas, PGM
 Grand Secretary of Delaware
 25118 Oak Road
 Seaford, DE 19973

April 11, 2017

Mrs. Barbara F. Lott, WGM
 PO Box 186
 Dagsboro, DE 19939

Dear Barbara, Worthy Grand Matron:

It is with a heavy heart that on the advice of my physician regarding health issues that I will not be able to stand nor will I accept the nomination for Grand Secretary for the ensuring year. Should someone put my name in and I become elected I will not and cannot serve as Grand Secretary.

I do thank this Grand Chapter for their help this year. I couldn't have done it without all of you.

Fraternally,

 Vickie J Nicklas

Cc: Constitution and Bylaw Committee
 Ms. Henrietta McKelvey, PGM
 Mrs. Sandra Sahutsky, PGM
 Mr. Stephen Tolbert, GGCCM

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April 22, 2017

To: Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary
 25118 Oak Rd
 Seaford, DE 19973

Ref: Acknowledging receipt of letter advising not standing for election

Dear Sister Vickie:

With this letter, I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 11th, 2017 informing me that you would not be standing for election as Grand Secretary at the upcoming Grand Chapter Session due to health reasons.

Just saying thank you will never repay your kindness. You saw a void in Grand Chapter and were willing to step up to the plate and fill it. You made Grand Chapter your priority without regard to your health. All I can say is thank you and know what you have done this year is truly appreciated. Someday I hope to give to you what you have given to this Grand chapter.

Take time for Vickie. Enjoy the little things in life for they truly are the big things.

Fraternal Regards,



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April 14, 2017

To: Sister Kathleen "Kathi" Anderson
Ref: Appointment to Unfinished Business Committee for three (3) years

Sister Kathi:

Per our phone conversation, thank you for agreeing to serve on the Unfinished Business Committee for three (3) years to fill the term of Sister Euretta Schultheiss.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron (SEAL)

APPENDIX B
OTHER LETTERS SENT AND RECEIVED

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Congratulations on your appointment as a Grand Representative!

As such you are a good will ambassador in Delaware on behalf of the presiding office of another Grand Jurisdiction. You are the tie that binds hearts together in sharing the joy of the Order with your counterpart. Through you there are no limitations of time and space. Through you, we work in closer harmony with our fellow Grand Jurisdictions and see that both our blessings and our problems are not unique. Through this mutual sharing of communication via electronic or other forms of communication the mutual sharing our vision is broadened.

Great beauty may be found in another Grand Jurisdiction. Great treasures and the wealth of the earth is piled high in goodly store; recounted by the new friend you've found.

We encourage you, if possible, to attend the Annual Grand Chapter Session of the Grand Jurisdiction from which you have received your appointment. With today's technology, it is possible to have a greater interaction with your counterpart than in years past. Besides a good old-fashioned letter and a phone call now and then, there are other forms of electronic communication to bring keep you in touch with your counterpart.

Sisters who are not Subordinate Chapter Officers, when you are introduced at Birthday's, Official Visits, or Exchanges please wear a floor length dress or floor length skirt with top; Brothers please wear a tuxedo or if you do not have one wear a dark suite.

We encourage you to walk down "Friendship Road" with your counterpart and increase the circle of your fraternal family.

Again, congratulations and enjoy your appointment

Fraternal Regards,

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July 7, 2016

To: Sisters Christine Cannon, Laura Williams, Karen Womach, Joyce Myslewicz, Brenda Steinman, Marianne Sylvester, Logan Mason, Jane Morris, Mary Venables, Joan K. Edwards, Sue Kennedy, Joan S. Edwards, Joy Hopkins, Rosemarie Vanderhoogt, Sue Peronti, Cathy Yaiser, Henrietta McKelvey, Linda Morganstern, Susan Shustack and Brothers Robert Street, Randy Ellis, David Melvin, Walt Myslewicz, Oliver Hitchens, and Bert Hiddeman

Ref: 2017 Annual Session

The 2017 Annual Grand Chapter "Memories and Melodies" Session is a mere ten months away. The Co-Chairman, Sisters Catherine "Scotty" Schultz and Ann Street have identified you as a member with talents that would contribute to the success of the session. Therefore, I am inviting you to become a member of the Annual Sessions Committee to work with the Co-Chairman to see that the session is all that it can be.

Your reply to this would be appreciated by July 30, 2016. Reply to the address above or via email to barblott@aol.com or cell or text to 860-465-6345.

Thanking you for the consideration in advance.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
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Dear Worthy Grand Matron :

I would like to extend my personal invitation to you and your guest to be our guest at the **Grand Master's Banquet** on **Sunday, October 9, 2016**. The **Grand Master's Banquet** will be at the **Atlantic Sands Hotel and Conference Center, 101 North Boardwalk, Rehoboth Beach, DE**. Dress is **FORMAL**. There will be a **social hour at 6:00 p.m.** (cash bar) and dinner will be at **7:00 p.m. on both nights**.

I would appreciate it if you could give a report and remarks concerning **The Order of Eastern Star** at our Meeting on **Monday October 10, 2016**. We will be having our guests enter the Lodge room at approximately **9:30**. Please provide the **Grand Secretary** with a **via e mail** or Typed on a sheet of 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

The Grand Master's wife, Bonnie Zahn will be hosting a Luncheon for the Ladies on Monday October 10, 2016 in the Sanabel Room at 12:00 noon.

If you desire lodging accommodations at the **Atlantic Sands Hotel and Conference Center, 101 North Boardwalk, Rehoboth Beach, DE** please contact the **Atlantic Sands Hotel**. Their phone number for your convenience is **1-302-227-2511**. **State that you are with the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M and specify Block #7291.**

Please return the **information form** to this office by **August 28, 2016**. I am looking forward to the pleasure of your company at these Masonic festivities.

Sincerely,

Nathan Zahn
Grand Master

NZ/cpf

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August 1, 2016

To: Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Delaware
c/o Most Worshipful Grand Master Nathan Zahn
818 Market Street
Wilmington, DE 19801-3077

Ref: Grand Lodge Annual Banquet and Sessions

Most Worshipful Grand Master:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the Grand Master's Banquet on Sunday, October 9, 2016 at the Atlantic Sands Hotel and Conference Center in Rehoboth Beach, DE. I look forward to attending with my escort and Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of Delaware, Illustrious William "Bill" Lott.

I will be happy to bring greetings and remarks concerning the Order of the Eastern Star on Monday, October 10, 2016.

Thank you for the invitation concerning room accommodations and the luncheon but we will be returning home immediately after each event as we live in Dagsboro.

Fraternal Regards,

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July 23, 2016

To: Sister Kathi Anderson, PGM, GGCM Credentials

Ref: Committee on General Grand Chapter Philanthropic Efforts

Dear Sister Kathi

General Grand Chapter has many charities. Among them are: Cancer, Heart, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Community Service, Alzheimer's, Youth, ESTARL, Service Dogs, Regenerative Medicine, Support First Responders, etc. ESTARL has been a charity of the General Grand Chapter since 1952 when it was started by Sister Ruth Angrave Jones, PMWGM from Connecticut. This past Triennium Service Dogs was voted to become another charity of the General Grand Chapter. With all these charities, we are spread very thin and the amount of dollars that can be raised for that particular charity. In addition, the ESTARL Committee is the only one of these charities that is and has been a Standing Committee in this Grand Jurisdiction for many years. Although General Grand Chapter does not delete any charity there seems to be a need to educate the membership on how these charities can be supported and where funds should be directed if a Sister or Brother chooses to support that charity.

Last year, Sister Eurette Schultheiss, PGM had a General Grand Chapter Philanthropic Committee but there was no action taken by the committee. To me the idea behind having this committee is a good one but there needs to be a direction given to the committee, so that the end of the year report notes their accomplishment, if only that the charge to the committee is more clearly defined.

As of this date no committee has been populated as we have had difficulty verbalizing what we are looking for from the committee. With our dwindling and ageing membership, it is difficult to appoint committees for each one of the above charities. Many times, other eyes see a direction when one cannot. I would like you make use of the General Grand Chapter Committee Members talents: To promote the General Grand Chapter Charities for this Triennium for this year; recommend if this committee should be continued in the future and a charge to the committee; or if appointments should be made of an individual for each of the General Grand Chapter Charities. It is your call as to how you would like to promote these charities. I envision the possibility of using your time for remarks when you are attending Subordinate Chapter meetings to focusing on one or more of these charities or even asking for time at a Subordinate Chapter meeting to talk about General Grand Chapter's charity efforts. The above are only suggestions and you may see other ways to use this committee. In other words, I am seeing the committee as a committee to educate the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware as to the charitable efforts of the General Grand Chapter.

Sister Kathi, I would like to request that you serve as Chairman of this committee. The committee will consist of you, Brother Stephen Tolbert, GGCM ESTARL, Sister Doris Egbert, GGCM Youth, Brother J. Eddie Morris, GGCM, Unfinished Business. Face to face or electronic meetings may suffice to accomplish your task; but again, this is your call.

Your response to this request would be appreciated by August 5th, 2016.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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A reply by August 5th would be appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

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July 26, 2016

To: Sister Cathy Yaiser, Past Matron, Grand Trustee 1 year; Sister Joyce Myslewicz, Past Grand Matron, Grand Trustee 2 years and Brother Robert Steinman, Past Grand Patron Grand Trustee 3-years.

Ref: Letter Concerning Printed Program

It is impossible to address the concerns in the letter from the Grand Trustee concerning the Printed Program without looking at it as the individual responsible for the project. But to be very succinct, yes, the Printed Program will be completed but not in the timeline originally envisioned.

Over the past several years there seems to have been a constant chatter about dropping this project as it was not of any use to anyone. When Brother Bill and I were requested to produce the program several years ago we found that the programs had been produced but not distributed. Whether this was true or not, we did not investigate. What we did do was make sure that when we produced the program and had the final copy, the resulting product would be distributed to the Subordinate Chapters, Grand Chapter Associations, the Grand Lodge, Subordinate Lodges, and advertisers. Those that could not be hand carried were sent at no cost to the Grand Chapter. That cost has been borne by the individuals producing the program.

This past year when the suggestion was made at the October 2015 meeting of the Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons, I listened and took away from this that should be a way we can make the program something useful. At the same time Sister Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM, then Worthy Grand Matron on several occasions indicated that the program should come out as it did in year's past when "The Benefit" was an all-day affair at Nur Shrine Temple. From these comments, I took away the desire to change the format and in changing the format would take the white "Directory" and have this be a skeleton of information which could be found in the Printed Program. The "Printed Program" would have a timeframe to be finished by June 2016 and fall around the time that it had in years past, in June.

The June timeframe got totally side tracked as the Constitutional Review Work Group started their job. I did not seek to become the individual who input the results of our meetings but that happened. Preparation for the 2016-2017-year side tracked the project more. I had hoped to conclude this project by July but it will not happen. I am in the final stages of putting everything to paper. The program will then be proof read and after corrections are made it will go to print.

I realize that there are individuals that feel there should have been no change to the format of the printed program. My answer to those individuals is that this Grand Chapter is where it is because we have always done things the way they have been done for years and never taken the time to try to see a new way of looking at things or evaluating the projects, social events, and other things that we do. I do plan to bring this project up in an Elected Grand Line Officers meeting in the fall of this year.

As for Brother Bill Lott's requesting the money for printing last spring: That was a choice that he and Sister Joan S. Edwards, Past Grand Matron and then Grand Secretary made so that the monies would be available for the printing. He was not absconding with the funds. He was merely trying to make sure that the money would be available and not go into this year's funds.

As to the recommendation regarding Financial Reports: Brother Bill Lott did follow this rule; I know of others who have not. As Worthy Grand Matron, I will be sending a letter mid-February to all committee chairmen, with copy to the Grand Trustees, with an example of what should be included in a financial report and reminding them that financial reports are due April 15th.

Fraternal Regards,



Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron



Frankford Chapter No. 12, OES
Millville, DE

September 23, 2016

Mr. William Lott
P.O. Box 186
Dagsboro, DE 19939

Brother Bill,

I am directing this letter to you as you were the Chairman of the Printed Program for Grand Chapter year 2015-2016.

I have been asked by members of Frankford Chapter No. 12 "where is the Printed Program?", so I am now directing that question to you. Frankford Chapter raised over \$400.00 in ads, some of which were for businesses either owned by our members or the employers of other members. They solicited these ads in good faith that they would be able to show an end product.

Grand Chapter closed their books for the year April 25, 2016 and all business should have been concluded by then, including Printed Program.

Is this the image we want to create for our Order? We ask our members to solicit ads or donations and then do not fulfill our commitment to produce a Printed Program. What will happen the next time we ask for support of a fundraiser?

Would you please advise me as to the status of the Printed Program for 2015-2016 prior to Sept. 28, 2016? Frankford Chapter has a regular stated meeting on that date and I would like to have a reply to the members' question.

Fraternally,

Jane M. Morris, PGM
Worthy Matron

Cc: Eurette L. Schultzeiss, PGM
Grand Trustees
Cathy Yaiser
Joyce Myslewicz, PGM
Robert Stineman, PGP

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October 5, 2016

To: Sister Jane Morris, PGM
Ref: Printed Program

Sister Jane:

As I take full responsibility for what has happened with the printed program and after much discussion, Brother Bill and I decided that it was my responsibility to answer your letter and my apologies about not replying before September 28, 2016.

Although it was thought last year when we solicited for the printed program that it was made clear that the program would not be printed until AFTER Grand Chapter and include both the 2015 – 2016 and 2016 – 2017 years, it is obvious now that no one understood that.

Over the past several years there seems to have been a constant chatter about dropping this project as it was not of any use to anyone. This past year the suggestion was made that the program become something useful. At the same time Sister Eurette L. Schultheiss, PGM, then Worthy Grand Matron on several occasions indicated that the program should come out as it did in year's past when "The Benefit" was an all-day affair at Nur Shrine Temple. The take away from comments was the desire to change the format and in changing the format and have the white "Directory" be a skeleton of information which could be found in the Printed Program. The "Printed Program" would have a timeframe to be finished by June 2016 and fall around the time that it had in years past, in June.

I did not prioritize my time effectively and this project feel through the cracks and take full responsibility for what has happened.

Be assured that the printed program went to the printers today. Minuteman Printing in Dewey Beach did not have a time frame for me today but assured me that they will communicate that time frame to me as soon as it is ready to be printed. The program is camera ready and sent to them in both publisher and pdf formatted file. There only needs to be a little tweaking by the printer to prepare it for printing. All commercial and fraternal ads will appear in a program for the Afternoon with Frank Sinatra and Dame Edna on March 26th, 2017 at no cost to those individuals who took the ads.

Fraternal Regards,

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October 25, 2016

To: The members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star
Ref: 2015 – 2017 Printed Program

I am writing this letter as the individual responsible for putting together the "Printed Program" and not as Worthy Grand Matron as I take full responsibility for what has happened with the "Printed Program".

Although it was thought last year when we solicited for the "Printed Program" that it was made clear that the program would not be printed until AFTER Grand Chapter and include both the 2015 – 2016 and 2016 – 2017 years, it is now obvious that this was not understood.

Over the past several years there has been constant chatter about dropping this project as it was not of any use to anyone. This past year the suggestion was made that the program become something useful. At the same time Sister Eurette L. Schultheiss, PGM, then Worthy Grand Matron on several occasions indicated that the program should come out as it did in year's past when "The Benefit" was an all-day affair at Nur Shrine Temple. The take away from comments was the desire to change the format and have the white "Directory" be a skeleton of information which could be found in the Printed Program. The "Printed Program" would have a timeframe to be

finished by June 2016 and be completed and distributed around the time that it had in years past when the one-day event was held at Nur Temple.

I did not prioritize my time effectively and this project fell through the cracks and I take full responsibility for what has happened.

Be assured that the "2015-2017 Printed Program" is completed and being distributed. All commercial and fraternal ads appearing in this program will also appear in a program for the "Afternoon with Frank Sinatra and Dame Edna" on March 26th, 2017 at no cost to those individuals who took the ads. If an ad was inadvertently left out or not to the satisfaction of individuals, I request that individuals contact me so that the change or inclusion can be made.

No funds from the Grand Chapter General Fund or Benefit for Children Fund were expended in the printing of the 2015 – 2017 Printed Program nor will they be expended in the printing of the program for the March 2017 event.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron



**Miss Job's Daughter of Delaware Pageant 2017
Sponsor Form
(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)**

All money, after expenses, will be used to defray the travel costs for the new Miss Job's Daughter of DE 2017-2018 as she represents Job's Daughters at various Masonic activities throughout Delaware and other states, including going to Supreme Session in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania in August. Your name will be printed in the Pageant Booklet. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Name: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Sponsor	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> White Sponsor	\$45.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Sponsor	\$65.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Sponsor	\$85.00

Total Amount Paid _____

Thank you for your support!

Please return this form with check(s) payable to: JDI Delaware Pageant Fund.

Send form and check(s) to:
Julia Cordell
108 Netherlands Drive
Middletown, DE 19709

or Email: krdlz5@aol.com
For questions, please call: 302-373-7237

Deadline February 4th, 2017

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December 17, 2016

To: Julia Cordell
108 Netherlands Drive
Middletown, DE 19709

Ref: Letter of invitation, request for support from Chapters and Request for gift for Frist Runner-Up for the Annual Miss Job's Daughter of Delaware Pageant

Thank you for the invitation to attend the 47th Annual Miss Job's Daughter of Delaware Pageant on March 11th, 2017. I have placed the date on my schedule and plan to attend, escorted by my husband Brother William Lott, Grand Sentinel.

The letter requesting support from the Subordinate Chapter of Delaware will be forwarded as requested.

The Worthy Grand Patron and I would be pleased to donate the plaque and engraving for the First Runner-Up. Additionally, please find a check for the plaque and a gold sponsorship in the program booklet

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November 20, 2016

Sister Vickie:

Transmittal #16 is to go with the profit from Sister Joyce Myslewicz from the meal provided after Queen of the South. With this \$50, the profit should come to over \$700.

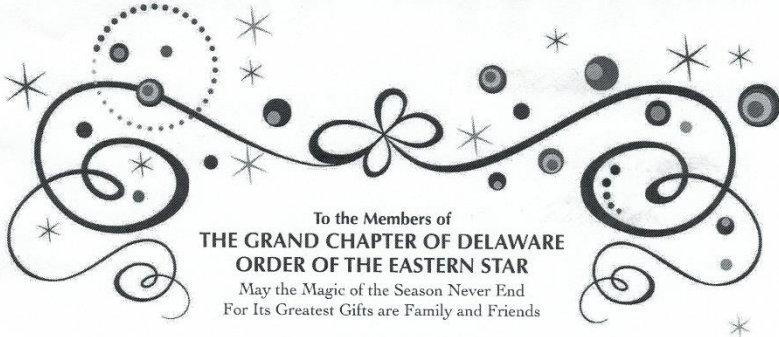
When this event was originally conceived I had stated to the Worthy Grand Matrons of other Jurisdictions that if and only if there was any profit a portion of the profit would be given to each Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project. Therefore, would you send a check to the Grand Secretary of the District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey for \$100 each for the Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project or charity.

Please place the remainder of the profit in the "Mile of Quarters" project.

I will notify the Worthy Grand Matrons that this donation has been or will be made.

With much thanks

Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron



To the Members of
**THE GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

May the Magic of the Season Never End
For Its Greatest Gifts are Family and Friends

A Holiday Recipe

Found in the clippings of Sister Ermal Fuller Lott, Montrose Chapter #151

Take the early days of December and add a generous portion of snow over which a sprinkling of ice has been sifted.

Next take some brisk winter air and the blush of early morning sunlight; cream these two ingredients until the days tingle with expectations

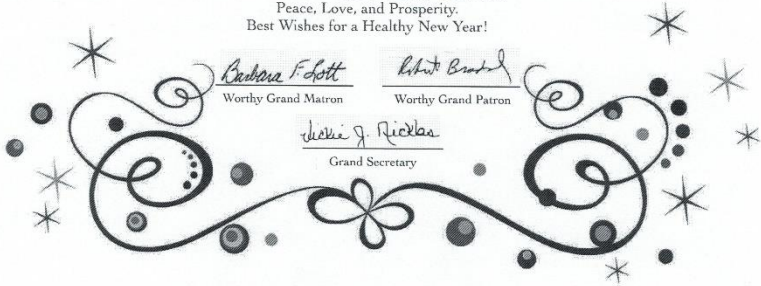
Add to this the joy of a generous heart blended with wonder of a radiant-eyed child. Gently fold in the soft touch of a grandparent's hands. Set this aside for a moment while you catch a bit of laughter from under the mistletoe. Marinate this in love before you add it to the mixture.

Form all ingredients into a warmth of good will and set aside to bubble. Keep this bubbling in a surrounding of happiness for days while you address cards, wrap gifts, clean the house and prepare for the day when it is to be served on a platter of lasting memories.

Then surrounded by the aroma from the Christmas tree, garnish the mixture with silver, gold, red, green, and blue trimmings which have been dipped in the love of mankind.

Serve after you have offered a prayer of gratitude.

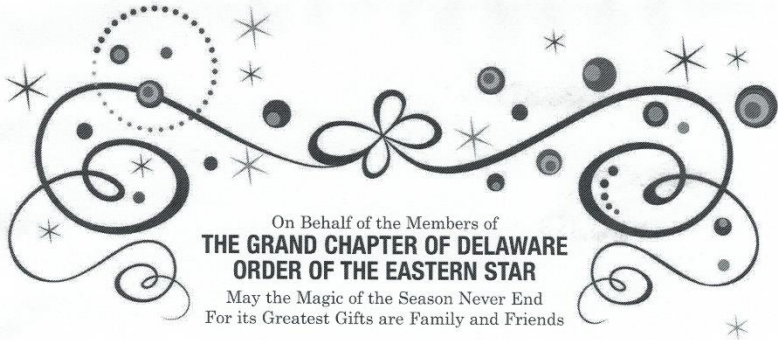
Wishing our Eastern Star and Fraternal Friends and Family
Near and Far a Joyous Holiday Filled with
Peace, Love, and Prosperity.
Best Wishes for a Healthy New Year!



Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron

Robert Brandy
Worthy Grand Patron

Debbie J. Nicklas
Grand Secretary



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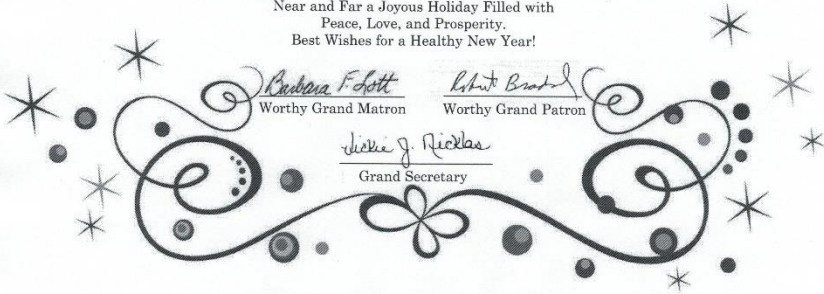
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Best Wishes for a Healthy New Year!



Andrena F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron

Robert Brant
Worthy Grand Patron

Dickie J. Rickles
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December 20, 2016

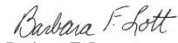
To: Home of the Brave
6632 Sharps Road
Milford, DE 19963-


Ref: Donation

Enclosed find twenty (20) ten-dollar Walmart Gift Cards for the residents of Home of the Brave I and II. These were collected in lieu of cards at the state-wide Holiday Party held on December 10th, 2016.

Blessings of the Season to the Residents and Staff of Home of the Brave I and II. In the New Year may all reach their goals and be proud of each and every success.

Fraternal Regards,


Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron


Robert Bradish
Worthy Grand Patron



The Home of the Brave
Foundation, Inc.
6632 Sharps Road
Milford, DE 19963
(302) 424-1681
www.homeofthebravefdn.org

Jessica Finan, Executive Director

The Home of the Brave Foundation was established to furnish food, shelter and counseling to veterans of the Armed Forces of the USA without regard to sex, race, color, or creed.
EIN 51-0338521

December 26, 2017

Grand Chapter of Delaware
Order of the Eastern Star
Attention: Barbara F. Lott
P.O. Box 186
Dagsboro, Delaware 19939

Dear Members and Barbara,

This letter is to show our appreciation for your donation of the 20-\$10.00 Walmart gift cards for the residents of Home of the Brave I and II. No goods or services were received on the part of this donation. Home of the Brave relies greatly on supporters such as you, to continue to provide services to the homeless veterans in our community. Our goal is to provide case management for each veteran to transition to their next step within 6-9 months after coming to live at Home of the Brave. Providing this transformation assistance to our nation's veterans is truly a lifesaving gift. Thank you so much for your commitment to our nation's veterans.

With deep appreciation,


Jessica Finan,
Executive Director

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January 22, 2017

Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Family of 2016-2017:

The afternoon of March 26th, 2017 promises to be one that will be remembered in the years to come. For the first time, all Masonic organizations are coming together and supporting the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star as funds are raised to provide that extra something that will make the lives of children with special needs in Delaware that much better.

A "Family Gathering to Benefit Children with Special Needs in Delaware" will take place at the Nur Shrine, 198 South DuPont Highway, New Castle, DE 19720. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m. with dinner and dancing to the music of DJ/MC Bongo Mike. A special appearance by Dame Edna will precede the performance by Sinatra vocalist, Sean Reilly. In addition, there will be a cash bar and silent auction. Tickets are \$30 per person.

This is an event where family, friends and neighbors are all welcome. The hall at Nur Shrine holds 450 people. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could see that happen?

We are asking your assistance by purchasing or selling the five (5) enclosed tickets. Thank you in advance and we look forward to your participation in this event.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Sister PJ Roby at 302-945-6634 or pjroby@mac.com.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 23, 2017

Hall Rentals
Nur Shrine
198 South DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

Ref: Order of Eastern Star event March 26th, 2017

Enclosed you will find a personal check for \$757.00 for the remainder of the cost of the rental for the Order of the Eastern Star event to take place of Sunday, March 26th, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 24, 2017

To: Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary
25118 Oak Road
Seaford, DE 19973

Ref: 2016 Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sister Vickie:

Due to extenuating circumstances, I am granting an extension to February 12th, 2017 for the completion of the 2016 Proceedings.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 25, 2017

To: Miss Deborah D. Good, Secretary Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
16 High Pond Drive
Newark, DE 19711

Ref: Calculating 50 years of membership for Sister Barbara Jones of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

Sister Debbie:

After consulting the *Constitution, Bylaws, Rules of Regulations of Grand Chapter, Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters, and Book of Instruction of the Grand Chapter of Delaware* and the *Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Book of Instruction of General Grand Chapter I* find nothing that addresses the issue of how fifty (50) years of membership is calculated. I also find nothing in the Subordinate Chapter Bylaws of Caesar Rodney Chapter that addresses this issue. The recognition and acknowledgement of this milestone appears to be a tradition and not law. That said, I would base the fifty (50) years of membership as time of membership in the Order. Note that the phrase "time of membership" is used not the phrase "consecutive membership."

In the case of Sister Barbara, the calculation of the fifty (50) years would be May 25th, 2017. The calculation of this was done using the following information.

Sister Barbara joined the order on December 12th, 1966. If there had been no breaks in membership the fifty (50) years of membership would have been December 12th, 2016.

As there were breaks in membership those were taken into account. There was a break of seven (7) days after a demit on April 12th, 1971 and her reinstatement on April 21st, 1971.

Another break of one hundred and fifty-seven (157) days occurred when she was suspended on December 31st, 1989 and reinstated on June 7th, 1990.

Adding the two breaks together gives a total of one hundred and sixty-four (164) days when she was not a member of the Order.

The total of the two breaks (164 days) was added to the date of December 12th, 2016 to find the date that Sister Barbara will have had fifty (50) years of membership in the Order.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 30, 2017

To: [Name] [Title if applicable]
[Address]
[City, State Postal Code]

Ref: 50-year membership recognition at the 2017 "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session

Dear [Sister/Brother] [Name]:

On behalf of the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware it is our pleasure to invite you to attend the 2017 "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session. At the Monday Afternoon, May 8th, 2017 Session we will be celebrating your 50 years of membership in the Order of the Eastern Star.

If you are attending the Monday Afternoon Session only you are not required to pay a registration fee (*Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article III Section 1 (9)*); this letter serves as your special pass to attend only the afternoon session without paying a registration fee.

Again, congratulations on your 50 years of membership.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 30, 2017

To: [Name], [Title]
[Past Grand Matron Past Grand Patron General Grand Chapter Committee
Member Committee Name]
Address
City State Postal Code

Ref: Opening of the [Day] [Morning/Afternoon/Evening] May [Date]th Session of the 2017 Grand Chapter Session

[Brother/Sister] [Name]:

As plans are being formulated for the 2017 "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session, we would like to invite you to open the [Day] [Morning/Afternoon/Evening], May [Date]th Session with [Sister/Brother] [Name] [Title]

Please reply by February 8th, 2017 via email to barblott@aol.com or via text to 860-465-6345.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 31, 2017

To: Mrs. Linda Ferguson, Supreme Representative
Job's Daughters of Delaware
35 Heather Road
Newark, DE 19702

Ref: 2017 "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session

Dear Linda:

At the 2017 "Melodies and memories" Grand Chapter Session the flags of the United States, Canada, Delaware, Grand Lodge, Order of the Eastern Star, Christian, Jewish, Job's Daughters and DeMolay are presented at the Informal Opening of the Annual Session which will be held on Sunday evening, May 7th in the Diamond Room of the Dover Downs Casino and Conference Center. I would like to request nine (9) "Daughters" to accompany the DeMolay members who will be carrying these flags. If the "Daughters" could arrive at the Diamond Room 30 minutes before the 7:00 p.m. start of the Informal Opening that would be appreciated.

Your reply by February 28th, 2017 with the names of the "Daughters" who would be willing to participate in this evening would be appreciated.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Fraternal Regards,

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January 31, 2017

To: Mr. Ronald Keller, Executive Office
Delaware Association of DeMolay Chapters
210 Sycamore Road
Elkton, MD 21921

Ref: 2017 "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session

Dad Ron Keller:

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Your reply by February 28th, 2017 with the names of the "DeMolays" who would be willing to participate in this evening would be appreciated.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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February 15, 2017

To: Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia, Order of the Eastern Star
c/o Dorothy S. Thornley, PGM, Grand Secretary
122 C Street N.W. Room 115
Washington, D.C. 20001-2109

Ref: 121st Annual Session

Dear Sister Dorothy, PGM:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the 12st Annual Grand Session; The "Ignite Your Light!" Session. I regret that neither I nor my husband, Brother William "Bill" Lott, Grand Sentinel can be in attendance for the session. I am sure that a contingent of Elected and Appointed Grand Officers as well as Past Grand Matrons and Patrons will be in attendance for the Presentation of Distinguished Guests on Friday, May 25th.

I wish for the members of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia an Annual Session where peace and harmony prevail.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron

8/4/2017

Question from Grand Chapter of Delaware

From: Barbara <barblott@aol.com>
To: MWGMHelen <MWGMHelen@easternstar.org>
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Subject: Question from Grand Chapter of Delaware
Date: Thu, Mar 9, 2017 1:10 pm

Good afternoon Sister Helen.....

The Constitutional Committee continues to plug away at the revision we have been working on since last year. We see light at the end of the tunnel but it keeps disappearing as more questions and discussion ensue among the committee members. We are working toward a 2nd reading at this year's Grand Session. This is going to be a challenge but I'm preparing for it and now have a parliamentarian to help keep me straight although there are many members who are saying this isn't necessary....but then I can point out to them things that happened in the past during legislation that should never have been allowed. So I tell them the parliamentarian is for my benefit not theirs and they all seem to quiet down. Little do they know that I have her there for everyone's benefit not just mine. What they don't know won't hurt them.

Now to the question.....last evening as the committee was going over the Book of Instruction there were many comments about the fact that the *Ritual* is copyrighted and we read and re-read what was said. The question is does copyright apply so that an individual or Grand Chapter cannot take word for word and incorporate into their Constitution or is the intent that a Grand Chapter may incorporate into their law. The issue in question is on balloting. One member of the committee has served as not only Past Grand Patron but also on the Deputy State Fire Police. He indicated that have many manuals and even though they are copyrighted these manuals may be and are expected to be taken word for word and incorporated into their bylaws, policies and procedures. As a former reference librarian, I take issue with that and say that copyright is what it says and cannot be incorporated into a procedure in the Book of Instruction. A reference can be made to the *Ritual* but the rules stands....but no copying.

The discussion went on for some time and I finally indicated that I would consult with you and get your input so that we can move forward.

Thank you in advance for your assistance

Barb Lott, WGM
Delaware

<https://mail.ad.com/webmail-qt2/nc-us/PrivateMessage>

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March 14, 2017

Dear Sister Barbara:

This letter is in response to your email inquiry which stated, in part...."does copyright apply so that an individual or Grand Chapter cannot take word for word and incorporate into their Constitution or is the intent that a Grand Chapter may incorporate into their law...(sic)".

It is my firm understanding, and the opinion of the Jurisprudence Committee of General Grand Chapter, that the Ritual can be referenced or paraphrased, but it **cannot be copied word for word.**

I certainly hope that this helps you as you work on your revisions. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Helen J. Westmoreland
Most Worthy Grand Matron

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April 13, 2017

To: The members of the Subordinate Chapters in Delaware

Sisters and Brothers:

Before the "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Year comes to an end, we want to take a moment to thank the Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for all the courtesies and honors given to us. It has been a privilege to serve this Grand Chapter as your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron alongside the Sisters and Brothers who have served this year as Elective and Appointive Grand Officers. We possess a treasure here in our Grand Chapter – a rich and commendable heritage in our members and we thank you for your participation in this year.

We look forward to greeting each of the members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware at the Grand Session May 7th through 9th at Dover Downs Casino and Conference Center. Remember this year is not Mother's Day Weekend. Information is available on the delawareoes.org web site or by contacting the Grand Secretary. The Grand Banquet will be held on Saturday May 6th and is open to everyone. The Necrology and Informal Opening on Sunday, May 7th is also open to everyone and will be held in the Diamond Room. A reception will follow the closing of the Informal Session outside the Diamond Room. Tiled sessions begin in the Grand Ballroom on Monday morning at 9:30 a.m. and will carry on through the conclusion of business on Tuesday afternoon followed by the Open Installation of Grand Officers on Tuesday evening.

Always have unity in large things; tolerance in small things; and charity and all things.

Fraternal Regards,

Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron

Robert Bradish
Worthy Grand Patron

APPENDIX C
REMARKS AT FRATERNAL EVENTS
GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OCTOBER 10TH, 2016

Most Worshipful Grand Master and the members of the Grand Lodge of Delaware:

I bring the warm fraternal greetings of the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star and my own fraternal greetings.

In Psalm 133 Verse 1 it is said "Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." The psalmist has said beautifully what we strive for as fraternal Orders; searching for that quality of being one in spirit, in purpose, in agreement and in harmony; a quality that makes us a "Fraternal Family." The aim of Dr. Rob Morris, the founder of the Order of the Eastern Star in the very beginning was to gather together a great and loving family who would enjoy one another, and who would together build an Order known around the world for its strong principles and firm beliefs; similar to the Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

It is always our hope to accomplish unity as members of not only the Order of the Eastern Star but of the great Masonic Family. Our Orders are different but in many ways similar. As we look back, we realize that every one of us followed exactly the same footsteps of our Organizations from the doorway of the Chapter room or the Lodge room to the altar, to the various stations, always accompanied by a trusted friend who walked beside us. In memory, we recall the welcome, the instruction, and the sharing of impressive stories. So we realize that, as members of our separate organizations, we are joined together by our experiences. As members of this "Great Fraternal Family" we are joined by similar principles and beliefs.

As Worthy Grand Matron, I wish to thank the Grand Lodge and the individual Lodges for their support of our premier charity, "the Benefit for Children with Special Needs in Delaware." The beginnings of the "Benefit" program can be traced back to the late 1920s when contributions to a fund to aid members in distress from the Great Depression became a fund to "make a difference in the lives of children with special needs by the 1950s.

The "Benefit's" one-day event at Nur Shrine Temple started in the 1950s with a sole purpose, was to "make a difference" in the lives of our Children in Delaware with special needs.

The one-day program for the "Benefit" is no longer held. Today money is generated by many projects: The Printed Program, which is composed of advertisements from individual Lodges and Subordinate Chapters of the

Order of the Eastern Star, commercial friends, well-wishers; memorials; plus, the luncheons, dinners, and other events held throughout the year.

With the benevolent support of many, expenses are minimized; thus the maximum is available for distribution to the children. Contribution amounts and recipients are generated from a "wish list" gathered from schools, agencies, churches and individuals which serve children with special needs throughout Delaware. With your support, on May 8th, 2015 \$15,065.00 was distributed with grants to:

Children's Beach House

Camp Lenape for three camperships

Delaware Hospice for Camp Hope to provide camp scholarship for three children

Camp Scholarships for Wilmington children attending the Cathedral Choir School of Delaware

Southern Delaware Therapeutic Riding ten lessons for three children

Duet Wheelchair Tandem Bike for a child

Rifton Adaptive Tricycle for a child

Sussex Consortium Program of the Delaware Autistic program

Delaware State Programs for children With Deaf Blindness

We thank each of our contributors, whether the donation is money, food, labor or moral support, for aiding this humanitarian endeavor.

I would invite to join us on March 26, 2017 for "Afternoon with Frank Sinatra" at Nur Shrine. Anyone interested can see me or my husband Brother Bill Lott, for tickets.

If any Brother knows of a children, family, or organization that could benefit from a grant, applications have been left with your Grand Secretary.

In addition to the benefit, each year four award of up to \$1,000 are given to individuals that are preparing for careers in religious leadership. Rising juniors and graduate students are invited to apply for the Eastern Star Training Award for Religious Leadership.

Although available only to students who have a member in their family who has been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Jean and Robert Shustack Scholarship is available to students attending institutions for higher education.

Applications for all these scholarship programs have also been left with the Grand Secretary or one can visit our delawareoes.org web site.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Nathan Zahn, to you and your staff congratulations on the completion of your past year of service to the Grand Lodge. May the successes of the year be a lasting legacy for the future. It has been my pleasure to in your presence at several events this year.

Deputy Grand Master Dale Irwin, may you and your staff have a successful year as you reach for the goals you have set. Best wishes and safe travels. I look forward to seeing being with you and your staff on Thursday evening, again on Friday and I hope several more times during the remainder of the 2016-2017 Grand Chapter Year.

Brothers of the Grand Lodge: I leave you with six tiny stories with great messages:

- Once all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but one boy came with an umbrella. That's FAITH
- When you throw a baby in the air, the baby laughs because the baby knows it will be caught. That's TRUST
- Every night we go to bed, without any assurance of being alive the next morning but still we set the alarms to wake us up. That's HOPE
- We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's CONFIDENCE
- We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children and attend our fraternal family functions. That's LOVE
- Seen on an old man's shirt, "I am not 90 years old...I am sweet 16 with 74 years of experience." That's ATTITUDE.
- Apply Faith, Trust, Hope, Confidence, Love and Attitude to your day each day as you rise for another day to work for this Fraternal Family... Good people, doing good things, for good reasons.

To the Brothers of the Grand Lodge of Delaware and Most Worshipful Brother Nathan Zahn, thank you for all the courtesies that you have extended to me throughout the year.

REMARKS AT THE BANQUET FOR YORK RITE WEEKEND MARCH 10TH, 2017

Companions of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch and Grand Council Cryptic Masons, Sir Knight of the Grand Commandery of Delaware, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Ladies and Friends....

Last Sunday night after a two-hour ride home from birthday celebration with family in Elizabeth City, NC the Illustrious Grand Master was lying in bed and said in passing, "Oh, by the way, you will be speaking on Friday evening at the Banquet." I looked at him and thought...when was he going to tell me this...but said thanks for telling me tonight and not next Thursday night. The next words out of my mouth were.... Why me.... he looked at me and said... "You are the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star!" You're right I said...forgot about that. And so, began several days of wondering what could I say to those gathered at this banquet who really just want to get out of the room and do other things.

I thought of pulling a trick of the Illustrious Grand Master who in addressing the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, Order of the Eastern Star as Grand Commander in 2004 used the exact same speech he gave as Grand High Priest of Connecticut in 1988 and no one knew the difference. So, I thought maybe I can get away with words said at a gathering early this year but then thought...the Grand Master will be there and he heard these words while he was Deputy Grand Master. Scratch that thought....

A conversation at the birthday celebration in Elizabeth City came back to me. In May of 1994 I turned 50 years old. At the time both Bill and I were employed by the University of Connecticut; he in the Department of Economics.... did you know he was and still is an econometrician...and I in the University Library as a Reference Librarian. We lived within walking distance of the University but had two cars as I had an irregular shift that had me working late hours at the library and he was as active then as he is now with his Fraternal life. This particular day he had left for work and I went to get in the car to head in for a late shift only to find there were no cars around. So, I sputtered a little and began my walk to the campus...at my slow pace as opposed to Bill's fast pace. As I cut across to the library in the distance I saw balloons floating in the air. The closer I came the more into focus things became. There was a sign on top of a car that the balloons were attached to. As I drew even closer I noticed it was my car!!! The sign proclaimed to the University of Connecticut community that I had reached the age of 50. I just stood in awe and took in the scene shaking my head. Pay back for the time I sent the gorilla into his classroom to wish him Happy Birthday. My university email inbox was flooded that day with well wishes. And that sign...was used over and over again by folks on campus to proclaim important milestone birthdays.

What has this to do with the Masonic Family? Lots.... How much do you really know about the fraternal groups in Delaware that make up what I call "The Delaware Masonic Family"? How often do we proclaim to the world our honorable deeds? How much do you know about the charitable work being done by the Delaware Masonic Family and in the fraternal world; or is this like a light kept under a bushel? Did you know that the charity of the Grand Chapter of Delaware OES is providing grants for items not covered by insurance or federal or state government programs for children with special needs? Unfortunately, a foundation was never started for this effort so each year we start at ground zero and work our way up to between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The Order has provided carpentry work to accommodate a Hoyer Lift in a bathroom so a family could assist their special needs child with the daily activities of living; software to provide a special student to give them a means of communication; an adaptive bicycle and tricycle so that two children could participate in family activities with their siblings and family; camperships for children to participate in special camps; funding to special schools in Delaware's three counties. What do you know about the Grand Lodge philanthropic efforts especially the Gunning Bedford Scholarship; a scholarship awarded to students graduating from a Delaware High School to augment their financial resources. What do you know about the Royal Arch Research Assistance Program "Gift for A Gift" program where the renowned Steven Montrous, Past Grand High Priest of Missouri has made a CD with music for opening and closing and other ceremonial music available for fraternal organizations with no organist and as an organist I can tell you this would be a wonderful gift to give your Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery that has no organist and you would be helping RARA at the same time. What do you know about the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation that is supporting cutting edge discovery research targeted to develop novel therapeutics and diagnostics for patient care? Did you realize that the Knights Templar Eye Foundation shifted its focus in January of 2011; a focus that looks to improve vision through research, education and direct patient care through the "Seniors Eye Care Program". What about the "Almoners Fund of Scottish Rite North American Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite Learning Centers, scholarships to children of Scottish Rite Members, or the Americanism Award for ROTC/JROTC? We have all heard about Shriner's Hospitals and the Tall Cedars of North America efforts to raise funds for the Multiple Dystrophy Association.

The words of Sister Renee Ofton, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron ring true not only for the Order of the Eastern Star but the entire Masonic Family when she said, we are good people, doing good things, for good reason. Oh, but I'm talking to the choir. But does the general public know anything about these efforts. How can we make the world see the good we do for mankind? Why are we keeping our light under a bushel? Is it not time to begin to beat the drums and dispel the efforts of some that decry our existence.

In that vein come join the members and friends of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star for an "Afternoon with Frank Sinatra "at Nur Temple on March 26th, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. sponsored by Benefit for Children With Special Needs Committee as the Order of the Eastern Star makes its final push to raise the funds that will benefit some very special children in the state of Delaware. Tickets are \$30 per person and include the program previously mentioned and dinner.

My friends I leave you with this:

A high school teacher asked her history class to write down what each felt were the seven wonders of the world. When they had completed their work, they voted and found that the all but one of the class saw the following as the seven wonders of the world.

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| 1. Pyramids of Egypt | 4. Panama Canal |
| 2. Taj Mahl of India | 5. Empire State Building |
| 3. Grand Canyon of Arizona | 6. St. Peter's Basilica |
| | 7. China's Great Wall |

That student saw the seven wonders of the world as:

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| 1. To touch | 4. To hear |
| 2. To taste | 5. To feel |
| 3. To see | 6. To laugh |
| | 7. To love |

May your days be filled with good thoughts, kind people and happy moments. May you have Unity in Large Things; Tolerance in Small Things; and Charity in All Things. Good Evening!

APPENDIX D

Examples of "Welcome" Songs for use at end of Initiation Ceremony

Tune: Battle Hymn of the Republic

You've traveled round our Chapter Room
Where many feet have trod
You have knelt before the Altar there
Where rests the Word of God
You have taken the Obligation there
Before the Book Divine
And in our Golden Chain
As a new link, you will shine.
Welcome, welcome to our Chapter
Welcome, welcome to our Chapter
Welcome, welcome to our Chapter
We're glad to have you here.

Tune: Love at Home

You've joined our fraternity
Welcome to our Star
Friendship all around you'll see
Now you've joined our Star
Lessons taught of Charity,
Hope and Love Fidelity;
Sisters, Brothers now are we,
Welcome to our Star.

Tune: Happy Wanderer

So warmly now we welcome you into our family
And hope sincerely you will be with us fraternally

For you see...we agree...it was great
Just to have you for a candidate
And we...hope you'll be...with us fraternally
Throughout your travels here tonight
You've learned our lessons of
Great courage truth and loyalty
Our faith in God above

For you see...we agree...it was great
Just to have you for a candidate
With love...speaking of...our faith in God above.

Tune: It's a Small World

With a cordial "hi" and a warm "hello"
Greeting you tonight sets our hearts aglow
You will find in our Order
That joy does abound
And that happiness is found.
Hearty welcome we extend;
Welcome Sister, Brother, Friend;
Here's a fraternal love and cheer
We're so glad you're here.

Tune: Onward Christian Soldiers

Welcome to our Chapter
You, our member new!
In this noble Order
We have work to do.
Helping all the needy,
Bringing love and cheer,
To the weary laden
And our members dear.
Welcome to our Chapter
You, our member new!
In this loyal order
There is room for you.

Tune: America the Beautiful

You've traveled round our Chapter Room,
where many feet have trod
You've knelt before the Altar here,
where rest the Word of God.
You took the Obligation here,
before the Book Divine.
Now in our circling Golden Chain,
a golden link you shine.
You've heard the heroines of old,
with precepts from above
Fidelity and Constancy, Faith, Loyalty, and Love
And now that you belong to us,
and share our mysteries
The hand of fellowship we give to our Fraternity.

APPENDIX E

P.R.I.D.E.

Personal Ritual Improvement Develops Excellence

**Note: This program was based on the
Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware (2016).
If this program is used again it will need to be revised based on the current law.**

RITUAL

1. Who is the “Master builder of the Order of the Eastern Star?”

Dr. Rob Morris

Section Reference: Ritual page 7

2. Who is responsible for seeing that the officers are proficient in their work?

The Worthy Patron

Section Reference: Ritual page 40 paragraph where AM is asked the duty of Worthy Patron

3. During initiation when is the gavel given to the Worthy Patron?

When Worthy Matron invites Worthy Patron to preside.

Section Reference: Ritual page 57 bottom of page in italicized print

4. During initiation when is the gavel returned to the Worthy Matron?

After Worthy Patron seats the Chapter at the end of the imitation.

Section Reference: Ritual page 92

5. Which officers do not join the Prayer Circle?

Worthy Patron, Organist, Warder, Sentinel

Section Reference: Ritual page 78 italicized print and pages 178 and 179 diagrams 11 and 12

6. The government of the Order is vested in how many bodies and who are they?

Three: General Grand Chapter, Grand Chapter and Subordinate Chapter.

Section Reference: Ritual page 161

7. What must be present at every Chapter meeting without which the Chapter cannot legally act?

Charter

Section Reference: Ritual page 163 bottom of page under heading “Charters”.

8. When can petitions be received?

At a stated meeting

Section Reference: Ritual page 165 under the heading “Petitions” in the 8th and 13th sentences

9. Can a report on a petition be made at a special meeting?

No

Section Reference: Ritual page 165 under the heading “Petitions” last sentence

10. Under what circumstances can the Ritual be copied?

Never

Section Reference: Ritual page 165 1st paragraph second sentence

11. If there are three black cubes should there be any more ballots?

Yes

Section Reference: Ritual page 15 italicized print third sentence of that paragraph

12. What do the blows of the gavel mean?

One blow: Calls member, seats members, completes the Opening and Closing Ceremony, when motion adopted, and after each order of business

Two blows: Calls the Officer to rise

Three blows: Seats those who are standing

Section Reference: Ritual page 16 under heading “Use of Gavel”

13. What is an easy way to remember the raps at the door?

By saying the phrase “we are Eastern Star” ** ** *

Section Reference: Given at School of Instruction

14. What parts of the meeting are considered Altar Services?

Opening and Closing Ceremonies when Conductress attends the Altar and Chaplain prays; Prayer Circle; and Memorial at the Altar. In Delaware also when the Charter is draped or undraped

Section Reference: Ritual Page 16 and Book of Instructions

15. What are the scripture lessons appropriate to the lessons of the Star Points?

Judges Chapter 11 and 12 for Adah; Ruth Chapters 1 thorough 4 for Ruth; Esther Chapters 1 through 10 for Esther; John Chapter 11 and Matthew, Chapter 17 through 21 for Martha; and the Second Epistle of John for Electa.

Section and Reference: Ritual page 22

CONSTITUTION

16. What is the correct name of our Grand Chapter?

The Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

Section Reference: Constitution Article I Name Section 1 Name page 2

17. Who are the permanent members of our Grand Chapter? (Hint: There are two places this will be found

in the Constitution and Rules and Regulations where this is found) First section indicates that membership consists of the Grand Officers; all Past Matrons and Patrons who shall have presided over a duly instituted and constituted Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction or any other Grand Jurisdiction provided they are affiliated with some Subordinate Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction; all Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patron or their legally appointed proxies; all Associate matrons and Associate Patrons while in office who have been installed of chartered Chapters under this Grand Jurisdiction. The second section found notes that all members of Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of Delaware are members and have one personal vote each.

Section Reference: Constitution Article IV Section 3 page 3 and 4 and Article VI Section 1 page 5

18. What presently constitutes a quorum for Grand Chapter?

One of the first four elective officers plus one more than half of the Subordinate Chapters.

Section Reference: Constitution Article VII Quorum page 5

19. Who holds executive powers when the Grand Chapter is at recess?

The Worthy Grand Matron

Section Reference: Constitution Article IX Section 1 (11) Page 7

20. Are the Grand Trustees considered Officers of Grand Chapter?

No: they are a Board

Section Reference: Constitution Article IV Qualifications for Office Section 3 page 3

21. Can the secret work be copied?

No

Section and Reference: Constitution Article X Secret Work Section 3 Copyright

22. By what day is the per capita and abstract due to the Grand Secretary and what is the penalty for not failure to meet the deadline?

The per capita tax is due on the 15th day of February and the penalty is \$50.00 if late

Section Reference: Constitution Article XI Returns Section 2 Per Capita and Section 3 Penalty for Failure

23. What days is the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter and what hour does the first day commence?

The second Monday in May at 9:30 for two consecutive days

Section Reference: Constitution Article V Meetings Section 1 Annual Meetings

24. Who may call special meeting of the Grand Chapter?

The Worthy Grand Matron in consultation with the Worthy Grand Patron

Section Reference: Constitution Article V Meetings Section 2 Special meetings first and second lines of that Section page 4

25. When are elections for Grand Officers to begin?

Tuesday of the meeting week at 2:00 p.m.

Section Reference: Constitution Article VIII Section 1 first line page 5

26. How many copies of the Secret Work should each Subordinate Chapter have?

Four

Section Reference: Constitution Article X Secret Work Section 2 second paragraph

27. Who must give the obligation at initiation?

The Worthy Patron, Associate Patron, Worthy Grand Patron , Past Patron or Past Grand Patron.

Section Reference: Constitution Article X Secret Work Section 5 Obligation page 16

28. Who may own a Ritual?

Any member of the Order

Section Reference: Constitution Article X Secret Work Section 6 Rituals page 16

29. What is the penalty if a Chapter fails to submit their Annual Grand Chapter Report in the time allowed?

A fine of \$50.00

Section Reference: Constitution Article XI Returns Section 3 Penalty for Failure page 17

30. If the Chapter wishes to consolidate what is one of the first things they must do?

Notify the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron

Section Reference: Constitution Article XIII Chapters Under Dispensation, Procedure for Consolidation of Chapters Section 1 page 18

30. What is the present initiation fee in this Grand Jurisdiction?

No less than \$25.00

Section Reference: Constitution Article XIV Fees Section 1 Fees page 20

31. Life membership may be granted after a member has been a member for __ years?

Forty (40)

Section and Reference: Constitution Organization last paragraph page 1

32. Who may give the obligation at initiation

The Worthy Patron, Associate Patron, Worthy Grand Patron , Past Patron or Past Grand Patron.

Section Reference: Constitution Article X Secret Work Section 5 Obligation page 16

RULES AND REGULATIONS GRAND CHAPTER

33. Who is eligible to be appointed to any committee except for Constitution and Bylaws?

Any member

Section Reference: Rules and Regulations Grand Chapter Article I Meetings Section 3 Eligibility page 1

34. When does the Installation of Grand Officers take place?

After all other business of the Grand Chapter is completed

Section Reference: Rules and Regulations Grand Chapter Article I Meetings Section 19 Installation page 3

35. Who may install Grand Officers?

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, any Past Grand Matron , Past Grand Patron or General Grand Chapter Officer

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Grand Chapter Article I Meetings Section 20 Installing Privileges

36. Where in the Rules and Regulations of Grand Chapter is a list of the Standing Committees found?

Article I Meetings Section 2 Announcement of Committees

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations of Grand Chapter Article I Meetings Section 2 Announcement of Committees page 1

37. Where are the duties of the standing committees found?

Article II Duties of Committees

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations of Grand Chapter Article II Dute of Committees pages 4 through 7

38. Name three sources of revenue for the Grand Chapter?

Any of the following: Secretarial Supplies; dispensation for special purpose, Grand Demit, Initiation, Per capita tax for each member, pre-registration fee, registration fee, sale of proceedings, Ways and Means Committee

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Grand Chapter Article III Revenues page 7

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF SUBORDINTE CHAPTERS

39. Meetings are either _____ or _____
Stated or Special

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article I Meetings page 1 Section 1 (1)

40. What requires a Special Dispensation?

Change of meeting place

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article 1 Section 1 (3) page 1

41. Does a special meeting require a special dispensation?

No

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article I Meetings Section (3) page 1

42. How many stated meetings must a subordinate Chapter hold in a month?

10 meetings per year

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article I Meetings Section 3 page 2

43. When a Sister is elected Associate Conductress what is expected?

That she will advance to the officers of Conductress, Associate Matron, and Worthy Matron

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Article III Officers Section 1 third paragraph page 3

44. Which officers can resign after being installed?

Secretary and Treasurer

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article III Officers Section 8 Elected and Not Installed page 4

45. How many candidates can be initiated at one time?

Six (6)

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article IV Membership Section 7 Number Of Candidates to be Initiated page 6

46. Is it mandatory to grant life membership after forty (40) years?

No: the word used is “MAY”

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article IV Membership Section 15 Life Membership page 7

47. How many members must be present to form a quorum and what offices need to be filled):

Seven (7): One of the first four elected and installed officers MUST be present to preside; Secretary to record the minutes; Warder and Sentinel to guard the door, Conductress to attend the Altar and Chaplain to pray.

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article I Meetings Section 2 Opening A Chapter page 2 top of page

48. How many Subordinate Chapters may someone belong to?

Three (3)

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article IV Membership Section 10 Plural Membership B page 6

49. Balloting for membership by initiation, affiliation, etc. can be voted upon at any subordinate Chapters meeting? Yes or No?

No- Stated Meetings only

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article IX Balloting Section 1 Ballot Upon Petitions page 11

50. How many black cubes must be in a ballot box to be legal?

Six (6)

Section and Reference: Rules and Regulations Subordinate Chapters Article IX Balloting Section 2 Black Balls Or Black Cube page 11

BOOK OF INSTURCTION

51. May an Altar be draped upon learning of a member's death?

No it may not be draped until AFTER the deceased member's funeral

Section and Reference: Book of Instructions Draping and Undraping of Charter and Altar page 9

52. The Order of Business is mentioned in the Book of Instruction. Must a Subordinate Chapter follow that Order and where must that Order of Business for a Subordinate Chapter be noted?

It is up to the discretion of the Worthy Matron but must comply with Subordinate Chapter Bylaws.

Section and Reference: Book of Instructions Order of Business page 4 paragraph after listing page 4

53. What is the dress code of officers in a Subordinate Chapter?

Sister Officers must wear white floor length dress and shoes and Brother Officers must wear formal attire initiation, official visits, birthdays and other special events such as exchange visits. At other times the Subordinate Chapter has option of white dress pants and top

Section and Reference: Book of Instruction Officers page 21.

54. What must be given before the Installation of Subordinate Chapter Officers can take place?

The Annual Report Of the Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees given at the first meeting in April

Section and Reference: Book of Instructions General Information page 26

**55. If an Open Installation is held AT a stated meeting what is required?
A vote of the Subordinate Chapter**

Section and Reference: Book of Instruction General Information last paragraph of that section page 26

**56. How long a member visit Chapters with a demit?
One (1) year**

Section and Reference: Book of Instructions Demits third paragraph in that section page 2

**57. When may a Ceremony of Affiliation take place?
Under “Unfinished Business”**

Section and Reference: Book of Instructions Affiliations third paragraph in that section page 2

**58. How may suspension occur?
By vote of the Subordinate Chapter**

Section and Reference: Book of Instruction Business of the Chapter, Remit dues or suspension page 4

**59. What is the procedure for making changes to the bylaws of a Subordinate Chapter?
Chapter members must be notified of the proposed changes in writing ten days in advance of the meeting at which the changes will be voted on; after adoption by the Chapter the Bylaws are submitted to the Worthy Grand Matron for approval; after being approved the Secretary shall forward a copy to the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary and Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee**

Section and Reference: Book of Instruction Bylaws pages 4 and 5

**SUPPLEMENTAL
REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON
April 23, 2017 – May 5, 2017
Barbara F. Lott, WGM 2016-2017**

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES

Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Article I Section 2

After being informed that Marty Mickles was unable to return from her trip due to her husband, Brother Dick’s health appointed Linda Morganstern to pro-tem the station of Grand Martha for the 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Grand Session.

CHECKS SIGNED

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(5)

Per *Constitution and Bylaws*, the following checks were signed:

Date	Check Number	To Whom	Purpose	Check Amount
04/30/2017	492	Staples	Supplies	\$79.08
05/06/3027	493	Rogers Graphics	Session Program	\$405.00

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES RECOMMENDED

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1 (13)

Jurisdiction	Name	Chapter #	Term	Presented
Iowa	Jackie Kyle	20	3/1/17 – 4/01/19	05/03/2017
Wyoming	January Kendall	19	1/1/17 – 12/31/18	05/01/2017

One Grand Representative Commission was received after a Subordinate Chapter’s meeting in April and could not be presented till their next meeting which will be after Grand Chapter. A second Commission was never received and the Grand Secretary has tried to contact the Grand Secretary of that Grand Jurisdiction with no success. She is also in contact with the Right Worthy Grand Secretary to see if he might be of some help in this matter.

NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCE FROM JURISDICTION

Constitution and Bylaws Article IX Section 1(15)

As required by the *Constitution and Bylaws*, when out of state the Elected Grand Line Officers were notified that I could be reached via text or cell (860-465-6345) or email (barblott@aol.com).

Date out Jurisdiction	Returning	Purpose
April 26 th , 2017	April 29 th , 2017	Attending Grand Chapter of Connecticut Introductions and all session on Friday including Grand Banquet

LOG AND INTINERARY

- April 23rd, 2017 Attended Grand Chapter of Maryland OES Grand Banquet as guest accompanied by Robert Bradish, WGP, Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain and Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel. Other members in attendance was: Sue McLaughlin, Grand Adah, Thomas McLaughlin, PP and Grand Representative (MD)
- April 24th, 2017 Attended Grand Chapter of Maryland Introductions of Distinguished Guests Session. Delaware members in attendance included: Robert Bradish, WGP; Sara Quinby, AGM; Arthur Holley, AGP; Donna Hiddemen, AGC Sue McLaughlin, Grand Adah; Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain; Bill Lott, Grand Sentinel; Cathy Yaiser, Grand Trustee; Catherine “Scotty” Schultz, PGM and DGL; Jane M. Morris, PGM and DGL; Charlotte McGee, Katie Marvel, David Holley, PGP; Vickie Nicklas, PGM, Grand Secretary; Jean Nicklas, Grand Representative (NJ)
- April 27th through 29th, 2017 Attended Grand Chapter of Connecticut Informal Opening and Introductions of Distinguished Guests, and all session on Friday including the Grand Banquet.
- April 29th, 2017 Attended rehearsal for Installation of 2017 - 2018 Grand Officers
- April 30th, 2017 Attended Farewell Dinner for 2016 - 2017 Grand Family.
- May 1st, 2017 Attended Stated Meeting of Ruth Chapter No. 19; presented Grand Representative Commission
- May 3rd, 2017 Attended Stated Meeting of Naomi Chapter No. 20; presented Grand Representative Commission.
Transferred Worthy Grand Matron’s copy of Grand Chapter proceedings to Sarah Quinby, AGM.
- May 4th, 2017 Attended Stated Meeting of Sussex Chapter No. 7; pro-temed station of Secretary
- May 5th, 2017 Attended and presided at Stated Meeting of Georgetown Chapter No. 9

Listing of events not having taken place before this supplemental report was prepared but which I plan to attend.

- May 6th, 2017 Presentation of Fifty (50) Year Certificate to Betty Tomlinson at Westminster in Dover with Robert Bradish, WGP and members of Victory Chapter No. 15.
Grand Banquet in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers at Dover Downs Casino and Conference Center
- May 7th, 2017 Attend and preside at the 96th Annual “Melodies and Memories” Grand Chapter Necrology and Informal Opening

May 8th through Plan to attend and preside for the 96th Annual “Melodies and
9th, 2017 Memories” Grand Chapter Session.

At the conclusion of the reading of the Worthy Grand Matron’s report, the Worthy Grand Patron returned the gavel to the Worthy Grand Matron.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

May 20, 2016 – April 22, 107

Robert A. Bradish, WGP 2016-2017

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: Good Morning and welcome to the “Melodies and Memories” Session.

I cannot believe that the year has gone by so quickly as Worthy Grand Patron. It has been an honor for me to serve this Grand Chapter as its Worthy Grand Patron. I have been welcomed by friendly smiles and acts of kindness from everyone each time we have gathered. I especially want to thank all of you that wish and prayed for me earlier this year when I needed to have an operation. For the first few months after I was installed as the Grand Sentinel I was asked the same question, “Who are you” I realize that I had been absent for quite a few years and many people did not know who I was. Some knew me from my years working with Job’s Daughters and others remembered Jana and me from when we were Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron at Newark Chapter in the early 1990’s. I hope from my participation and activities that I was able to answer that question to everyone’s satisfaction quite quickly. I strived to attend and interact with everyone right from the start. I now stand in front of you today ready to pass the baton on to your next Worthy Grand Patron with a sense of pride that I participated fully and gave it my all. Thank-you.

Dedication

This year was dedicated to the members of this Grand Chapter with the hope of increasing the peace and harmony with its members.

Appreciations

Worthy Grand Matron, you could not have been a better Worthy Grand Matron to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron. I had the privilege of selecting who I served with; you did not have a similar choice. I do hope that I met your standards. I believed that it was my responsibility to assist you, to be your advisor, and to support your efforts as WGM. Hopefully I have accomplished those goals. It is quite ironic that our paths have almost crossed multiple time since 1968 however we never met until only 4 years ago when you substituted as Organist at Victory Chapter. I can only imagine what it would have been like had we met at the first occurrence in 1968, Brother Bill being the Professor teaching Statistics and I the pharmacy student taking that class. I fully believed that you and I were partners in the Grand East of this Grand Chapter, we each did not act independently. To that end we both worked together to select a single charity, motto, scripture, watchwords, emblems, etc. to show unity between the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Kathy, Doris, Eddy, and Steve I have enjoyed working with you and serving as one of the Worthy Grand Patrons during your term. I always looked forward to your advice and to listening to the variety of talks each gave during the meetings.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: I have appreciated your support and advice over the years. I look forward to joining your ranks and in helping to continue our support to the Grand Chapter.

Elected Grand Officers: I have enjoyed working with each and every one of you along with your love and support as Barbara and I stood in the East. Your turn is quickly coming to ascend to that same position and I only hope you have a set of Elected Grand

Officers as good as we had. Look forward to your planning time and I hope you have as pleasant and successful year as we did.

Appointed Grand Officers: Thank-you for all of your love and support this year that you have shown to Barbara and me. I always looked forward to seeing you at all the meetings and making this Grand Chapter Year so pleasant.

Deputy Grand Lecturers: I have appreciated all of the work and effort you have done within the Chapters to see that our Ritual work was performed to everyone's best ability. There is nothing better than seeing the Ritual of our Order performed properly to make a great first impression on the candidates that are becoming our new members.

Committee Members: First off Thank-you to Scotty and Ann in taking on the job of Sessions Chairpersons we could have not selected two better individuals. You have done a tireless and fantastic job to make this Session beautiful. To the members of the Constitution and Bylaws committee, the job you have done, the tireless hours of effort that you have contributed to revising our Constitution and Bylaws for our Grand Chapter has been fantastic. I would also extend gratitude to all of the other members who accepted various committee appointments. Without the hands of many to do the work for the Grand Chapter our year would have not been the success it was.

Grand Representatives: I hope that each of you are pleased with your commission and enjoying developing new friends in other jurisdictions. We hope that you will spread the word about our beautiful state and the many things we have to offer. I hope all of you are developing new lifelong friends from your commission.

Victory Chapter #15: I am so proud to say I am a member of Victory Chapter #15. Years ago, when we first visited Jana and I felt your warmth and both wanted to join this Chapter and work with you. I said to Sister Jana that it will be enjoyable to sit on the sidelines and maybe work in the kitchen. Well it appeared that you had different plans for us. I had not even mentioned that I held a B certificate, but Jackie Collier had all that information. Before I knew it, I was asked to be your Worthy Patron and that started to ball rolling. I have truly enjoyed working in the Kitchen even with Sister Jackie telling me I did not get a pass on my kitchen duties while going up the Grand Line. I could not have asked for a Chapter and it members to give me more support these past three years. I thank-you for all your encouragement, the gifts from both the Chapter and some individuals as well, and your overall support.

Adah Chapter #15 North Kingstown, R.I.: To my Chapter in R.I. I am proud to say I am from Adah Chapter. You were there for the members of my original Chapter when the time came they could no longer operate on its own. It takes a loving and caring Chapter to welcome with open arms another Chapter, to make them feel welcome and to make them feel like they have always been members of the new Chapter. I had only wished that I could have paid you a visit this year while I was Worthy Grand Patron but with all the activities I needed to perform in Delaware that was not possible. However, I do look forward to visiting in the near future and participating.

Georgetown Chapter: You are like my adopted Chapter, you welcomed Sister Jana and I with open arms as your own. The first time I attended one of your meetings I could not believe the number of members I remembered from my Job's Daughters days. I even remembered the night that Logan was initiated into Job's Daughters then to see her sitting as the Treasurer of the Chapter. I want to Thank-you for all the love and support you have given to Barbara and me.

My Wife and Daughters: I again have to thank my wife and my daughters for allowing me to dedicate these last 3 years to an organization such as Eastern Star. Years ago, you allowed a similar activity when I went up the Grand Line in Job's Daughters. Jana and I have traveled extensively visiting all of the chapters in Delaware, as well as to other Grand jurisdictions. It is almost a joke when either Elizabeth or Catherine calls to say

“well where are you going tonight? Is it Star again”. I was very happy that his last year even Catherine was able to accompany us on my many travels. I know I have put off many projects because of being busy with Star, have missed quite a few family activities with our Grand Son because of Star. I did my best to be able not to miss family activities but thank-you for those times they overlapped with Star and I made the choice to fulfill my obligations to Star. Although I will remain active with Star, I will be sure that family obligations will come first. Again, thank-you for your understanding and encouragement to become Worthy Grand Patron, you have been a wonderful wife and daughters to me.

Items Received upon Installation as Worthy Grand Patron

- Traveling Jewel
- Worthy Grand Patron Officers Jewel
- Nominations Box with padlock and Key
- Framed sign stating where to deposit nomination
- Collection containers for Collection of cast ballots
- Empty gift-wrapped Box
- A round TUIT sounding block and miniature gavel
- Worthy Grand Patron’s Seal and a cloth bag for its storage

All of these items will be presented or turned over to the new Worthy Grand Patron upon his Installation.

In Memoriam

We have been graced this year without the loss of any of our Past Grand Matrons or Grand Patrons

Ways and Means of Grand Chapter

Lack of participation by all members and especially Grand Officers and Grand Trustees was quite upsetting. The current method of funding the Grand Chapter should be looked into and modified. I have placed an entry under my recommendations concerning Ways and Means for Grand Chapter.

Official Visits and/or Birthday Visits

May 23	Victory Chapter #15	Birthday
May 26	Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	Birthday
June 3	Georgetown Chapter #9	Birthday
June 9	Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	Official Visit
June 14	Unity Chapter #16	Official Visit
Sep 15	Sussex Chapter #7	Official Visit – Birthday
Sep 21	Naomi Chapter #20	Birthday
Oct 12	Frankford Chapter #12	Official Visit
Oct 17	Ruth Chapter #19	Official Visit
Oct 25	Unity Chapter #16	Birthday
Nov 21	Adah Chapter #5	Official Visit – Birthday
Dec 07	Naomi Chapter #20	Official Visit
Jan 23	Victory Chapter #15	Official Visit
Feb 24	Georgetown Chapter #9	Official Visit
Mar 20	Ruth Chapter @19	Birthday

Honorary Memberships

I have received Honorary Memberships from 8 Chapters in Delaware as well as an Honorary Membership to the Grand Chapter of Virginia and from Wicomico Chapter in Salisbury, Md.

Grand Sessions of OES Attended

May	15 – 17	Virginia Grand Chapter
May	24 – 25	New Jersey Grand Chapter
June	19 – 20	Pennsylvania Grand Chapter
Aug	18 – 20	New Hampshire Grand Chapter
Oct	7 – 8	Rhode Island Grand Chapter

Grand Officer Events

May	14	School of Instruction
June	12	Grand Officers Reception
July	20	Unity Chapter ESTARL Picnic
July	23	Grand Chapter Summer Picnic
Dec	10	Grand Chapter Christmas Party
Apr	22	Grand Chapter Practice for Grand Sessions

Chapter Banquets

Oct	22	Victory Chapter Banquet
Mar	12	Sussex Chapter Banquet
Mar	18	Caesar Rodney Chapter Banquet
Mar	19	Naomi Chapter Banquet

Grand Lodge Events

June	18	Grand Lodge Masonic Family Day at VA Hospital
Oct	9	Grand Lodge – Grand Master’s Banquet
Oct	10	Grand Lodge Opening – Introductions
Oct	13	Grand Lodge of De. Grand Master’s Installation
Oct	14	Grand Master’s Reception – Ionic Lodge

Youth Events

May	21	DeMolay State Chapter Fundraiser Dinner
May	22	Bethel #11 Installation
July	31 – Aug 3	Supreme Assembly Rainbow for Girls Providence, R.I.
Nov	30	Bethel #11 Supreme Visit

Out of State Grand Chapter Functions or Multistate in State Functions

Aug	13	Exchange with Virginia- Alexandra
Sept	24	MD Exchange at Wicomico Chapter Salisbury, Md.
Sept	25	Maryland Grand Line Reception
Oct	28	Virginia District 42 picnic and official Visit Temperanceville Chapter
Nov	5	Multistate get together “Queen of the South Degree” - Caesar Rodney Chapter

Other Masonic functions

June	25	Union Lodge Installation
Sept	29	Elected Grand Line officers meeting
Oct	15	GRODELS meeting
Oct	23	Associate Matron and Associate Patrons meeting with Associate Grand Matron
Oct	29	Caesar Rodney Halloween Party for Benefit for Children with special needs
Nov	13	Elected Grand Line officers meeting

Nov 19 Elected Grand line officers meeting regarding March event for Benefit for Children with special needs
 Dec 17 Union Lodge Christmas Party
 Dec 18 Candlelight Dinner Theater – Benefit for Children with special needs
 Dec 19 Meeting for March event for Benefit for Children with special needs
 Apr 22 Past Matrons and Past Patrons Dinner and meeting

Correspondence - Letters sent under Worthy Grand Patron Seal

To:
 The members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 Ref:
 Request to declare station vacant
 As Sister Nancy Davis is unwilling to fill the station of Associate Conductress for another year and as there were no candidates for election to this office and no election for this position of Associate Conductress in March 2016, in accordance with The Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Article III Officers, Section 3 Installation, the office of Associate Conductress is declared vacant for the 2016-2017 year.
 Fraternal Regards,
 Barbara F. Lot
 Robert Bradish
 Worthy Grand Matron
 Worthy Grand Patron

Constitution and Bylaws Committee Working Group

July 27 Meeting of committee
 Aug 24 Meeting of committee
 Sept 28 Meeting of committee
 Nov 19 Meeting of committee
 Jan 18 Meeting of committee
 Feb 15 Meeting of committee
 Mar 25 Open Meeting to present changes held at Victory Chapter
 Apr 21 Meeting of committee

Contingency Fund

The \$100.00 contingency fund that I received upon my Installation was used for the following purposes. The cost of mileage was calculated at \$0.14/mi. Other costs were listed directly

May 14	Attend School of Instruction 34 mi	4.76
June 9	Caesar Rodney Official Visit 102 mi	14.28
	Tolls	4.00
June 14	Unity Chapter Official Visit 68 mi	9.52
Sep 15	Sussex Chapter Official Visit 70 mi	9.80
Oct 10	Grand Lodge Introduction 68 mi	9.52
Oct 12	Frankford Chapter Official Visit 100 mi	14.00
Oct 17	Ruth Chapter Official Visit 136 mi	19.04
	Tolls	4.00
Nov 21	Adah Chapter Official Visit 96 mi	13.44

Dec 7	Naomi Chapter Official Visit 120 mi	16.80
	Tolls	4.00
Dec 17	½ Gift for Miss Job's Daughter Pageant Runner Up gift	67.50
Jan 23	Victory Chapter Official Visit 34 mi	4.76
Feb 24	Georgetown Chapter Official Visit 60 mi	<u>8.40</u>
Total Expenses		\$203.82

Conclusion

Although all of our plans, goals, and hopes were not completed we did though provide to this Grand Chapter everything we could. We had a wonderful Installation with an almost full room which was fantastic to see. Unfortunately, our trip could not muster enough members to make a go of it. We had other very enjoyable activities, an excellent Summer Picnic and a very lovely Christmas party along with quite a few other activities shared with other Grand Jurisdictions. The Queen of the South Degree was fantastic with Sister Phyllis Bowman out doing herself in getting the participants to perform the degree and Caesar Rodney Chapter hosting. Although our Mile of Quarters did not achieve a mile we did get just over ½ mile which was a fantastic accomplishment and over \$8,000.00 collected. In retrospect, we had an enjoyable and productive year.

Recommendations

Reduce or eliminate the Ways and Means committee for raising money to support the Grand Chapter, it appears that only a very small percentage of members supports the effort and the burden of Grand Chapter finances should be absorbed by all members so the per capita should be increased for support. In the last couple of years only 30 to 50 people in Grand Chapter have supported the Ways and Means efforts, even not all of the Grand Officers or even Grand Trustees have been supporting the effort.

Repeal the requirement that the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary cannot be newly elected within the same year. This year we are running into an issue where both positions will be vacant, the Grand Chapter will have to either elect 2 new people or leave one of these two critical positions vacant. If two are elected we will then face the potential of this occurring at the term limit of both each time.

Establish that the Benefit for Children for Special Needs is our primary Charity and have it established as a 401C3 charity, so donations can become tax deductions.

Complete Itinerary

May 10	Installation
May 13	Victory Chapter assist with luncheon for School of Instruction
May 14	School of Instruction
May 15-17	Virginia Grand Sessions
May 18	Victory Chapter Assist with cooking a Dinner
May 21	DeMolay State Chapter Fundraiser Dinner
May 22	Job's Daughters - Bethel #11 Installation
May 23	Victory Chapter Birthday and 2016 2017 Officers Installation
May 24-25	New Jersey Grand Chapter
May 26	Caesar Rodney Birthday
May 27	Victory Chapter move kitchen equipment from Five Points Chapter to Victory Chapter
Jun 3	Georgetown Birthday
Jun 7	Victory Chapter Cook Union Lodge dinner
Jun 9	Caesar Rodney Official Visit
Jun 12	Grand Officers Reception – Millsboro
Jun 13	Victory Chapter - Presented Jana Bradish with 50-year member pin

Jun 14 Unity Chapter Official Visit
 Jun 15-16 Victory Chapter Clean Kitchen for State of De. Health inspection.
 Jun 18 Grand Lodge Masonic Family Day at VA Hospital
 Jun 19-20 PA Grand Session
 Jun 25 Union Lodge Installation
 Jun 27 Victory Chapter
 Jul 12 Victory Chapter Clean Kitchen
 Jul 20 Unity Chapter ESTARIL picnic
 Jul 23 Grand Chapter summer picnic
 Jul 27 Constitution and Bylaws mtg
 Jul 31-Aug 3 Supreme Assembly Rainbow for Girls Providence R.I.
 Aug 6 Victory Chapter Tag Sale
 Aug 13 VA Exchange Alexandra
 Aug 15 Victory Chapter Clean kitchen
 Aug 18-20 New Hampshire Grand Chapter
 Aug 24 Grand Chapter Constitution and Bylaws meeting
 Aug 28 Meeting to plan Grand Chapter Christmas Dinner
 Sep 9 Letter under seal for Declaring Station Vacant at Georgetown Chapter
 Sep 12 Victory Meeting Installation of remaining officers
 Sep 15 Sussex Chapter official visit and Birthday
 Sep 16 Georgetown Chapter
 Sep 20 Victory Chapter cook Lodge Dinner 7 & v Chapter Practice
 Sep 21 Naomi Chapter Birthday
 Sep 24 Attend Funeral of Mother of Sussex WM
 Sep 24 MD Exchange Wicomico Chapter Salisbury
 Sep 25 MD Grand Line Reception
 Sep 26 Victory Chapter
 Sep 28 Constitution and Bylaws meeting
 Oct 4 Victory Chapter Cook Lodge Dinner
 Oct 7-8 R.I. Grand Chapter
 Oct 9 Grand Lodge – Grand Master’s Banquet
 Oct 10 Grand Lodge Introduction
 Oct 12 Frankford Chapter Official Visit
 Oct 13 Grand Lodge of De. Grand Master’s Installation
 Oct 14 Grand Master’s Reception / Ionic Lodge
 Oct 15 GRODELS mtg
 Oct 17 Ruth Chapter Official Visit
 Oct 18 Victory Chapter Practice
 Oct 21 Georgetown Regular Mtg
 Oct 22 Victory Chapter Banquet
 Oct 23 Assoc Matron/Patron Mtg at Sister Sara’s (AGM) home
 Oct 24 Victory Chapter
 Oct 25 Unity Chapter Birthday
 Oct 26 Victory Chapter cooking for Lodge Secretary’s Meeting
 Oct 28 Virginia District 42 picnic and official meeting Temperanceville Chapter
 Oct 29 Caesar Rodney Halloween party for Benefit for Children
 Nov 1 Victory Chapter Lodge Dinner
 Nov 5 Grand Chapter multi state get together Queen of the South Degree
 Nov 13 Grand Chapter Elected line officers meeting
 Nov 14 Victory Chapter
 Nov 15 Victory Chapter Officers Practice
 Nov 19 Constitution and Bylaws Meeting – Town Hall Meeting

Nov 19 Meeting of Elected Grand Officers regarding March event for Ben.
 For Children with Special Needs
 Nov 21 Adah Chapter Official Visit and Birthday
 Nov 28 Victory Chapter
 Nov 30 Bethel #11 Supreme Visit
 Dec 6 Victory Chapter Lodge Dinner Grand Master Visit
 Dec 7 Naomi Official Visit
 Dec 10 Grand Chapter Christmas Party
 Dec 12 Victory Chapter
 Dec 15 Sussex Chapter Initiation (Acting Worthy Patron)
 Dec 17 Christmas Party Lodge
 Dec 18 Candlelight Dinner Theater Benefit for Children for Special Needs
 Dec 19 Meeting regarding March event for Benefit for Children with Special
 Jan 3 Victory Chapter Lodge Dinner
 Jan 5 Funeral for Robert Krauss
 Jan 18 Constitution and Bylaws meeting
 Jan 23 Victory Chapter Official Visit
 Feb 2 Dinner at Sussex Chapter
 Feb 13 Victory Chapter
 Feb 15 Constitution and Bylaws meeting
 Feb 17 Victory Chapter Meeting
 Feb 24 Georgetown Official Visit
 Mar 12 Sussex Chapter Banquet
 Mar 13 Victory Chapter Meeting
 Mar 18 Caesar Rodney Chapter Banquet
 Mar 19 Naomi Chapter Banquet
 Mar 20 Ruth Chapter #19 Birthday
 Mar 25 Open Mtg of Constitution and Bylaws at Victory Chapter
 Mar 27 Victory Chapter meeting
 Apr 1 Next Year's Appointed Grand Officer Revel
 Apr 7 Georgetown Chapter meeting
 Apr 8 Meeting at WGM home to evaluate donations for Benefit for
 Children
 Apr 10 Victory Chapter Installation
 Apr 12 Frankford Chapter Installation
 Apr 15 Seaford Chapter Installation
 Apr 18 Victory Chapter Practice
 Apr 19 Grand Chapter performing Initiation at Naomi Chapter
 Apr 21 Constitution and Bylaws meeting
 Apr 22 Grand Chapter Practice at Victory Chapter
 Apr 22 Past Matron's and Past Patron's meeting and dinner

Dates after 4/22 will be in the Worthy Grand Patron's supplemental report.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

April 23, 2017 – May 6, 2017

Robert A. Bradish, WGP 2016-2017

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates:

Additional Itinerary

April 23	Md. Grand Banquet for MD Grand Chapter
April 24	Formal Opening at MD Grand Chapter Sessions
April 26	Assisted Victory Chapter in kitchen for Masonic Secretaries meeting
April 30	Grand Family Farwell Dinner
May 2	Assisted Victory Chapter with Lodge Dinner
May 5	Attended Georgetown Regular Stated meeting
May 6	Presented 50-year pin to a member of Victory Chapter in Nursing
Home	
May 6	Grand Banquet for Delaware Grand Chapter 2016-2017

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: How little did I know that when I accepted to once again be the Grand Secretary that I was in for a ride of new ways. Our previous Grand Secretary, Joan S. Edwards, made the office updated to an era of computers, UBS.... did that throw me with my limited knowledge. Then they threw at me a new financial record that took months to learn, I felt sorry for our Grand Treasurer who showed the patience of Job with me: Thank you Barbara.

The office moved to me around the end of May. I started by trying to learn where the USB stick was hiding the documents I needed.

Enough said about that. Now I started to really understand what a professional office was and thank God, I was an LPN and Certified Anesthesia Tech for I wouldn't have done well in this profession.

The usual things were done but with my health issues I had to ask for help. Our Worthy Grand Matron, having more knowledge of the computer helped to share my load.

As you know I have chosen to not run again, due to health issues that my Doctor hopes are coming from the stress. I hope it is just that and not a bigger issue.

I was pleased to prepare the following certificates for the Grand Lecturer this year----1 "A", 1 "B", 2 Conductress and 1 Worthy Grand Patron Exam.

Grand Representatives certificates were a pleasure to write for and to receive for Barb to give out.

Memorials

This year we had the following notifications of the loss of Past Grands in other jurisdictions:

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	1
Past Grand Matrons	27
Past Grand Patrons	24

Donations from the Chapters

Cancer Research	\$210.00
Cancer Coalition	\$378.00
Home of the Brave	\$ 50.00
Alzheimer's	\$438.70
VA Hobby Cart	\$487.60
Heart Association	\$560.00

These are the ones sent to the Grand Secretary's office, only.

With the donations sent in to the Grand Secretary and the ones mailed by the Chapters themselves, we had the following donations reported:

Adah Chapter No. 5	\$1465.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7	\$ 751.21
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	\$4655.34
Frankford Chapter No. 12	\$ 884.20
Unity Chapter No. 16	\$2921.25
Naomi Chapter No. 20	\$ 835.00

Community Service

I received the following Community Service reports:

Sussex Chapter No. 7

Volunteer Hours 2500	
Needy Family Gifts and food	\$250.00
Job's Daughters Pageant	\$100.00
Music Corps	\$ 95.00

Unity Chapter No. 16

Volunteer Hours 9231	
Community Service Donations	\$2921.25

Naomi Chapter No 20 one member, Mercer Quinby did the following:

VA Hospital Hobby Cart	72 hours
Feeds the Homeless	120 hours
Habitat for Humanity Construction	585 Hours

I wish other Chapters would submit the Community Service done in their Chapters.

I have enjoyed working with Sister Barbara Nakai, she has been very helpful and we have stayed in touch to keep our figures accurate. What a friend she has been to me.

Without the help of Barbara Lott, Rhonda Zawora, Joan S. Edwards and Sandy Sahutsky and my other special right and left hand my daughter, Sister Jean. I will always appreciate all you did for me. You all gave me help and encouragement when I was down.

Thanks to everyone who helped even if it was with just a kind word or hug.

I have done my best, but it is not the quality I would have liked. I will work with the new Grand Secretary anytime, she needs me.

Thank you for all your acts of kindness to me this year.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Share Savings XXXXXX000-1		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$4,833.79
Dividend Earned		\$2.45
Safe Deposit Box Rental		<u>\$(60.00)</u>
Balance as of April 20, 2017		<u>\$4,776.24</u>
General Operating Account XXXXXX000-2		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$27,475.46

<u>Receipts for</u>		
Benefit for Children 2014-15 year	\$3,814.00	
Ways and Means	\$3,270.00	
Charity Contributions	\$2,139.30	
Chapter Fees	\$11,590.12	
Registration	\$2,431.00	
Surety Bond	\$185.60	
Miscellaneous Income	\$7,668.72	
Benefit for children	\$16,188.00	
Total Receipts		<u>\$47,286.74</u>
		<u>\$74,762.20</u>
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Officers and Committee Expenses	\$550.00	
Charity Contributions	\$18,827.30	
Sessions Expenses	\$10,894.07	
Business Expenses	\$7,738.29	
General Grand Chapter	\$990.00	
Engraving and cleaning of Jewels	\$170.00	
Printing	\$1,245.72	
Salaries and other Related Expenses	\$775.00	
Insurance	\$487.00	
Miscellaneous	\$8,853.77	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$50,531.15</u>
Balance as of April 20, 2017		<u>\$24,231.05</u>
ESTARL Money Marketing Savings XXXXXX-000-10		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$7,736.86
<u>Receipts</u>		
Interest Earned	\$6.29	
Chapter Donations	\$3,128.49	
Necrology	\$290.00	
Miscellaneous Donations	\$460.00	
Total Received for 2016-2017		<u>\$3,884.78</u>
Balance as of April 20, 2017		<u>\$11,621.64</u>
Benefit for Children Money Marketing Savings XXXXXX000-11		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$1,500.52

<u>Receipts</u>		
Chapter Donations	\$3,811.27	
Miscellaneous Donations	\$5,554.62	
Printed Program	\$95.00	
Interest earned		\$4.51
Sinatra Show	\$7,471.00	
Queen of the South Show	\$696.86	
Candlelight Theatre	\$1,770.00	
Other Income	\$2,311.00	
Total Received for 2016-2017	\$21,709.75	\$21,709.75
Funds Available 2016-2017		\$23,214.78
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Queen of the South gave \$100 to Md, PA, DC, NJ	\$400.00	
Chairman Expenses	\$550.00	
Candlelight Theatre	\$1,421.00	
Deena Yale-Banner	\$110.95	
Bartenders	\$250.00	
Caterers	\$1,897.42	
Entertainers and DJ	\$1,300.00	
Miscellaneous	\$1,435.00	
Transferred to General Account	\$12,374.00	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$19,738.37</u>
Balance as of April 20, 2017		<u>\$3,476.41</u>
Shustack Scholarship Fund Money Market Savings XXXXXX000-12		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$8,922.80
Interest Earned	\$6.70	
Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$8,929.50
Certificate of Deposit XXXXXX-15		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$17,609.75
Interest Earned	\$175.65	
Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$17,785.40
Certificate of Deposit XXXXXX000-16		
Balance as of April 23, 2016		\$24,293.69
Interest Earned	\$242.33	
Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$24,536.02

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER
M. Barbara Nakai

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The following is an account of my official transactions of the year ending April 20, 2017

Business Primary Share XXXXXX00-1			
	Balance Forward		\$ 4,833.79
	Interest Earned	\$ 2.45	
	Total Received		\$ 4,836.24
	Disbursements	\$ 60.00	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 4,776.24
Checking Account XXXXXX000-2			
	Balance Forward		\$ 27,475.46
	Receipts (4/16-4/17)	\$ 47,286.74	
	Balance April 15, 2017		\$ 74,762.20
	Disbursements	\$ 50,531.15	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 24,231.05
CD XXXXXX000-15			
	Balance Forward		\$ 17,609.75
	Interest Earned	\$ 175.65	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 17,785.40
CD XXXXXX000-16			
	Balance Forward		\$ 24,293.69
	Interest Earned	\$ 242.33	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 24,536.02
Benefit for Children Money Market XXXXXX000-11			
	Balance Forward		\$ 1,500.52
	Receipt 5/16-4/17	\$ 21,709.75	
	Interest Earned	\$ 4.51	
	Total Received		\$ 23,214.78
	Disbursements	\$ 19,738.37	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 3,476.41
ESTARL Money Market XXXXXX000-10			
	Balance Forward		\$ 7,736.86
	Receipts (5/15-4/16)	\$ 3,878.49	
	Interest Earned	\$ 6.29	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 11,621.64
Shustack Scholarship XXXXXX000-12			
	Balance Forward		\$ 8,922.80
	Interest Earned	\$ 6.70	
	Balance as of April 20, 2017		\$ 8,929.50

Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Robert, it has been interesting to serve as one of your Grand Officers this year. Vickie, I know this has been a trying year but with a lot of time on the phone and spending hours together, we were successful in getting this report done. To all of the Grand Trustees, who have worked with me the past 10 years, I appreciate all of the help and support you have given me. To the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I appreciate all of the support, understanding and friendship.

Thank you all.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES

Catherine Yaiser, PM, Chairman (1 yr)

Joyce Ann Myslewicz, PGM (2 yrs.) Robert G. Stineman, Jr. (3 yrs.)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Grand Trustees of this Grand Chapter have been pleased to serve you during this year. Therefore, we present this report of our actions and findings for 2016-2017

Financial Status of the Grand Chapter

Let's begin by stating a few obvious observations about the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. It is a small Jurisdiction with potentially great ideas but an aging population. We have seen an increase in Initiations, but we have not seen a net growth in our jurisdiction. This, in turn, limits the growth of our investments.

The Grand Representatives and Grand Officers have had exposure to other Jurisdictions. I would dare to say that you are shocked at their Grand Treasurer's reports. Some Jurisdictions have more in one charity fund than we possess in our entire Treasury; the same is true of some of Subordinate Chapters. You have the Grand Treasurer's report. Look at it. We have had deficit balances at the end of the last three years.

Activities of the Grand Trustees

Upon the close of the 2015-2016 Grand Chapter Sessions, the Grand Trustees, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary Emeritus, met at the Dover Credit Union to transfer the accounts into the proper names to be shown on the account. The Credit Union had changed the procedure of adding the Grand Secretary's name to the account so that was completed at a later date.

Olivia Newton-John had a song "Let's Get Physical" which didn't mean "fiscal". Well that's how the Grand Trustees felt last May and June; if you remember it seemed like the hottest spring in history. The Grand Secretary's office was dismantled and moved to Vickie Nicklas' home. Prior to the move Joan S. Edwards, PGP and Vickie Nicklas sorted all records that would go into storage and those that would remain with the Grand Secretary at her home.

While the sorting was being accomplished, the Grand Trustee's obtained a storage unit at the Sentinel Storage Units of North Dover. Because of the closing of Five Points Chapter, the Grand Chapter was taking repossession of the Signet and rug from that Subordinate Chapter and had accepted the organ. This caused the need for a climate controlled facility.

By June 5, 2016 all materials had been moved to the appropriate sites. Included in the consolidation of Grand Chapter's belongings, the "stuff" held in the barn at Ethelene Krauss' home was also sorted. Those items not to be saved were to be sold by Sussex #7 at their garage sales. Joan S. Edwards arranged for the many file cabinets to be removed from her home; items that could be sold were donated to the Victory Chapter #15-yard sale. (See Storage Unit Inventory).

Facilitating the Office of Grand Secretary

Grand Trustee, Robert Stineman, PGP purchased a new computer for the Grand Secretary's office, transferred the necessary files, and installed Quick Books.

Because the Grand Secretary had hand surgery in the summer and the rehabilitation took longer than was predicted by the physician, it was necessary to employ an assistant to begin typing the proceedings. Joan S. Edwards, PGP again came to the rescue. (reflected in the Expenses FY 2017). It is our understanding that the Worthy Grand Matron also assisted the Grand Secretary.

Benefit for Children with Special Needs

We were called into discussions between the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Paton, Chairman of the Benefit for Children projects, and the Planning Board for the March 26 Event. Our role was to review the contracts, express our thoughts on points of liability and exercise a general supervision of finances as pertaining to Grand Chapter. We also stress that good PR was essential to the success of the project.

2018-2020 Session Contracts

During the year alternate sites were suggested and visited by the Grand Trustees and available Sister Line Officers. Modern Maturity, Dover Down, Christina Sheraton were visited prior to the March 18 meeting with the Line Officers. The Doubletree on Concord Pike was suggested after the March 1 deadline posted in the Chronicle. We were only able to get printed materials in time for that facility.

The items discussed by all were availability for a 3 years contract, the locality, the nearby attractions for visiting dignitaries and/or a Grand Representatives and the cost. All expressed the concern that there would be a decrease in attendance if the Session were held in New Castle County. Secondly there was concern that the members in New Castle County would not help fulfill the room registration quota. Dover Downs has increased the Ballroom rental fee but has kept down the room rates.

It was, therefore, decided that the 2018-2020 Session would be held at Dover Downs. Contracts are to be signed while we are attending 2016-2017 Sessions.

Audit

The Audit was performed on April 23, 2017, at the home of the Grand Secretary. In attendance were the Grand Trustees, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. We commend the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer on the complete and excellent books that they presented. We acknowledge and comment the excellent communication skills practiced by both Sisters that made the audit a positive exercise. We thank Vickie for her hospitality during our task.

It was decided by the Grand Trustees that because of security issues, we would no longer show the entire sequence of account numbers on any printed materials. The character "X" would replace all but the last 4-t numbers. This will show in the present fiscal report from the Grand Treasurer.

Budget

On completion of the Audit, we began the process of creating the 2017-2018 Budget. It was completed on April 25. [attached]

In truth, we have struggled with the fiscal status of the Grand Chapter the entire year. An article was included in the *Chronicle's* winter edition to keep the membership abreast of our concerns. [Attached: Reality 101] The Grand Trustees have attempted to allow the Grand Chapter to function within the restraints of the monies collected. This does not allow for new programs to be given seed money. How do we then grow? Remember the badges we received as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. There are plenty of new ones encompassing newer ideas.

The Ways and Means Committee is tasked with finding innovative ideas to try to balance the budget, yet we still have ended each of the last 3 years in a deficit. Not because this committee has failed in its endeavor, but because we are always selling to the same people. Putting arbitrary amount in Ways and Means Proposed budget line does not create a balanced budget as required by the present bylaws. It only gives us false security in thinking the arbitrary goal will be attained.

So, it comes down to the economics of the Grand Chapter, that each one of us, not just the few who support all the fundraisers, is responsible for the cost of running Grand Chapter. We have held the cost of dues, I know personally, for 17 years. The Grand Trustees have no choice but to recommend to the Grand Chapter that a per capita increase of \$5.00 be presented to the membership and that the increases passed forward by the General Grand Chapter (\$2.00) be assessed to the Subordinate Chapters. Two dollars of the per capita increase should be set aside for the 100th Anniversary of Grand Chapter, for the 3 years following the increase. The money would then be put into the General Fund. We understand that those Subordinate Chapters which have remitted dues of their lifetime members, will be hard hit by this recommendation. We regret that the only suggestion we can make is that you review your Chapter Bylaws.

Gratitude

The Grand Trustees would like to give special recognition, first to Sister Ethelene Krauss for the many years of free storage she allowed Grand Chapter. Her dear husband, Brother Bob, was glad that we were giving him back his upstairs, though he was unable to see our progress.

We could not have completed moving the Grand Secretary's office without the help of Brother Robert Hiddemen, PGP and Brother Water Myslewicz and the use of their vehicles. It was difficult keeping cool and hydrated on those days,

During the transition of Grand Secretary's office, there was difficulty in working with Quick Books. Initially Robert Stineman, PGP gave help to the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. But we must thank Stephen Tolbert, PGP for "loving" Quick Books and volunteering to give our Sisters a different perspective of the program. It wasn't possible for Bob to assist with the books any longer and maintain impartiality during the audit.

Compilation of Decisions by the Grand Trustees 2016-2017

- Acquired and signed contract for Sentinel Storage Unit in North Dover. Purchased a secure lock with numerical access so that those needing access could do so without the Grand Trustees attending.
- A request of the Grand Secretary to move the Grand Chapter accounts to a bank or credit union with offices in Seaford was denied. The request was addressed several times by the Grand Trustees with the same outcome. The Grand Trustees were unsure the source of the problems with Dover Federal Credit Union and we had recently purchased checks.
- A request to purchase a Smart phone for the Grand Secretary was denied because of the many expenses connected to the use of Smart phones and the inability to actually show what was personal or Grand Chapter business.
- After many inquires we made to the 2015-2017 Printed Program Committee a letter of complaint was received from Frankford #12. The grand Trustees sent a formal letter to the Chairman and Co-Chairman of the 2015-2017 Printed Program Committee. Since the Acting Grand Secretary had issued a payment of \$400 for printing prior to completion, the committee should have a product distributed by October 15, 2016. The committee complied.
- With the exception of the Printed Program distributed at the Frank Sinatra Event, review and approved all printing estimates and discussed them with the Grand Secretary.
- Approved the establishment of a *GoFundMe.com* account by the Worthy Grand Matron for fundraising. This action was unnecessary for the Grand Trustees to OK.
- Reviewed the contract for the Benefit for Children with Special Needs. Besides the terms of the contract, our input included the financial responsibility

of Grand Chapter in the event of an injury or food contamination during preparation. It was determined that since the Committee had invited the public, the food should be catered.

- In agreement with the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, and the Associate Grand Conductress, the 2018-2020 Grand Sessions will be held at Dover Downs Hotel. Contracts to be signed during the 2016-2017 Grand Session.
- The identifying numbers of all financial accounts will no longer be published in their entirety. Instead “x” will replace the beginning of the account number.
- After Grand Sessions the flags, stands, poles, and finials will be stored in the Sentinel Storage Unit.

Recommendations

- That the per capita be increase by \$5.00 of which \$2.00 will be placed in a fund for the 100th Anniversary of Grand Chapter. Upon the completion of the event the \$2.00 will be placed in the General Fund.
- Furthermore, the per capita designated to General Grand Chapter will be accessed separately
- That M. Barbara Nakai be awarded the honor of Grand Treasurer Emeritus for her years of service to this Grand Chapter.

	FY2016 BUDGET	FY2016 ACTUAL	FY5017 BUDGET	FY2017 ACTUAL	FY2018 PROPOSED
INCOME					
Ways and Means	\$6,024.83	\$3,391.69	\$5,000.00	\$3,270.00	\$3,394.50
Chapter Fees					
Initiation Fee	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$76.00	\$40.00
International Headquarters	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$100.00	\$105.00	\$100.00
Per Capita Tax	\$9,980.00	\$9,160.00	\$9,160.00	\$8,950.00	\$13,400.00
Special Dispensations	\$100.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$110.00	\$100.00
Total Chapter Fees	\$12,120.00	\$10,935.63	\$11,080.00	\$11,590.12	\$15,440.00
Proceedings	\$20.00	\$26.59	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Credentials/ Registration	\$2,500.00	\$2,430.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,431.00	\$3,200.00
Surety Bond	\$210.00	\$202.05	\$210.00	\$185.60	\$210.00
Miscellaneous Income					
Distinguished Guest Breakfast	\$0.00	\$931.00	\$900.00	\$1,024.00	\$900.00
PAGO Breakfast	\$0.00	\$628.00	\$700.00	\$548.00	\$600.00
Pages Luncheon		\$875.00	\$900.00	\$350.00	\$680.00
Other	\$0.00	\$1,015.00	\$300.00	\$133.75	\$300.00
Total Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$3,449.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,055.75	\$2,480.00
Interest on Accounts	\$800.00	\$485.06	\$450.00	\$437.93	\$450.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,195.50	\$20,893.43	\$22,040.00	\$19,970.40	\$25,204.50

	FY2016	FY2016	FY5017	FY2017	FY2018
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	PROPOSED
EXPENSES					
Officer/Committee Expenses					
Grand Lecturer Expense	\$112.50	\$112.50	\$112.50	\$112.50	\$112.50
Grand Secretary Expense	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
Grand Treasurer Expense	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Ways and Means Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$745.30	\$1,500.00
WGP Expense		\$100.00	\$100.00		\$100.00
GGCCM Gifts			\$250.00		\$250.00
WGM Expense	\$225.00	\$625.00	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$225.00
Total Officer/Committee Expenses	\$2,362.50	\$2,762.50	\$2,612.50	\$1507.30	\$2,612.50
Session Expenses					
Distinguished Guest Breakfast	\$100.00	\$1,002.40	\$1,	\$1,002.40	\$1,000.00
PAGO Breakfast	\$50.00	\$681.60	\$700.00	\$637.20	\$700.00
Hospitality Chairman Expenses	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
Pages Luncheon			\$900.00	\$1,248.00	\$900.00
Past Grand Dinner	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$288.00	\$150.00
Hotel Rooms	\$3,000.00	\$2,043.60	\$3,000.00	\$2,049.12	\$2,100.00
Sessions Ballroom Rent	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,084.00	\$2,000.00
Necrology Expense	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$100.00		\$150.00
Sessions Chairman Expense	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Parliamentarian Expense					\$450.00
Printing	\$450.00	\$316.00	\$800.00	\$413.00	\$450.00
Julia M. Story Award	\$40.00	\$27.00	\$30.00	\$28.00	\$30.00
Miscellaneous		\$84.00	\$100.00	\$225.55	\$100.00
Total Sessions Expenses	\$9,040.00	\$9,404.60	\$12,180.00	\$10,894.07	\$10,480.00
Business Expense					
Bank Service Charge	\$0.00	\$192.48	\$0.00	\$20.00	
CPA	\$450.00	\$435.00	\$450.00	\$435.00	\$450.00
Materials and Supplies	\$650.00	\$665.26	\$700.00	\$1,008.36	\$700.00
Supplies for Resale	\$750.00	\$1,565.88	\$750.00	\$2,070.55	\$750.00
Grand Chapter Storage	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,636.55	\$3,900.00
Safe Deposit Box	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Telephone	\$250.00	\$195.62	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Postage	\$1,250.00	\$1,098.48	\$1,100.00	\$260.87	\$500.00
Total Business Expense	\$3,590.00	\$4,220.24	\$5,240.00	\$6,491.33	\$6,560.00
General Grand Chapter					
International Headquarter Fees	\$68.00	\$120.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$100.00
Per Capita Tax	\$998.00	\$998.00	\$916.00	\$920.00	\$1,840.00
Total General Grand Chapter	\$1,066.00	\$1,118.00	\$986.00	\$990.00	\$1,940.00

	FY2016	FY2016	FY2017	FY2017	FY2018
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	PROPOSED
Engrave/Purchase PC Jewels					
Past Grand Matron	\$1,200.00	\$1,250.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Past Grand Patron	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$950.00
Engraving of Jewels	\$280.00	\$270.00	\$300.00	\$170.00	\$100.00
Total Engrave/Purchase Jewels	\$1,980.00	\$1,520.00	\$300.00	\$170.00	\$1,050.00
Printing and Reproduction					
Grand Chapter Directory	\$295.00	\$290.55	\$300.00	\$255.72	\$300.00
Printed Program		\$400.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Proceedings	\$1,200.00	\$975.00	\$1,000.00	\$990.00	\$1,000.00
Total Printing and Reproduction	\$1,495.00	\$1,655.52	\$1,800.00	\$1,245.72	\$1,300.00
Salaries					
Grand Secretary Salary	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Grand Treasurer Salary	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
Total Salaries	\$775.00	\$775.00	\$775.00	\$775.00	\$775.00
Insurance					
Liability Insurance	\$255.00	\$255.00	\$255.00	\$255.00	\$255.00
Surety Bond	\$232.00	\$232.00	\$232.00	\$232.00	\$232.00
Total Insurance	\$487.00	\$487.00	\$487.00	\$487.00	\$487.00
Website					
	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Miscellaneous Expenses					
Computer	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,100.00	\$0.00
QuickBooks	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$247.97	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00		
Total Other Miscellaneous Expense	\$1,300.00	\$350.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,347.97	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$24,195.50	\$22,302.86	\$25,880.50	\$23,908.39	\$25,204.50
INCOME vs EXPENSES	\$01.00	-\$1,409.43	-\$3,840.50	\$(3,937.99)	\$0.00

**Inventory of Storage Unit 321
Sentinel Storage
Dover, DE
April 29, 2017**

Organ with bench
Signet, wooden with lights
Oblong rug with star and emblems
Archways-2
 4 Side panels
 2 Arch and 2 flat tops
(8) pieces fencing, 3-4ft
(1) role picket fencing
(5) Small easels
(5) small stools

- (5) shadow boxes
- Pedestals for East
 - Rope and chain links
- (2) folding 3-tier plant stands
- (22) Page chair covers
- (3) ceramic angels-3'
- (2) 2x4' Styrofoam forms with flowers
 - Can be attached to flat trellis tops
- Archived Grand Chapter of Delaware Records
 - Formerly held at Grand Secretary's residence
- Archived records of closed Subordinate Chapters
 - Formerly held at Grand Secretary's residence
 - Previous storage has caused water damage and mold.
- Artificial grass approximately 10'x10'
- Box of "Christmas lights"-white

Inventory Held by Grand Secretary
(held there for insurance coverage)

- American Flag, stand, pole and finial
- Canadian Flag, stand, pole and finial
- Delaware Flag, stand, pole and finial
- Eastern Star Flag, stand, pole and finial
- Christian Flag, stand pole and finial

Safe Deposit Inventory
Dover Federal Credit Union
Dover, Delaware

March 9, 2017

In attendance: Catherine Yaiser, PM, Grand Trustee, Chairman; Joyce Myslewicz, PGM, Grand Trustee; Robert Stineman, PGP, Grand Trustee.

Contents:

- 1 Past Grand Matron pin:
 - (Leah Cameron, PGM)
 - Removed on this date for Cleaning, engraving and Presentation to Barbara Lott, WGM on May 9, 2017
- 1 Past Grand Matron pin:
 - (Liza Crossland, PGM; Nancy Edwards, PGM)
 - Being held for Sara Quinby
- 1 Past Grand Matron pin:
 - (Ellen Gregg, PGM; Effie Marvonek, PGM)
 - Being held for Ginny Crockett
- 1 Past Grand Patron pin:
 - (Clifford Faircloth, PGP; Eugene Edwards, PGP)
 - Removed on this date for cleaning, engraving and Presentation to Robert Bradish, WGP on May 9, 2017
- 3 Grand Trustees Traveling Jewels
- 1 International Grand Representatives Jewel/Pin
- 6 Small copies of Grand Chapter Charter
- 1 Large copy of the Grand Chapter Charter

Reality 101

The characters: you and I.

The setting: the budget meeting prior to Grand Sessions.

The plot: how to pay increasing expenses of Grand Chapter with the same contributions from members as was collected in 2000 considering our membership has a net decrease of about 50%. Much as we have tried, we have been unable to attract the public to take part in our projects. So, we continue to sell and purchase from each other. The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron for their years respectively have projects that geared toward increasing that income. Remember this year's Ways and Means budget proposed income was \$6,000.00.

The 100th anniversary of Grand Chapter is 3 years away. Our present finances do not allow us to even start to plan a proper celebration without starting to put monies aside. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have recommended that an assessment of \$2.00 be collected for the next 3 years.

The cost of printing has increased in 1 year by 25%. Members are being requested to obtain their information from the OES website to defray this expense but we still need printed materials.

How often have you worked on Grand Chapter Committees and have donated the cost of decorations, printing, etc. and still paid for meals.

There has always been a need to obtain storage facilities. With the donation of an organ it became mandatory that the unit be climate-controlled. The Grand Trustees rented a facility in May of 2016. We were already informed of the fee increase starting July of 2017. The Grand Trustees have been reluctant to propose an increase in the per capita, remember that many are on limited incomes. But those of you who are on limited incomes and are active members are bearing the cost of Grand Chapter. We are aware that many Subordinate Chapters have granted life memberships and pay the per capita out of their own budgets. With the closing of subordinate Chapters, this puts a greater burden on the consolidating Subordinate Chapter.

It is often said: "Grand Chapter has money. The Grand Trustees don't want to spend it." As of December 2016, prior to the payment of per capita, Grand Chapter had a \$10,000 discrepancy between income and expenditures. You and I need the Grand Trustees to protect those monies in order to function.

The reality: It is the **fiscal responsibility of the Grand Trustees to recommend an increase of \$5.000 to the per capita** of which \$2.00 will, for the next 3 years, be set aside for the 100th anniversary. On completion of that event, the \$2.00 will be retained by the Grand Chapter in General Funds.

CLOSING OF THE MONDAY MORNING SESSION

The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Grand Secretary is there was any lost and found or announcements. The Grand Secretary replied there was none.

The Worthy Grand Matron then asked the Session Co-Chairman if she had any announcements. Announcement of the location of the Grand Representatives Luncheon at 11:45 a.m. was made.

The Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which the Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Marshal to proclaim the Grand Chapter at recess at 11:43 a.m. to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

MONDAY AFTERNOON

May 8, 2017

1:30 pm

“Tea for Two”

An organ prelude provided by Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16), preceded the Monday Afternoon “Tea for Two” Session.

The Session Co-Chairman called the Grand Chapter to order at 1:36 p.m.

CATHERINE “SCOTTY” SCHULTZ, PGM, SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN (12):

Good Afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for coming back this afternoon and I hope that you enjoyed the Grand Representatives Luncheon or time with old and new friends.

Reminders:

- If you enter or leave during the meeting, we ask that you use the aisles along the walls and enter or exit quietly;
- Anyone making or seconding a motion or desiring to speak must identify yourself first by name, title and Subordinate Chapter number;
- Please turn off all cell phones, laptops, and or other electronic devices at this time.

Thank you.

The Grand Marshal, was directed to escort “by way of the Labyrinth” Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM, Grand Secretary (7) and J. Eddie Morris, PGP and GGCCM Unfinished Business (12) to open this afternoon’s “Tea for Two” Session.

WELCOME BY VICKIE J. NICKLAS, PGM

It is the will of the Worthy Grand Matron that this 96th Monday afternoon “Tea for Two” Session be in order for the entrance of the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter.

If there are any present that are not members of the Order, they will retire at this time.

Good afternoon, distinguished East, Visitors and Delaware delegates. It is an honor to stand here with my Worthy Grand Patron, Eddie Morris, GGCCM, as we greet each of you.

The Grand Marshal was directed to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers to enter the Chapter room of the Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Bob, I can truthfully say you have traveled many miles this year representing our small state. Barb, you have been endless in all you have tried to accomplish in a short year and what you have done for me is more than I can ever thank you for. Bob, you were always there to give your Worthy Grand Matron support in her decisions and that is important. With your “Tea for Two” Session what better way to suggest friendliness and to create it than with a cup of tea. Some even say that tea is a cup of life.

Best wishes to you and your Grand Family in all you do in life. You will now be greeted by Eddie. Thank you.

WELCOME BY J. EDDIE MORRIS, PGP

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron it is an honor and a pleasure to assist in the opening of your Monday after “Tea for Two Session” with my own Worthy Grand Matron, Vickie Nicklas.

As I traveled to the East in Grand Chapter I had the pleasure of becoming acquainted with each of you and getting to know you.

Each Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron has a year filled with its ups and downs and like those who have gone before you; the two of you have weathered the storm.

Thank you for the privilege of opening this Session with Vickie and good luck with whatever the future brings for you.

May you have good health and safe travels in the years to come.

The Grand Marshal, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress were directed to escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East; Grand Honors were accorded to the Matron and Worthy Grand Patron; the gavel was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron, with the request that she preside for the Monday Afternoon Session. The Worthy Grand Matron requested the Grand Officers to assume their Stations and seated the Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Vickie and Eddie, each of you contributed a year of leadership to our Order. Special thanks for the special attention you gave to cultivating and tending this Grand Chapter as you would a garden to keep it strong and active.

RESPONSE OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

We “Thank You” for opening this session of the “Melodies and Memories” Grand Chapter Session. Only 3 years ago we met when I walked in the Tuesday afternoon session to be installed as the Grand Sentinel. I suspect both of you wondered just who you were getting to be one of your Grand Officers, especially an elected Grand Officers. I hope that I was able to show you through my actions that I served you well and was an asset to this Grand Chapter.

Vickie whenever I have talked with you or called you I found you to always be cheerful and respectful to me. You have always been receptive to anything I have asked of you. It is a joy to know you and to welcome you wherever we meet. Even with the stunt I pulled at your Grand Sessions when as Grand Sentinel I refused you admission to the meeting room because you did not have your authorization badge, and made you go back to your room to obtain it.

OPENING

After ascertaining if all present were members of the Order, the Worthy Grand Matron, directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar, after which the Grand Chaplin offered an opening prayer. At 1:55 p.m. the Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Marshal to proclaim the Grand Chapter called from recess to labor.

HONORING OF FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

At this time those members celebrating that special milestone of fifty (50) years of membership were honored. The Psalmist tells us that everything shouts and sings for joy at a time of celebration. These members have served and worked willingly for the Order. We are so thankful for your service.

The Worthy Grand Matron directed to Grand Secretary to read the names of our Fifty-Year Members

The Worthy Grand Matron requested the Fifty-Year Members present approach the West. After which she directed the Grand Conductress to introduce the Fifty-Year members present.

Adah Chapter No. 5

Ann L. Street (12/9/2016)

Sussex Chapter No. 7

Roberta Pinson (3/16/2017)

Barbara Jo Emmons (3/16/2017)

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	M. Barbara Nakai (3/23/2017) Evelyn M. Bramble (3/23/2017)
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	None
Frankford Chapter No. 12	Cheryl Clark (10/12/2016)
Victory Chapter No. 15	Jana Bradish (6/1/2016) Mary Lou Lombardo (2/27/2017) Elisabeth Tomlinson (12/16/2016) Judy Perrott (00/00/2017)
Unity Chapter No. 16	Bette McIntyre (12/27/2016)
Ruth Chapter No. 19	Diane Boyer (9/12/2016) Margaret Degen (9/27/2016)
Naomi Chapter No. 20	Deborah S. Barr (3/1/2017) Lillian Callaway (5/21/2017)

TRIBUTE TO FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

While the tribute was read by the Grand Officers the Grand Organist plays softly in the background “Long, Long Ago”

Worthy Grand Matron

In memory may we now go back
To when you walked in the light
Of our shining Star so beautiful
And heard our stories of honor and right

Adah

Do you remember long, long ago?
When you stood at the point of blue
To hear the story of Adah told
Of right and duty to which she was true?

Ruth

Do you remember that night long, long ago?
When you paused at the yellow ray
As you were told of Ruth’s devotion
And loving service, day after day?

Esther

Do you remember that night long, long ago?
As you stood at the point of pure white
To hear the story of Esther told
Of bravery and decision for the right?

Martha

Do you remember that night long ago?
When you came to the point of green
To hear the Sister portrayed as Martha
Tell of her faith and hope in things unseen?

Electa

Do you remember long, long ago?
Standing at Electa’s ray of love
To hear that story
Of fervent truth inspired from above?

Worthy Grand Patron

Yes, we know that you do remember
And that is why you are here
To count your years together
With friends that you hold dear.

The Worthy Grand Matron, directed the Grand Conductress, and the Associate Grand Conductress to escort the Fifty-Year members to the East by way of the Labyrinth. The Worthy Grand Matron called up the Grand Chapter and requested the members to face the East and salute the Fifty-Year members with Grand Honors. The Worthy Grand Matron then seated the Grand Chapter.

The Worthy Grand Matron presented each Sister with a pin and certificate as a symbol of Fifty-years of loving service to the Order of the Eastern Star, knowing that the Fifty-year members would wear the pin with pride and joy as the faithful true members they are. Each Fifty-year member had been presented a corsage before the beginning of the Afternoon Session. After the presentation of the pin and certificate to the Fifty-year members, the Worthy Grand Matron requested the Grand Conductress, and Associate Grand Conductress, to escort the Fifty-year members to their seats.

MOTION

Joan S. Edward, PGM and Grand Secretary Emeritus (15), made a motion that Barbara Nakai, Grand Treasurer receive the title of Grand Treasurer Emeritus. Vickie Nicklas, PGM (7) Seconded the motion. There was no discussion. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS:

REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER

**Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM
Grand Lecturer 2016-2017**

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: It has indeed been a pleasure and a privilege for me to again serve our Grand Chapter as Grand Lecturer. Even though it's been 42 years since I last held this position, I discovered it still is an exciting, busy and rewarding one.

I met with Worthy Grand Matron to discuss her instructions and plans for the year. A School of Instruction was held on May 14, 2016 in the Victory Chapter Room.

I missed one Official Visit due to illness, attended most Birthday Parties and witnessed several initiations. I also served a Deputy for Naomi Chapter for two months while their Deputy was on vacation.

On November 4, 2016, a Portrayal of the Queen of the South degree was held in Caesar Rodney Chapter Room. This was a Multi-Jurisdictional Exchange and the officers in the Degree were Past Grands from four jurisdictions. It was my honor to have been the chairman and organizer for this event.

My contingent fund was used for postage and gas for fulfilling my duties a Grand Lecturer.

I have been most fortunate to have worked with a wonderful group of Deputy Lecturers to each of you a big "THANK YOU" for a job well done. I sincerely appreciate your cooperation, your dedication to your duty and especially your friendship.

It has been a real pleasure for me to give examinations and issue Proficiency Certificates. I have examined and issued certificates to the following:

"A" Proficiency Certificates

Virginia Crockett, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 on 2/7/17.

It should be noted that this was a second "A" Proficiency Certificate for Sister Ginny.

“B” Proficiency Certificates

Prestina Crockett, Victory Chapter No. 15 on 3/9/17

Conductress Proficiency Certificates

Rosemarie Vandergooh, Unity Chapter No. 16 on 2/25/17

Laura Williams, Adah Chapter No. 5, on 4/22/17

Worthy Grand Patron Test

William Lott on 10/26/2016

Grand Secretary, Vickie, I do thank you for the prompt manner of issuing the certificates to me. It has been GREAT working with you.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, being a member of your Grand Staff and traveling with you this year has been an immense pleasure for me. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to again serve our Grand Chapter.

**Benefit for Children with Special Needs in Delaware
Annual Report 2016-2017**

Phyllis Jane Roby, PM (16) Chairman

Barbara Davison, PM (20) Deena Yale, WM (7)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: It has been a privilege to serve the Grand Chapter of Delaware as Chairman for the Children with Special Needs in Delaware Program for the past few years.

It has been the most joyful experience I have ever had to be even a small part in making a child happy or see a family so relieved because our Grand Chapter was able to assist them in caring for the needs of their children that would otherwise be unattainable.

Many of us are blessed with healthy children and grandchildren but some are not so fortunate. Grand Chapter members, be proud of all your hard work and for supporting the events that our Grand Chapter worked so hard to offer. Please, continue to support these events with assistance and attendance.

This has been a very difficult year, the least of which was not receiving the contingency fund which the Committee might have used in planning additional fundraisers in addition to the ones previously planned by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, however the Committee did its utmost to raise as much as was possible and we want to take this opportunity to thank all our incredible Grand Chapter members who have contributed their time and expertise to help with all the efforts.

We want to express our gratitude to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Dale T. Irwin, and all the Delaware Masonic Lodges for their outstanding support of and attendance at the Family Affair with Sinatra and Dame Edna on March 26th of this year. It was so wonderful to spend such a fun time with our Masonic Brothers and their families and friends. If you missed that event, you really missed a really great time.

We want to thank all the Subordinate Chapters who contributed so generously to this wonderful program.

And, we want to take this moment to especially thank Caesar Rodney Chapter #8. They have worked so hard throughout the years and continue to make incredibly large donations for the children. Their Halloween Parties are looked forward to and enjoyed by all who attend and their candy sales well, what can I say, they help “fatten” the pot as well. And, who doesn’t look forward to Joyce Myslewicz’s delicious dinners, especially the Polish dinner? Thank you, members of Caesar Rodney #8 for all you do for the children with special needs.

And, Ginny Crockett, I can never thank you enough for all you have done to help me throughout the past several years. You have been to every event and have worked

tirelessly before, during and after each one. You always helped when and wherever needed. Thank you so much.

I would like to thank my committee, Barbara Davidson and Deena Yale for their help and assistance this year. Barbara, your kindness and many words of support were so greatly appreciated. Deena, your attendance at the planning meetings, artistic abilities, working on our posters and the banner, were also greatly appreciated.

This year the Committee was pleased to award seven grants at the Informal Opening for a total of \$11,374.00

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for the opportunity to serve this year and the Committee hopes you were pleased with our work.

God bless you, the Grand Chapter members and God bless the special children we strive to assist.

Grants Distributed to Children with Special Needs

Southern Delaware Therapeutic Riding, Inc.

Georgia Truitt, President

PO Box 219, Nassau, DE 19969

For 4 children @ \$350 each for a total of \$1,400.00

United Cerebral Palsy of DE, Inc. for Camp Lenape

Carma L. Carpenter, Director/Social Worker

For 4 children @ \$300 each for a total of \$1,200.00

Delaware Kids Fund

Ryan Kennedy

405 E. Marsh lane Suite 1

Newport, DE 19804

For 1 child (The D'Spirit Family) for a total of \$1,000.00

DKF will match OES Grant

Mindy Beck, Teacher of Music & Movement

1437 S. Hancock Ave

Dover, DE 19901-4096

ChatterVox Complete System Plus & Pencil Microphone for total of \$375.00

For children's assistance at John S. Charlton Program.

Children's Beach House

Pat Tosi, Director of Development

1800 Bay Ave

Lewes, DE 19958

For 4 children @\$500 each for total of \$2,000.00

Delaware Hospice for Camp New Hope

Earline Vann Coordinator

6 Polly Drummond Center, 2nd floor

Newark, DE 19711

For 4 children @ \$350.00 each for total of \$1,400.00

eSight Corporation Eglases Upgrade for Freedom Wilson

Parents Michael & Kennedy Wilson

For total of \$3,999.00

Total Distributed \$11,374.00

**Financial Report
Children with Special Needs in Delaware 2016-2017**

Christmas Event: Sister Barbara Davison, Committee Member

Income:				
	Advance		\$	1,421.00
	Tickets Sold	29 plus 1 free @ \$59.00	\$	1,770.00
		Total Income:	\$	3,191.00
Expenses				
	Tickets Paid for	29 plus 1 free @\$49.00	\$	1,421.00
	Return of Advance		\$	1,421.00
		Expenses plus return of Advance	\$	2,842.00

Profit for Christmas Event: \$349.00

Sinatra Family Event: Sister PJ Roby, Chairman

Income:				
	Advance		\$	500.00
	Checks and Cash received by Chairman		\$	4,220.00
	Tickets Sold at Door		\$	1,290.00
	50/50 Profit		\$	356.00
	Sale of baskets		\$	1,140.00
	Cash Donations		\$	100.00
		Total Income	\$	7,686.00
Expenses:				
	Entertainment		\$	1,300.00
	Bar Tender		\$	250.00
	PJ Roby (Return of Advance)		\$	500.00
	Outside Banner		\$	110.95
	Appleton Caterers		\$	1,897.42
		Total Expenses	\$	3,627.63

Note: Hall rental and programs were in kind donations

Profit for the Event: \$3,627.63

**Financial Report
For All Activities for Benefit for Children With Special Needs**

Balance Forwarded		\$	1,500.52
Receipts			
	Christmas Event	\$	349.00
	Sinatra Family Event	\$	3,627.63
	Chapter Donations	\$	3,810.89
	Mile of Quarters	\$	7,700.49
	Queen of the South	\$	696.86
	Printed Program	\$	95.00
Total Receipts		\$	16,279.87
Interest		\$	4.51
Funds Available		\$	16,284.38

Expenses All Activities		\$	7,364.37
Funds Available prior to distribution		\$	14,850.41
Funds Disbursed for grants		\$	11,374.00
Ending Balance		\$	3,476.41

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION CHARTERS AND CONSOLIDATION
Donna Austin, PM (9), Chairman
Terese Hensel, PM (16) Brenda Steinman, PM (8)**

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: This report covers the calendar year of January 1st, 2016 through December 31st, 2016.

On January 1st, 2016, there were ten Subordinate Chapters with a total membership of 920.

On May 12th, 2016 Five Points Chapter No. 13 consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

19 members were initiated; 45 members passed away, demitted or were suspended.

We were unable to locate 3 members who are presumed to have passed away.

This leaves us with a membership of 893 in this Grand Chapter.

Attached to this report is a complete statistical report of the year.

01/01/2016-12/31/2016

CHAPTERS	Total 1/1/2016	Initiated during the year	Affiliated during the year	Re-instated during the year	Total Additions	Died	Demitted	Suspended	Expulsion	Consolidated during the year	Plural Membership in Consolidated Chapter	Unable to Locate/Presumed Deceased	Total Deductions	Total Membership 12/31/2016
Adah No. 5	36	1	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	34
Sussex No. 7	81	4	1	0	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	80
Caesar Rodney No. 8	119	2	77	0	79	8	4	2	0	0	0	1	15	183
Georgetown No. 9	57	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	56
Frankford No. 12	82	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	79
Five Points No. 13	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	77	0	0	77	0
Victory No. 15	151	6	0	0	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	154
Unity No. 16	115	3	0	0	3	7	1	2	0	0	0	1	11	107
Ruth No. 19	96	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	93
Naomi No. 20	106	3	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	107
TOTALS	920	19	79	0	98	35	6	4	0	77	0	3	125	893

17 Plural Members in two Delaware Chapters

55 Plural Members belong to one Delaware Chapter and one Chapter in Other Jurisdictions

*77 members of Five Points Chapter No. 13 consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No.8 on May 12, 2016

**ESTARL COMMITTEE
REPORT**

Doris E. Egbert, PGM (12), Chairman
Winifred Walton, PM (15) Barbara Ewing-Joseph, PGM (16)
Doris E. Lauer, PGM (16) Susan Tolbert, PM, GR (AB) (16)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: E.S.T.A.R.L. stands for Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership. We raise money each year to award an individual a scholarship to attend a religious seminary or college to help continue their religious training.

This year we did not have a recipient to give the award to, however, the day before closing, I received a call about someone who is interested in receiving an ESTARL award. Since the closing was the next day and we would not have time to process the application, the individual was informed that the award can be given next year, and I will see that she receives the necessary papers, in order to receive the award for 2018.

The Subordinate chapters and members raised a total of \$3,878.49 for this very important charity. Attached is the complete financial report.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of all the members of this committee I wish to thank you for the privilege of serving for the past year.

ESTARL Committee
Financial Report 2016-2017

Balance Forwarded			\$ 7,736.86
Receipts:			
Necrology Collection May 8, 2016		\$ 290.00	
Chapter Donations			
Adah Chapter #5	\$ 50.00		
Sussex Chapter #7	\$ 174.00		
Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	\$ 479.47		
In Memory Phyllis Woodward	\$ 50.00		
Georgetown Chapter #9	\$ 397.02		
Frankford Chapter #12	\$ 185.00		
Victory Chapter #15	\$ 163.00		
Unity Chapter #16	\$ 1,530.00		
Donation 1	\$ 20.00		
Donation 2	\$ 177.00		
Donation 3	\$ 1,302.00		
Donation 4	\$ 31.00		
Ruth Chapter #19	\$ 50.00		
Naomi Chapter #20			
Total Chapter Donations		\$ 3,028.49	
Other Donations			
Past Matrons & Past Patron Association	\$ 50.00		
New Jersey OES Charity Fund (Honor Phyllis Bowman)	\$ 250.00		
Steve Tolbert (for GGC ESTARL pins)	\$ 160.00		
Total Other Donations		\$ 460.00	
Total Receipts:		\$ 3,778.49	
Subtotal			\$ 11,515.35
Interest			\$ 6.29
Total Funds Available			\$ 11,521.64

Recapitulation of Total Donations	
Beginning Balance	\$ 7,736.86
Chapter and other Donations	\$ 3,878.49
Interest	\$ 6.29
Ending Balance	\$ 11,621.64

COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS REPORT

Jane M. Morris, PGM (12), Chairman

Thomas Morganstern, PP (20) Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (7)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: We, the members of the Grievance and Appeals Committee, have the pleasure to report that there were no grievances reported to this committee this year. Therefore, it was not necessary for us to take any action. We hope the Grand Chapter can continue to work in harmony.

PRINTING COMMITTEE REPORT

Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM (7), Grand Secretary

Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM (20) David Holley, PGP (5)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: This has been a year that I could not get the *Proceedings* done in a timely manner.

I want to thank Joan S. Edwards, Rhonda Zawora and Barbara Lott, WGM, who were the ones who took it over as I started having health issues.

Meanwhile, I got four bids for the printing and submitted them to the Grand Trustees for approval. I was happy when Rogers Graphics was picked as I had worked with one of their salesmen previously as Grand Secretary.

On February 10th, I mailed out the copies to proof read to our Junior Past Grand Matron and Patron asking if I could get them back when I returned from vacation. Sister Euretta felt she wasn't given enough time although Brother David did get them back to me by the 20th.

I know this was not what they or I planned but thank you for your patience.

CLOSING OF THE MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Grand Secretary if there was any Lost and Found or announcements. The Worthy Grand Matron reminded all that schedule for photographs could be found in the program and requested the individuals who were listed in the schedule to be prompt. The Worthy Grand Matron then directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which she directed the Grand Marshal to proclaim the Grand Chapter at recess at 3:45 p.m. to reconvene at 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY EVENING

May 9, 2017

6:30 pm

“Catch a Falling Star”

An organ prelude provided by Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16), preceded the Monday Evening “*Catch a Falling Star*” Session.

CATHERINE “SCOTTY” SCHULTZ, PGM, SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN (12):

Good Evening, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for coming to this evening’s Session. We thank our visitors from Sister Jurisdictions for their attendance this evening.

Reminders:

- If you enter or leave during the meeting, we ask that you use the aisles along the walls and enter or exit quietly;

- Anyone making or seconding a motion or desiring to speak must identify yourself first by name, title and Subordinate Chapter number;
- Please turn off all cell phones, laptops, and or other electronic devices at this time.

The Grand Marshal was directed to escort “by way of the Labyrinth” Doris E. Egbert, PGM and GGCCM Youth (12) and Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP and GGCCM ESTARL (16) to open the evening’s “Catch A Falling Star” Session.

WELCOME BY DORIS E. EGBERT, PGM, GGCCM YOUTH (12)

Sisters and Brothers, it is the will of the Worthy Grand Matron that this 96th Monday afternoon “Catch a Falling Star” Session be in order for the entrance of the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter. If there are any present that are not members of the Order, they will retire at this time.

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this Monday Evening, Formal Opening, of the “Melodies and Memories” Session. We truly hope the next few hours with us will be memorable ones and that you will return again. Thank you all for coming.

The Grand Marshal was directed to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers to enter the Chapter room of the Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers: It is a very special pleasure to welcome you to this Monday Evening “Catch a Falling Star” Session. Congratulations to you and your Grand Officers for a year of dedicated service. My hope is that you enjoy your session and have fond and lasting memories.

To the Worthy Grand Matron: I was so excited to receive your invitation to open your Monday Evening Session. What an honor! I know you had a full year traveling in and out of the state and are ready to retire, but, retire is not in your vocabulary. I have enjoyed your friendship and may it last for many years.

To the Worthy Grand Patron: I haven’t known you long, but, our friendship has grown over the years and hopefully it will continue. You have done an excellent job keeping up with the Worthy Grand Matron and I know you enjoyed your time coming up the line to become our Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you.

To the Grand Officers: I hope all of you have enjoyed your year and have fond memories of it. Good health and safe travels.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron may you both have good and lasting memories, get some sleep tonight because tomorrow will be a very busy day.

I sincerely “thank you” again for the privilege of opening your session with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Stephen who will greet you now.

WELCOME BY STEPHEN P. TOLBERT, PGP, GGCCM ESTARL (16)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers, Good evening, Y’All! Ah Fooled you didn’t I!

First, let me say that it is such a great honor and pleasure for me to return to the East of the Grand Chapter again and share this Opening of the 96th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, with my own Worthy Grand Matron. I get to keep you out of trouble...again!

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron I want to thank you for the privilege of assisting Doris in opening and welcoming you to tonight’s “Catch A Falling Star” Session of your “Melodies and Memories” Grand Session. I also consider this a great honor to be in the East of the Grand Chapter tonight to be able to welcome all of our

Sisters and Brothers from Sister Jurisdictions who have come here this evening to enjoy the festivities. Welcome to you all and we are glad you are here!

Worthy Grand Matron you have worked very hard this past year to bring honor and credit to our Grand Chapter. Your dedication to our Order is quite evident to anyone who even glances at the itinerary contained in your report. You have traveled far and wide to represent our Grand Chapter. God has blessed you with many talents and you have used them to affect the course of this Grand Jurisdiction. In less than 24 hours you will have completed what you and Bob have set out to do. Job well done!

Worthy Grand Patron, we go back many years when we traveled throughout the state with our daughters and Job's Daughters. I was Worthy Grand Patron the year you were elected Grand Sentinel and it has been a real pleasure for me to be able to renew our travels together. Over the years you have been very dedicated to our Order and this past year you have represented our Grand Chapter in a commendable manner. You have given much support to the Worthy Grand Matron and it is much appreciated by this Grand Chapter and I'm sure appreciated by the Worthy Grand Matron as well. Thank you for all that you do and for your friendship. I look forward to continuing our work in this Grand Chapter together.

Grand Officers I can't leave you out. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron choose each of you for a specific reason to be a part of their Grand Family this past year. You have given them and this Grand Chapter your all and soon you too will be able to relax and remember you own "Melodies and Memories" from this year. Good job Y'All!

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, again, I thank you for this distinct pleasure. I do hope that you have enjoyed your year and I do hope that you will enjoy your "Melodies and Memories" Session. God's peace to your both.

The Grand Marshal, the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress were directed to escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. Grand Honors were accorded to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The gavel of authority was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron with the request that she preside for the Monday Evening Session. The Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Officers to assume their Stations and seated the Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Doris and Steve, each of you have ably served as our leaders in the past. We honor the footsteps you have left as you continued the tradition of those who have gone before you. We are indebted to each of you for your faithfulness. Thank you for opening this Monday Evening "Catch A Falling Star" Session.

RESPONSE OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Doris and Steve, it is a real pleasure to have the both of you open the Formal Opening of the "Melodies and Memories" Grand Chapter Session. Doris, you are a real pleasure to see and greet. I do enjoy the banter that goes on between us. You always brighten my day when I see you.

Steve, we do go back many years, all the way to when we were Associate Guardians at Bethel 5 and Bethel 3 of Jobs Daughters. We had a long hiatus when you were reassigned in the Coast Guard and I was pleasantly surprised to see you again at Grand Chapter.

Again, I want to thank both of you for opening this session of Grand Chapter.

OPENING OF MONDAY EVENING SESSION

After ascertaining that all present were members of the Order, the Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which the Grand Chaplain led in an opening prayer. The Grand Marshal declared the 96th "Melodies and Memories" Monday Evening "*Catch a Falling Star*" Session open at 6:50 p.m. The Worthy Grand Patron then led in the Flag Ceremony after which one stanza of the "National Anthem" was sung. In honor of our neighboring Jurisdiction to the North, "O Canada" was sung.

TRIBUTE TO THE FLAGS

Donna Austin, Grand Marshal (9)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers, behold the flags that are near and dear to us.

THE AMERICAN FLAG

In the last few decades our country has been torn asunder by much internal strife. Yet with each passing day our glorious flag stands tall; waving proudly as a symbol of freedom that is not the norm in many countries. I have read many wonderful and moving tributes to our glorious American Flag and after reading them I realized my words could not do justice to the meaning of our flag. I have chosen instead to recite a poem I found which I believe is the embodiment of what our flag means:

I walked through a county courthouse square
On a park bench an old man was sitting there
I said, your old courthouse is kinda run down
He said, naw, it'll do for our little town
I said, your old flagpole has leaned a little bit
And that's a ragged old flag you got hanging on it

He said, have a seat, and I sat down
Is this the first time you've been to our little town?
I said, I think it is
He said, I don't like to brag
But we're kinda proud of that ragged old flag

You see, we got a little hole in that flag there when
Washington took it across the Delaware
And it got powder-burned the night Francis Scott Key
Sat watching it writing say can you see
And it got a bad rip in New Orleans
With Packingham and Jackson tuggin' at its seams

And it almost fell at the Alamo Beside the Texas flag, but she waved on though
She got cut with a sword at Chancellorsville
And she got cut again at Shiloh Hill
There was Robert E. Lee, Beauregard, and Bragg
And the south wind blew hard on that ragged old flag

On Flanders field in World War one
She got a big hole from a Bertha gun
She turned blood red in World War Two
She hung limp and low a time or two
She was in Korea and Vietnam
She went where she was sent by Uncle Sam

She waved from our ships upon the Briny foam
And now they've about quit waving her back here at home
In her own good land here, she's been abused

She's been burned, dishonored, denied, and refused

And the government for which she stands
Is scandalized throughout the land
And she's getting threadbare and wearing thin
But she's in good shape for the shape she's in
'Cause she's been through the fire before
And I believe she can take a whole lot more

So, we raise her up every morning
We take her down every night
We don't let her touch the ground and we fold her up right
On second thought, I do like to brag
'Cause I'm mighty proud of that ragged old flag

THE CANADIAN FLAG

The Canadian Flag is the national flag of our northern neighbor and best friend; Canada. In 1921 King George V made red and white the official colors of Canada. The maple leaf has been used as it's emblem since the 18th century. The Canadian Flag is beautiful in its simplicity. It is horizontally symmetric; which means the obverse and reverse sides appear identical. It has an 11-point stylized red maple leaf on a tri-band of red and white. It was adopted by the Canadian Parliament amidst "The Great Flag Debate" on December 15, 1964. It became the official flag of the country on January 28, 1965 by a formal proclamation by Queen Elizabeth II of England and was inaugurated on February 15, 1964. It represents a glorious heritage of honor, justice, unity, freedom and loyalty. The Canadian flag flies side by side with the U.S. Flag over thousands of miles of unfortified border as an example to the world that two nations can live side by side in friendship and respect.

THE DELAWARE FLAG

The Delaware flag was adopted on July 24, 1913 and is steeped in references to the colonial era. The background of the flag is colonial blue in the center of which is a buff colored diamond upon which rests Delaware's coat of arms. The Diamond represents an early state nickname, "The Diamond State". The ship represents the importance of ship building and shipping commerce to Delaware. The sheaf of wheat, the ear of corn, the ox and the farmer represent the importance of agriculture. The soldier represents the contributions of Delaware's Revolutionary War Soldiers. At the bottom of the coat of arms is a banner bearing the words "LIBERTY AND INDEPENDENCE". Below the diamond is the date December 7, 1787. This is the date that Delaware became the first state to ratify the United States Constitution. Because of this action Delaware became known as "The First State" in the Union and is placed in the first position in national events such as presidential inaugurations.

THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

It is with reverence and awe that I pay tribute to the Christian Flag today. The Christian flag was conceived by Charles Overton in 1897. The flag of white, blue and red is a symbol of the belief in the existence of a Supreme Being upon which our Order is founded. White is the universal color of peace and in this flag white represents the peace, purity and innocence that we find in our belief in God. The blue field symbolizes the fidelity, truth and grace that we find in God's word. The cross in the field of blue is the chosen symbol of Christianity. The red symbolizes the shed blood of Jesus Christ as well as the sacrifice and martyrdom of Christians throughout time and the world.

The Christian Flag was designed specifically so that it would not stand for a particular denomination. It has no geographic boundaries and is revered in many countries as an illuminated symbol of undaunted splendor. It is a privilege to behold its beauty in our Grand Chapter Room tonight. We know that it is truly a symbol of "faith in things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen".

THE OES FLAG

The Eastern Star Flag is a symbol of our beloved Order that has led thousands of people to its halls and to relieve the distressed.

The inverted star, precious emblem of our Order, sits in a field of white. Each star point represents a biblical heroine of our Order. Blue is for Adah's fidelity to right and duty by honoring her father's vow to God. Yellow is for Ruth's constancy in staying by Naomi's side as she traveled back to her home in Bethlehem. White is for Queen Esther's loyalty to her people and her willingness to die with them if need be. Green is for Marth's faith and belief in Jesus' promise to everlasting life even in the face of her grief. Red is for our dear Electa who refused to trample the cross, that precious symbol of her and our faith.

The Eastern Star flag should ever remind us of the many blessings that we have received as members of the Order of the Eastern Star and the commitment we have made to serve our communities for the greater good.

THE MASONIC FLAG

The Masonic Flag stands here today as the symbol of our brother organization. The members of the Masonic Organization and Eastern Star are bound by the dearest ties in service to help those who are afflicted.

The Square and Compasses sit on a field of blue and is a symbol of the oldest and largest fraternal brotherhood in the world. The square is an emblem of virtue to Master Masons who must square their actions. The compasses exemplify wisdom of conduct. The "G" in the center represents God and geometry and reminds a Mason that every act is done in the sight of the Great Architect of the Universe. Peace and harmony is the result when the two Masonic tools are placed together with God (the Creator) as the central focal point.

WELCOME

Jennifer Grasset, PM, WM (9)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

On behalf of the members of the Delaware Eastern Star, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 96th Annual Session of our Grand Chapter; the "Melodies and Memories" Session.

Even though the state of Delaware is small, we played a huge role in the development of the government of this country. We were the first state to ratify the Constitution. That is something that makes us Delawareans very proud. We are also known as the "Small Wonder", but MY favorite is, of course, the Diamond State.

We hope you will hoist the masts and sail with us, meet new friends and reconnect with those you have not seen in a while.

"A strong friendship doesn't need daily conversation or being together. As long as the relationship lives in the heart, true friends never part."

This is often the case with many friends we make in the Order of the Eastern Star. We may not see each other often, but, when we reunite, we are STILL Sisters and Brothers and the love we have is still there. It is wonderful to see so many of those friendly faces this evening.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been my pleasure to welcome our guests and members. My wish is for your work during these sessions to have smooth sailing and be as harmonious as the lovely music that we have been listening to throughout the last few days.

RESPONSE

Sara M. Quinby, AGM (20)

My Sisters and Brothers: Catch a falling star and put it in your pocket, never let it fade away.....May each and every one gathered here tonight take back to your Chapters a little bit of the friendship and love that is shown in our Grand Chapter room tonight. The Grand Chapter of Delaware may be very small but our hearts are filled with love and sisterly affection.....so someday.....reach into your pocket and there you'll find that star you tucked away tonight. A night that has been filled with "Melodies and Memories".

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Conductress, assisted by the Associate Grand Conductress presented the following Sisters and Brothers:

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors.

Barbara Benton (OK)

Welcome to the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron by the Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Barbara, it was 2008 and a Connecticut Visionaire, Nancy Barr asked two weeks before she was to depart on a trip to Germany with GGC if I would take her husband's place. An opportunity to meet new friends in Eastern Star and widen my Eastern Star world...and I met you. Although I know that you are here for Sara's Installation, I thank you for attending our session for the entire time. Enjoy your time in the "First State"

The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter and asked Barbara Benton for remarks.

Remarks by Barbara Benton

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Family, Distinguished Guests all, Sister and Brothers:

Chickchickama! Halito! Happy Grand Chapter to your Delaware !!! We are grateful for another year of growth and the Great Spirit's blessings for our Eastern Star members. You probably have had some changes this year with your leaders trying some new and different things and you most probably have some different changes coming from your incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as they partnership opportunities to work for the betterment of your Grand Chapter. There is a lot happening in Oklahoma Grand Chapter and I enjoy spending time talking with our members – especially the older ones like me. One of the highlights of this year for me is becoming a 63-year member of Eastern Star next week!!! Another highlight that I will remember for the rest of my life is having the privilege of doing the "Lord's Prayer" in native American sign language at your Installation Tuesday night by invitation of your Associate Grand Matron and my dear friend, Sara Quinby. She and her husband, Mercer, are two of the most interesting and smartest people I have ever met. I remember Tom and I and Sara and Merce were sipping our Starbucks when a truck went past loaded up with rolls of sod. "I'm going to do that when I win the lottery", Sara said. "Do what?" Mercer asked. "Send our lawn out to be mowed" said Sara. Sisters and Brothers, I just luv ya' bunches and gobs and I thank you again and again for all your courtesies you have extended to me and all your guests from out of state. Please know Delaware members that you are precious to me and I hope this summer will be the best you've ever known. May the Great Spirit bless you and your family.

Eihoneysj (Until we meet again)

General Grand Chapter Committee Members from Delaware presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors:

Kathleen S. Anderson Credentials; Doris E. Egbert, Youth; Stephen Tolbert, ESTARL; J. Eddie Morris, Unfinished Business.

Welcome to Delaware's own General Grand Chapter Committee members by the Worthy Grand Matron: There is something that makes you different from others of your kind; it's loyalty and friendship, contentment, faith and joy; it is knowing that our cause is just; our purposes, pure and true that makes us all so different and want to be like you.

Response by Kathleen Anderson, PGM, GGCCM Credentials:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bob:

This evening is part of the concluding chapter of your "More We, Less Me" year. May the plans that you have made for this "Memories and Melodies" Session be the culmination of all your hopes and dreams.

Doris, Steve, and Eddie, when able, it has been a pleasure and joy to share the East with you this past year representing the General Grand Chapter. It did my heart proud to be with you all when we were installed as General Grand Chapter Committee Members at Triennium. Doris, you were Associate Grand Matron when I was Worthy Grand Matron. We had a lot of fun getting ready for our years as we went through the chairs. You are an amazing person and well deserved for your position. Steve, Good Morning! It was great sharing the East with you when needed during my year as Worthy Grand Matron and it has been an honor to share the East with you this past year, as well. Eddie, my son (as he called my mother when she was Worthy Grand Matron, "Worthy Grand Mother), we weren't able to be with you very much due to your working, but when we did, it was very enjoyable. I wish for all of us nothing but the best and safe travels for the remainder of our term.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for giving me the privilege and honor of responding to your greeting of our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members.

General Grand Chapter Ambassadors and Committee Members from Sister Jurisdictions presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors:

Alma Lynn Bane, Bylaws Chairman, PGM (TX) and Grand Representative of Bolivia (DC); Elizabeth D. West, Chairman Youth, PGM (NC); Bette Bowen, Scottish Rite Charities, PGM (MD); Cheryl D. Wilson Chairman Public Relations, PGM (PA); Judith Fenner, Deputy for the MWGM for Rio De Janeiro Brazil District 3, PGM (MA); Debra Hribar, ESTRAL, PGM (MD); Charles W "Bill" Bane, Ambassador to Romania, PGP (DC), Grand Representative to Sao Paulo, Brazil (DC).

Welcome to the General Grand Chapter Ambassadors and Committee Members from Sister Jurisdictions by the Worthy Grand Patron: Each of your Grand Jurisdictions and the Eastern Star world are proud of you and welcome you here tonight. Your presence brings added pleasure and delight. That the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron choose you for this honor is a very striking clue that the honor they bestowed was distinction that was due.

Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons from Sister Jurisdictions presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors:

Lynne Jones (VA); Nancy Gully (DC); Lee Sloopy (VA); Louis Numkin (DC); and Russell Bonchew (MD).

Welcome to the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Sister Jurisdictions by the Worthy Grand Matron: In serving our great Order there are special ties that bind. The bond of friendship strengthens when we have one goal in mind. As a member, loyal, of this worldwide Eastern Star Family dear, you will always find a welcome when you visit here.

Response to Welcome by Lynne Jones (VA): It is a great privilege and honor to respond on behalf of the Visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons to your warm and gracious welcome.

Each time that we meet we are bound closer together and we always have fun. Sister Barbara and Brother Bob, we shared a similar goal to have more fellowship and to bring our members together for a common goal. I am sure that the members have had fun and fellowship with the both of you as leaders.

We thank you for your many kind deeds and courtesies. We wish you a wonderful “Memories and Melodies” session filled with love and happy memories and we extend our heartfelt congratulations on a successful year.

Thank you for the opportunity.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors:

Ethelene Krauss; Phyllis Bowman, Grand Lecturer; Jacqueline W. Collier; Henrietta McKelvey; Joan L. Moore; Joyce Ann Myslewicz, Grand Trustee; Lee Anderson; Catherine “Scotty” Schultz; Joan S. Edwards, Grand Secretary Emeritus and DGL to Georgetown No. 9; Joy H. Hopkins; Doris E. Lauer; Ann L. Street; Debbie Good; Jane M. Morris, DGL to Frankford No. 12; Sandra Mae Sahutsky; Vickie J. Nicklas, Grand Secretary; Robert Stineman, Grand Trustee; Jeffery B. Dennis; Robert R. Hiddemen; and David Holley.

Welcome to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware by the Worthy Grand Matron: We keep thinking that it would be nice to invent some unfamiliar words, some never used phrase to express how much your presence means to this Grand Chapter. We have yet to come across exactly the right words and phrases to use. But, it is said that the family is the backbone of the nation and we firmly believe that our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons are the backbone of our Grand Chapter. You have climbed the great hill, only to find that there are many more hills to climb. Thank you for your service to this Grand Chapter.

Response for the Past Grand Matrons by Ethelene Krauss: Worthy Grand Matron Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron Bob, thank you for the honor of responding for the Past Grand Matrons of Delaware.

Just 39 years ago I stood where you are standing and remember what a thrill it was to see and greet the Past Grand Matrons at the Altar.

The support of the Past Grand Matrons this year was in evidence by their attendance at the Official Visit and Birthdays. It was great to see so many. I wonder whether it was your interesting messages or were we just keeping an eye on you?

You have had a busy year. Overflowing I would say, and we wish for you a harmonious balance of your “Memories and Melodies” Session. Thank you for this honor.

Response for the Past Grand Patrons by Brother Robert Stineman.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Sister Jurisdictions presented at the Altar, escorted to the East, and accorded Grand Honors.

Barbara Wiender (AZ); Madolyn Morgan (CT); Ellen S. Balko (DC); Virginia P. Gardner (DC), and Grand Representative of Virginia (DC); Clara Wampler (DC); Linda Jo Kinder(DC); Junanita J. Bowers (MD) and Grand Lecturer; Mary Adeline Bradford (MD); M. Ernestine Hale (MD); Linda Sanner (MD); Diane Smith (MD); JoAnn Bingenheimer (NJ); Virginia L. Plyer (PA); Vincent Kalinauskus (CT); Neal F. Jarvis (DC), and Grand Representative to Arizona (DC); James Coleman (DC) and Grand Representative to South Carolina (DC); Harold L. Bowers (MD); Randolph F. Geck (MD); Terry Herling (MD); Ted Shae (MD); Jon A. Thompson (MD); William Gunn

(MD) and Grand Trustee; Tom Benton (OK); B. Monte Kemmler (PA); and Edward C. Seiter (PA).

Welcome to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Sister Jurisdictions by the Worthy Grand Patron: In each of your Grand Jurisdictions a garden of memories of loving thoughts of you has grown. For your loyal service rendered and the good deeds you have sown. Your loyalty was fruitful and as we welcome you tonight, we're reminded – opportunities are brief, as time is in its flight.

Response for the Past Grand Matrons by Diane Smith, PGM (MD): Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert, on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions, we thank you for your gracious welcome to us and we offer you sincere fraternal greetings from our own jurisdictions. We are enjoying your warm hospitality and the courtesies extended to us.

As you preside over the 96th Grand Chapter of Delaware, your Memories and Melodies Session, may it be blessed with unity, tolerance and charity. This year you have used the sextant to lay the course and the compass to stay on course. Your cup has runneth over with fellowship and angels who have watched over you. The memories you have made, and the friendships treasured will last a lifetime. We have shared many special times with you this past year and it is our hope that this Grand Session is the culmination of all your hopes and dreams.

I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me and the jurisdiction of Maryland for permitting me to bring you this response.

Response for the Past Grand Patrons by Vincent Kalinaukas, PGP (CT): Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it is an honor to respond for the visiting Past Grand Patrons of Sister Jurisdictions.

Barbara, our relationship is unique. We have known each other for many years and you and Bill are also members of my Chapter in Connecticut. Your ties to our little state are very strong and we enjoy seeing you when your schedule allows. It was a pleasure to see you a week ago at our *Making Waves* Session in Connecticut. And, just a year ago we were here to see you installed as Worthy Grand Matron of Delaware. We are so proud of you.

Many long hours of work have gone into preparing for your *Melodies and Memories* Session and I congratulate you on a successful session and on an exceptional year. As you and Bob prepare to join the ranks of the Past Grands, I know you will feel a sense of accomplishment because you have achieved all your goals.

I thank the Grand Chapter of Delaware for the friendship and warm reception we've experienced at your 96th Annual Session. And thank you for the honor bestowed on Connecticut and me.

Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions presented in the West, escorted to the East, and given a glad hand of welcome:

Marty MacKidd, Grand Martha (AZ); Ann M. M. Kellner, AGM (CT); Marilyn Haroutunian, GC (DC); Karen E. A. Calvert, AGM (MD); Deborah L. Raynovich, GC (MD); Shawn Garren, AGC (MD); Phyllis Pahutski, Grand Chaplin (MD); Patrica E. Buet, Grand Marshal (MD); P. Bunny Ressel, Grand Organist (MD); Katherine E. Voris, Grand Adah (MD); Frances Sunderland, Grand Ruth (MD); Carol Geck, Grand Electa (MD); Carol Iter, Grand Warder (MD); Cathy Zillinski, Worthy Grand Esther (NJ); Orpha G. Kemmler, AGC (PA); Denise Shippee, AGC (RI); Linda Fowler, AGC (WV); J. Arthur Carbonaro, AGP (CT); William Sanner, AGP (MD); Gerald Phillips, Grand Sentinel (MD); David Ogilvie, Grand Treasurer (RI); and Jacob Shindler, Grand Sentinel (VA).

Welcome to the Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions by the Worthy Grand Matron: Appointed Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions may this year bring you many sweet memories as you travel the “Eastern Star Trail”. “Make new friends but keep the old; for one is silver and the other gold.” Elected Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions, there are times in the next few years that you will feel that you are sagging and find it hard to work up a smile. But remember there are rough bits on all journeys for it couldn’t be a smooth ride all the while. But when tempted to think of misfortune, think too how much you’ve been blessed. Don’t brood on the worst life has brought and don’t fail to remember the best.

Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions in Sister Jurisdiction presented in the West, escorted to the East via the Labyrinth and accorded Grand Honors:

Judy Flerschamel, Delaware (AL); Mary Ellen Blake, Delaware (CT); Connie S. Cron, Delaware (IL); Joyce McTaggart, Delaware (MB); Sue A. Fulton, Delaware (MA); Lynn Berzins, Delaware (NV); Doris Forte, Delaware (NJ); Sharon Stokes, Delaware (NY); Linda Sigmon, Delaware (NC); Carol D. Howtz, Delaware (PA); Caroline Maselli, Arkansas (CT); Judith A. Brod, Montana (CT); Brenda Aliff, Georgia (MD); Lila M. Kromer, Oklahoma (PA) and WM New Temple Chapter 298, Macungie, PA; Nancy Brooks, South Carolina (NH); Karen Balkwill Donlle, North Carolina (NY); Nancy Glofelty, Wyoming (MD); Brother Jim Fleischaniel, British Columbia Canada (AL); Donald Gladding, Alberta Canada (CT); and Frank Knight, Delaware (TX).

Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions in Delaware presented in the West, escorted to the East via the Labyrinth and accorded Grand Honors:

Sue Tolbert (AB); Kathy Trombly (BO); M. Barbara Nakai (CO); Hazel Smith (DC); Billy Lee Banning (FL); Carol Fehnel (IL); Jackie Kyle (IA); Mary Shaver (KY); Jennifer Grassett (MB); Olivia Hiddemen (MA); Patricia Martin (MI); Jennie Dull (MO); Carolyn Van Hekle (MN); Olga Cassas (NV); Jean Nicklas (NJ); Rosie Vandergooht (NY); Heiress Stevens (ND); Laura Williams (ON); Elizabeth “Betty” Toy (PA); Kathy Kee (PR); Catherine Bradish (RI); Eleanor Ellis (SC); Prestina M. Crockett (TX); PJ Roby (VT); Betty Abrams (WI); January Kendall (WY); Tom McLaughlin (MD); Walter Myslewicz (NB); John C. Williams (WV); and George Sahutsky (NC).

Welcome to ALL Grand Representatives by Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain and President of the Grand Representatives of Delaware Association (15): We congratulate you who have received well deserved appointments as our Ambassadors to visit Sister Jurisdictions around the world. May you find special happiness during your travels whether it be from an arm chair in your living room, via electronic communications or by traveling in person. You have a responsible position and a great honor has been bestowed on each of you. Good wishes for safe travels.

Response for ALL Grand Representatives by Sue A. Fulton, Grand Representative of Delaware in Massachusetts: Thank you, Jana for your warm words of welcome.

As the Grand Representative in our various Jurisdictions we are pleased to be here in Delaware at your “Melodies and Memories” Grand Session.

Worthy Grand Matron Barb and Worthy Grand Patron Bob, our wish for you is continued success in the Grand Chapter of Delaware and that you will always have Unity in large things; Tolerance in small things; and Charity in all things.

General Grand Chapter Special Appointments 2015-2018 presented in the West, escorted to the East and given a glad hand of welcome:

Martie MacKidd, Hummingbird (CA); Margaret Caraccioli, Hummingbird (MD); Judith C. Moore, Hummingbird (MA); Sidney T. Moore, Eagle (VA).

Welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron to the General Grand Chapter Special Appointments 2015-2018: You quietly work within your subordinate chapters and Grand Chapter and your efforts have not gone unnoticed. May this special time in your Eastern Star life be one of your most memorable treasures that you place in your treasure chest of memories.

Deputy Grand Lecturers in Delaware presented in the West, given a glad hand of appreciation:

Catherine "Scotty" Schultz, PGM, Adah 5; Jennifer Grassett, PM Sussex 7; Joan S. Edward, PGM and Grand Secretary Emeritus, Georgetown 9; Jane Morris, PGM and WM, Frankford 12; Kathy Trombly, PM, Victory 15; Joy Hopkins, PGM, Unity 16; Jackie Kyle, PM, Naomi 20.

Welcome by the Worthy Grand Patron to the Deputy Grand Lectures in Delaware:

Among the rewards that we receive for our work in the Order of the Eastern Star as we sail the sea of service, is the making of friends with those both near and far. Though the waves may beat upon us with the whitecaps on the blue we can sail with secret courage gained from having friends like you.

Deputy Grand Lecturers and Deputy Grand Matrons of Sister Jurisdictions presented in the West and given a glad hand of welcome

Betty L. Herman (MD); and Joan Adams Maloney (MD).

Welcome by the Worthy Grand Patron to the Deputy Grand Lectures and Deputy Grand Matrons of Sister Jurisdictions: As you walk the path of service in the days that are to be, you have helped us grow in grace and goodness and prosper fraternally.

Members of Boards of Grand Trustees presented in the West and given a glad hand of welcome:

Catherine Yaiser, Chairman (DE).

Welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron to the Members of the Boards of Grand Trustees including those previously introduced: You have dedicated yourselves this year to keeping our Grand Chapter strong. The road has had many bumps as you have traveled along. But you handled each challenge presented with much thought and care. We thank you for the hard work you have undertaken to keep us in the clear.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2017-2018 presented in the West, escorted to the East and given a glad hand of welcome.

Caroline 62 (MD), Joan Maloney; Hesperus (NY), Laurel Carney; Cape Fear 346 (NC), Diane Boswell; Martha Washington 18, (RI), Denise Shippee; Sussex 7, Deena Yale; Frankford 12, Catherine "Scotty" Schultz, PGM; Victory 15, Carolyn Van Hekle, PM; Unity 16, Terese J. Hensel, PM; Ruth 19, January Kendall, PM; Adah 5, David Holley, PGP; Unity 16, Christian L. Dull, PP; Ruth 19, Robert Hiddemen, PGP; Pentalpha 38 (MD), Addison Caracciolo, PGP.

Welcome given by Sara Quinby, AGM (20) and Arthur Holley, AGP (5) to the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2017-2018: Arthur and I are very happy that you are serving our Order this year with us. You are the 'WORKER BEES'. Each of you will be working hard for your Chapters and for the good of our Order. We wish for you a year filled with good health and much happiness as you buzz around your Chapters performing your duties.

Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patrons presented in the West, escorted to the East and given a glad hand of appreciation:

Adah 5, Ann L. Street, PGM; Caesar Rodney 8, Joyce Myslewicz, PGM; Georgetown 9, Jennifer Grassett, PM; Frankford 12, Jane M. Morris, PGM; Victory 15, Debi Hodges;

Unity 16, Phyllis "PJ" Roby; Ruth 19, January Kendall; Naomi 20, Catherine Yaiser, PM, Grand Trustee, Chairman,; Adah 5, David Holley, PGP; Caesar Rodney 8, Walter Myslewicz; Victory 15, Robert Bradish, WGP; Unity 16, Stephen Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM ESTARL; and Ruth 19, Robert Hiddemen, PGP.

Welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron to the Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patron: Welcome comrades; if we shall leave no words to live in books and no enduring work of art; we've had a comradeship that long will last as golden memories of the year.

Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters presented in the West, escorted to the East and given a glad hand of appreciation:

Sussex 7 Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM, Grand Secretary; Caesar Rodney 8, Debbie Good, PGM; Victory 15, Jackie Collier, PGM; Unity 16, Sandra Mae Sahutsky, PGM; Ruth 19, Donna Hiddemen, PM; Naomi 20, Henrietta McKelvey; and Georgetown 9, William F. Lott.

Welcome to the Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters was given by Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM, Grand Secretary (7): What a beautiful sight you are in the West. The work you do helps to make the work of the Grand Secretary so much easier and I do thank you for this.

It has been my honor to work with each of you this year.

Now, find yourself a cup, the teapot is behind you, now tell me about hundreds of things for I do care about each of you.

Session Pages were presented in the West and given a hearty welcome:

Laura Williams; Jean Nicklas; Brenda Stineman, PM; Jennifer Grassett, PM; Marianne Sylvester, PM; Prestina Crockett; Terese Hensel, PM; Rosemarie Vandergoht; January Kendall, PM; Olivia Hiddemen; Ethelene Krauss, PGM; Cheryl Mongillo, PM; Billie Lee Banning, PM; Logan Mason, PM; Catherine Bradish; Sandra Rager; Sue Tolbert, PM; Betty Abrams; Betty Toy; Diane Boyer, PM; Denise Shippee, AGC (RI).

The welcome to the Session Pages was given by Ann L. Street, PGM, Session Co-Chairman (5).

Dignitaries of other Fraternal Organizations who were asked to rise and given a hardy hand of welcome were: Lt. Col. Randy Geek, President of Ortho Holland Williams Camp National Sojourners, Patuxent #522 Leonardtown, Maryland and Right Worshipful Dwight Sigmon, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Each was given a warm hand of welcome.

CLOSING OF THE MONDAY EVENING SESSION

The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Grand Secretary if there was any Lost and Found or announcements. The Worthy Grand Matron then directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which she directed the Grand Marshal to proclaim the Grand Chapter at recess at 10:30 p.m. to reconvene at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY MORNING

May 9, 2017

9:30 am

"What A Wonderful World"

At 9:15 a.m. Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist presented musical selections for the enjoyment of the Grand Chapter.

CATHERINE "SCOTTY" SCHULTZ, PGM, SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN (12): Good Morning, Sisters and Brothers. Welcome to the "What a Wonderful World" Session of this Grand Chapter.

Reminders:

- If you enter or leave during the meeting, we ask that you use the aisles along the walls and enter or exit quietly;
- Anyone making or seconding a motion or desiring to speak must identify yourself first by name, title and Subordinate Chapter number;
- Please turn off all cell phones, laptops, and or other electronic devices at this time.

She then directed to Grand Marshal to escort “by way of the Labyrinth” Debbie Dale Good, PGM (8) and Robert “Bert” Hiddemen, PGP (19) to open the morning’s “*What a Wonderful World*” session.

WELCOME BY DEBBIE DALE GOOD, PGM (8)

Good morning Sisters & Brothers, welcome to the Tuesday Morning “*What A Wonderful World*” Session. We hope that everyone got plenty of rest last night. This is an important day - when we choose those who will guide us for the New Grand Chapter Year and make important decisions on the legislation. May we be guided by the Star in the East and pray that all our results are for the Good of our Beautiful Order.

To our visitors, we hope you are enjoying our hospitality and will plan a return visit.

It is the will of the Worthy Grand Matron that this session be in order for the reception of the Grand Officers. If there are those present who are not members of the Order, they will please retire at this time.

The Past Grand Matron then directed the Grand Marshal to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers, welcome to this last day of your Sessions. I am sure you are having many emotions as we wind down another Grand Chapter year. I know that I did when I was a Grand Officer. Worthy Grand Matron, and Worthy Grand Patron – Who are you?, congratulations upon the completion of a wonderful year. You both have represented our Jurisdiction well both at home and in your travels. You have been very gracious and I have enjoyed your messages and words of wisdom at the meetings. I hope that you both have accomplished all you had planned for this year. One thing I will always remember from this year – “Unity in large things, tolerance in small things and charity in all things”.

Grand Officers, you should be commended for a job well done. Barbara Nakai – Grand Treasurer, Ginny Crockett – Grand Conductress, Joyce Myslewicz, PGM – Grand Trustee, Phyllis Bowman, PGM – Grand Lecturer, Sue McLaughlin – Grand Adah and Robert Stineman, PGP – Grand Trustee, I know that our Chapter, Caesar Rodney No. 8, is very proud of the time and work that all of you have done for our Beautiful Order. Barbara, enjoy your retirement and Ginny, your time is coming very quickly but it is an exciting time – when you start making your final decisions for your year.

Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, I wish you both success in your year ahead. I am sure it will be a “BEE”utiful year.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron I sincerely hope that your remaining sessions will be peaceful and harmonious and will leave lasting memories of your “Memories and Melodies” Session. May you always have music in your heart. By the way, I have left you some of your Official Candy. Just keep an eye on GGCCM Sister Kathy Anderson, PGM-we all know her love of chocolate.

I am grateful that you have given me the opportunity to greet you this morning and I am honored to be opening this Session with my very own Worthy Grand Patron, who will greet you now.

WELCOME BY ROBERT “BERT” HIDDEMEN, PGP (19)

Thank you for giving me the privilege of opening the “*What a Wonderful World*” Session this morning with my own Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, I remember when I first met you and Bill several years ago at a social event. It was nice to meet enthusiastic members willing to participate in Delaware Grand Chapter. It’s been a pleasure to witness the enthusiasm you brought to your term as Worthy Grand Matron. I commend you for a wonderful year. And now that you have less responsibilities and more time, I give you this gift certificate for surfing lessons. Just let me know what day is best for you.

Worthy Grand Patron, we met under different circumstances. When I got started in Job’s Daughters, you were the Associate Grand Guardian of Delaware. I saw then, through your leadership of that organization, that you would be a good fit in our Grand Chapter. Your leadership skills were just as evident this year as they were back then. I congratulate you on your year in the East. You have done a wonderful job and I look forward to working with you in the future. But don’t get too cozy in retirement, there’s plenty of work to do.

The Grand Marshal, Grand Conductress, Associated Grand Conductress were directed to escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. Grand Honors were accorded to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The gavel of authority was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron with the hope that God bless her as she presided during this session. The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Debbie and Bert, “*What a Wonderful World*” it is. Two quiet people who have an abundant store of knowledge gained from your years in the Order. Our Order is nourished by your friendship.

RESPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Thank you both for opening this session of the “*Memories and Melodies*” Grand Chapter. Debbie, it is always a pleasure to see you and to greet you. You always have a pleasant smile and a warm greeting.

Bert, you and I do go back many years to when I was my Lodge’s Chaplain and I traveled to several Official Visits of the Grand Master. I got to know you as the “Grand Eater” at that time. I still chuckle at that one year when the Grand Master stated that socks will be worn, no exceptions. Now to see you not only active with Star but also with Job’s Daughters is a pleasure. Again, we want to thank you both for opening this session of Grand Chapter.

OPENING OF THE TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

After ascertaining that all present were members of the Order, the Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which the Grand Chaplain led in an opening prayer. At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Marshal declared the 96th “*Melodies and Memories*” Tuesday Morning “*What A Wonderful World*” Session open at 9:30 a.m.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS

JULIA M. STORY AWARD REPORT

Sheldon Edward, PGP (20), Chairman

Vada Lockerman, PGM (20) Eugene Lockerman, PGP (20)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Julia M. Story Award for Excellence which was begun in 2003 by the late Nancy Edwards, PGM. She believed that there were those

within the membership that went above and beyond providing service not only to the Order but in the wider community and she wished to see this recognized. Service is one of the main purposes of the Order of the Eastern Star. The award is named after Julia M(arr) Story the first WGM of Delaware in 1921-1922.

Any member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware who is in good standing, except for the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, and Past Grand Patrons are eligible for the award. They must exemplify exceptional service and support their Sisters and Brothers in their own Subordinate Chapter or other Subordinate Chapters in Delaware and their wider community.

The write up for Mercer Quinby can be found in the proceedings of the Informal Opening, Sunday May 7th.

Brother Mercer was presented this award on Sunday evening; along with a plaque that is to be displayed in Naomi Chapter No. 20 and a pin.

GRAND CHAPTER WAYS AND MEANS REPORT
Patricia Martin, PM (16), Chairman
Ethelene Krauss, PGM (7) Jackie Collier, PGM (15)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: I wish to take this opportunity to THANK you both for asking me to Chair your Ways and Means Committee for 2016-2017 Melodies and Memories year. I am pleased to present the following financial information for our profit:

TWO LUNCHEONS WITH SANDWICHES, ETC.	\$	702.00
Thank You to Jackie Collier, PGM Who hosted both and donated all food		
TERRI LYNN FRUIT & NUT (Expenses \$745.30)	\$	397.70
MEAT RAFFLE (expenses \$100.00)	\$	1,345.00
Winner of the \$200 gift certificate was Winnie Walton, PM		
BAKELESS BAKE SALE	\$	295.00
TOTAL PROFIT	\$	2,739.70

I also wish to thank the Grand Officers for helping sell tickets for the Fruit & Nuts as well as Meat Raffle.

OES LICENSE PLATES COMMITTEE REPORT
J. Eddie Morris PGP, GGCCM Unfinished Business (12)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: During the year there were 4 tags issued. There were 4 tags put back into the pool and 4 others of deceased members which should be coming back into the pool. To date there are a total of 74 OES license plates issued. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a privilege to once again serve on this Committee.

GGC PHILANTHROPIC PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT
Kathi Anderson, GGCCM Credential, Chairman (8, 15)
Doris Egbert, GGCM Youth (12) Steve Tolbert, GGCCM ESTARL (16)
J. Eddie Morris, GGCCM Unfinished Business (12)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Worthy Grand Matron asked us as General Grand Chapter Committee Members to be a collective part of this committee. We were asked to promote and educate the members about the General Grand Chapter Charities for this Triennium and recommend if this committee should be continued in the future and a charge to the committee; or if appointments should be made of an individual for

each of the General Grand Chapter Charities. It was up to us as to how we would like to promote these charities.

We collectively decided that we were each given a particular committee/charity by the Most Worthy Grand Matron. Therefore, we only wanted to promote our own committees/charity. We feel that it should be the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware to choose one or more of the General Grand Chapter charities that they want to raise money for during their term in the current Triennium. They would assign a person or persons to raise money for those particular charities who will report to the Worthy Grand Matron the amount that was raised and then make sure the General Grand Chapter is informed of the amount raised.

An example would be if the Worthy Grand Matron chose the General Grand Chapter charity of the Service Dogs for a special charity for her year, the person she chooses to be chairman, would be responsible for educating the members about that charity.

Therefore, our suggestion is that this Committee on General Grand Chapter Philanthropic Projects be discontinued.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT REPORT

Donna Hiddemen, AGC (19) Ginny Crockett, GC (8, 19)

Worthy Grand Matron & Delegates: Proceedings were received from 25 Jurisdiction throughout our Eastern Star world and I would like to thank my partner Sister Ginny Crockett for her help in compiling the information necessary for this report.

The duty of the Fraternal Correspondent is one that is very interesting and very enlightening at the same time. The interesting parts are those where you read about all the exciting activities, social and fundraising events that are held in each of the jurisdictions. Such as: Dinners & Shows, Balls, Cruises and even a Beach Party in Iowa! Some states have recycling committees, like our neighbor New Jersey. Some things they recycle for money to support the Grand Chapter (aluminum & scrap metals) and other things they collect or recycle (Campbell's Soup Labels, ink cartridges) because they can help schools raise much needed funds and become more visible in the community and finally some things they recycle (eyeglasses & hearing aids for the Lions Clubs) simply and very importantly to be better, more conscientious citizens. And I'm sure that the external groups that receive such support are encouraged and more likely to reciprocate for Eastern Star projects as well. Together we create better communities.

It's also interesting to hear about all the special projects that the jurisdictions support either monetarily or with clothing, basic need items or food. Just to name a few: Scottish Rite Learning Centers, Preemie or NICU babies, local food banks, Habitat for Humanity, mak-a-wish, Cleft Palate Reconstruction, our Masonic youth groups, Shriner's Hospitals and a Tornado March (Oklahoma). Additionally, it was also interesting to note that several jurisdictions had special projects geared toward our furry companions such as: The SPCA, Hounds Healing Heroes, K9's for Warriors, Patriot Paws & the Humane Society. One of the most interesting projects I read about was Indiana's Snoezelen Room, which is a sensory stimulation room for those with Autism or Alzheimer's. Snoezelen multi-sensory products and environments can be used to calm and reduce agitation through the use of gentle light, soothing sound, relaxing smell and touch. Absolutely fascinating.

I mentioned at the start of this report that this research was also very enlightening. By that, I mean that every jurisdiction has membership issues and of all the proceedings we received, no jurisdiction had a net **increase** in membership. So, here we are doing all these wonderful positive things and yet we are losing members. I strongly believe that much of this is due to the fact that we remain relatively unknown to the general communities around us. So, as we continue through the next year we will strive to glean more information from our sister

jurisdictions and attempt to make use of some of the lessons they have learned through their membership committees and plans.

In closing, I'd like to share one other item of interest that I noticed. Many of the Sessions themes had to do with being Beacons of Light or Love, Sharing or Receiving blessings and having Grateful Hearts. All similar in nature, but one seemed to tie all those themes neatly together, "With God all things are Possible". Sisters & Brothers, let us keep that statement ever in the forefront of our minds as we strive to do good works, spread the lessons we have learned and increased our membership.

GRAND CHAPTER FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT WORKSHEET

ALBERTA:

105th "Cup of Loving Kindness" Session June 3-5, 2016 held in Edmonton, Alberta Canada
Debbie Malvichuk, Worthy Grand Matron : Dan Gyulai, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Scottish Rite Learning Centers in Calgary & Edmonton Amount raised: \$33,000.00
Membership: 1,964 Net Gain 86 Number of Chapters: 33 Number of 50-year members 5
Grand Representative to Delaware: Mary Anne Rupter

ARKANSAS:

140th "Reflection of God's Love" Session December 2-4, 2015 held in Little Rock, Arkansas
Janice Green, Worthy Grand Matron : Ardene Ogden, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Humane Society Amount raised: \$22,104.00
Membership: 4,198 Net Loss: 368 Number of Chapters 72 Number of 50-year members: 58
Grand Representative to Delaware Anvil Snow

CONNECTICUT:

142nd "Grateful Hearts" Session April 21-21, 2016 held in Farmington, Connecticut
Maryann D. Pronovost, Worthy Grand Matron : Jeffrey L. Wayland, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: the Connecticut Food Banks; Hounds Healing heroes; and Habitat for Humanity
Amount raised: \$3010
Membership: 2,189 Net Loss: 205 Number of Chapters: 24 Number of 50-year members: 19
Grand Representative to Delaware: Melissa Tomlinson, PM

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

119th "Angels Among Us" Session May 5-7, 2016 held at Dulles Virginia
Annie E. Kahn, Worthy Grand Matron : Neal F. Jarvis, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Patriot Paws; ESTARL; General Grand Chapter Operating Fund Amount raised: \$9,770
Membership: 675 Net loss: 39 Number of Chapters 5: Number of 50-year members 26
Grand Representative to Delaware: John Kahn, PGP

FLORIDA:

111th "Showers of Blessings" Session April 12-14, 2016 held at St. Augustine, Florida
Betty J. Beasley, Worthy Grand Matron : Michael E. Harrell, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: "Dime-a-Week"; Youth organizations Amount raised: \$57,215.95
Membership: 10,713 Net Loss: 1,271 Number of Chapters 114 Number of 50-year members: 3
Grand Representative to Delaware: Nancy Bice

INDIANA:

141st "Celebration of Love" Session May 12-14, 2015 held at Indianapolis, Indiana
Betty Swisher, Worthy Grand Matron : H. Fred Smith, Worthy Grand Patron Charity: Snoezelen Room (Sensory Stimulation room for Autism/Alzheimer's Amount raised: \$45,000.00
Membership: 22,682 Net Loss: 1,590 Number of Chapters 166 Number of 50-year members: Not listed
Grand Representative to Delaware: Nicky Napier

IOWA:

138th "Beaches & Blessings" Session October 22-25, 2015
Lynn Tague, Worthy Grand Matron : Phil Corwin, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: "Beach Buddies" Paws & Effect Service Dog Program Amount raised: Not given
Membership: 6,735 Net Loss: 558 Number of Chapters 85 Number of 50-year members: 118
Grand Representative to Delaware: Bill Bascom

KANSAS:

139th "Star Within The Star" Session April 23-25, 2015 held at Wichita, Kansas
Donna Fagg, Worthy Grand Matron : Mike Edwards, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Masonic Youth Organization; Grand Chapter Session; membership Enhancement;
Kansas Masonic Home; Easter Seals; Capper Foundation; Star Gazer Amount raised: \$10,331.66
Membership: 8,448 Net Gain: 655 Number of Chapters: 68 Number of 50-year members: 4
Grand Representative to Delaware: Catherine Ahlstrom

LOUISIANA:

116th "The Beacons of Light" Session March 23-25, 2015 held at Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Pamela Gill, Worthy Grand Matron : George Wilkinson, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Cancer Research Amount raised: \$8,664.04
Membership: 5,357 Net Loss: 169 Number of Chapters 86 Number of 50-year members: 327
Grand Representative to Delaware: Chris Bovillan

MICHIGAN:

149th "Our Treasured Memories" Session October 13-15,2015 held at Battle Creek, Michigan
Patricia A. Ahl, Worthy Grand Matron : Lawrence H. VanNorwick, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Masonic Pathways Boutique; Coupons for Servicemen's Families; Infant items;
and Blood Drives Amount raised: \$5595.95 for Masonic Pathways
Membership: 10,879 Net Loss: 1,053 Number of Chapters 115 Number of 50-year members
Not listed
Grand Representative to Delaware: Patrick A. Moore

NEW JERSEY:

146th "With God, All Things Are Possible" Session May 24-26, 2016 held at Atlantic City,
New Jersey JoAnn Bingenheimer, Most Worthy Grand Matron : Donald W. Robinson, Most Worthy
Grand Patron Charity: Christmas Tea; Cystic Fibrosis; Cooper; GOLF; Make-a-Wish; and Pancreatic
Cancer Amount raised: \$39,273.63
Membership: 7,304 Net Loss: 315 Number of Chapter 56 Number of 50-year members: 56
Grand Representative to Delaware: Dorothy Muller

NEW YORK:

146TH Session October 1, 2015 held at Binghamton, New York
Bonnie Blanchard, Worthy Grand Matron : Bruce Whitmore, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Cleft Pallet Reconstruction; K9s for Warriors Amount raised: \$40,636.00
Membership: 13,500 Net Loss: 830 Number of Chapters 192 Number of 50-year members:
Not Listed
Grand Representative to Delaware: Sharon Stokes

NORTH DAKOTA:

121st "Cherish Life's Rewards" Session June 4-6, 2015 held at Fargo, North Dakota
Janet Greenwood, Worthy Grand Matron : William Zeller, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: NDOES Foundation; Relay for Life Amount raised: Not Listed
Membership: 889 Net Loss: 50 Number of Chapters 16 Number of 50-year members: 18
Grand Representative to Delaware: Junanita Amdt

NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND:

68th Session July 6-8, 2015 held at Greenwich, Nova Scotia, Canada
Irma Maxwell, Worthy Grand Matron : John Lorimer, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: The Scottish Rite Learning Centre Amount raised: \$25,460.73
Membership: 1,621 Net Loss: 108 Number of Chapters 35 Number of 50-year members: 18
Grand Representative to Delaware: Alice MacAskill

OHIO:

126th "Our Living Tree" Session September 25-27, 2015 held at Dayton, Ohio
Susan Simpson, Worthy Grand Matron : Steve Moore, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: OES Home & Various Amount raised: \$584,172.81
Membership: 29,955 Net Loss: 1,860 Number of Chapters 208 Number of 50-year members: 17
Grand Representative to Delaware: Barbara Bennet

OKLAHOMA:

105TH "God's Majestic Jungle" Session October 20-23, 2013 held at Guthrie, Oklahoma
Kathy Stegall, Worthy Grand Matron : Harold Guyer, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: OK Medical Research Foundation; OK Foster Wishes; Tornado March Amount raised:
\$38,305.34
Membership: 8,822 Net Loss: 403 Number of Chapters 103 Number of 50-year members 40
Grand Representative to Delaware: James McElroy

OREGON:

"Smiles are Beacons from the Heart" June 19-22,2016 held at Pendleton, Oregon
Karen Beebe, Worthy Grand Matron : Kenneth Cochran, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Youth Groups Amount raised: \$7,785.09
Membership: 4,791 Net Loss: 292 Number of Chapters 57 Number of 50-year members: 39
Grand Representative to Delaware: Robert Merrill

PENNSYLVANIA:

122nd "Blossom Time in God's Kingdom June 20-22, 2016 held at York, Pennsylvania
Mary Stillman, Worthy Grand Matron : Thomas Mason, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Masonic Village; Alzheimer's Care; MS Society Amount raised: \$247,513.44
Membership 23,796 Net Loss: 1,471 Number of Chapters 145 Number of 50-year members: 18
Grand Representative to Delaware: Vesta W. Higgins

RHODE ISLAND:

120th "The Cat's Meow" Session October 9-10, 2015 held at Warwick, Rhode Island
Lynn A. Harrell, Worthy Grand Matron : Ronald D. Ayers, PGP, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Numerous charities Amount raised: \$15,097.48
Membership: 796 Net Loss: 55 Number of Chapters 7 Number to 50-year members 2
Grand Representative to Delaware: Robert Kane, PGP

SOUTH DAKOTA:

127th "The 'C.P.R.'" Session October 8-10,2015 held at Pierre, South Dakota
Kristie Erickson, Worthy Grand Matron : Dave True, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: SD O.E.S. ACTS (Assisting Children to Smile); Grand Chapter Fund;
Educational Scholarships; Cancer Research Amount Raised: \$17,101.44

Membership: 2,543 Net Loss: 199 Number of Chapters 43 Number to 50-year members 38
Grand Representative to Delaware: Carol Frey

TENNESSEE:

115th “Water & Wings” Session April 17, 2016 held at Sevierville, Tennessee
Sheila Allison, Worthy Grand Matron : Charles Moore, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Shriner’s Hospital for Children plus multiple others Amount raised: \$42,737.18
Membership: 13,025 Net Loss: 838 Number of Chapters: Not Listed Number of 50-year members:
2,269
Grand Representative to Delaware: Karen McDaniel

VERMONT:

144th “Garden of Dreams” Session June 1-3, 2016 held at Killington, Vermont
Patricia A. Bowman, Worthy Grand Matron : F. John Lake, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Cancer; Rainbow & DeMolay; OES Home Amount raised: \$1,706
Membership: 1,904 Net Loss: 110 Number of Chapters: 31 Number of 50-year members: Not Listed
Grand Representative to Delaware: Marilyn Chapin

VIRGINIA:

112th “Friendship, Love, Loyalty” Session May 16-18, 2016 held at Williamsburg, Virginia
Kelly L. O’Malley, Worthy Grand Matron : William C. Rennagle, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Not Listed Amount Raised: Not Listed
Membership: 7,938 Net Loss: 411 Number of Chapters: 102 Number of 50-year members: 253
Grand Representative to Delaware: William Costis

WEST VIRGINIA:

112th “Heaven & Nature Sing” Session October 1-3, 2015 held at Charleston, West Virginia
Toni Kay Meador, Worthy Grand Matron : Doyle Asbury, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: Agent Orange Vietnam Vets; Wounded Warriors Amount raised: \$26,036.43
Membership: 10,296 Net Loss: 578 Number of Chapters: 83 Number of 50-year members:
Not Listed
Grand Representative to Delaware: Martha Powers

WISCONSIN:

125th “A Light in the Harbor” Session May 17-19, 2016 held at Steven’s Point, Wisconsin
Joanne Freiman, Worthy Grand Matron : John Dorsey, Worthy Grand Patron
Charity: WI Alzheimer’s Foundation; WI School for the Deaf Amount raised: \$22,282.76
Membership: 3,857 Net Loss: 259 Number of Chapters: 49 Number of 50-year members: 57
Grand Representative to Delaware: Amy Messick

No proceedings were received from the following Sister Jurisdictions: Alabama; Alaska; Arizona; Australia; British Columbia & the Yukon; California; Colorado; Georgia; Guam; Hawaii; Idaho; Illinois; Kentucky; Maine; Manitoba; Maryland; Massachusetts; Minnesota; Mississippi; Missouri; Montana; Nebraska; Nevada; New Brunswick; New Hampshire; New Mexico; North Carolina; Ontario; Puerto Rico; Quebec; Saskatchewan; South Carolina; Texas; Utah; Washington; and Wyoming.

NECROLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT

Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain, Chairman (15)

Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16) Gale Lucas (15) Linda Morganstern, PM (20)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Necrology Service was held on Sunday May 7th, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Diamond Ballroom at Dover Downs Casino and Conference Center. It was a pleasure to have Reverend Judith Stone, PM, DGL, WM (80 MD) who provided a beautiful and inspirational message.

The service began with a prelude by Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist is followed by a duet by Jennifer Grasset, PM (9) and Logan Mason, PM (9) “*There is a Balm in Gilead*”. Opening remarks were given by Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain (15)

The scripture reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 read by Linda Morganstern, PM (20) was followed by the hymn “*Abide with Me.*” Joan S. Edwards PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus, DGL No. 9 read from the Song of Solomon 2:1-6 followed by the hymn “*Be Thou My Vision.*” Matthew 5:3-11 was read by Olivia Hiddemen (19).

The names of those members who had passed to “that place made with hands eternal in the heavens” was read by Jana Bradish, Grand Chaplain and Joan S. Edwards, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus, DGL No. 9. As the names were read springs of Lilies of the Valley were placed on a cross of white iris. This year Grand Chapter was saddened by

the loss of one General Grand Chapter PMWGM and thirty-three Subordinate Chapter members. Grand Chapter had no deaths this year.

Following the message of Rev. Judith Stone, PM, WM, DGL and Grand Representative to Quebec (80 MD), an offering was taken in the amount of \$358.00 to benefit *Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership Scholarships*. During the offering Jennifer Grasset, PM ((9 and Logan Mason, PM (9) sang “*Good Night Good Morning*”.

Closing words were given by Kathleen Anderson, PGM, GGCCM Credential (8,15)

After the closing hymn of “*Great is Thy Faithfulness*” the benediction was given by Rev. Judith Stone.

A thank you to all who assisted with this service. Your help was truly appreciated.

SHUSTACK SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

William F. Lott (9), Chairman

Donna Hiddemen, AGC (19) Cheryl Mongillo, PM (8)

Carolyn Van Hekle, PM (15)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: We did not receive any applications this past year for a Shustack Scholarship and therefore, no scholarships were awarded.

The committee reminds the members of the eligibility requirements for a Shustack Scholarship. An applicant must be:

- a) 17 – 25 years of age
- b) Member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware, or
- c) Relative of a member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware
- d) Student at or applicant for College, Junior College or Trade School
- e) Application has been submitted by June 30th
- f) Meets all other requirement in the scholarship rules as found on the Grand Chapter Web Site.

Do you know a person that qualifies? Urge them to get their application in to the Committee by June 30, 2017.

WEBMASTER’S REPORT

William F. Lott, Grand Sentinel (9)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: I am completing my fourth year as your Webmaster and I hope that you are still satisfied with the product that we have provided. Below is a report of my activities and what has been happening on our web site.

We are trying to keep the officers list of Subordinate Chapters up to date. It would be helpful if each Subordinate Chapter Secretary would send the webmaster a copy of the list of their officers for the current year. We made all but one of the Installation of Officers at our Subordinate Chapters. Unfortunately, we did not get an installation program at each chapter installation and we definitely did not get a picture of the new Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron at any installation. If your officer list is not up to date, I would appreciate an email with the list and if possible a digital photo of the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron together. If you would like, I would be glad to take a photo of your Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron at this session for use on your chapter page.

Photos tell the story of a Grand Year. They show that our Grand Chapter is alive and Eastern Star is active in Delaware. It is important that someone in the Grand Family or traveling with the Grand Family take photos at each activity. These photos can be sent as an e-mail attachment to the Webmaster (wflott@aol.com) or included in a text message to the webmaster at (860) 794-3972. Many of the photos you have seen this year on the web site were borrowed from the Facebook pages of members that were at various activities and posted them. I thank them for their wonderful pictures.

We continue to own four domain names: (a) Delawareoes.org; (b) oesdelaware.org; (c) Delawareoes.mobi; and (d) oesdelaware.mobi. All four domain names are currently undergoing renewal and have or will be renewed for another three-year period. The hosting service for our web page at Go Daddy was recently renewed for another three years. The cost of the domain names and hosting service has been donated by a member to the Grand Chapter. While we have not to date made use of the mobi sites, this is a project that we plan to work on this summer. Clearly, we need to have our site come out well organized and readable when accessed from a tablet or smartphone.

We are trying to post material on Grand Chapter and subordinate chapter activities in a timely manner. If you have an activity which you wish to advertise to our membership statewide and to the public, please send information about the activity to the webmaster at wflott@aol.com in a timely manner. Flyers for activities should be sent either as a Word document or as a PDF file. Please, no image files. Most of them are large and take extra time to load when accessed by a standard web browser. Please scan all paper pages you have to a PDF file before sending them to be mounted on the Web Page.

Our web site has been visited nearly 25, 370 times since July 5th of 2013 by people seeking information about activities and chapters in Delaware. Out of this number, nearly 7,000 of these visits have occurred since this last year's report. Out of these 7,000 visitors, we have had several that have inquired about membership in our Order. Their names, email addresses and other information provided to the webmaster were sent to the Worthy Matron of the closest Chapter.

We hope to improve the usefulness and friendliness of our web site during the coming year. The key to accomplishing this is you. You must keep the webmaster informed about activities, provide appropriate flyers and follow up the activity with pictures that are of interest to members of the Order and potential members. I will do the technical lifting if you will do the heavy lifting of planning and executing activities that will make the content of our web-site worthy of visiting again and again. Thank you.

GRAND BANQUET REPORT

**Jennifer E. Grasset, Past Matron (9) Debi Hodges, Past Matron (15)
Worthy Matrons and Associate Matrons 2016-2017**

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it was an honor and privilege for the Worthy Matrons and Associate Matrons of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware to plan the "Melodies and Memories" Grand Banquet for you and your Grand Officers. We had a wonderful committee who had some good ideas and it was a pleasure to work with them.

Our first planning meeting was for breakfast together at Bob Evans in Camden, Delaware in January. Even though the turnout was small the group we had working with us came ready to volunteer for some significant roles and innovative ideas to make the banquet as special as we wanted it to be. That was very appreciated by Debi and myself.

We decided to use many decorations from the reception that we had planned in June so thank you to Georgetown and Victory Chapters for using the decorations previously used. These items included the burgundy napkins, the navy and burgundy irises on the archway and the sailboats around the room. We used lighthouses that belonged to Sister Barbara Lott and added a few of Debi Hodges. We added fairy lights and tulle around the bases of the lighthouses and swaged on the front tables. We also purchased M&M's with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patrons' faces and theme on them.

We served 88 guests and they had a choice of chicken or salmon and the feedback on the service and food has been quite positive. We ended the meal with a chocolate mousse dessert.

The entertainment for the evening was "The Radio Theater Players' from the Possum Point Players of Georgetown. The audience seemed to enjoy their nostalgia and humor.

The guests left with a music note made of Forget-me-not seed paper as a thank you for coming.

Debi and myself are thankful for the opportunity to make this Grand Banquet very special.

2017 GRAND BANQUET FINANCIAL REPORT

Checkbook Balance from 2016		\$ 30.64
 RECEIPTS:		
Subordinate Chapter Donations 9 donations of \$250	\$ 2,250.00	
64 Dinner Reservations @ \$40 per person	<u>\$ 2,560.00</u>	
Total Receipts		\$ 4,810.00
 EXPENSES:		
Decorations	\$ 84.91	
Invitations	\$ 174.55	
Stamps	\$ 49.00	
Gifts for WGM & WGP	\$ 243.90	
M&Ms	\$ 108.73	
Radio Theater Players	\$ 250.00	
Music Note Favors	\$ 227.70	
Dover Downs for 88 Dinners	\$ 3,148.80	
Programs	<u>Donated</u>	
Total Expenses		\$ 4,287.59
Profit		\$ 522.41
Total Funds Available		\$ 553.05
Refund to Subordinate Chapters (\$60 X 9)		\$ 540.00
Checkbook Balance from 2017 Sessions		\$ 13.04

PAGO BREAKFAST REPORT

Linda K. Morganstern, PM, Chairman (20)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The 2017 PAGO Breakfast was held in the Chesapeake Room at Dover Downs Hotel and Casino on Monday May 9th at 7:45 a.m. There were 41 people in attendance.

The head table consisted of Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain, and Grand Sentinel.

All were welcomed and after saying the *Pledge of Allegiance*, Sister Jana Bradish as Grand Chaplain was asked to give the blessing. We all enjoyed our meal and the fellowship we shared. After our meal, introductions were made.

As our tradition, we honored our Past Appointed Grand Officer with the most service. After the count was taken for all in attendance, Donna Austin and Pat Martin tied for most service. Each has the honor of assuming responsibility of our silver bowl for the year 2017-2018 to be passed to next year's honoree at our Sessions.

Our WGM and WGP were asked to speak. Our distinguished guests were also invited to say a few words. I presented the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with a gift as a small token of appreciation for having allowed me to chair their PAGO breakfast this year. The breakfast was ended with the Mizpah Benediction.

A total of \$820.00 was turned into the Grand Secretary.

PAST GRANDS DINNER REPORT
Robert Hiddemen, PGP, President (19)
Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Past Grand Matrons and Patrons dinner was held on Monday evening, May 8th in the Delaware Room at the Dover Downs Hotel and Casino. The room was decorated in the theme of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with an Angel theme.

The President gave a welcome to 42 guests in attendance.

The Vice President, Steven Tolbert, gave the invocation.

A delicious meal was served with guests having a choice of a Duet of Chicken and Crab cake or Stuffed Chicken and Wild Mushroom Risotto, and then a delicious dessert of Turtle Cheesecake.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron then gave remarks to the group.

The General Grand Chapter committee members, including Kathy Anderson, Doris Egbert, and Stephen Tolbert, then made brief comments.

Our guest speaker for the evening, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Benton enlightened us with some information about her heritage.

With no other business to come forth, all joined hands and repeated the Mizpah benediction.

Financial Report
 Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons Association Dinner
 Submitted by Joyce Ann Myslewicz, PGM, Treasurer

INCOME:

41 Reservations @ \$40	\$1640.00	
TOTAL INCOME		\$1640.00

EXPENSES:

41 Dinners	\$1416.00	
Service Charge	283.20	
Mike + service charge	60.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$1759.00

Cost of three comps and the difference of income and expenses of \$239.20 was absorbed by the Association.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BREAKFAST REPORT
Joy H. Hopkins, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Distinguished Guests Breakfast was held in Ballroom A of the Dover Downs Casino and Conference Center on Tuesday May 9th at 7:45 a.m. There were fifty-five in attendance.

The welcome was given by Joy H. Hopkins, PGM; the Blessing was given by Sue Tolbert.

We were honored with the presence of: our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Benton. Visiting General Grand Chapter Dignitaries: Alma Bane, PGM (TX) Bill Bane, PGP (DC), Ambassador to Romana; Judith Fenner, PGM (MA), Deputy to the MWGM for Rio De Janerio, Brazil; Cheryl D. Wilson, PGM (PA), Chairman Public Relations Committee; Bette Bowen

PGM (MD) Member of the Scottish Rite Charities Committee; Doris Egbert Member Youth Committee; Steve Tolbert Member ESTARL Committee.

Those at the Head Table were introduced. Then the Hostesses introduced those at their table. A hearty welcome was given to all.

Greetings were given by our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

The tables were decorated with lighthouses, and sail boats. Everyone present was given a small jewel box with M&Ms and Reese Cups inside.

I would like to thank Doris Lauer, PGM for helping me make the favors; Jane Morris, PGM and Scotty Schultz, PGM for helping me set up for the Breakfast.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to thank you for the privilege of chairing the Distinguished Guests Breakfast.

The breakfast concluded with the Mizpah Benediction being said by all.

Financial Report

Income

Contingency Fund	\$	100.00		
Reservations & Donation	\$	1,090.00		
		Total Income	\$	1,190.00

Expenses:

57 Meals Plus Gratuity	\$	889.20		
Gifts	\$	82.00		
Decorations	\$	100.00		
		Total Expenses:	\$	1,071.20

Balance returned to Grand Chapter \$ 118.80

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF DELAWARE LUNCHEON

Jana Bradish, President (15) Kristine Butler, Vice-President (15)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The GRODEL Luncheon was held at the Dover Downs Hotel and Casino on Monday, May 8th, 2017 at 11:45 a.m. in Ballroom A. The luncheon menu was a deli lunch buffet including soup with cookies for dessert.

Those attending the luncheon included Grand Representatives of Delaware from Sister Jurisdictions including Connecticut, District of Columbia, Nevada, North Carolina, Saskatchewan, and Texas. Also in attendance were the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and General Grand Chapter Committee Members.

Kristine Butler, GRODEL, Vice-President gave a welcome with Jana Bradish, President and Grand Chaplain giving the blessing. Introductions were made of those seated at the head table and at the individual tables on the floor.

Each of those attending received a favor of a glass with an Eastern Star Logo on it.

After enjoying the meal, remarks by distinguished guests were made. The meal was closed with all saying the Mizpah Benediction.

SESSION COMMITTEE REPORT
Catherine “Scotty” Schultz, PGM, Co-Chairman (12)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it was a big surprise to me when we went to lunch and you asked me to be your Sessions chairperson. Ann, I am sure felt the same way and after a little persuasion she said she would be glad to go along with me on this, we hope that you are pleased with the outcome of our efforts.

Selecting our committee was no problem as we knew who to ask and who we could depend on to be part of this committee. Each one of them said yes. And they have been a great crew to work with. Ann and I wish to thank them for all their dedication and to thank you and Bob for giving us the go ahead to select our own committee.

We met with this committee on Sunday January 15th, 2017 at Unity Chapter in Lewes. We would like to thank Jefferson Lodge for allowing us to meet there, and we sure did appreciate Joy Hopkins and Stephen Tolbert for setting this up for us. Thanks to both of you.

Each committee member was given a job to do and then some volunteered to help wherever they were needed. All were very willing, and it made our job so much easier. It was decided that there was no need to have another meeting as everyone knew what they were responsible for. All of them came through and we were thankful to each and every one of them.

At our entrance, we have the welcome sign with three Angels at the base, thank you to Catherin Bradish for doing the original drawing for this sign for the design for the banner in the East.

At the entrance of the room we have a dock, so that you can come aboard.

Ann took care of this and I thank her for not only coming up with the idea but for the many hours spent researching for the best deal she could get. We know that you wanted to emphasize the music, so we have many music notes around the room.

Behind each Star Point we have your emblems: Adah the Compass, to see we stay the course; Ruth the Lighthouse, to guide us on our way; Esther the angel, to watch over us; Martha the Sextant, to lay the course; and Electa the Sails, to move forward. Spelled out it reads CLASS. These were all loaned to us by members of Georgetown Chapter, Unity Chapter and Frankford Chapter.

In the West, we have Bob’s lighthouse, on loan to us from the Morris Family of Frankford Chapter. On the other side, we have the sail boat to represent you Emblem, CLASS. The sailboat was made by Randy Ellis of Adah Chapter, and what a great job he did on this. Thank you, Randy.

The East is your memories, the crown and white gloves symbolizing your many memories you have with the Amaranth, the lilies and lily of the valley for your flowers. Bob, we did not forget you and after talking with Jana we decided to go with the many memories you have of your days as a member of DeMolay. Thanks to Joan K. Edwards, PM for seeing that we had a robe to go with this idea and we have a ritual to signify your love of our ritual work. We hope all has met with your approval. Our music stand is to represent the Melodies.

Ann, was in charge of the Pages and she will give her report on that.

We met with Lisa from the hotel to go over the many things that are needed to get a Grand Session planned. Always a pleasure to work with Lisa as she sees that all our needs are met.

Many thanks to all who helped in any way, we had a lot of chiefs but all of them pitched in wherever they were needed. It was our pleasure to serve you both and to serve this

Grand Chapter. Thank you for having the confidence in us to ask us to undertake this session and for giving us a free hand to go with our ideas. Good Luck to both of you in all your future endeavors. Thank you.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2017 GRAND SESSION

Postage/letters	\$ 50.00
Banner/welcome sign	120.00
Decorations 7 Pages expenses.....	70.00
Flowers	30.00
Pages Luncheon	153.00
Total expenses	\$423.00
Amount returned to Grand Chapter.....	27.00

SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN REPORT

Ann L. Street, PGM (5)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a pleasure to serve as your Co-Chair for the Sessions with Sister Scotty. We had a great time culminating your “Melodies and Memories” one last time for you to enjoy.

As Co-Chair of Sessions my responsibility was to plan and conduct the Informal Opening, contact the Grand Officers’ pages, plan for their attire and special gift bag, schedule the Pages’ luncheon and organize vendors for Monday and Tuesday.

The Grand Pages met in February to review their responsibilities, plan for their luncheon and practice their entrance march. They were to wear a long white dress with silver shoes. I made each page a navy-blue ribbon to be worn on their shoulder. A special thank you goes to Cheryl Mongillo, PM who volunteered to decorate the ribbons with silver musical notes made by “Mr. Cricket”. Each Page had added a lovely touch to our Grand chapter. We appreciate their beautiful presence in assisting their Grand Officer and the activities of the Grand Chapter. We literally could not do without them.

Also, at our February meeting, the Pages selected the menu for their May 9th luncheon with the Grand Officers. This was a fun exercise and they seemed to enjoy the opportunity to do so. A total of forty-five (45) person made reservations for the Pages’ luncheon that was enjoyed by all.

Three vendors were asked to participate this year. Two ladies were returning vendors – *Pour Vous* with Eastern Star dresses and other apparel; *Beau Ties* with lady’s fashions and jewelry; and *Regal Badges*, which was new, with name badges and jewelry. Many thanks to Bill Edwards, PGP who sent a global email on May 3rd to give advance notice about the vendors and what they would have on site. Also, I would like to thank Karen Womach for checking on the vendors each day and extending our Delaware hospitality. We charged each vendor \$100 rental fee for Monday and Tuesday which added \$300 to miscellaneous income from Grand Sessions.

On Sunday evening, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the Diamond Room of Dover Downs, the Informal Opening was called to order. The Welcome was given by me followed by introduction of the General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Grand Officers. The American flag was presented by David Melvin, PP. Afterwards, we pledged allegiance to the flag and sang the National Anthem. *O’Canada* was sung in honor of our neighboring jurisdiction to the North.

Remarks were provided by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Delaware – Dale T. Irwin, Most Illustrious Grand Master A. Tony Maxwell, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware and Miss Job’s Daughter of Delaware 2017, Aimee Bright. Eight appendant bodies were invited. We received regrets from Linda Ferguson, Supreme Representative of Jobs Daughters.

The Benefit for Children Report was given by Chairperson Phyllis J. Roby, PM who also presented awards to seven recipients.

An overview of the ESTARL Awards was given by Doris Egbert, PGM, GGCCM and an overview of the Shustack Scholarship Award was given by Bill Lott, Committee Chairperson. The Julia M. Story Award was presented by the Worthy Grand Matron. Each committee will have their report included in the proceedings.

The evening concluded with the Mizpah benediction. A reception followed in an adjacent area.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a pleasure putting these last few melodies and memories together for you. You have had a memorable year and it has been a pleasure for me to be a part of it.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

May 9, 2017

1:30 pm

'Thanks for the Memories'

An organ prelude provided by Ernest Fehnel, Grand Organist (16), preceded the Tuesday afternoon session.

CATHERINE "SCOTTY" SCHULTZ, PGM, SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN (12): Good Afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. This afternoon is a very important time for our Grand Chapter. Please listen carefully to the proceedings of the afternoon including the Election, Legislation and Budget presentation.

Reminders:

- If you enter or leave during the meeting, we ask that you use the aisles along the walls and enter or exit quietly;
- Anyone making or seconding a motion or desiring to speak must identify yourself first by name, title and Subordinate Chapter number;
- Please turn off all cell phones, laptops, and or other electronic devices at this time.

The Session Co-Chairman then directed the Grand Marshal to escort "by way of the Labyrinth" Joan S. Edward, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus (15) and Jeffrey B. Dennis, PGP (15) who would open the afternoon's "*Thanks for the Memories*" session.

WELCOME BY JOAN S. EDWARD, PGM, GR. SECRETARY EMERITUS (15)

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. It is my pleasure to open this final session of the "Melodies and Memories" Session of the 2016-2017 Grand Chapter year. We welcome all members, especially those who have traveled a great distance to be with us. We hope your visit has been a pleasant one and you will want to come again.

It is the wish of the Worthy Grand Matron that this Session is in order for the reception of the Grand Chapter Officers. If there are any present who are not members, they will retire at this time.

Tuesday afternoon is always a busy time for our Grand Chapter. It is the time we consider the proposed legislation and select a new corps of Grand Officers who will preside over our Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Please carefully consider the business of the Grand Chapter and vote for the good of the Order.

The Past Grand Matron directed the Grand Marshal, to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Good afternoon Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers and welcome to this “*Thanks for the Memories*” Session. I trust you have had a memorable year representing our Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I am sure you have mixed emotions about this afternoon. I recall what it was like for me when I stood where you are 15 years ago. However, the passage of time is inevitable and this evening you will relinquish your present title. The Past Grands will be pleased to make room for you in our rank.

Worthy Grand Matron, I got to know you better this year as I served as Deputy Grand Lecturer of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, your home Chapter. You also visited my Chapter on numerous occasions to play the organ or sit on the sidelines.

Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you for your dedication to Victory Chapter No. 15. You served as Worthy Patron of our Chapter (and you will again this year) and assisted in the kitchen when you were physically able. I am also grateful for the times you let me ride with you and Jana to some of the meetings.

There are two Victory Chapter members I wish to recognize at this time.

Jana, Grand Chaplain, it has been a pleasure to have you serve the Grand Chapter this year and I will be happy to assist you as you serve as Chaplain in our Chapter. I enjoyed serving on the Necrology Committee with you.

Carolyn, our Chapter was pleased when you were appointed Grand Esther. We hope you have enjoyed this year and made new friends for a lifetime. Thank you for serving again as Worthy Matron of our Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you both for the honor of opening this session and sharing the East again with my Worthy Grand Patron.

WELCOME BY JEFFREY B. DENNIS, PGP (15)

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, first I would like to thank you both for this great honor of standing in the East with my own Worthy Grand Matron. I am pleased to be of service to this Grand Chapter.

You have both worked long and hard to further the teachings of our Order and merit the admiration and respect of all our members. I wish for you a happy conclusion to your year but not to your labors, as I know both of you will continue to work for the good of our lovely Order.

With you, we add two more pillars of strength and wisdom to this great Order.

Worthy Grand Patron: Today at 2 p.m. can be a trying time for any Worthy Grand Patron. In nautical terms, knowing the ropes is a term that originally meant to know the proper use of the many ropes the older sailing vessels had. Today, the term means to be accomplished or be proficient at some particular job or task, so with your knowledge in these important matters (and maybe a little hot sauce) our elections will run smoothly.

Worthy Grand Matron: I must say that I enjoyed all your words of wisdom this year. Each time you had an inspiring message for all of us. You always kept an even keel: which is a nautical term for keeping a boat upright, not heeling over to either side. Today the expression is used when describing a person’s emotions. To “keep an even keel” is to remain level headed or emotionally stable.

Thank you for a wonderful year and we are looking forward to having both of you initiated into the Past Grand Association of which Kathi and Joan will be doing the honors.

Oh Boy!!

The Past Grand Matron then directed the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, assisted by the Grand Marshal to escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East after which they were given Grand Honors. The gavel was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron knowing that it would be used wisely. The Worthy Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Joan, every success is usually an admission ticket to a new set of decisions and responsibilities. Joan, we are indebted to you for keeping the business of our Grand Chapter running smoothly for ten plus years.

Jeff, you have been there not only to support Victory Chapter but the Grand Chapter. As we march along from year to year to the beat of the OES drum you have been there to do what you can. Keeping the train on the tracks is an important as not skipping a drum beat.

REPONSE BY THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Joan and Jeff, thank you for opening this session of our “*Melodies and Memories*” Grand Chapter Session.

Joan, I believe we have become good friends, as we are not only in the same Chapter but we are also kitchen mates as we have prepared and served numerous meals over the last five years. I truly enjoy that time in helping and serving the Chapter in its endeavors.

Jeff, we go back a long way. I remember first meeting you when your daughters joined Job’s Daughters Bethel 3. I think Jana and I were Guardian and Associate Guardian at the time. Had it not been for both you and your wife, Kathy, I am not sure Jana and I would have become active again in Star and for sure I would not be standing here today.

Again, I want to thank you both for opening this session of Grand Chapter.

OPENING OF THE TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After ascertaining that all present were members of the Order, the Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar after which the Grand Chaplain led in an opening prayer. At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Marshal declared the 96th “*Melodies and Memories*” Tuesday Afternoon “*Thanks of the Memories*” Session open at 1:30 p.m.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS

CREDENTIALS/REGISTRATION COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT

Mrs. Elizabeth Dickens, (20), Chairman [absent]
Mr. Patrick Shearon (16) Miss Kristine Butler, PM (15)
Mrs. Kathy Kee, PM, Grand Representative (08)

Worthy Matron and Delegates: There were one hundred three (103) voting Delegates registered.

The Worthy Grand Matron tendered the gavel to the Worthy Grand Patron for the purpose of elections.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Eleanor Ellis, PM Chairman (16)
Lana Donavan, PGM, (20, 19) Deborah Dale Good, PGM (8)

Worthy Grand Patron and Delegates: The Nominating Committee found the following:

Total Ballot Box Contents:34
Not Eligible0
Blank0
Total Nominations 14

The Worthy Grand Patron then opened the election for the office of Grand Secretary. The results for the office of Grand Secretary were:

Barbara Lott, WGM	28
Euretta L. Schultheiss, PGM, WM.....	11
Henrietta McKelvey, PGM	52

The Worthy Grand Patron ascertained if Henrietta McKelvey, PGM would accept the election. She answered in the affirmative. The Worthy Grand Patron then declared her elected to the office of Grand Secretary.

The Worthy Grand Matron requested that the Worthy Grand Patron allow her to speak. She then congratulated Henrietta and wished her well.

The Worthy Grand Patron then declared the election open for the station of Associate Grand Conductress. The results for the station of Associate Grand Conductress were:

Kathleen Trombly, PM (15).....	66
Winni Walton, PM (15).....	5
Phyllis Jane “PJ” Roby (20).....	24

The Worthy Grand Patron ascertained if Kathleen Trombly would accept the election. She answered in the affirmative. The Worthy Grand Patron then declared her elected to the station of Associate Grand Conductress

As there were no other Grand Officers to be elected the Worthy Grand Patron thanked the Judges and Tellers and discharged them.

The Worthy Grand Patron returned the gavel to the Worthy Grand Matron so that business could be continued.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The Associate Grand Matron as Worthy Grand Matron-Elected requested an Open Installation on Tuesday Evening. Request was granted by a unanimous vote of the members.

Judith Fenner, PGM (MA) and Deputy to the MWGM for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Region 3) went over the Rules of the Session which had been distributed to the delegates.

RULES OF THE SESSION

1. The Order of Business is at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron except for the Election of Grand Officers which shall take place at 2 p.m. on the second full day of the session.
2. When giving reports the following introduction shall be used “Worthy Grand Matron or title of the Presiding Officer and Delegates.”
3. All members of Subordinate Chapters present are members of this Grand Chapter and entitled to one vote.
4. To make a motion or to speak in debate, the member will stand up immediately after the previous speaker has finished and address the Worthy Grand Matron. Once recognized by the Worthy Grand Matron or presiding officer, the speaker will state name, title, and Subordinate Chapter Number. When debating an issue, the speaker shall state whether they are in favor or opposed to the motion on the floor. Whenever possible those speaking in debate shall be recognized alternately between in favor or opposed. No member may speak twice to the

same question unless all others who wish to speak to the motion have spoken. Speakers are limited to TWO minutes each. If debaters are all pro or all con they shall be limited to 3 speakers and then a vote taken.

5. A motion must be seconded and stated by the Presiding Officer before any action thereon is in order, and if required by any member must be reduced to writing.
6. Only two amendments to any motion can be pending at the same time
7. A motion may be withdrawn by the mover and seconder before a vote has been taken and no record thereof shall be made in the minutes of the proceedings. Member say, "I request permission to withdraw the motion." Secunder also withdraws second. The Worthy Grand Matron or presiding officer then puts the request to a vote of the delegates if they will allow the motion and second to be withdrawn.
 - a. A motion to lie on the table is not debatable and requires a majority vote and must be taken up during the current session or it dies.
 - b. A motion to postpone definitely (for example: to the 2018 session) is debatable only as regards the postponement, can be amended and requires majority vote.
8. A motion to reconsider shall be in order at any time during this Annual Session of this Grand Chapter but must be made by those voting on the prevailing side.
9. Calling the question shuts off debate, requires a second, is not debatable and requires two thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting. If passed the motion that was under previous discussion comes to an immediate vote.
10. In all cases, other than by ballot, the Presiding Officer does not vote. However, the Presiding Officer may cast a vote to create a tie or may vote to break a tie. In either case the Presiding Officer is sustained.
11. When voting is complete the Worthy Grand Matron announces the result by:
 - Reporting which side has it;
 - Declaring the motion is adopted or lost
12. All reports will be accepted and printed in full in the Proceedings with total money disclosure.

RULES OF DEBATE

1. Microphones for those speaking are set as follows:
 - Those speaking in favor shall go to the microphone at the Associate Grand Conductress Station in the North;
 - Those speaking in opposition shall go to the microphone at the Grand Conductress' Station;
 - Those with general comments or question shall go to the microphone at the Associate Grand Matrons and Associate Grand Patrons Station.
2. The maker of the motion will have the first opportunity to speak on the motion on the floor, after the Presiding Officer has stated the motion.
3. When speaking state your name, title, Subordinate Chapter number and whether you are in favor or opposed to the motion currently on the floor.

4. A member may speak once on any motion for up to two minutes unless permitted by the body to speak continue their remarks.
5. For every speaker who is in favor of the motion, there must be an equal number allowed to speak who are opposed before the next speaker in favor of the motion.
6. All remarks must be germane, that is they must be pertinent to whether the motion on the floor should be adopted or not.
7. When a motion is pending, a speaker may attack the ideas of the motion or results of the proposal in strong terms but must avoid personalities.
8. When debating an issue, the member speaks as though speaking to the Worthy Grand Matron, not other members.
9. When no one else seeks recognition to debate, the Worthy Grand Matron MAY ask, “is there any further discussion?” This means “Is everyone in the assembly ready to vote on the proposal immediately?” If no one stands, then the Worthy Grand Matron puts the question to a vote.
10. To close debate a member, after being recognized by the Worthy Grand Matron, shall say, “I move the previous question.” This will close debate and bring the Grand Chapter to an immediate vote. Calling out the word “question” or “vote” without seeking recognition and obtaining the floor, does not qualify as making a motion and is out of order. Once the motion to “move the previous question” is made and seconded, the Worthy Grand Matron will call for a vote to move the previous question. After the vote is taken “to move the previous question, then a vote will be taken on the motion on the floor.

VOTES

1. Roberts Rules of Order prevail.
2. A simple majority vote is defined as one more than half the votes cast by person legally entitled to vote excluding blanks.
3. A majority vote, of those present and voting, is required to adopt alteration or amendments to the *Constitution and Bylaws* introduced for a First Hearing (Reading).
4. A two-third (2/3) vote is required to adopt alteration or amendments to the *Constitution and Bylaws* presented for a Second Hearing (Reading).
5. Amendments to the *Rules and Regulations* and *Grand Chapter Book of Instructions* must be presented in writing at the Annual meeting and after being heard, discussed, and if so ordered amended. A two-third (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting is required for adoption.
6. Voice vote is by the voting sign of the order holding up the voting card in your packet.
7. A counted standing vote is used in the following cases:
 - When a two-third (2/3) vote instead of a majority vote is required to pass a motion, the Worthy Grand Matron should take a standing vote instead of a voice vote if in question.
 - If the Worthy Grand Matron is not sure of a voice vote, the Worthy Grand Matron should take a standing vote;

- If a member reasonably doubts the result of a vote by voice or show of voting cards, they may request a standing vote.
8. The voting card received with your packet is used whether voice or standing vote is being taken.
 9. In case the Worthy Grand Matron without counting, judges that more voting cards were raised in the affirmative or the negative than the voices heard, a standing vote may be used.
 10. Tellers (Pages) shall be appointed to assist in the counting of votes
 11. Any member may call for a “Division of the Question”. There must be a second. is not debatable; and requires a majority vote. For a motion to be divided the parts must be able to stand on their own. When requesting a “Division of the Question” the motion must clearly state how the question is to be divided, and anyone else may propose a different division, and these different amendments, should be treated as filling blanks; that is, they should be voted on in the order in which they are made, unless they suggest different numbers of questions, when the largest number is voted on first. If a resolution includes several distinct propositions but is so written that they cannot be separated without its being rewritten, the question cannot be divided.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS REPORT

Henrietta McKelvey, PGM, Chairman (20)

Sandra Sahutsky, PGM (16) Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP (16)

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The Constitution and Bylaws Committee has continued to work on the reformatting and revising of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. After the 2016 Annual Session, we became aware that there seemed to be some confusion as to how the decision was made to work on the reformatting and revision of the Constitution and Bylaws. I will restate what I said at the November 2016 “Open” Constitution and Bylaws meeting that the committee has met with the 2015-16 Grand Line Officers. There was much discussion about the need to update our current Constitution and Bylaws. The Committee decided then that it was the right time to take on this project.

After the adoption of the document for a first reading at the 2016 Annual Session, we met monthly to review the comments and concerns of the members. A “members only” section was added to our website to accommodate those concerns. Some of the members used that site and others contacted us directly. During this year we have taken those comments into consideration. We held two (2) “Open” Constitution and Bylaws Committee meetings which were open to the entire membership. One meeting was held in November and another in March to present the changes that resulted from those comments and concerns. They were presented as proposed amendments to the document. After the March meeting, they were posted on the website in the “members only” section for everyone to access. Today we will vote on the reformatted and revised Constitution and Bylaws for a second reading. And then vote to adopt the proposed amendments which you received in your packets.

We also met with the Jurisprudence Committee to review the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and concur with their findings.

This document was revised to update it, improve it, make it user friendly, and easier to amend. Changing is always difficult, but these are changing times. Move with the flow.

As Chairman, I would like to thank everyone involved with this revision: the 2015-16 Grand Line Officers; the 2016-17 Grand Line Officers; the working group; the many

members who gave their concerns and comments. It has been a collaborative effort to produce this document!

MOTIONS

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee members joined as a whole and moved that the Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, the Rules and Regulations for the Grand Chapter, Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters and Book of Instructions be adopted for a second reading. As the committee as a whole had moved for adoption of the motion no second was needed. The Worthy Grand Matron called for discussion. There was none. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

A motion was then made by the committee to adopt the proposed amendments. As the committee as a whole moved for adoption no second was needed. The Worthy Grand Matron called for discussion. There was none. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The Worthy Grand Matron thanked the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for their work over the past several years and the many hours spent revising the law of our Grand Jurisdiction.

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Joan L. Moore, PGM, Chairman (16)

Robert Hiddemen, PGM (19) Jacqueline Collier, PGM (15)

Jurisprudence Committee Report on the Worthy Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates: The members of the Jurisprudence Committee and Constitution and Bylaws Committee met on April 28, 2017 at the home of Past Grand Matron Jacqueline Collier.

We reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron. The report shows us that the good of our Order has been uppermost in her mind at all times and we commend her for her untiring efforts.

We approve all Dispensations and Waivers.

The following Irregularities, Questions & Answers, Decisions and Recommendations will be disseminated for clarification and in the future, should be numbered for easier research.

Questions and Answers:

#1 is misquoted, Constitution & Bylaws (hereafter referred to as C&B) Art. VI, Sec. 1 "All current members of Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of DE have 1 personal vote. (Art. VI, Sec 1. Refers to voting) Art. IV, Sec. 8 "All members of the Grand Chapter shall be eligible to any office. (Art. IV, Sec. 8, is the correct answer.)

#2 Approved. We find no reference in our Book of Instruction as to the answer.

#3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 Approved.

#9 We do not disapprove. However, believe the answer is too lengthy and unnecessary.

#10 Approve. The last sentence incorrectly includes the word "court".

#11 & 12 Approved.

Irregularities

The committee agrees with most Irregularities presented by the Worthy Grand Matron. There are 30 Irregularities.

We are grateful for our members who are willing to devote their time to their beloved Order of the Eastern Star and we certainly do not want to discourage them. We do strive for perfection.

The Book of Instruction, Page 21 also states that the dress code is at the option of the Subordinate Chapter.

Many of the mentioned “Irregularities” are brought forth year after year. We must remember we have many substitutes and we are dependent on them.

Included in “Irregularities” are references to the Printed Program and the 2016 Proceedings. These perhaps should have been in a separate titled paragraph.

Chapter Bylaws Changes

The Bylaws changes for Georgetown Chapter No. 9 were presented for approval to the Worthy Grand Matron. The Jurisprudence Committee did not receive a copy nor did Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

We approve your “not approved”.

When reading the Order of Business change, we did not see the change. The suggested Order of Business is on P. 4 of the Book of Instruction for Subordinate Chapters.

Recommendations

Recommendations are exactly recommendations. They require no action. They are suggestions and in no way, are to be interpreted as “law”.

Page 46 of the report encourages Subordinate Chapters to delete language similar or identical to wording in the *Ritual* from their Bylaws. Please refer to Page 106 and 107 of the report. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Helen Westmoreland states “It is my firm understanding and the opinion of the General Grand Chapter Jurisprudence Committee, that the *Ritual* can be referenced or paraphrased, but it **cannot be copied word for word**.”

There are Constitution & Bylaws or Rules & Regulations recommendations that would require perusal of the C& B Committee for consideration.

The report had no complimentary close or signature.

Jurisprudence Committee Report on the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates:

We, the Jurisprudence Committee have reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and approve of it in its entirety.

We commend the Worthy Grand Matron on the structure of the report.

Jurisprudence Committee Report on the Worthy Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates:

The members of the Jurisprudence Committee and Constitution and Bylaws Committee met on April 28, 2017 at the home of Past Grand Matron, Sister Jacqueline Collier.

We carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert A. Bradish and commend him for his fine report and compliment him on his effort and the work he has performed this year.

As in past years it was hoped that “Recommendations” would not be attached to the Worthy Grand Matron’s or Worthy Grand Patron’s reports since recommendations may be considered but do not become law until received, accepted and presented by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee and adopted by this Grand Chapter.

We approve the report.

**Jurisprudence Committee Report
on the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Patron**

Worthy Grand Matron and Delegates:

We, the Jurisprudence Committee have reviewed the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother and approve of it in its entirety.

BUDGET

Refer to the attachment in the Grand Trustees Report for the Budget pages 126-128

The Grand Trustees, as a committee, moved that the Budget be adopted as presented. The Worthy Grand Matron called for discussion. There was none. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

FARWELL ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

A seed was planted and it bloomed and flowered. A ship was launched and sailed over rough and calm waters and was presented some interesting challenges along the way. We return to port having learned much.

To the Members of the Order: You have received me in your Subordinate Chapters and listened to my messages. Not only my heartfelt gratitude but to me this is one more expression of my confidence in your ability and desire to make the Order even more vibrant and exciting in the future. You have worked beyond my expectations for the Benefit for Children with Special Needs. To honor this, a donation was made to the Benefit in your honor.

To the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2016-2017: I am grateful for your leadership in our Subordinate Chapters this year. You have given much without thought of yourself. I do not feel that Bob and I have lost you, but you have matured to serve in other capacities in your Subordinate Chapters, Grand Chapter, and maybe someday in General Grand Chapter. May the hours and effort you've given and the good that you have done, return to you a hundredfold, in good health, laughter and fun. Thank you for your service.

Benefit for Children with Special Needs Committee: Thank you for work this year. Barbara Davison, the "Candlelight Christmas" started my holiday season and was enjoyed by all who attended. PJ, yes it was a challenge to bring the Grand Lodge and Delaware OES together for an "Afternoon of Family and Friends" with Frank Sinatra portrayed by Sean Riley, Dame Edna (who I heard folks say was better than the original), and DJ Bongo Mike but all who attended had a wonderful Sunday afternoon as the profit gave us additional opportunities to provide for Children with Special Needs in Delaware. I wasn't sure how much would result from the "Miles of Quarters" but there is great satisfaction in the half mile (1/2) that was made. A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the piggy bank or just handed me quarters in rolls and loose change.

Ways and Means Committee: A thankless job but one that has to be done. You took our plans and made them a reality. We might not have made the budget goal, but you can hold your heads up high for the effort that was made.

General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers Emeriti: You have listened and advised with grace, humor and patience. My eternal thanks, even if I have gone MIA on you. Your quietness and confidence has given me strength in times of challenge. Your praise and encouragement enriched my life and multiplied the successes of this year.

Elected Grand Officers: May the winds blow softly; may the winds blow true; may they blow today from far away the peace of God's love to you. May they blow to the North your troubles; may they blow to the South your fears; and from the East and West, bring you all the best, now and in the coming years.

Grand Secretary: I cannot thank you enough for being willing to take on the position of Grand Secretary for at least two years. That day I visited you, you said you needed to think about my request; I was willing to leave and let you think this over. I was so surprised as I left, and you said you would have your name placed in nomination. Your willingness to step up to plate is most appreciated and I certainly owe you one and probably more.

Grand Treasurer: Barbara you have given this Grand Chapter ten years of service and you are to be commended for a job well done. May your time now be taken up by resting, enjoying travels to Colorado to be with your grandbaby, for they don't stay in this phase very long. "Well done thy good and faithful servant."

Grand Lecturer: "School Days, school days good old golden rule days. Thank you for being the angel with the tilted halo. You keep us on our toes and made sure that we toed the line.

Appointed Grand Officers: Friendship brings to life a smile; makes the ups and downs worthwhile; friendship takes all the clouds away, turns to gold the skies of gray, friendship is a gift that's true; it gave us such folks as you. We didn't want any sour faces this year. Thank you for your smiles for you surely made this trip worthwhile.

Grand Marshal: Thank you for sharing this year with us. You were one of the first individuals to support me when I thought about standing for election and it was only natural to ask you to join this Grand Family as Grand Marshal. Your Eastern Star journey has had its up and downs and I hope this year had more ups than downs. No matter what the future holds you will always be our Grand Marshal.

Deputy Grand Lecturers: Sometimes the duties of the Deputy Grand Lecturers are tedious. I thank you for accepting your appointment and for implementing my wishes this year.

Grand Representatives: The purpose of the Grand Representative position is to have an individual who is an Ambassador in Delaware on behalf of the Presiding Officer of another Grand Jurisdiction through written, electronic, or voice communication and to represent the Jurisdiction of Delaware at that Grand Jurisdiction's Grand Session. I thank those who have held these positions and had the opportunity to communication with their counterpart as well as attend the Annual Session of the Jurisdiction they represented.

The job of Worthy Grand Matron is not a job one can do alone. This is why we have Committees. Thank you for the work you have done over this past year. Without this year would not have been what it was.

Session Committee: Your work is most pleasing. I know that you have rolled your eyes at me as I kept stepping in places I shouldn't. But everything came out in the wash and it is lovely.

Hospitality Committee: Thank you for greeting our guests and making them feel at home. Your work in making our guests feel welcome is truly appreciated.

Grand Chapter Committees, Grand Pages, Assistant Sentinels, Session Medical Personnel: It has been said that many hands make light work. Thank you for all your efforts. It is very much appreciated.

My Home Chapter Georgetown No. 9: Thank you for ALL you have done for me this year. Whatever honor I have had belongs to you. From the moment, Bill and I set foot in the door in February of 2011 you made us feel at home in Eastern Star in Delaware and in Sussex County. You are where our Delaware Eastern Star life began. It has been my pleasure to assist where I can, whether it be in a leadership position or with ways and means projects. I appreciate each and every one of you and thank you from the bottom of my heart for the privilege of being a member of this Chapter.

Victory Chapter No. 15: Thank you for sharing your Worthy Patron, Bob, WGP with the Grand Chapter this year. I thank the members of Victory Chapter for working with Georgetown Chapter members on the most enjoyable reception at the Millsboro Town Center in June and the lovely banquet that was held on Saturday evening. It has been my pleasure to travel and get to know many of your members. This Chapter will always hold a special place in my heart.

Jana Bradish, Grand Wife: What can one say to a fellow Taurus but thank you for sharing Brother Bob with this Grand Chapter and with me this past year. I appreciate all that you have done this year. Thank you for your prayers during the Grand Officers sharing and caring time before Official Visits. For the beautiful Necrology service and just being you. It has been great getting to know you this year and I wish for you and Bob all the best in the future. Enjoy your trip to Scotland.

Worthy Grand Patron: When I started this journey I had no idea who would be traveling with me. I can still see the day that Past Grand Matron, Kathi Anderson came down toward the lobby before the ballroom at Dover Downs saying very loudly, "I think I have a Grand Patron for you." My reply was, "Whatever." And the surprise was on me as I found the many ties we had in common. I appreciate all your assistance this year. If this year claims any success we share those honors together. You have made the words "Worthy" and "Grand" very meaningful this year. It has been my pleasure to serve this Grand Chapter with you. Bill and my life have been made richer these past few years by knowing you, Jana and your family and being in your company. Thank you for all the support you have given as we have strived to lead this great Order in our Jurisdiction with dignity and decorum. We have had a busy year and your hard work has not gone unnoticed. Thank you.

Brother Bill: My Captain, you have stood by me and supported all my work in this Order and in all my fraternal activities. You never say, "no." You just say, "do it" or "go for it." Almost fifty-three plus years ago you had a vision of a team that support each other in all that they did yet were able to stand independently of one another; a team that each member would complement the other with their talents. I've kidded you many times about the monster you created with that vision. Along the road, we've shared the joys and had our share of sorrow and strife. We've traveled the road in sunny and stormy weather. More often than not it has been you that has lightened my load, but we've worked along together as we've traveled the road. We've received so many wonderful blessings as we've traveled the road of life. Your praise, your confidence, your encouragement has enriched my life and multiplied my successes; may the hours and effort you've given and the good that you have done, return to you a hundredfold. The story is old, yet fragrant and sweet; I've said it before but just let me repeat, I love you today as I did 53 plus years ago and will continue to do so till eternity. I am looking forward to again enjoying those lazy, hazy days in Rx4 Fun; one of these days the house will have some order and be minus much stuff. But you still have not answered my question ...was this adventure really in the fine, fine print of the retirement contract and I just missed it.

Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware: I challenge all to continue to dream boldly (for if you don't have a dream; how you goin' make a dream come true?); vision; care deeply; believe and you will succeed; and work diligently for our beautiful Order. Have unity in large things; tolerance in small things; and charity in all things. Always remember: More we; less me

As Woody Woodpecker says, "That's all folks!" and "thanks for the memories!"

FAREWELL ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

These last 3 years have flown by, mostly with enjoyment and of course a little regret but without the regret the pleasant enjoyment would not be appreciated. There has been

challenges but they have been greatly outweighed by the enjoyment I have received as being your Worthy Grand Patron.

To the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2016 – 2017, both Barbara and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you this last year. You have honored us and as well made all of our visits to your respective Chapters a very fun and enjoyable time.

To the Elected Grand Officers, I hope that your year is as enjoyable and productive as ours was. Please do not forget that without the members of each Chapter you will be trying to guide a meaningless Grand Chapter.

To Scotty and Ann, the Sessions Committee Co-Chairpersons, what can I say but “Thank-you” for an absolutely wonderful job making this Grand Chapter Sessions fantastic and unforgettable

To Victory Chapter #15 – I cannot thank you enough for all the support, guidance and gifts you have given me, not only this last year but since Jana and I joined. It is a pleasure to say that I am a member of Victory Chapter.

To Georgetown Chapter #9, thank you for sharing Barbara with me for these past 3 years. I also want to thank both you and Victory Chapter for the fantastic reception that you gave us last fall.

Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara, I was definitely an unknown entity to you and to the majority of this Grand Chapter. You had no idea what or who you were getting to be your partner these last 3 years. You were shocked as I was at the things we had in common and the potential number of times our paths could have crossed. I only wonder what these last 3 years would have been like had I been required to take a statistics course while in pharmacy school at UCONN and I had walked into Professor Lott’s class. I have really enjoyed working alongside of you, offering my support, guidance and especially encouragement. I fully believe that the role of the Worthy Grand Patron is to be there to assist the Worthy Grand Matron, be her sounding board and offer guidance so that the Worthy Grand Matron can do her job to the fullest. (And at times find those references to “court” before she sends whatever she is working on out to the membership.) On the personal side, it has been a pleasure to make you and Bill a part of my family’s life and activities. I do believe we have become close friends, the Lott’s and the Brandishes.

To my wife, Jana and to my daughters Elizabeth and Catherine, again I have to say Thank-you for being there and encouraging me. This has not been the first time you have supported me in a multiyear endeavor. I think the first was when you came home from visiting your parents in R.I. while we lived in NY and I informed you that I had enrolled in Grad School, well 4 years later I earned my MBA. Then after we moved to Delaware for my new job taking you away from the job you thoroughly enjoyed, Brother John Muller approached me to run for the Grand Outer Guard in the Grand Guardian Council of Job’s Daughters that culminated 3 years later as Associate Grand Guardian. To finally those MULTIPLE phone calls from Kathy Anderson as I was driving you to your Dr. Appointment asking if I would allow her to put my name in for Grand Sentinel. (I only wonder what would have happened has we forgotten our cell phones that day.) All of this and much more you have always been there to say, “go for it”, I thank-you and the girls.

To the members of Grand Chapter, we might be small, but we still can do the best there is in us. We still can function not only in our own Chapters but as a Grand Chapter as well. With some work, a little effort and by working together, not fighting each other, as a team we can achieve our goals.

Thank you everyone for allowing me to be your Worthy Grand Patron.

CLOSING OF TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Grand Secretary if there was any lost and found or announcements.

The Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, assisted by the Grand Chaplain to undrape the Altar after which the Worthy Grand Matron instructed the Grand Marshal to proclaim the Grand Chapter from labor to recess at 3:25 to reconvene at 6:30 p.m. for the Open Installation of Officers.

The Worthy Grand Matron requested all remain seated during the exchange of Bibles and the retiring of the 2016-2017 Grand Officers.

Before retiring the 2016-2017 Grand Officers formed a circle around the Altar as the song "My Prayer" sung by Celine Dion and Andrew Botticelli was played.

TUESDAY EVENING May 9, 2017 7:00 pm INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron assumed the East with fanfare.

The assembly was brought to Order by a rap of the gavel.

The Worthy Grand Matron then explained the use of the Gavel noting that: 1 rap seats the Assembly or calls the Assembly to Order; 2 raps call the Grand Officers to rise; 3 raps calls everyone to rise; and 1 rap seats those who are standing.

The Worthy Grand Matron then directed the Grand Conductress to open the Bible. The Lord's Prayer was said in unison after which the Grand Conductress returned to her station.

The Worthy Grand Patron lead in the Flag Ceremony after which one stanza of the *National Anthem* was sung.

The Worthy Grand Matron then seated the assembly.

At this time, the Worthy Grand Matron introduced Anna H. Miller, PGM (PA), and GGCCM Co-Chairman Social Events; handed her the gavel so that she could introduce the Installing Officers and preside for the remainder of the evening.

INSTALLATION

The following Sisters and Brothers assisted Anna H. Miller, PGM (PA) in the Installation:

Jeffrey B. Dennis (15)	Installing Grand Officer
David A. Holley (5)	Assisting Installing Grand Officer
Catherine "Scotty" Schultz, PGM (12)	Installing Grand Chaplain
Henrietta McKelvey, PGM (20)	Installing Grand Marshal
Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM (8, 20)	Installing Grand Organist

The Installing Grand Marshal escorted into the Grand Chapter Room the following Sisters and Brothers to be installed.

Worthy Grand Matron	Sara M. Quinby (20))
Worthy Grand Patron	Arthur W. Holley (05)
Associate Grand Matron	Virginia E. Crockett (08))
Associate Grand Patron	William F. Lott (09)
Grand Secretary	Henrietta R. McKelvey, PGM (20)
Grand Treasurer	Stephen P. Tolbert, PGP, GGCCM (16)
Grand Conductress	Donna S. Hiddemen (19)
Associate Grand Conductress	Kathleen Trombly (15)

Grand Trustee 3 years	Cathy Yaiser (20)
Grand Chaplain	Jana Bradish (15)
Grand Lecturer	Joy Hopkins, PGM (16)
Grand Marshal	Diane E. Boyer (19)
Grand Organist	Susan Tolbert (16)
Grand Adah	Jennifer Grasset (09)
Grand Ruth	Linda Morganstern (20)
Grand Esther	Phyllis Jane Roby (16)
Grand Martha	Sue Kennedy (15)
Grand Electa	Hazel Smith (05)
Grand Warder	Mercer Quinby (20)
Grand Sentinel	Tom Morganstern (20)

The obligation was given by Jeffrey B. Dennis, PGP (DE).

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sarah M. Quinby, WGM 2017-2018 (20)

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Family, Friends and all my Sisters and Brothers:

It is now time for me to assume my duties as the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware. Another new beginning for our Grand Chapter. I would like to sincerely thank the members of Delaware Grand Chapter for having the confidence in electing me to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron for this year. I promise to serve you, all our members, to the very best of my ability and to represent you with Honor and Dignity wherever I travel. I thank each and every one of you for all the love and support you have given me in this journey of a lifetime. Don't walk behind me, walk beside me, be my friend and together we'll face the challenges that are before us. It is with sincere prayer in my heart that I ask my Lord to take each step with me. I will look to Him for guidance in all my actions and decisions. I hope I have the quality of leadership that the Sisters and Brothers who have traveled this journey before me have had. I ask for your prayers and guidance.

We have chosen the 'Cross', precious emblem of our Lord to be our emblem for this year. I will carry the cross to all of my official Visits and leave it on the Altar when I am presented.

My gavel was a gift from my husband Mercer. Originally, I had it made for him to use when he was Worshipful Master of Keystone Lodge #271 in 1975. I used it when I served as Worthy Matron of Signet Chapter the second time in 2001, and again when I served in Naomi Chapter in 2013. Each Worthy Matron will have the pleasure to use my gavel at my "Official Visits".

My Bible, which was a gift from the officers and members of my Chapter, Naomi #20. It was beautifully covered by Cathy Yaiser, Grand Trustee. Thank you, Naomi Chapter and Cathy. The Bible will be carried by Elizabeth Toy, my 'Special Appointment – my Bible Bearer'. It is my wish that it will be permitted to rest on the Altar of all our Chapters when Arthur and I make our 'Official Visits' to your Chapters.

I have two fun emblems, the bee, a small and mighty worker, and my friend 'Sorcerer Mickey' who represents "Family, Friends and Fellowship". Mickey's magic is not hocus pocus magic – it's not tricks – it's the feeling of being together and having fun. It's meeting with family and friends. It's the innocence of childhood. It's intangible, something we can't see or feel, but we know it's there. It's a special feeling that can only be described as 'magic'. This will be a 'Magical year' filled with fun, laughter, hard work and lots and lots of fellowship. I give you my promise.

Our aim this year is to 'let our light shine, so others will see the good work we strive to do'. Arthur and I, in cooperation with all our 'Special Committees' are going to stress

‘Community SERVICE’. Each month we will designate as a special service charity. We are asking for service and commitment to the communities we live in here in Delaware. Our state-wide project will be the ‘the Benefit for Children with Special Needs’.

We have planned a busy year. The bee represents work! Busy, busy buzzin’ always working. Gathering nectar from the flowers to take to the hive to make honey. May God bless each and every one of you and shine His light on us, now and always.

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON
Arthur W. Holley, WGP 2017-2018 (5)

Distinguished Guests, My Sisters and Brothers, Family and Friends:

Thank you all for coming here tonight. I want to thank the Installing Officers for their fine work. It was impressive and beautiful. A special thank you to my younger brother David for Installing me and Jeffrey B. Dennis, PGP, our Installing Officer, for his agreement to this, and for his fine participation in the Installation. Also, my sister, Joann for escorting me, my sister, Laura for being my Page, my niece, Annalyn, who gave out candy, and my brother, Stephen for his hours of work putting my cards together. Most especially, I thank my 89-year-old mother who so graciously is our Grand Electa and is our Fraternal Mother. “YEAH” we’ve kept together in our Order, with mom and dad, Wesley H. Smith who initiated David and I into our Order 46 years ago in Yorktown Heights, New York. Mom just received her 50-year certificate, and all of us, along with all our members are working with pleasure for fellowship together and work for the Special Children.

Sara and I are grateful for your attendance here. We are both looking forward to the coming year, and with our fine group of Officers and your support we hope to make it a year filled with love for one another, peace within our Chapters and joy working for the benefit of Children with Special Needs. Together, with the Lord’s help we will make it happen.

My first fun project is our Train Trip to Seneca Caverns and Blackwater Falls State Park, with two train trips, bus transportation, two nights lodging, meals, with all gratuities, except the bus gratuity included. One train will follow along the river and the other steam train will take us up the mountain. This trip will be from July 20th to July 22nd. It is a great bargain, \$499.00, just sign up, before June 1st. A portion of the proceeds will also go to Special Needs Children.

Out Worthy Grand Matron, Sara has planned a fabulous Disney Cruise and Theme Park visit from October 27th to November 3rd, 2017. Get all the details from her, come, have a good time, and again the Special Needs Children will be helped.

These are only two of our events we have planned. Our Chapters have other activities scheduled throughout the year. Come and have a good time. However, with the help of GOD and our positive thinking and happy faces we will make it happen.

I want to tell you a story about our former President Thomas Jefferson: An elderly gentleman was sitting by a river bank waiting for help to cross. He watched several men crossing, but as the last man was attempting to cross, the man sitting there asked if he could ride with him. The President said “fine”. When they got to the other side, the security men were grumbling and asked the man why he had not asked one of them. He said he was watching for the man who had a kind look on his face. He did not know that the man he asked was the President of the United States of America.

I want to thank you all and tell you how pleased and honored I am that you elected and trusted me to be your Worthy Grand Patron. I promise you that I will do to the best of my ability for the good of our Order. My hope is that we will share a pleasant look and kind face for everyone, work together and have a great year.

Thank you very much.

RECOGNITION OF THE INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS

The Worthy Grand Matron requested that the Installing Officers and Soloist approach the West; after which the Grand Conductress with the assistance of the Associate Grand Conductress, presented them.

Each one of you are special to Arthur and me.

Sisters and Brothers – Thank you for the beautiful and impressive Installation Ceremony. It was our pleasure to see you perform your duties. A good job – well done. A+++

Annie, you and I have been together almost all our Eastern Star lives. We were the babies of Signet Chapter. We've worked together and played together; laughed and cried. We've shared many Eastern Star memories. We've always encouraged each other to do our best and reach for the stars. Most important, we've been proud of each other's accomplishments. I love you Annie.

Henrietta, my friend. When I started to prepare for this evening, I could think of no one but you to escort me to the Altar. We've walked side by side for many years. We've had a lot of fun going up and down this beautiful state. I appreciate everything you do for me.

Scotty, thank you for your beautiful and impressive prayer this evening. It was just beautiful. Our friendship goes back many years. You are a mentor to all of us.

Phyllis, my friend. Your music is always happy and upbeat, just like you Phil. Thank you for sharing your talent with us. Thank you for playing all of my very favorite songs tonight. I loved every single note!! I thank you more for your friendship and always saying 'YES'. Love you Phil.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Installing Officers to seats reserved for them in the East while we give them a very hearty 'thank you'.

PRESENTATION OF TRAVELING JEWELS

Barbara F. Lott, PGM presented the Worthy Grand Matron's Traveling Jewel to Sara telling her that it was with a happy heart that she was among the first to welcome her to her new position. You have most adequately carried the responsibilities entrusted to you in your various offices in the past, and we know that we will enjoy this year under your leadership. May God's richest blessings be yours throughout your year. May your way be bright and your journey a happy one. As you travel the highways and byways this coming year may God bless each day and fill your heart with gladness. Throughout this year of service may all your dreams come true.

The Worthy Grand Matron thanked the Junior Past Grand Matron for the traveling jewel knowing that many happy miles had been put on the jewel that it would be worn with pride for the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star wherever my travels may take me.

In like fashion Robert A. Bradish, PGP presented the Worthy Grand Patron's Traveling Jewel to the Worthy Patron. The Worthy Grand Patron thanked the Junior Past Grand Patron for the traveling jewel and for his service to the Grand Chapter of Delaware this year.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS NOT PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED

At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Conductress assisted by the Grand Associate Conductress presented the following Sisters and Brothers after being introduced they were escorted to the East and given the appropriate honors or a hearty hand of welcome.

General Grand Chapter Appointed Grand Officers at the Altar.

Judy A. Rutter, MWG Ruth, PGM (PA)

General Grand Chapter Committee Members at the Altar.

HelenBeth G. Vilcek, Co-Chairman, Triennial Assembly, PGM (PA); Anna H. Miller, Co-Chairman, Social Events, PGM (PA); Donna K. Williams Chairman Finance, and Eastern Star Journal, PGM (DC); Vickie Starr, Public Relations, PGM (DC), and Grand Trustee; Robert Starr, Chairman, Scottish Rite Charities, PGP (DC), Grand Treasurer

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware at the Altar:

Charles Newton

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Sister Jurisdictions at the Altar:

Eleanor Lin (DC); Andrea T. Love (PA)

Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions in the West.

Emily D. McCarthy AGM (PA); Brenda Gale, Grand Adah (PA)

Deputy Grand Lecturers and Deputy Grand Matrons of Sister Jurisdictions in the West:

Mary Esbenshacle, DGM 14B (PA).

General Grand Chapter Special Appointments in the West:

Barbara A. Adams, PGM, Hummingbird (PA)

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons in the West:

Charlotte McCall, Caesar Rodney 8 (DE); Joy Bresman, Corinthian 13 (PA); Joe Sraragla, Corinthian 13 (PA); Charles Newton, PGP, Caesar Rodney 8 (DE)

Naomi Chapter Members: Members of Naomi Chapter were asked to rise. The Worthy Grand Matron thanked them for adopting her. My gratitude to Vada and Gene Lockerman for bringing me to Naomi. Each and every one of you are special to me. Sisters and Brothers please give the members of Naomi Chapter a glad hand of welcome.

Signet Chapter Members: The Sisters and Brothers from Signet Chapter No. 129 were asked to rise. You have been my extended family for 53 years. That's a long time. I can't thank you enough for coming and being with me tonight. I thank you especially for the beautiful CROSS formation you will be doing later this evening and for taking part in our closing ceremony. To Carolyn Jeranak, our new Worthy Matron (Signet 129), I wish a year with lots of happy times and good happy memories. I hope all of Signet's Angels are looking down tonight and throwing kisses (that's a private joke). Now will all the members of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania please rise with Signet chapter? I can't thank you enough for all the friendship you have given me through these many years. The first Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania I attended was A. Jean Gambles, 75th Diamond Jubilee which was held in Philadelphia at the Bellevue Stratford. By my calculations that was 49 years ago and I haven't missed one since then. Now I know I'm old. Barbara Adams, you were elected as Associate Grand Conductress at that session. Happy memories, every one of them with my good, good friends. Members and friends please give our Star friends from Pennsylvania a glad hand of welcome.

Thanking Grand Officers for accepting appointments: The Grand Family of 2017-2018 were asked to rise at their stations. Brother Arthur and I thank you for accepting to be part of our family, not just this year but always. You are the 'BUSY BEES' of this year. Always buzzing around spreading happiness wherever you go. Each of you was chosen because you are special to us. We hope you enjoy your time of service to our Grand Chapter. Have fun!

Recognition of WM and WP of Naomi Chapter: To Eurette L. Schultheiss, PGM, our Worthy Matron and Tom Morganstern, Grand Sentinel, our Worthy Patron, my wish is for you to have a wonderful year, buzzin around blessings and good health as you begin your year with us. Thank you for all your help. Brother Tom, we wish you and sister Linda God's journey to the Grand East. May good health and happiness follow you always.

Announcement of Special Appointments: 'Special Appointments' were asked to approach the West. At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the **Special Appointments** in the West:

Bible Bearer, Elizabeth "Betty" Toy (20); Hostesses, Rosie Vanderhoogt (16) and Ethelene Krauss, PGM (19, 7).

You are each more special to me than I could every say. Betty, you will carry my Bible into each Chapter this year and place it on the Altar. Rosie and Ethelene, you are the 'Official Hostesses' for our Grand Year. You are the 'Happy BEES' in our hive this year. We depend on you to welcome all our members to our meetings and activities and spread sunshine wherever you go. Arthur and I wanted the three of you who represent the principles of our Order for these Honorary positions during our year. Thank you for accepting. Members and friends please give our 'Special Appointments' a glad hand of welcome as our Grand Conductress escorts them to their seats.

Elected Grand Officer of Pennsylvania: Emily McCarthy, AGM, thank you so much for taking the time to be with us this evening. I look forward to the times that we can spend together during our year as Worthy Grand Matron. A glad hand of welcome was given to the Elected Grand Officer of Pennsylvania.

Family and Friends: I would like to introduce you to my family and friends. My family is very small, and my friends are many.

My husband Mercer who has stood by my side for almost 54 years. The only love of my life. My Daddy certainly knew what he was doing when he chose you for me. Love you, Babe.

Our son, Mercer IV, who has brought so much happiness into our lives just by being our son, and his friend Beth. Merce you are the sunshine of my life and I love you more than I could ever tell you.

Our niece, Trisha Reichert, thank you for being with us. I always tell everyone, Trish is my 'favorite niece' and she reminds me she is my only niece. I'm so proud of you and the wife and mother that you are. Love you, Sweetie.

Richard Mooney, who has become my second son, and his friend Vickie. We love you both and are so happy you're with us to share this 'magical evening'.

Our Cousin Ernie Snodgrass and his wife Mary. We are so happy you could share this special night with us. Ernie was our Junior Usher at our wedding, 54 years ago. Merce and I love you.

Members and friends please give my family a glad hand of welcome.

Appointed Grand Officers of Pennsylvania: The Appointed Grand Officers were thanked for their presence and given a glad hand of welcome.

Church Members and other Friends: Friends from First Christian Church, otherwise known as the 'card club' were asked to rise. You all have shared so many special events in our lives. We have been more like a family. Through happy times and times of sorrow, our friendship has endured. I can't tell you how very special you are in my life.

J. Norman Welsh, the Worshipful Master of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania was introduced and thanked for coming and looking so handsome in your Masonic regalia.

Lou Lankert, Queen of Allah Temple No. 28, Daughters of the Nile was thanked for sharing this time.

Friends from Cornerstone Methodist Church were asked to rise. You too are a special part of my life. We worship together in the name of our Lord and I am so happy you could be with us tonight. My motto 'BELIEVE' really is for all of you, because with your guidance and friendship I have become a true believer in my Lord. I have come to know Him as my friends. I enjoy the time we spend together in worship and praise.

Will all my Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers from jurisdictions outside of Delaware please rise. Our friendships have spanned many years. Many of us met at your state conventions when Mercer and I had our Happy Glass business there. Seeing each other every year, new friendships started to form. Sara, I'm Worthy Matron this year again, well I'm still Secretary. Are you going through again? I'm very sad, my Chapter is closing, but we're going in with another. We shared each other's joys.

Recognition of vendors: I would especially like to introduce Oriel Dillard, Past Matron Deborah Chapter, Prince Hall and my friend Dee Turner. What wonderful friendships we have. I look forward to the times we spend together on the starry trail. Thank you for your love.

Introduction of Family and Friends by Worthy Grand Patron

Arthur then introduced his family and friends present which included: his mother, Hazel Smith, Grand Electa (5); his twin brother David Holley, PGP Grand Chaplain (5); and other members of his family.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND JEWELS

JOYCE MYSLEWICZ, PGM, SENIOR TRUSTEE: Thanked Barbara for her service to the Grand Chapter of Delaware and presented her husband with the Past Grand Matron's Jewel so that he could pin it on. This jewel was previously worn by Leah Cameron, PGM 1998-99.

WILLIAM LOTT, AGP: Barbara it is with pleasure that I present you with this Past Grand Matron's jewel. You have truly earned it with your efforts this year on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and the Order of the Eastern Star. You have put your heart, your time and your purse into this year, endeavoring to make this a good year for all the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware. I, probably better than any other person, know the time and effort you have given to fulfilling your duties as Worthy Grand Matron for the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. You treated the position as a full-time job and you easily have devoted at least forty hours per week to the work of being Worthy Grand Matron. You did this without expectation of reward or praise, but with a true commitment to the welfare of our Order and its members.

Your efforts this year have made a down payment on this jewel, but the jewel is not paid for nor will it ever be paid for. This jewel was purchased with a console. A bond that never matures. A debt instrument on which no principal payments are ever made, but interest must be paid forever. As you wear this jewel you must continual work for the Order in order to earn the interest payment that is due each year. Knowing you as I do, I know you will never miss a payment for your heart, mind and soul is with our Order and you will always be there working to see it prospers and grows.

May you always wear this jewel with pride in our Order and pleasure to yourself. Know that not only I congratulate you but all the members of this Grand Chapter for you have

served this Grand Chapter to the best of your ability and we truly and deeply thank you for it. Congratulations!

JACKIE COLLIER, PGM: Presented the Past Grand Patron's jewel, previously worn by Eugene Edwards, PGP 2004-05 and Clifford Faircloth, PGP 1987-88, as a gift from the Grand Chapter of Delaware for the year of service you have given as Worthy Grand Patron.

Jana and Catherine Bradish were proud to present the Past Grand Patron's Jewel to their husband and father.

Recognition of Committee Appointments: The Sisters and Brothers who will be serving our Grand Chapter this year on various Committees are listed in our program. They were requested to rise at their seats. Arthur and I thank you for accepting these positions. We thank you in advance for all the work you are going to do for our Order. It will only be through all your efforts that we will have a happy and successful year of service. We thank each and every one of you. Do your jobs well – but most important we want you to have fun doing them! Thanks.

Recognition of DGLs: The Deputy Grand Lecturers were asked to approach the West. The Worthy Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress to present them.

Adah No. 5, Catherine Schultz, PGM; Sussex No. 7 Marty Mickles, PM; Caesar Rodney No. 8, Kathleen Anderson, PGM; Georgetown No. 9, Joan S. Edwards, PGM, Grand Secretary Emeritus; Frankford No. 12, Jane Morris, PGM; Victory No. 15, Jacqueline Collier, PGM; Unity No. 16, Sandra Sahutsky, PGM; Ruth No. 19, Debbie Dale Good; Naomi No. 20, Phyllis Ann Bowman, PGM.

Thank you for accepting to serve as our representatives in each of your Chapters. You are the 'BEES KNEES'. Smart, witty and always helpful. It is your duty to help the Officers in the performance of our Ritualistic work. We chose you because of your abilities and more important your love for our Order.

We wish you a year sweet with honey as you serve our Order. We ask the Lord to bless and keep you always.

At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Conductress escorted the Deputy Grand Lecturers to their seats by way of the East. The Worthy Grand Matron asked that members and friends joined her in giving the Deputy Grand Lecturers a glad hand of welcome.

Recognition of the WM and WP of 2017-2018: The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware were asked to approach the West. The Grand Conductress with the assistance of the Associate Grand Conductress presented:

Charlotte McCall, Caesar Rodney No. 8 (DE); Joy Bresman, Corinthian No. 13 (PA); Joe Sraragla, Corinthian No. 13 (PA); Charles Newton, PGP, Caesar Rodney No. 8 (DE)

Arthur and I are very happy that you are serving our Order this year with us. You are the 'WORKER BEES'. Each of you will be working hard for your Chapters and for the good of our Order. We wish for you a year filled with good health and much happiness as you buzz around your Chapters performing your duties.

At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Conductress and the Associate Grand Conductress escorted the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons to the East. The Worthy Matrons requested the members and friends to join her in giving them a glad hand of welcome.

Prayer for the beginning of the year: Arthur and I would like to begin our year with a prayer, The Lord's Prayer was signed by Barbara Benton, PMWGM and PGM (OK) in Choctaw Indian sign language while David Holley sang.

At the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Conductress escorted Barbara Benton to the East while she was given a glad hand of welcome.

Sarah greeted Barbara with “*Chick chick a ma*”- I don’t know how to thank you. I remember the very first time Mercer and I saw you given this rendition of the “*Lord’s Prayer*”.

I enjoyed every moment of the prayer. In my heart, I will see you do this forever. I would like our family and many friends to know that you traveled more than half way across our beautiful country, all the way from Oklahoma to be with us and to do this at our Installation.

Arthur and I are so happy that you and Tom could be here. I have so much love and admiration in my heart for you and the friendship we have shared for many years. Sister Sara then presented small tokens of appreciation.

Remarks by Barbara Benton, PMWGM: Thanked the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for their hospitality and wished them all the best in the future.

The Worthy Grand Matron then requested Ethelene Krauss, PGM and Hostess for 2017-2018 to escort Pastor Vaughn Montague, Family Care Minister of Cornerstone Church to the East.

Blessing on the year of service: Pastor Vaughn, we thank you so much for invoking the blessing of our Lord on our year of service. Arthur and I BELIEVE in HIM with all our hearts and ask for His guidance in all our decisions.

A small token of affection was presented to Pastor Vaughn by Sara

Blessing by Pastor Vaughn was given.

PRESENTATIONS OF GIFTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

School of Instruction Saturday, May 13th at Jefferson Lodge Building in Lewes, DE; 10 a.m. was announced and members were requested to be prompt. ‘Be Our Guest’ for luncheon will follow. Immediately following lunch Cathy Yaiser will meet with the ‘Believe in the Magic’ Sessions Committee. Grand Officers will have a very short rehearsal after lunch.

Members were requested to see their programs for upcoming activities.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron thanked each and every one who took the time to be with them this evening. After the close of Grand Chapter, guests were asked to remain in their seats for the closing ceremony. After the Grand Officers retired, guests were asked to join them in the next room for the “*Be our Guest*” reception.

The Worthy Grand Matron asked that if there is only one thing you take away from this meeting here tonight, the Worthy Grand Patron and I would like it to be this: In the troubled world we live in today, with the heartaches, injustices and fears we experience – in our hearts please let these be our watchwords – just 10 little words to remember:

IF IT IS TO BE – IT IS UP TO ME

CLOSING

The Worthy Grand Matron asked all to join in singing the Closing Ode “*Here I Am Lord*” after which she directed the Grand Conductress to attend the Altar. The Worthy Grand Matron then requested all to repeat the “Mizpah Benediction”

After the benediction, at the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Marshal proclaimed the 96th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware closed to reconvene for the 97th Annual Session on Monday Morning May 14, 2018 at 9:30 am.

All were seated as the members of Signet Chapter #129 OES from Philadelphia, PA portrayed a beautiful CROSS ceremony.

The Grand Officers of 2017-2018 retired after which the members and friends retired to the adjoining room for the “*Be Our Guest*” Reception.

Attest:



Barbara F. Lott
Worthy Grand Matron 2016-2017



ROBERT A. BRADISH
Worthy Grand Patron 2016-2017



HENRIETTA R. McKelvey
Past Grand Matron
Grand Secretary



This page is dedicated to the memory of



*SISTER MAXINE FLINT JUSTICE
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron
1985-1988*

*General Grand Chapter
Order of the Eastern Star*

*ENTERED INTO REST
MARCH 26, 2017*

*Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye,
In every gesture, dignity and love.
John Milton*

IN THANKFULNESS

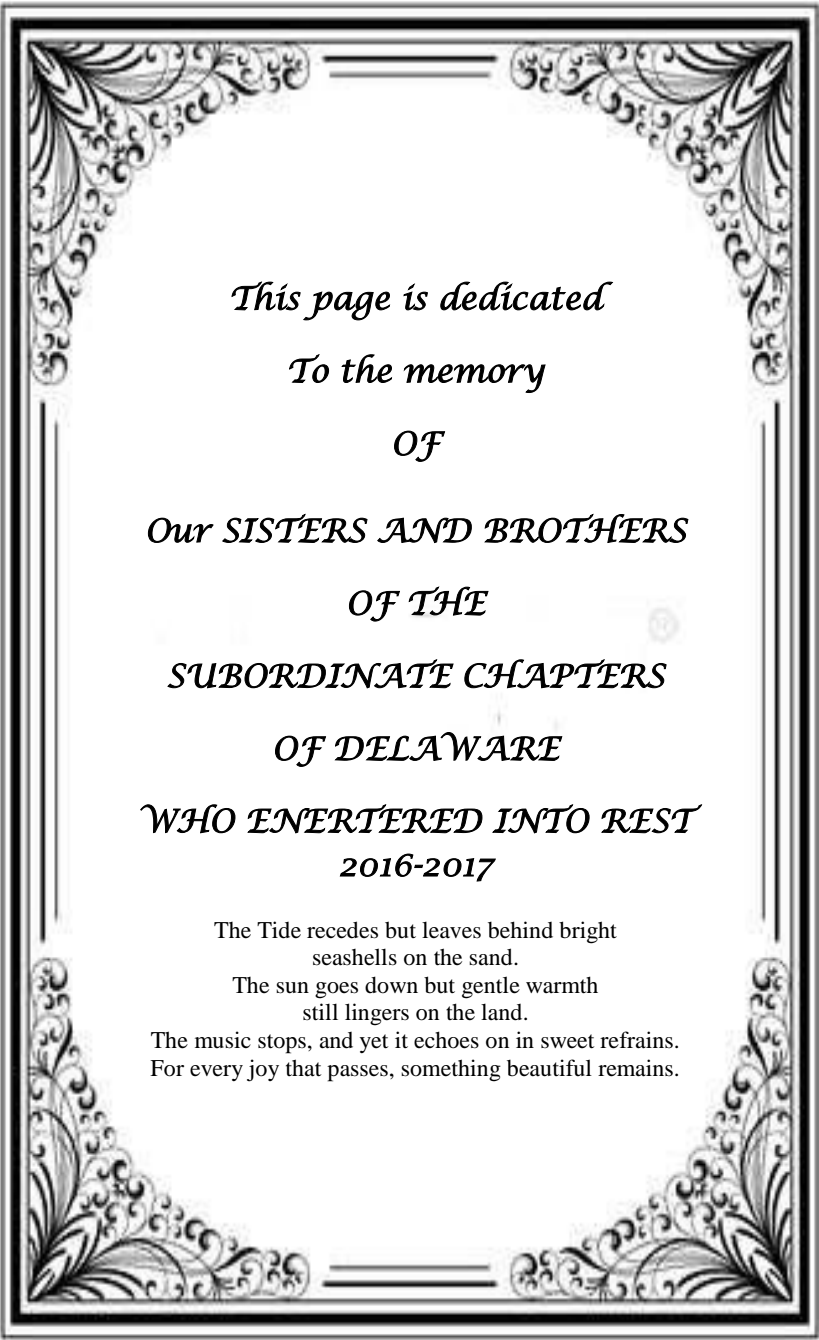
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NO DEATHS



*GRAND CHAPTR OF
DELAWARE*

*ORDER OF THE EASTERN
STAR*



*This page is dedicated
To the memory
OF
Our SISTERS AND BROTHERS
OF THE
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
OF DELAWARE
WHO ENTERED INTO REST
2016-2017*

The Tide recedes but leaves behind bright
seashells on the sand.

The sun goes down but gentle warmth
still lingers on the land.

The music stops, and yet it echoes on in sweet refrains.
For every joy that passes, something beautiful remains.

**LISTING OF PAST MATRONS AND PAST PATRONS
OF**

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*Deceased **Suspended ***Demitted

Until 1986 the term for Subordinate Chapter Officers were January 1st to December 31st of each year.

Starting in 1987 terms were from April 1st of one year to March 31st of the next year.

See the Proceedings of the 65th "Starlight Garden of Life" Session, page 109

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 10, 1914/Date of Charter Mar. 18, 1914

Consolidated with Ruth Chapter No. 19 on December 4, 1989

***Mrs. Julia M. Story, PGM	1914	*Col. Enoch Moore
***Mrs. Julia M. Story, PGM	1915	*Frank L. Howard, PGP
*Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile	1916	**J. Edward Truitt
*Mrs. Louise W. Green, PGM	1917	**J. Edward Truitt
*Mrs. Celia K. Pierson	1918	**William E. Simon
*Mrs. Mary N. H. Unruh	1919	***Oscar W. Stiegler
*Mrs. Laura V. McKay	1920	*C. Herbert Neutze PGP
*Mrs. M. Etta Keys PGM	1921	***Rev. Edmund Stevens
*Mrs. Jean H. Cauffman PGM	1922	*William H. Redmile PGP
*Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze	1923	*David J. Jones
***Mrs. Jeanette L. White	1924	*Frederick Lang, Jr.
*Mrs. Estelle Holt	1925	*Charles M. Blame
*Mrs. Ella M. Fisher	1926	**Cornelius E. Beatty
**Mrs. Mary E. H. Carpenter	1927	*Robert W. Johnson
*Mrs. Marguerite D. Pyle	1928	*Samuel H. Cauffman
*Mrs. Bertha B. Jones	1929	*Harry H. Stiles
*Mrs. Bertha B. Williams	1930	*Harvey Sanderson
*Mrs. Florence Lang Bodamer	1931	**G. Randall Carpenter
*Mrs. Edna Watson	1932	*Frank P. Keys
*Mrs. Jane Brinton Krauss	1933	*Fred L. Reuter
***Mrs. Ida N. McGinnis	1934	**Calvin M. Whitesell
*Mrs. Hallie Coleman	1935	*Walter Scheuler
*Mrs. Blanche N. Milbourn	1936	*Clarence R. Holt
*Mrs. Clara A. Reuter PGM	1937	*Perry C. Cotty PGP
***Mrs. Innes I. Escott	1938	*William D. Venn, Jr
*Mrs. Catherine Weaver	1939	*Raymond H. Wilhelm
*Mrs. Mildred S. Martin	1940	*Fred L. Reuter
*Mrs. Charlotte Venn	1941	***Harry A. Roberts
*Mrs. Eva M. Moulton	1942	*Percy C. Cotty PGP
*Mrs. Mamie P. Wendling	1943	*Robert J. Oliver
*Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler PGM	1944	*L. Clark Ziegler
*Mrs. Madeline S. Litchfield	1945	*Perry C. Cotty PGP
*Mrs. Bertha Kelley	1946	*Raymond H. Wilhelm
***Mrs. Mildred Kitchen Lee	1947	*Robert J. Oliver
*Mrs. Helen Helbing	1948	*Otto Helbing
*Mrs. Sophronia Harmon	1949	*William Mutschler
***Mrs. Elsie I. Conley	1950	*Perry C. Cotty PGP
*Mrs. Miriam Ziegler	1951	*James Kitchen
*Mrs. Virginia Newth	1952	*Walter Scheuler
*Mrs. Margaret L. Wicks	1953	*Samuel M. Weldie
*Mrs. Florence Walls	1954	*John Conley PGP
*Mrs. Ruth D. Loveless	1955	*Raymond H. Wilhelm
*Mrs. Ruth E. O. Walls	1956	*Bryan Walls
*Mrs. Adelaide L. Martin PGM	1957	*William Tschamber
Mrs. Janet Martin Day PGM	1958	*Carl E. Olliver PGP
Miss Dorothy W. Roberts	1959	*Bryan Walls
*Mrs. Theresa B. Olliver	1960	*Carl E. Olliver PGP
*Mrs. Flora E. Rust	1961	*William Tschamber
*Mrs. H. Eurith Schmucker	1962	*Bryan Walls

*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1963	**Clifford H. Downs
*Mrs. Florence L. Haines	1964	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
***Mrs. Margaret R. Hubbard	1965	*John Conley PGP
*Miss Theodora Collins	1966	*Carl H. Rust
*Mrs. Beatrice S. Neary	1967	**Clifford H. Downs
***Mrs. Elizabeth K. Conner	1968	*John Conley PGP
**Mrs. Patricia A. Bringle	1969	**Thomas J. Bringle
*Mrs. Marjorie D. Chris	1970	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
***Mrs. Virginia L. Semple	1971	**Thomas J. Bringle
*Mrs. Marguerite R. Davis	1972	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
***Mrs. Evelyn L. Williams	1973	*Carl H. Rust
Miss Barbara A. Hearn	1974	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Edith E. DeLacy Chris	1975	*Alexander Chris
Mrs. Edith E. DeLacy Chris	1976	*Alexander Chris
Miss Irma J. King	1978	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
Miss Irma J. King	1978	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Edith E. DeLacy Chris	1979	*Alexander Chris
*Mrs. Marjorie Chris	1980	*Alexander Chris
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Kester	1981	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Martha L. Mossinger	1982	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1983	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1984	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1985	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1986-1987	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP
*Mrs. Edith H. Keiser	1987-1988	*Willard Cauffman
***Mrs. Frances Lindberg, (Acting)	1988-1989	E. Watson Day, Jr. PGP

***James K. Schinn, Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5

*Mrs. Odell Guy, Demitted from Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

*Mrs. Anna M. Harrington, Demitted from Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

*Mrs. Beneta T. Meenan, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

***Mrs. Frances Lindberg, Demitted from Laurel Chapter No. 18

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Feb. 5, 1918/Date of Charter Apr. 18, 1918

Consolidated with Ruth Chapter No. 19 on March 16, 1987

*Mrs. Nellie J. Drake	1918	***Burton M. Meyer
***Mrs. Ethel M. Drain	1919	*C. Baker McCullough
*Miss Mary A. Green	1920	*Harry F. Newlin PGP
*Mrs. Florence McCullough	1921	*George A. Hodgson
**Mrs. Carrie H. Wright	1922	*Jacob R. Koffenberger
*Mrs. Rose E. Newlin PGM	1923	*Oscar D. Ridings
**Mrs. Helen Barrett	1924	*Howard E. Sheppard
*Mrs. Irene Bauer PGM	1925	*George H. Larrimore
*Mrs. Dora B. England	1926	*Leroy W. Beatty
*Mrs. Sadie C. Ridings	1927	*Sewel K. Lynch
*Mrs. Mary E. Porter	1928	*George M. Tattersall
**Mrs. Edna L. Maloney	1929	**Harry L. Rash
*Mrs. Isabelle F. Collins	1930	*George A. Hodgson
*Mrs. May A. Heathcote	1931	*George A. Hodgson
*Mrs. Mabel M. Gibney	1932	*Howard E. Sheppard
*Mrs. Sarah MacLachon	1933	*George M. Tattersall
*Mrs. Mary R. Blair	1934	*George A. Hodgson
*Mrs. Laura B. Fulmer	1935	*Harry F. Newlin PGP
*Mrs. Ethel M. Bard	1936	*Robert M. Rogers PGP
*Mrs. E. Mae Larrimore	1937	*Horace K. Fulmer PGP
*Mrs. Virginia Morris	1938	**Orville M. Steele
*Mrs. Bella S. Tattersall	1939	*Leroy W. Beatty
*Mrs. Edith Dunlop Houston	1940	***Orville M. Steele
***Mrs. Myra D. Robinson	1941	*Horace K. Fulmer PGP
*Mrs. Mabel C. Johnson	1942	*George M. Tattersall
*Mrs. Gladys E. Guerke	1943	*Horace K. Fulmer PGP
*Mrs. Marion Simpson PGM	1944	*Leroy W. Beatty

**Mrs. Ethel Adams	1945	*Jonathan J. Burris
*Mrs. Edna Carter	1946	*Leroy W. Beatty
*Mrs. Marie Burris	1947	*Jonathan J. Burris
*Mrs. Mildred Bryan	1948	**Charles E. Bryan, Jr.
*Mrs. Emma Wheeler	1949	*John W. Paulson, Jr
***Mrs. Edith C. Galloway PGM	1950	*John E. King
*Miss Eliza L. Crossland PGM	1951	*Harold G. Shaub
*Mrs. Alice Paulson	1952	*John W. Paulson, Sr.
*Mrs. Margaret King	1953	*John E. King
*Mrs. Myrtle Shaub	1954	*Harold G. Shaub
*Miss Emily Crossland	1955	***Edward Kopp
**Mrs. Adella Ruth	1956	**Edward A. Ruth
*Mrs. Jeanette D. Wilson	1957	*Harold G. Shaub
*Mrs. L. Virginia Ruth	1958	*Allen Ruth, Jr.
***Mrs. Elizabeth Loeffel	1959	*John E. King
*Mrs. Lucille J. Haller	1960	*Leon C. Haller
*Mrs. Effie Marvonek PGM	1961	*Samuel P. Stewart
*Mrs. Lulu Wallace	1962	*Allen Ruth, Jr.
*Mrs. Lillian R. Waggoner	1963	*Allen Ruth, Jr.
*Mrs. Mary E. B. McCloskey	1964	*Harold G. Shaub
***Mrs. Madelyn M. Seymour	1965	*John W. Paulson, Sr
***Mrs. Madelyn M. Seymour	1966	**James M. Johnson
*Mrs. Olga S. Tosh	1967	*Samuel P. Stewart
*Mrs. Margaret S. Wood	1968	*Leon C. Haller
**Mrs. Thelma E. Johnson	1969	*George J. Seymour
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1970	***Gordon F. Winegar
***Mrs. Gladys Fetterolf	1971	***Gordon F. Winegar
*Mrs. Myrtle V. Ellingsworth	1972	*George J. Seymour
**Mrs. Stephanie Getz	1973	*John W. Paulson, Sr
***Mrs. Mary Franks Kashishian	1974	*John W. Paulson, Sr.
***Mrs. Elsie W. Kemery	1975	*George J. Seymour
***Mrs. Elsie W. Kemery	1976	*George J. Seymour
*Mrs. Margaret S. Wood	1977	***Gordon F. Winegar
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1978	***Gordon F. Winegar
***Mrs. Elsie Kemery	1979	*George J. Seymour
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1980	***Gordon F. Winegar
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1981	***Gordon F. Winegar
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1982	*Charles Hattenfield
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1983	*Charles Hattenfield
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1984	*Charles Hattenfield
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1985	*Charles Hattensfield
***Mrs. Margaret R. Myers	1986-1987	*Charles Hattensfield

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918/Date of Charter Jul. 22, 1918
Charter Surrendered January 31, 1979

*Mrs. Amy E. Meyer PGM	1918	***Rev. Thomas V. Wingate
*Mrs. Lily Ann H. Pyle	1919	*Robert S. Wood
*Mrs. Ann T. Hamilton	1920	*Elhanan B. Wilson PGP
*Miss Fannie W. Brown	1921	***Fred Macklin
***Mrs. Violet A. Rush	1922	*Andrew Cathcart
**Mrs. Jennie M. Hill	1923	*Dr. Jay W. Miller PGP
*Mrs. Annabelle Sauter PGM	1924	*John Frederick PGP
***Mrs. Alberta E. Stewart	1925	***James Duncan PGP
*Mrs. Helen C. E. Browne	1926	***James Duncan PGP
*Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt PGM	1927	*Ellsworth L. Jones
***Mrs. Catherine B. Jones	1928	**William L. Nixon
*Mrs. Beulah G. Backus	1929	*John Frederick PGP
*Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick	1930	*Ellsworth L. Jones
**Mrs. Ellen K. Robinson	1931	*Dr. Jay W. Miller PGP
*Mrs. Beatrice C. Nah	1932	***J. Calvin Hastings
*Mrs. Frances M. Shorter	1933	***E. Everett Ragan

*Mrs. E. Lillian Miller	1934	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
*Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon	1935	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
*Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver	1936	*E. Everett Ragan
***Mrs. Helen R. Cleaver	1937	*Ellsworth L. Jones
*Mrs. Mary P. Frame	1938	* William L. Meenan
*Mrs. Harriet V. Scott	1939	**William L. Nixon
*Mrs. Alice M. Jones	1940	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
*Miss Martha M. White	1941	*Harlan L. Cloud PGP
***Mrs. Marion T. Frederick	1942	*William L. Meenan
***Mrs. Beneta T. Meenan	1943	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
***Mrs. H. Jean Cottman	1944	*Harlan L. Cloud PGP
***Mrs. Ruth V. Jenkins	1945	*William L. Meenan
*Mrs. Mabel L. Stirlith	1946	*Harlan L. Cloud PGP
***Mrs. Mary E. Pople	1947	*Joseph E. Nesbit
*Mrs. Phoebe E. Sharpley	1948	**Joseph N. Borglin
*Mrs. Sara Schafer	1949	*William L. Meenan
***Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox PGM	1950	*Charles E. Sharpley
**Mrs. Bessie M. Borglin	1951	**Joseph N. Borglin
*Mrs. Katherine Schroeder	1952	***Ross M. Lanius PGP
*Mrs. Edith Zeyher	1953	*William L. Meenan
***Mrs. Virginia Moore	1954	*Charles E. Sharpley
**Mrs. Isabelle D. Allen	1955	*Horace S. Allen, Jr
*Mrs. Julia H. Dawson	1956	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
***Mrs. Elaine M. Watson	1957	***Charles V. Cleaver PGP
***Mrs. Iris M. Lyons	1958	*Horace S. Allen, Jr.
Mrs. Marion V. Haefner	1959	*Howard C. Hall PGP
**Mrs. Phyllis S. Johnston	1960	*Charles E. Sharpley
***Mrs. Iva C. Hall	1961	***Howard C. Hall PGP
***Mrs. Helen Coyle	1962	***Paul Coyle
***Mrs. Bessie O. Murray	1963	***Thomas W. Lovell
***Mrs. Lillian A. Lovell	1964	***Thomas W. Lovell
***Mrs. Eleanor T. Reynolds	1965	***Robert W. Reynolds
***Mrs. Eleanor T. Reynolds	1966	***Robert W. Reynolds
***Mrs. Ellen E. Buckalew	1967	***Robert W. Reynolds
***Mrs. Katherine G. Devenney	1968	***Howard C. Hall PGP
***Mrs. Katherine G. Devenney	1969	***Howard C. Hall PGP
***Mrs. Frances C. McCrery	1970	***Thomas W. Lovell
***Mrs. Natalie Gardiner	1971	***Perc Gardiner
***Mrs. Florence Schroeder	1972	***Thomas W. Lovell
***Mrs. Florence Schroeder	1973	***Thomas W. Lovell
***Mrs. Iva C. Hall	1974	***Howard C. Hall PGP
***Mrs. Iva C. Hall	1975	***Ross M. Lanius PGP
***Mrs. Iva C. Hall	1976	***Ross M. Lanius PGP
***Mrs. Carol L. Lind	1977	***Howard C. Hall PGP
***Mrs. Carol L. Lind	1978	***Howard C. Hall PGP

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Nov. 18, 1918/Date of Charter Mar. 28, 1919
Consolidated with Naomi Chapter No. 20 on June 20, 2007

*Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn PGM	1918	*J. Stuart Horn
*Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn PGM	1919	*J. Stuart Horn
*Mrs. Bertha M. Smith PGM	1920	*Harvey F. Smith
*Mrs. Minnie A. Riley	1921	*Alfred M. Clower PGP
*Mrs. Mary M. Clower PGM	1922	*Willard T. Loreman
*Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee PGM	1923	*Frank L. Bartram
*Mrs. Hattie Wainwright	1924	*Frank L. Harrar PGP
*Mrs. Martha J. McMullen	1925	*Nicholas A. Grubb
*Mrs. Alice D. White	1926	*George E. Hirlinger
*Mrs. Bertha E. M. Harrar	1927	*Horace K. Brown
*Mrs. Anne G. Hirlinger	1928	*Grover C. MacNamee PGP
*Mrs. Margaret Peters	1929	*Herbert D. Peters
*Mrs. Helen M. Ludlum	1930	**J. Paul Adams

*Miss Elizabeth M. Woodrow	1931	*Charles T. Wainwright
*Miss K. Isabel Krause	1932	*Edward R. Livermore
***Mrs. Madeline C. L. Bailey	1933	*Elmer D. Howell
*Mrs. Elva W. Lang	1934	**Frederick Stout PGP
**Mrs. Jane Griffith	1935	*J. Harry Allbrittain
**Mrs. Anne Stout	1936	*George E. Hirlinger
**Mrs. Elizabeth E. George	1937	*Grover C. MacNamee PGP
*Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher	1938	*Joseph T. Maxwell
*Miss Bella B. Gray	1939	*Alfred T. Crossland
*Mrs. Mary A. Fiorelli	1940	*Willard T. Loreman
*Mrs. Florence G. Craig	1941	**Frederick Stout PGP
**Mrs. Ella V. Smack	1942	*Harry B. Murdock
*Mrs. Emma G. Thomas	1943	*J. Harry Allbrittain
*Mrs. Maude G. Ames	1944	*Willard T. Loreman
*Mrs. Lois Ayres	1945	*J. Harry Allbrittain
*Mrs. Alice M. Minner	1946	*William D. Ayres
*Mrs. Olivia Enright	1947	*Eugene Hackendorn, Jr.
*Mrs. Helen Camperson	1948	*Jacob S. Allen, Jr
*Mrs. Isabelle A. Minto	1949	*J. Harry Allbrittain
*Mrs. Marion J. Craig	1950	*Jacob S. Allen, J
***Mrs. Susan D. Cardwell	1951	*John F. Campbell
*Miss Laura Erdman	1952	***John R. Crossland, III
*Mrs. Grace S. Allen	1953	*William F. Nutter PGP
*Mrs. Ruth C. Nutter	1954	*J. Harry Allbrittain
*Mrs. Dorothy Sweeney Tagnon	1955	*John F. Campbell
*Mrs. Margaret O. Holloway	1956	*Edgar O. Holloway
*Mrs. Dorothy M. Cochran	1957	**Robert G. Revels
*Mrs. Gertrude Fleming	1958	*John F. Campbell
*Mrs. Anna M. Rohrbaugh	1959	*John F. Campbell
*Mrs. Elsie I. Sweeny	1960	*Charles R. Sweeny PGP
*Mrs. Bernadine E. Sipple	1961	*Thomas White, Jr.
*Mrs. Josephine Nichols	1962	*Thomas White, Jr.
*Mrs. Pearl L. Sweeny	1963	*Thomas B. Sweeny PGP
Mrs. Vada L. Lockerman PGM	1964	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Lois H. Baker	1965	*J. Baptist Milano
Mrs. Marian O. Milano	1966	*Thomas B. Sweeny PGP
***Mrs. Jeanette Reed	1967	*Charles R. Sweeny PGP
*Mrs. Elizabeth B. Crosby	1968	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Frances Nowakowski	1969	*Thomas B. Sweeny PGP
*Mrs. Mary P. Hutchison	1970	*Lewis W. Hutchison
Mrs. Ina W. Morton	1971	Robert G. Morton
*Mrs. Hilda Downward Sauer	1972	*Roland Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Hazel Rhodes	1973	*Charles R. Sweeny PGP
Mrs. Helen O'Neal	1974	Charles O'Neal
*Mrs. Lucille Willis	1975	*Edward R. Willis
Mrs. Anne Richter Lutz	1976	*Lewis W. Hutchison
*Mrs. Helen Johnson	1977	*Milton Johnson
Mrs. Patricia DeBonaventura	1978	Charles O'Neal
Mrs. Betty Stahl	1979	*Roland Nichols PGP
Mrs. Helen O'Neal	1980	*Roland Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Mary P. Hutchison	1981	*Lewis W. Hutchison
**Mrs. Edwina Brooks Kenney	1982	*Roland Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Elsie Irene Burris	1983	*Ted Nowakowski
*Mrs. Shirley Evans	1984	Walter Evans
*Mrs. Shirley Evans	1985	Walter Evans
Mrs. Frances Nowakowski	1986-1987	*Ted Nowakowski
*Mrs. Helen Johnson	1987-1988	*Roland Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Elsie Irene Burris	1988-1989	*Roland Nichols PGP
***Mrs. Linda Barry	1989-1990	Walter Evans
*Mrs. Lucille Willis	1990-1991	*Edward R. Willis
*Mrs. Anna Kramer	1991-1992	Walter Evans

*Mrs. Hazel Rhodes	1992-1993	*Edward R. Willis
*Mrs. Hazel Rhodes	1993-1994	Charles O'Neal
Mrs. Mary Ann Needles	1994-1995	*Ted Nowakowski
Mrs. Mary Ann Needles	1995-1996	*Ted Nowakowski
**Mrs. Edith H. Foster	1996-1997	*Ted Nowakowski, (Acting)
***Mrs. Ann Panasewicz	1997-1998	*Ted Nowakowski
Mrs. Lana L. Donovan PGM	1998-1999	Charles O'Neal
**Mrs. Edith H. Foster	1999-2000	Charles O'Neal
***Mrs. Ann Panasewicz	2000-2001	Charles O'Neal
Mrs. Sheila Davidson	2001-2002	Charles O'Neal
*Miss Rinda Loftus	2002-2003	Charles O'Neal
Mrs. Frances Nowakowski	2003-2004	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Vada L. Lockerman PGM	2004-2005	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP
**Mrs. Ann Panasewicz	2005-2006	Charles O'Neal
***Miss Rinda Loftus	2006-2007	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP
Mrs. Francis Nowakowski	2007-2008	Eugene A. Lockerman, Jr. PGP

Mrs. Florence Schroeder, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5 – DELMAR

Meets 3rd Mon. each month & 1st Mon. of May at 7:30 pm. No meetings July or Aug.ust.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Sept. 3, 1918/Date of Charter Dec. 31, 1918

Meet in Masonic Tempe, State Street, Delmar, MD 21875

Mrs. Florence Horsey, 6314 Bob Horsey Road, Marion Station, MD 21838-2460 Worthy Matron
 David A. Holley, PGP, 6524 Mary Jane Drive, Salisbury, MD, 21801-1728..... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Katherine Dukes, PO Box 82, Delmar, DE 19940 Associate Matron
 VACANT..... Associate Patron
 Mrs. Lisa Ellis, 11193 E. Line Rd., Delmar, DE 19940 Secretary

*Mrs. Susie March	1918	*Joshua Ellegood
*Mrs. Susie March	1919	*Joshua Ellegood
*Mrs. Anna T. Ellis	1920	*Harry T. Hickey PGP
*Miss Rose L. Freeney	1921	*Albert R. Hearn
*Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman	1922	*James H. Conway
*Mrs. Anne S. Parker	1923	**Ira F. Hearn
*Mrs. Lelah Freeny	1924	*Thomas H. Esham
*Mrs. Irma Baker Barr PGM	1925	*Thomas H. Esham
*Mrs. Charlotte Lear	1926	*Carroll S. Barr
*Mrs. Flora Culver	1927	*Samuel M. Ellis
*Mrs. Ella Carmine	1928	*Victor J. Carmine PGP
*Mrs. Anna D. Peters	1929	***James K. Shinn
*Mrs. Anna Lee Waller	1930	**Paul K. Ellis
*Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald PGM	1931	*Walter H. Whayland
***Mrs. Mattie B. Kirk	1932	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Blanche L. Melson	1933	**Paul K. Ellis
*Mrs. Alice P. Hutchison	1934	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Daisey B. Dunn	1935	*Levin R. Lowe
*Mrs. Mattie W. Ritchie	1936	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Maria Lobdell	1937	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Mary L. Nichols	1938	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Berth G. Marvel	1939	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
***Mrs. Addie Mae Snowden	1940	*David J. Snowden
*Mrs. Georgia G. Jones	1941	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Annie O. Elliott	1942	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Mabel R. Hearne	1943	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Hettie F. Hall	1944	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Paris B. Ewart	1945	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Clemmie C. West	1946	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Ida C. Lowe	1947	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Reta C. Wilkinson PGM	1948	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Mabel Venables	1949	Robert Vincent
*Mrs. Margie Stokes	1950	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Dorothea Werner Jones	1951	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Marian L. Hearn	1952	**Paul R. Lowe, Jr.

*Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell	1953	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Doris E. Truitt	1954	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Anna C. Hudson	1955	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Ethel Hudson	1956	*Ralph A. Baker
*Mrs. Louise B. Truitt	1957	***Joseph J. Maitha
*Mrs. M. Pearl LeCates	1958	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Doris V. Hearn	1959	*Luther Mitchell
*Mrs. Lois B. Webster	1960	*Robert J. Webster
Mrs. Alma Lee Smith	1961	*Ross M. Smith
*Mrs. Mildred A. Wootten PGM	1962	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
***Mrs. Mona M. Maitha	1963	***Joseph J. Maitha
Mrs. Sara D. Simms	1964	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
*Mrs. Betty A. Lloyd	1965	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Virginia Sparrow	1966	*John L. Sparrow
**Mrs. Vonna Hotchkins	1967	*Ralph E. Nichols PGP
Mrs. Elizabeth Sparrow	1968	*John L. Sparrow
*Mrs. Ann Orrell	1969	*Ross M. Smith
*Mrs. Clara C. James PGM	1970	*Richard E. Lloyd
*Mrs. Ruth Ann Williams Bonneville	1971	*Charles T. Williams
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1972	***Robert W. Collins
***Mrs. Carolyn Wootten	1973	*James Orrell
Mrs. Christine L. Cannon	1974	***Billy J. Cannon
*Mrs. Jeanette Taylor	1975	*Charles Betts
***Mrs. Mona M. Maitha	1976	*Charles Betts
***Mrs. Mona M. Maitha	1977	*Charles Betts
*Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell	1978	***Robert W. Collins
*Mrs. Clara C. James PGM	1979	***Robert W. Collins
*Mrs. Clara C. James PGM	1980	***Robert W. Collins
*Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell	1981	*Charles Betts
*Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell	1982	*Charles Betts
*Mrs. Clara C. James PGM	1983	*Charles Betts
Mrs. Virginia Sparrow	1984	*John L. Sparrow
Mrs. Virginia Sparrow	1985	*John L. Sparrow
*Mrs. Clara C. James PGM	1986-1987	*John L. Sparrow
Mrs. Ann L. Street PGM	1987-1988	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Linda McCann	1988-1989	*Ross M. Smith
*Mrs. Jessie J. Calloway	1989-1990	*Charles Betts
*Mrs. Jessie J. Calloway	1990-1991	*Charles Betts
Mrs. Christine L. Cannon	1991-1992	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Christine L. Cannon	1992-1993	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Christine L. Cannon	1993-1994	*Richard E. Lloyd
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1994-1994	*Richard E. Lloyd
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1995-1996	*Richard E. Lloyd
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1996-1997	*Richard E. Lloyd
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1997-1998	*Richard E. Lloyd
***Mrs. Wanda Collins	1998-1999	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Ann L. Street PGM	1999-2000	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Ann L. Street PGM	2000-2001	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Ann L. Street PGM	2001-2002	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Linda McCann	2002-2003	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Linda McCann	2003-2004	*Richard E. Lloyd
Mrs. Linda McCann	2004-2005	VACANT
Mrs. Linda McCann	2005-2006	VACANT
Mrs. Linda McCann	2006-2007	*Ross Smith
Mrs. Ann L. Street, PGM	2007-2008	David Holley PGP
Mrs. Ann L. Street, PGM	2008-2009	Arthur Holley PGP
Mrs. Hazel Smith	2009-2010	David Holley PGP
Mrs. Hazel Smith	2010-2011	David Holley PGP
Mrs. Florence Horsey	2011-2012	David Holley PGP
Mrs. Marie Holley	2012-2013	Arthur Holley
Mrs. Sheryl Peters	2013-2014	David Holley PGP

Mrs. Sheryl Peters	2014-2015	David Holley PGP
Mrs. Ann L. Street, PGM	2015-2016	Arthur Holley
Mrs. Ann L. Street, PGM	2016-2017	Arthur Holley
Ms. Sandra McAbee, Plural Member with Annapolis Chapter No. 46 MD		
Katherine Dukes, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113 MD		
David Holley, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113, MD		
Arthur Holley, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113, MD		
Mrs. Florence Horsey, Plural Member with Wicomico Chapter No. 91, MD		
Mrs. Sheryl Peters, Plural Member with Wicomico Chapter No. 91, MD		
Mrs. Hazel Smith, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113, MD		

RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Oct. 29, 1919/Date of Charter Jan. 17, 1920
Consolidated with Brandywine Chapter No. 14 on December 31, 1983

*Mrs. Lillie S. Riley PGM	1919	*A. Vicktor Hughes
*Mrs. Anna Staubach	1920	**Harry J. Beckerie
***Mrs. Mary Woodus	1921	**Walter R. Wood PGP
***Mrs. Mabel P. Wood	1922	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon	1923	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
***Mrs. Gladys E. Sidel	1924	***Joseph A. Jackson
*Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead	1925	***Joseph A. Jackson
*Mrs. Gertrude E. Vincent	1926	*John P. Zebley
*Mrs. Jane C. Zebley PGM	1927	*John P. Zebley
*Miss Essie J. Dempsey	1928	*John P. Zebley
*Mrs. Elizabeth S. Burkins	1929	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Elva R. Curry	1930	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. M. Agnes Strickland	1931	***Carroll J. Lloyd
*Mrs. Bertha B. Lee	1932	***Carroll J. Lloyd
*Mrs. Anna M. Cavender	1933	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Miss Helen R. Wilson	1934	*William J. Beatty
*Mrs. Sadie C. Beatty	1935	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Virginia E. Hambright	1936	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Edith McLean	1937	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
**Mrs. Helen C. Taft	1938	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Hannah C. Corkadell	1939	***Carroll J. Lloyd
*Mrs. Mary Vannort	1940	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Eva Casper	1941	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
***Mrs. Ann C. Leonard	1942	*George W. Richards
*Mrs. Mary A. King	1943	*Charles C. Hastings
***Mrs. Anna Lloyd	1944	*Charles C. Hastings
*Mrs. Louise G. Pusey	1945	***Carroll J. Lloyd
*Mrs. M. Louise Marshall	1946	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
***Mrs. Eleanor W. Smith	1947	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Mary W. Waller	1948	*Walter E. Sawdon PGP
*Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall PGM	1949	*Boyd N. Hambright
*Mrs. Beda H. Lentz	1950	*Edgar E. Mortlock
*Mrs. Sara M. Cordrey	1951	**Ira S. Cordrey
Mrs. Edith A. McLennan	1952	*Boyd N. Hambright
*Mrs. Callie S. Wood	1953	*Benjamin H. Cooper
*Miss Eunice Wood	1954	*Edgar E. Mortlock
**Mrs. Mary Ellison	1955	*Elwood T. Marshall
***Mrs. Miriam L. Williams	1956	***George N. Williams
*Mrs. Nellie M. Maharty	1957	*Paul W. Jenkins
**Mrs. M. Jane Jester	1958	*Edward E. Knisell
*Mrs. Mary E. Seymour	1959	*Frederick E. Otto
*Mrs. Elzada H. Berry	1960	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Dorothy Otto	1961	*Frederick E. Otto
**Mrs. Marion Place	1962	*Harry B. Marshall
***Mrs. Marion Jenkins Calvert	1963	*Paul W. Jenkins
*Mrs. Catherine Caldwell	1964	***Thomas W. Harvey
*Mrs. Betsy Ann Conner PGM	1965	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
***Mrs. Anna E. Krauss	1966	***Thomas W. Harvey

***Mrs. Mabel E. Harvey	1967	***Thomas W. Harvey
*Mrs. Rebecca J. Meyers	1968	*Edward E. Knisell
**Mrs. Gloria D. Tackitt	1969	**Allen E. Tackitt
***Mrs. Marion Jenkins Calvert	1970	***Thomas W. Harvey
*Mrs. Betsy Ann Conner PGM	1971	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Virginia Hambright	1972	*Boyd N. Hambright
*Mrs. Betty P. LaPorte	1973	*Edward J. LaPorte
*Mrs. Margaret Rugg	1974	***Thomas W. Harvey
*Mrs. Mary A. King	1975	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Mary A. King	1976	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Betty P. LaPorte	1977	*Edward J. LaPorte
*Mrs. Helen P. Healey	1978	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Helen P. Healey	1979	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Helen P. Healey	1980	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Betsy Ann Conner PGM	1981	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Helen P. Healey	1982	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
*Mrs. Helen P. Healey	1983	*Thomas J. Berry PGP

- **Mrs. Gladys Fetterolf, Demitted from Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- *Mrs. Edith C. Galloway PGM, Demitted from Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- ***Mrs. Mary Kashishian, Demitted from Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- **Mrs. Bessie O. Murray, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7 – SEAFORD

Meets 1st & 3rd Thurs. at 7:30pm. No meeting July or August.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Apr. 21, 1920/Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920

Meets at 7 North Pine Street, Ext., Seaford, DE 19973

Mrs. Deena Yale, PO Box 941, Seaford, DE 19973	Worthy Matron	
David Melvin, 8277 Hearn Pond Rd., Seaford, DE 19973.....	Worthy Patron	
Mrs. Marlene Mickles, 10517 Tall Pine Drive, Seaford, DE 19973	Associate Matron	
Richard Mickles, 10517 Tall Pine Drive, Seaford, DE 19973	Associate Patron	
Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas PGM, 25118 Oak Rd., Seaford, DE 19973	Secretary	
*Mrs. Corrine W. Timmons PGM	1920	*William H. Miller
*Mrs. Josephine B. Miller	1921	*William H. Miller
*Mrs. Josephine B. Miller	1922	*William H. Miller
***Mrs. Addie Allen	1923	*William F. Allen
*Mrs. Abby H. Bell	1924	**Samuel J. Stein
**Mrs. Mary Elzey	1925	**Samuel J. Stein
**Mrs. Amelia J. Hardesty	1926	*T. Scott Purse
**Mrs. Fannie D. Stein	1927	**Samuel J. Stein
**Mrs. Arbella Gerker	1928	*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
**Mrs. Bernice V. Hurley	1929	*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
*Mrs. Grace Coulbourn	1930	*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
*Mrs. Esther Willin Parham	1931	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Louise E. Phillips	1932	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Mary T. King	1933	*Charles H. Wheatley
*Mrs. Kate Smith	1934	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Mary V. LeCates	1935	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Bertha S. Welch PGM	1936	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Louise W. Wright	1937	*T. Scott Purse
*Mrs. Mary L. Hudson	1938	*Charles F. Welch
***Mrs. Anna Wheatley Culver	1939	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Addie H. White	1940	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Helen Covey Eaton	1941	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Kathleen A. Politt	1942	*Charles F. Welch
***Mrs. Bertha West Messick	1943	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Elizabeth Lank Cheyney	1944	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Agnes W. Wooten	1945	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Helen P. Turner	1946	*Charles F. Welch
*Mrs. Eunice K. Tull	1947	*Norris A. Tull PGP
*Mrs. Rachel Atwell Henry	1948	*Norris A. Tull PGP
*Mrs. Clara G. Smith	1949	*Norman M. West
*Mrs. Frances Truitt	1950	*Norman M. West

*Mrs. Anna White	1951	*Norman M. West
*Mrs. Mary R. Garton	1952	*C. Roland Garton
*Mrs. Anna Fryling	1953	*Wilbur Fryling
*Mrs. Evelyn T. Holden	1954	*Elwood Coulbourn
*Mrs. Katherine Bradley	1955	*Edgar F. Bradley
*Mrs. Beatrice Gilbert	1956	*Robert Gilbert
*Mrs. Lottie M. Cleaver	1957	*Joseph Bostick
*Mrs. S. Elizabeth Tull PGM	1958	*Norman H. Tull
*Mrs. Eunice M. Marshall	1959	*Robert T. Marshall PGP
*Mrs. Grace Glime	1960	*Robert Glime
*Mrs. Rosa T. Burton	1961	*Robert Gilbert
*Mrs. Beatrice M. Lankford	1962	*Norman H. Tull
*Mrs. Esther Dunkle	1963	*William J. Bryant
*Mrs. Eleanor O'Day	1964	*Robert T. Marshall
*Mrs. Mildred O'Day	1965	*William O'Day
*Mrs. Addie M. Lankford	1966	*Norman H. Tull
Mrs. Suzanna Holt Bramhall	1967	*Norman H. Tull
*Mrs. Janet Marshall	1968	*Robert T. Marshall PGP
*Mrs. H. Maxine Pinson	1969	*Edgar A. Moffett
Mrs. Esther Melvin Berner PGM	1970	*Norman H. Tull
***Mrs. Estelle Hoopes	1971	*Robert Glime
*Mrs. Jacqueline Fooks	1972	*Leroy Fooks
*Mrs. Jacqueline Fooks	1973	*Norman M. West
*Mrs. Dorothy Thomas	1974	*Robert T. Marshall PGP
*Mrs. Anna Mae Marvel	1975	*Robert Glime
Mrs. Barbara Shenton	1976	*John Shenton
Mrs. Esther Melvin Berner PGM	1977	*William J. Bryant
*Mrs. H. Maxine Pinson	1978	*John Shenton
*Mrs. Mary Boltz	1979	*William J. Bryant
*Mrs. Agnes Parker	1980	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Dorothy Collins	1981	*James Parker PGP
***Mrs. Marilyn Coulbourne	1982	*Robert T. Marshall PGP
*Mrs. Grace V. Tull Allen	1983	*Robert J. Tull
*Mrs. Marguerite Steele	1984	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Helen Holt	1985	*Robert T. Marshall PGP
*Mrs. Agnes Parker	1986-1987	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Marguerite Steele	1987-1988	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Eleanor O'Day	1988-1989	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Agnes Parker	1989-1990	*James Parker PGP
Mrs. Marlene Simpler PGM	1990-1991	D. Wayne Simpler PGP
*Mrs. H. Maxine Pinson	1991-1992	*Bruce W. Davis
Mrs. Arlene Traister	1992-1993	*Ray E. Traister
*Miss Cynthia A. Simpler	1993-1994	D. Wayne Simpler PGP
Mrs. Marlene Simpler PGM	1994-1995	D. Wayne Simpler PGP
*Mrs. Eleanor O'Day	1995-1996	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Marguerite Steele	1996-1997	*Ray E. Traister
*Mrs. Agnes Parker	1997-1998	*James Parker PGP
*Miss Cynthia A. Simpler	1998-1999	*James Parker PGP
Mrs. Marlene Simpler PGM	1999-2000	D. Wayne Simpler PGP
Mrs. Arlene Traister	2000-2001	*Leroy Fooks
*Mrs. Marguerite Steele	2001-2002	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Jacqueline Fooks	2002-2003	*Leroy Fooks
*Mrs. Catherine King	2003-2004	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. Marguerite Steele	2004-2005	*James Parker PGP
*Mrs. H. Maxine Pinson	2005-2006	*Paul Rhodes
Mrs. Arlene Traister	2006-2007	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
Mrs. Arlene Traister	2007-2008	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
Mrs. Ethelene Krauss PGM	2008-2009	D. Wayne Simpler PGP
Mrs. Ethelene Krauss PGM	2009-2010	D. Wayne Simpler PGP

Mrs. Susan Z. Calloway	2010-2011	David Melvin
Mrs. Ethelene Krauss PGM	2011-2012	David Melvin
Mrs. Arlene Traister	2012-2013	David Melvin
Mrs. Ethelene Krauss PGM	2013-2014	David Melvin
Mrs. Wini Walton	2014-2015	David Melvin
Mrs. Marlene Mickles	2015-2016	David Melvin
Mrs. Marlene Mickles	2016-2017	David Melvin

Mrs. Ethelene Krauss PGM, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19

Mrs. Arlene Traister, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19

**R. Eugene Beachboard PGP, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19

Mrs. Susan Calloway, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113, MD

*Mrs. Catherine King, Plural Member with Roelma Chapter No. 113, MD

Mrs. Billie Jean Snooks, Plural Member with Silver Springs Chapter No. 66, MD

*Robert Snook, PGP, Plural Member with Silver Springs Chapter No. 66, MD

Mrs. Jane Webb, Plural Member with Constantia Chapter No. 123, NY

Mrs. Lillian Wootten, Plural Member with Adah Chapter No. 5

Mrs. Katherine Berfmark, Plural Member with Cheswick Chapter No. 453, PA

Mrs. Suzanne Haight, Plural Member with Chamblee Chapter No. 362, GA

Mrs. Norma Jones, Plural Member with Victory Chapter No. 96, NJ

Mrs. Marlene Mickles, Plural Member with Cravens Chapter No. 129, NC

Mrs. Sandra M. Sahutsky, PGM Plural Member with Unity Chapter No. 16

Laurel Chapter No. 18 consolidated with Sussex Chapter No. 7 on October 16, 2008

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8 – NEW CASTLE

Meets 2nd and 4th Thurs at 8:00 pm. No meetings July or August.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter May 7, 1920/Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920

Meets in Masonic Temple, 1406 Wilmington Road, New Castle, DE 19720

Ms. Charlotte N. McCall, 2800 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702-4530 Worthy Matron
 Charles Newton, PGP, 755 West 12th Street, Newark, DE 197020-4947 Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Joan Newton, 755 West 12th Street, Newark, DE 19720-4947 Associate Matron
 Robert Stineman, 106 Jillans Way, New Castle, DE Associate Patron
 Miss Debbis Good PGM, 6 High Pond Drive, Newark, DE 19711 Secretary

*Mrs. Elizabeth Leach PGM	1920	*H. Raymond Foster PGP
*Mrs. Elizabeth Leach PGM	1921	*H Raymond Foster PGP
*Miss Carrie L. Gemmill PGM	1922	*Edward H. Naylor
***Mrs. Sallie R. Meredith	1923	*H. Raymond Foster, PGP
*Miss Anna S. Vantine	1924	*Edward H. Naylor
*Mrs. Wilena Yetter	1925	*John Ries
*Mrs. Mary C. Hanf	1926	**William G. Gebhart
*Mrs. Mary K. Naylor	1927	*Edward S. Bratton
*Mrs. Mary L. G. Burris	1928	*Edward S. Bratton
*Mrs. Bessie R. Hewlett	1929	*Clifford W. Hyrons
*Mrs. Ida J. Smith	1930	*Howard L. Wilhelm
*Mrs. Marjorie R. Montgomery	1931	*Howard L. Wilhelm
*Mrs. Reba L. Greer	1932	*Frank L. Hewlett
*Mrs. Bessie Williams	1933	***Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
*Mrs. Catherine Ellison	1934	***Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
*Mrs. Sophronia Hewlett	1935	*Frank L. Hewlett
*Mrs. Emily V. Fleming	1936	*Robert W. Larrimore PGP
*Mrs. Mabel M. Davis	1937	*Frank L. Hewlett
*Mrs. Lillian L. Arters	1938	Robert W. Larrimore PGP
Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore	1939	*Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
Mrs. Florence M. Arters	1940	*Martin E. Arters
**Miss Laura Porter	1941	*Howard L. Wilhelm
*Mrs. Isabelle V. Klabe	1942	*Howard W. Simpson
*Mrs. Anna Hirzel	1943	*Martin E. Arters
**Mrs. Anna M. Harrington	1944	*Robert W. Larrimore PGP
*Mrs. Marian Kumpel	1945	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Florence Ballard	1946	*J. Ralph Duling
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Heinel-Lewis	1947	*Martin E. Arters
*Mrs. Mary N. Banks	1948	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Esther Clymer	1949	*William Tubbs

*Mrs. Vera E. Snedeker	1950	*William Tubbs
*Mrs. Bessie E. Miles PGM	1951	*Herman E. Williams
Miss Elizabeth Foster	1952	*Harley E. Clymer
**Mrs. Odell Guy	1953	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Grace Moore	1954	*Robert W. Larrimore PGP
*Mrs. Ruth Steele	1955	*William Tubbs
***Mrs. Mildred Carlisle	1956	***Bernard Carlisle
*Mrs. Mildred Miles McDermott	1957	**Alfred Mills
*Mrs. Phyllis A. Howell PGM	1958	*Alvin L. Miles
*Mrs. Leora M. Myers From	1959	*William L. Myers
***Mrs. Bertha M. Carlisle	1960	***Bernard Carlisle
*Mrs. Gladys Kennedy	1961	*Henry E. Snedeker
Mrs. Betty Swain	1962	*George Swain
*Mrs. Kathryn Crompton	1963	*Alvin L. Miles
*Mrs. Helen V. Berger PGM	1964	*Charles L. Wade
**Mrs. Mollie Revels	1965	*William B. Short, Sr.
*Mrs. Helen Ennis	1966	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Elizabeth S. Nelson Mavity	1967	*George Austin
Mrs. Norma Armstrong	1968	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Nellie C. Wade	1969	*Charles L. Wade
*Mrs. Josephine Moore	1970	*William B. Short, Sr
*Mrs. Emily Anderson Forestieri	1971	*J. Albert Kumpel PGP
*Mrs. Marjorie Jennings	1972	*Homer Jennings
Mrs. Joyce Hoffman	1973	*Robert W. Larrimore PGP
Mrs. Eleanor Allione	1974	Joseph Allione
Mrs. Thelma Sisson	1975	*Walter Wonchoba
**Mrs. Mary Beaston	1976	Joseph Allione
Mrs. Mary McMahan	1977	*Arnold Eugene McMahan
Mrs. Alice Hoeflinger	1978	Joseph Allione
Mrs. Elinor Gay Huston	1979	*Walter Wonchoba
*Mrs. Virginia Wonchoba	1980	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Hilda Webb	1981	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Hilda Webb	1982	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Eleanor Allione	1983	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Eleanor Allione	1984	Joseph Allione
Mrs. Patricia A. Miller	1985	Joseph Allione
Mrs. Patricia A. Miller	1986-1987	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs Patricia A. Miller	1987-1988	*Walter Wonchoba
*Mrs. Virginia Wonchoba	1988-1989	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Elinor Gay Huston	1989-1990	*Walter Wonchoba
*Mrs. Barbara Sturgill	1990-1991	*Walter Wonchoba
*Mrs. Barbara Sturgill	1991-1992	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Elinor Gay Huston	1992-1993	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Elinor Gay Huston	1993-1994	*Walter Wonchoba
Mrs. Virginia E. Startt Crockett	1994-1995	*Homer Jennings
Mrs. Virginia E. Startt Crockett	1995-1996	*Homer Jennings
Mrs. Joan B. Newton	1996-1997	Charles A. Newton PGP
Mrs. Charlotte N. McCall	1997-1998	Charles A. Newton PGP
*Mrs. Louisa Mitchell	1998-1999	*Walter Wonchoba
Miss Deborah Dale Good PGM	1999-2000	*Walter Wonchoba
*Mrs. Marie Good	2000-2001	Kenneth J. Norris
Miss Deborah Dale Good PGM	2001-2002	Kenneth J. Norris
Mrs. Joan B. Newton	2002-2003	Charles A. Newton, PGP
Mrs. Louisa Mitchell	2003-2004	*Charles Mitchell
Mrs. Dorothy Pringle	2004-2005	Charles A. Newton, PGP
Mrs. Louisa Mitchell	2005-2006	*Charles Mitchell
Mrs. Joan B. Newton	2006-2007	Charles A. Newton PGP
Miss Deborah Dale Good PGM	2007-2008	Charles A. Newton, PGP
Mrs. Louisa Mitchell	2008-2009	*Charles Mitchell
Mrs. Joan B. Newton	2009-2010	Charles A. Newton, PGP
Miss Deborah Dale Good PGM	2010-2011	*Charles Mitchell

Mrs. Louisa Mitchell	2011-2012	Thomas McLaughlin
Mrs. Joan B. Newton	2012-2013	Charles A. Newton PGP
Miss Deborah Dale Good PGM	2013-2014	Thomas McLaughlin (Acting)
Mrs. Virginia E. Startt Crockett	2014-2015	Charles A. Newton PGP
Mrs. Kathy Kee	2015-2016	Thomas McLaughlin
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2016-2017	Walter Myslewicz

Thomas McLaughlin, Plural Member with Havre de Grace Chapter No. 27, MD

Esther Chapter No. 17 consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 in April 2006
Newark Chapter No. 10 consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 on March 27, 2014
Five Points Chapter No. 13 consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 on May 12, 2016

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9 – GEORGETOWN

1st Fri. of Sept. – June

(Unless a national holiday or weekend of a national holiday meeting will be on 3rd Fri.) and in May & Oct. the meetings will be on the 1st & 3rd Fri 7:30 pm. No meetings July or August.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Oct. 19, 1923/Date of Charter Apr. 26, 1924

Franklin Lodge, 201 E. Market Street, Georgetown, DE 19947

Mrs. Barbara F. Lott, PGM, PO Box 186, Dagsboro, DE 19939-0186.....	Worthy Matron
VACANT.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Jennifer Grasset, 780 Huston St, Seaford, DE 19973.....	Associate Matron
VACANT.....	Associate Patron
William F. Lott, PO Box 186, Dagsboro, DE 19939.....	Secretary

*Mrs. Annie V. See	1923	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Annie V. See	1924	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Florence B. Swain	1925	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Bessie M. Warrington PGM	1926	*John F. Kaiser
*Mrs. Martha Z. Pepper	1927	*John F. Kaiser
*Mrs. Nellie M. Lynch	1928	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Bessie N. Hudson	1929	*Crawford B. Bailey
*Mrs. Olivia C. Wilkins	1930	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. Mary H. Calhoun	1931	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Mary H. Bailey	1932	*Lawrence E. Sipple
*Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte PGM	1933	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Olive B. Holson	1934	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Minnie C. Hitchens	1935	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. Mildred H. Minner PGM	1936	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Florence S. Brereton	1937	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Miss Elizabeth A. Wilkie	1938	*Crawford B. Bailey
*Mrs. Tevillia M. Lenhart	1939	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. Helen Calhoun	1940	*Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Grace W. Wilkins	1941	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. M. Isabelle Buhl	1942	Thomas B. Pepper PGP
*Mrs. Edith L. Swain	1943	*George S. Buhl
*Mrs. Ida Coy Kapp	1944	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Elberta S. Clendaniel	1945	*George S. Buhl
*Mrs. Florence Pusey	1946	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Lovey J. Stemples	1947	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. Mary K. Keeler	1949	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Elizabeth M. Swain	1940	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. Alma B. Mustard	1950	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Eva M. Hudson	1951	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
*Mrs. C. Linda Sammons	1952	*Theodore Jester
*Mrs. Frances Warren	1953	**Herbert Von Goerres
*Mrs. Myrtle E. Stevenson	1954	*Theodore Jester
*Mrs. Marcella E. DeMoss	1955	*Emerson M. Keeler
***Mrs. Ruth M. Porter	1956	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Miss Phyllis Lenhart	1957	*Emerson M. Keeler
*Mrs. Edna Lynch	1958	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
***Mrs. Marion K. Holson	1959	*Emerson M. Keeler
*Mrs. Rachel R. Sherwin	1960	*John L. LeCompte PGP
*Mrs. Helen W. Carpenter	1961	*Emerson M. Keeler
*Mrs. Mary Alice Isaacs	1962	*W. Graham Dill

*Mrs. Beatrice L. Argo	1963	*Frederick H. Warrington PGP
**Mrs. Eva L. Booze	1964	**James A. Booze
Mrs. Louise Bunting	1965	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
*Mrs. Anita D. Rees	1966	**James A. Booze
*Mrs. Eva H. Gordy`	1967	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
*Mrs. Gladys A. Palmer	1968	*W. Graham Dill
*Mrs. Mary T. Argo	1969	*Theodore Jester
*Mrs. Lydia Pride Waldo	1970	*Emerson M. Keeler
*Mrs. Anna Mae Jester	1971	*Theodore Jester
*Mrs. Joyce Quillen	1972	**James A. Booze
Mrs. Marianne W. Truitt Sylvester	1973	*Richard M. Webb
*Mrs. Rena Morgan Wheatley	1974	*A. Warren Wheatley PGP
*Mrs. Margarette A. Webb	1975	*Richard M. Webb
*Mrs. Eleanor Lenhart	1976	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Judith Webb Lawson	1977	*Richard M. Webb
Mrs. Judith A. Harrison Thoroughgood	1978	George H. Harrison
**Mrs. Renee Young Watson	1979	*Richard M. Webb
Mrs. Edna T. Esham	1980	George H. Harrison
*Mrs. Ruth A. Harris	1981	*Richard M. Webb
*Mrs. Evelyn S. Irwin	1982	*William J. Irwin
*Mrs. Dorothy Crew	1983	*William J. Esham, Jr.
*Mrs. Almira Lewis	1984	*Russell Lewis
*Mrs. Eileen Veasey	1985	*John A. Hoefer
Mrs. Alice Adams Baker	1986-1987	*William J. Irwin
Mrs. Gloria Fox	1987-1988	*Melvin Fox
Mrs. Etta L. Edwards	1988-1989	*Ronald Jefferson
*Mrs. Dorothy Crews	1989-1990	*Charles Farrell
*Mrs. Bette L. Harris	1990-1991	*William J. Esham, Jr
*Mrs. Doris Howell	1991-1992	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Louise Bunting	1992-1993	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Louise Bunting	1993-1994	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Edna T. Esham	1994-1995	*William J. Esham, Jr.
Mrs. Honora R. Whaley	1995-1996	*James R. Whaley
*Mrs. Elizabeth J. Gable	1996-1997	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Michele L. Garner	1997-1998	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Patricia J. Smith White	1998-1999	*Harvey J. Bunting PGP
Mrs. Honora R. Whaley	1999-2000	*James R. Whaley
Mrs. Judith Webb Lawson	2000-2001	Wayne A. Stacey
Mrs. Michele L. Garner	2001-2002	Wayne A. Stacey
Mrs. Betty L. Marker	2002-2003	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Betty L. Marker	2003-2004	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Honora R. Whaley	2004-2005	Wayne A. Stacey
Mrs. Betty L. Marker	2005-2006	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Michele L. Garner	2006-2007	Wayne A. Stacey
Mrs. Betty L. Marker	2007-2008	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Judith Webb Lawson	2008-2009	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Judith Webb Lawson	2009-2010	Harry J. Marker
Mrs. Michele Garner	2010-2011	Wayne Stacey
Mrs. Jennifer Grasset	2011-2012	William Esham, III
Mrs. Logan Mason	2012-2013	William Esham, III
Mrs. Barbara F. Lott PGM	2013-2014	William F. Lott
Mrs. Barbara F. Lott PGM	2014-2015	William F. Lott
Mrs Donna Austin	2015-2016	VACANT
Mrs. Jennifer Grasset	2016-2017	Wayne Stacey

Wayne Stacey, Plural Member with Unity Chapter No. 112, MD

Mrs. Mary Lou Delp, Plural Member with Lenape Chapter No. 339, PA

Mrs. Etta Edwards, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20

Mrs. Barbara F. Lott, Plural Member with Temple Chapter No. 53, CT

William F. Lott, Plural Member with Temple Chapter No. 53, CT

Grace Hitchens, Plural Member with Frankford Chapter No. 12

Oliver Hitchens, Plural Member with Frankford Chapter No. 12

NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10 – NEWARK

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 23, 1925/Date of Charter Dec. 5, 1925
Consolidated with Caesar Rodney No. 8 on March 27, 2014

*Mrs. Martha W. Krapf PGM	1925	*Robert S. Gallaher PGP
Mrs. Martha W. Krapf PGM	1926	*Robert S. Gallaher PGP
**Mrs. Alice D. Truitt	1927	*Robert S. Gallaher PGP
*Mrs. Arzi P. Lewis	1928	*Charles J. Krapf
*Mrs. Edna R. Wood	1929	*Conrad K. D. Lewis, Sr.
*Miss Anne E. Gallaher	1930	*William D. Holton
*Mrs. Florence C. Fader	1931	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Irma L. Hopkins	1932	*Henry F. Mote
*Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer	1933	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Anna R. Slack	1934	*Charles J. Krapf
*Mrs. Lettie R. McMullen	1935	*Henry F. Mote
*Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss	1936	*T. Raymond McMullen
*Mrs. Martha Malcom	1937	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Lydia F. McCloskey	1938	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Alice C. Abbott, PGM	1939	*W. Harman Money
*Mrs. Dorothea K. Hickman	1940	*T. Raymond McMullen
***Mrs. Gladys C. Carr	1941	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Ida A. Case	1942	*J. Nelson Abbott
***Mrs. Edna S. VanDaalen	1943	***Leslie T. Truitt
*Mrs. Martha C. Davis	1944	***Ellsworth Carr
*Mrs. Elizabeth Beswick Spencer	1945	*T. Raymond McMullen
*Mrs. Elizabeth D. Correll	1946	*Jacob A. Correll
*Mrs. Miriam R. Battersby	1947	*Jacob A. Correll
*Mrs. Catherine R. Gibbs	1948	*Conrad K. D. Lewis, Sr.
*Mrs. Mary R. Swan	1949	*Conrad K. D. Lewis, Sr.
*Mrs. Dorothy R. Diehl	1950	*Samuel L. Diehl, Jr.
***Mrs. Alma F. Long	1951	*Wilmer E. Psuey
*Mrs. Sarah R. Howell	1952	*Samuel L. Diehl, Jr.
*Miss M. Ella Steele	1953	*Conrad K. D. Lewis, Sr.
**Mrs. Marian V. Moore	1954	*Robert P. Major
*Mrs. Eleanor Tyler Poley	1955	*Dr. Charles H. Schultheiss PGP
***Mrs. Pauline M. Scheaffer	1956	*Michael D'Angelo
*Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss PGM	1957	*Dr. Charles H. Schultheiss PGP
***Mrs. Jacqueline D. Johnson	1958	***Wallace G. Johnson
*Mrs. Estelle Mote	1959	***Spencer Palmer
*Mrs. Katherine J. Lovett	1960	*Charles Granville McVey
***Mrs. Marie Palmer	1961	***Spencer Palmer
***Mrs. Alyce I. Donnell	1962	*William Donnell
**Mrs. Valma Burchard	1963	*Roy E. Francisco
*Mrs. Mollie Zappo	1964	*Joseph Zappo, Jr.
***Mrs. Evelyn Francisco	1965	*Roy E. Francisco
*Mrs. Tiny Burchard	1966	*William A. Burke
***Mrs. Sarah B. Carter	1967	*Michael D'Angelo
Mrs. Doris L. Gabor	1968	**Van A. Lett
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	1969	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
*Mrs. Leah F. Cameron PGM	1970	*John C. Ort
*Mrs. Arlene DiStefano	1971	*Sylvester DiStefano
*Mrs. Leah F. Cameron PGM	1972	*John C. Ort
*Mrs. Evelyn T. Melton	1973	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
*Mrs. Nancy Ebbert	1974	***Spencer Palmer
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	1975	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Mary Ann Campbell	1976	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
***Mrs. Marjorie Homiller	1977	*Robert Homiller
*Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss PGM	1978	*Dr. Charles H. Schultheiss PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	1979	*Clayton H. Keith PGP

*Mrs. Katherine J. Lovett	1980	*William Donnell
*Mrs. Doris Payne	1981	***Louis Atwood
***Mrs. Helen M. Lee	1982	***Wayne M. Lee
***Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Starkey	1983	***Bruce Starkey
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	1984	Walter Myslewicz
Mrs. Kathryn Lewis	1985	C. John Ort
Mrs. Doris Gabor	1986-1987	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	1987-1988	Walter Myslewicz
**Mrs. Theresa Sizemore	1988-1989	*Clayton H. Keith, PGP
Miss Cynthia Ebbert	1989-1990	*Clayton H. Keith, PGP
***Jana Bradish	1990-1991	***Robert A. Bradish, PGP
*Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss PGM	1991-1992	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
***Mrs. Beverly B. McLain	1992-1993	***Ronald A. McLain
*Mrs. Jane W. Shetzler	1993-1994	*John C. Ort
***Mrs. Beverly B. McLain	1994-1995	***Ronald A. McLain
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	1995-1996	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Wendy Lee Crouse	1996-1997	***Wayne M. Lee
***Mrs. Beverly B. McLain	1997-1998	***Ronald A. McLain
*Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss PGM	1998-1999	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
*Mrs. Jane W. Shetzler	1999-2000	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2000-2001	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2001-2002	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2002-2003	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2003-2004	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2004-2005	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2005-2006	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2006-2007	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2007-2008	*Clayton H. Keith PGP
Mrs. Margaret S. Keith	2008-2009	*Homer Jennings
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2009-2010	VACANT
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2010-2011	Walter Myslewicz
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2011-2012	Walter Myslewicz
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2012-2013	Walter Myslewicz
Mrs. Joyce Ann Myslewicz PGM	2013-2014	Walter Myslewicz

*Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds, Demitted from Esther Chapter No. 17

*Homer Jennings, Plural Member with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11 – MILFORD

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 17, 1926. Date of Charter Apr. 16, 1927

Consolidated with Victory Chapter No. 15 in March 2010

***Mrs. Marguerite G. Cooper	1926	*Randolph Graham
*Mrs. Sarah E. Riggin PGM	1927	*Randolph Graham
*Mrs. Lillian M. Harmstead	1928	***Jacob C. Messner
*Mrs. Mary H. Dolby	1929	***Jacob C. Messner
*Mrs. Helen F. Taylor	1930	*Sidney B. Dolby
*Mrs. Hester F. Reed	1931	*Sidney B. Dolby
*Mrs. Marie L. Roberts PGM	1932	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers	1933	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Sallie E. Satterfield	1934	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
***Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson	1935	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. F. Ruth Sapp	1936	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Helen B. Legar	1937	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Alice N. Martin	1938	***Archie A. Feagan
*Mrs. Kate W. Boyer	1939	***Archie A. Feagan
*Mrs. Louise S. Emory	1940	*Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Pearl B. Morris	1941	*W. Clifford Raughley
*Mrs. Henrietta Williams	1942	***Archie A. Feagan
*Mrs. Emma S. Vinyard	1943	***Archie A. Feagan
*Mrs. Beulah H. Rodway	1944	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Mae T. Ford	1945	*Archie C. Ford

*Mrs. Edna M. Williams	1946	*Earl K. Williams
***Mrs. Isabelle W. Sylvester	1947	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Mildred Snowberger	1948	*W. Clifford Raughley
*Mrs. Lillian H. Wheeler	1949	*Archie C. Ford
*Mrs. Lanah Milbourne	1950	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Blanche B. Williams	1951	*Howard D. Williams
***Miss M. Catherine Downing	1952	***Fulton J. Downing
***Mrs. Edith Harcum	1953	*W. Clifford Raughley
*Mrs. Mary F. Sipple	1954	*Howard L. Sipple
*Mrs. Florence Q. Harmon	1955	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Jeanette V. G. Legates	1956	***Russell K. Legates
*Mrs. Pearl W. Prettyman	1957	***John H. Walls
*Mrs. Jessie J. Calloway	1958	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Violet C. Bliss	1959	***Russell K. Legates
*Mrs. Ruth L. Bradley	1960	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Marie Currey	1961	*C. Ray Scarborough
*Mrs. Rose H. Coffman	1862	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Joan R. Field	1963	*C. Ray Scarborough
***Mrs. Nadine Fleischauer	1964	***William J. Fleischauer
*Mrs. Maxine Crouch Kling	1965	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Nadine Fleischauer	1966	***William J. Fleischauer
***Mrs. Betty Lou Huffman	1967	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
**Mrs. Frances McCarthy	1968	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. LaVon Smith	1969	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Leona Gruwell	1970	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Elizabeth C. Homan	1971	*Rev. John Edward Jones
***Mrs. Elizabeth C. Homan	1972	*Rev. John Edward Jones
Mrs. Lena M. Lee	1973	**Granville D. Lee
*Mrs. Louise S. Emory	1974	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Carol G. Jordan PGM	1975	*Griffith L. Jordan PGP
*Mrs. Carol G. Jordan PGM	1976	*Griffith L. Jordan PGP
*Mrs. Mary F. Sipple	1977	*Howard L. Sipple
Mrs. Bonnie B. Jester	1978	Ronald W. Jester
*Mrs. Ruth K. Betts	1979	*Benjamin B. Betts
*Mrs. Dorothy Mullane	1980	*Griffith L. Jordan PGP
***Mrs. Carol F. Paisley	1981	*Charles W. Barkins
*Mrs. Ruth K. Betts	1982	*Charles W. Barkins
Mrs. Peggy Mullane	1983	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
***Mrs. Dorothy P. Pringle	1984	*Thomas C. Rodway PGP
*Mrs. Carol G. Jordan PGM	1985	*Griffith L. Jordan PGP
*Mrs. Dorothy Mullane	1986-1987	*Everett Pringle
***Mrs. Marie Price	1987-1988	*C. Ray Scarborough
***Mrs. Evelyn D. Brumbaugh	1988-1989	*Donald Butler
***Mrs. Marie Price	1989-1990	*Donald Butler
Mrs. Clara W. Lafontaine	1990-1991	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Clara W. Lafontaine	1991-1992	Roy A. Lafontaine
*Mrs. Carol G. Jordan PGM	1992-1993	*Griffith L. Jordan PGP
***Mrs. Dorothy P. Pringle	1993-1994	Roy A. Lafontaine
***Mrs. Marie Price	1994-1995	Hank Jackson
Mrs. Orlene Jackson	1995-1996	Hank Jackson
Mrs. Clara W. Lafontaine	1996-1997	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Clara W. Lafontaine	1997-1998	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Linda Aspinwall	1998-1999	*Donald Butler
Mrs. Linda Aspinwall	1999-2000	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Clara W. Lafontaine	2000-2001	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2001-1002	Roy A. Lafontaine
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2002-2003	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2003-2004	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2004-2005	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Brenda McGowan Riley	2005-2006	Russell Murphy
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2006-2007	R. Dale Gladden PGP

Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2007-2008	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Brenda McGowan	2008-2009	Russell Murray
Mrs. Cheryl J.S. Gladden	2009-2010	R. Dale Gladden PGP

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12 – MILLVILLE

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesday at 7:30 pm. No meetings Juyl or August.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jan. 25, 1928/Date of Charter Apr. 21, 1928

Meets in Masonic Temple, Millville, DE 19967

Mrs. Catherine Schultz PGM, 37682 Crab Bay Lane, Selbyville, DE 19975 Worthy Matron
 J. Eddie Morris PGP, 32248 Gum Road, Frankford, DE 19945 Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Grace Hitchens, PO Box 94, Selbyville, DE 19975 Associate Matron
 Oliver Hitchens, PO Box 94, Selbyville, DE 19975 Associate Patron
 Ms. Angela Sutton, 35990 Zion Church Road, Frankford, DE 19945-4501 Secretary

***Mrs. Leveesa E. Cannon	1928	*Topp M. Heath
**Mrs. Margaret T. Heath	1929	*E. Washington Bryan
*Mrs. Helen C. West PGM	1930	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Jennie B. Ruark	1931	*Gardner L. Thomas
**Mrs. Martha P. Bunting	1932	*Rev. Charles W. Branford
*Mrs. Olive D. Gum	1933	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Florence Bunting McGee	1934	*Topp M. Heath
***Mrs. Ruth W. Branford	1935	*E. Washington Bryan
***Mrs. Hilda B. Jones	1936	*Gardner L. Thomas
*Mrs. Pearl W. McCabe	1937	*William B. Derrickson PGP
***Mrs. Maude L. Mitchell	1938	*Gardner L. Thomas
***Mrs. Hattie L. Thomas	1939	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Stella E. Chandler	1940	*Gardner L. Thomas
*Mrs. Edith P. Pennewell	1941	*William B. Derrickson PGP
**Mrs. Florence Burbage	1942	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Ruth Derrickson	1943	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Elsie E. Daye	1944	*Harley R. Burbage
*Mrs. Myrtle Hickman	1945	*John B. Williams
*Mrs. Mae T. Phillips	1946	*Harley R. Burbage
*Mrs. Ethel D. Derrickson	1947	*Albert Derrickson
*Mrs. Elizabeth Aydelott	1948	*George W. Mitchell
*Mrs. Irene Watson	1949	**Robert Derrickson
*Mrs. Edna Johnson PGM	1950	*Frank Johnson
*Mrs. Blanche Williams	1951	*John B. Williams
*Mrs. Dorothy Quillen	1952	*George W. Mitchell
*Mrs. Adella Holt	1953	*William B. Derrickson PGP
*Mrs. Hilda Wood	1954	*Stephen C. Evans
*Mrs. Mary Cobb	1955	*Ebe C. Quillen
*Mrs. Viola Burton	1956-	*Albert Derrickson
*Mrs. Laura Hickman	1957	*Ebe C. Quillen
*Mrs. Louise B. Wilgus	1958	*Frank Johnson
*Mrs. Lulu E. Kempston	1959	*Arthur R. Kempston PGP
*Mrs. Delthia Hickman	1960	*Tilghman Johnson
*Mrs. Elizabeth Wharton	1961	*George A. Wharton
*Mrs. Evelyn Bunting	1962	*James Flood
*Mrs. Cynthia Lewis PGM	1963	*Tilghman Johnson
***Mrs. Patricia W. Pepper	1964	*Ebe C. Quillen
Mrs. Jean Turner	1965	*Tilghman Johnson
*Mrs. Lucille Rickards	1966	*Oliver J. Foskey
*Mrs. Edna Murray	1967	*Arthur R. Kempston PGP
*Mrs. Mattie Powell	1968	*Ebe C. Quillen
Mrs. Grace Murray Hitchens	1969	*Arthur R. Kempston PGP
Mrs. Jeanette Hudson	1970	*Oliver J. Foskey
*Mrs. Viola Jackson	1971	*Paul Jackson
*Mrs. Irene Hocker	1972	*Ebe C. Quillen
***Mrs. Ruby Evans	1973	*Jesse Murray PGP
Mrs. Eleanor Steen DuBois	1974	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr
*Mrs. Mildred Carpenter	1975	*Sidney Hurley
***Mrs. Doris Wahl	1977	*Arthur R. Kempston PGP

Mrs. Agnes Hurley	1978	*Sidney C. Hurley
Mrs. Claire Supernaw	1979	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
*Mrs. Carol Noble Wood	1980	**Joseph J. Noble
*Mrs. Vivian Adams	1981	*Sidney C. Hurley
Mrs. Joyce Brittingham Morris	1982	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
Mrs. Elma M. McCabe	1983	*Jesse Murray PGP
Mrs. Phyllis Daisey	1984	Lloyd Daisey
Mrs. Grace Molnar Hitchens	1985	*James E. Molnar, Sr.
*Mrs. Vera Carey	1986-1987	***Kenneth Hornberger
Mrs. Jane Smith Nock	1987-1988	Clifford S. Smith, Jr.
Mrs. Yvonne Cropper	1988-1989	*William S. Cropper
Mrs. Doris Egbert PGM	1989-1990	*Emanuel Hornberger
Mrs. Agnes Hurley	1990-1991	***Kenneth Hornberger
Mrs. Grace F. Molnar Hitchens	1991-1992	*James E. Molnar, Sr
*Mrs. Margaret Justice	1992-1993	C. Sanford Justice
Mrs. Catherine Schultz PGM	1993-1994	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	1994-1995	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Doris Egbert PGM	1995-1996	C. Sanford Justice
*Mrs. Cynthia Lewis PGM	1996-1997	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
*Mrs. Lucille Rickards	1997-1998	*Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	1998-1999	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	1999-2000	J. Eddie Morris.PGP
Mrs. Betty B. Neary	2000-2001	*Thomas Neary
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	2001-2002	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	2002-2003	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Doris Egbert, PGM	2003-2004	*Thomas Neary
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2004-2005	J. Eddie Morris PGP
*Mrs. Mary Hutchison	2005-2006	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	2006-2007	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Betty B. Neary	2007-2008	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2008-2009	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2009-2010	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	2010-2011	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Doris Egbert PGM	2011-2012	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2012-2013	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2013-2014	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Grace F. Hitchens	2014-2015	Oliver Hitchens
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2015-2016	J. Eddie Morris PGP
Mrs. Jane M. Morris PGM	2016-2017	J. Eddie Morris PGP
***Louis Atwood, Demitted from Newark Chapter No. 10		
*Mrs. Elizabeth K. Loeffel, Demitted from Ruth Chapter No. 19		
*Mrs. Mary Hutchison, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20		
*Mrs. H. Maxine Pinson, Plural Member with Sussex Chapter No. 7		
*Mrs. Effie Marvonek PGM, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19		
Mrs. Claudia Jones, Plural Member with Daughters of Job, MD		

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13 – NEWPORT

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware, Feb. 6, 1930/Date of Charter May 21, 1930

Consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 May 12, 2016

*Mrs. Ellen G. Duncan	1930	*Paul W Lowden
*Mrs. Ellen G. Duncan	1931	*Theodore H. Work, Jr
*Mrs. Marian M. Haislett	1932	*James Duncan PGP
***Mrs. Mae P. Smith	1933	*Amos H. Cattrell
*Mrs. Josephine Wright	1934	*Lester B. Haislett
*Mrs. Edith M. Work	1935	***George R. Walker
*Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce PGM	1936	**Frederick K. Smith
*Mrs. Martha D. Mackey	1937	*Harry D. Maxwell
***Mrs. Mildred K. Grubb	1938	*Stevenson A. Hellen
*Mrs. Maybelle K. Vansant	1939	*Stevenson A. Hellen
*Mrs. Emma W. Thompson	1940	*George D. Baldwin
*Mrs. Sue R. Baldwin	1941	*Harold L. Emory
*Mrs. Frances A. Huber	1942	*Theodore H. Work, Jr.

*** Mrs. Bessie S. Norris	1943	*Lee E. Nichols
*** Mrs. Bessie S. Norris	1944	*Stevenson A. Hellen
*Mrs. Sadie C. Conley	1945	*Raymond K. Grubb
*Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb	1946	*W. Pierce Laws
*Mrs. Lorraine C. Putzier	1947	*J. Paul Fleming
*Mrs. Ruth M. Betty PGM	1948	*Raymond W. Smith
*Mrs. May Payne Warrington	1949	*Richard A. Welsh
*Mrs. Jane C. White	1950	*Henry T. Miller PGP
*Mrs. Vera F. Hughes	1951	*Alvin C. Rememter
*Mrs. Bertha Smith Hall	1952	*Edward H. Livermore, Jr.
*Mrs. Margaret C. Wilkinson	1953	***Samuel R. Richerson
*** Mrs. Jacqueline E. Kyle	1954	***Gordon E. Kyle PGP
*Mrs. Helen D. Weldie	1955	**C. Maurice Weldie
*Mrs. Jane C. Livermore	1956	*Joseph H. Ellis PGP
*Mrs. Vera M. Ellis	1957	*Edward A. Pelham
*Mrs. Sinah M. Pelham	1958	*Robert R. Wyatt
*Mrs. Dolores S. Varell	1959	*C. David Wiberg PGP
*Mrs. Jean V. Lutton	1960	*Thomas J. Waters
*Mrs. Mabel F. Wyatt	1961	*T. Garrett Robinson, Sr.
*Mrs. Gladys McBride	1962	*James E. Lynch
*Mrs. Bertha M. Wiberg	1963	*R. Edwin Wilkinson
*** Mrs. Edna L. Allen	1964	*Charles O. Bratton
*Mrs. Ellen E. Gregg PGM	1965	*Lawrence F. Donahoe
*Mrs. Elinor Donahoe Poole	1966	*Lawrence F. Donahoe
Mrs. Phyllis Stewart Bowman PGM	1967	*Fred G. Smith
*Mrs. Lucille M. Hopley	1968	*Fred G. Smith
*Mrs. Shirley G. MacDonald	1969	*Henry W. Boys II
*Mrs. Margaret H. Boys	1970	*John B. Betty PGP
*Mrs. Gloria Piergalline PGM	1971	*John B. Betty PGP
*** Mrs. E. Virginia Timmons	1972	*Leonard E. Timmons
*Mrs. Mary D. Taylor	1973	*Henry W. Boys II
Mrs. Janet Nibblett	1974	*Henry W. Boys II
*Mrs. Mildred E. Hurlock	1975	Fred Thornett
Mrs. E. Jean Thornett	1976	*William Finkley
** Mrs. Joann Keenan	1977	**Elmer Harris
** Mrs. Sandra Terranova	1978	*Owen Hopley, Jr
** Mrs. Phyllis M. Prucino Stiltner	1979	Thomas Morganstern
*Mrs. E. Gwynne Doelze	1980	*John A. Hoefler
Mrs. Margaret Morris	1981	Carl Morris
Mrs. Sarah L. Marianelli	1982	*David Marianelli
*Mrs. Anne Burkhard	1983	*Victor Burkhard
*Mrs. Betty Warrington	1984	*Floyd France
Mrs. E. Jean Thornett	1985	*Henry W. Boys II
*Mrs. Mildred Hurlock	1986-1987	*Floyd France
Mrs. Lee Anderson PGM	1987-1988	*Richard A. Anderson PGP
Mrs. Jean Kenney	1988-1989	*Jay Hartlaub
*Mrs. Hannah Finkley	1989-1990	*William Finkley
*** Mrs. Ethel Philhower	1990-1991	James L. Philhower
** Mrs. Joann Keenan	1991-1992	*Jay Hartlaub
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	1992-1993	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. Kathleen Dennis Anderson PGM	1993-1994	*Richard A. Anderson PGP
Mrs. Kim Houben Morris	1994-1995	Carl Morris
Mrs. Cheryl A. Mongillo	1995-1996	***Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	1996-1997	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	1997-1998	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	1998-1999	***Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP
Mrs. Billie Lee Cochran Banning	1999-2000	***Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP
Mrs. Kathleen Dennis Anderson PGM	2000-2001	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	2001-2002	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	2002-2003	Robert G. Stineman PGP
Mrs. Cheryl A. Mongillo	2003-2004	*Winfield W. Lane

Mrs. Cheryl A. Mongillo	2004-2005	*Winfield W. Lane
Mrs. Billie Lee Cochran Banning	2005-2006	*Winfield W. Lane
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	2006-2007	VACANT
Mrs. Cheryl A. Mongillo	2007-2008	Thomas Morganstern
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	2008-2009	Thomas Morganstern
Mrs. Billie Lee Banning	2009-2010	Thomas Morganstern
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	2010-2011	VACANT
Mrs. Brenda Stineman	2011-2012	VACANT
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	2012-2013	VACANT
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	2013-2014	VACANT
Mrs. M. Barbara Nakai	2014-2015	Robert G. Steinman PGP
Mrs. Cheryl A. Mongillo	2015-2016	Robert G. Steinman PGP

*James Duncan PGP, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Katherine Devenney, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Nellie Gardiner, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Lillian Lovell, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Iris M. Lyons, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. J. Virginia Moore, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Perc Gardiner, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Ross M. Lanus PGP, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Thomas W. Lovell, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

**Mrs. Margaret Myers, Demitted from Ruth Chapter No. 19

Mrs. Frances Miller, Plural Member with Penns Grove Chapter No. 87, NJ

Mrs. Brenda Stineman, Plural Member with Worcester Chapter No. 102, MD

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14 – WILMINGTON

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware May 4, 1937/Date of Charter Dec. 7, 1937

Consolidated with Naomi Chapter No. 20 on October 3, 2007

*Mrs. Idella E. McCormick	1937	*Cheston R. McCormick PGP
*Mrs. Mildred Hickey	1938	*Cheston R. McCormick PGP
**Mrs. Ruby D. Porter	1939	*William A. Cottman
***Mrs. Thelma Dickerson	1940	*Cheston R. McCormick PGP
*Mrs. Edna L. Gifford PGM	1941	*Paul W. Hughes
*Mrs. Alice C. Frederick	1942	***Andrew Nowell
*Mrs. Grace R. Hild	1943	*George H. Ostendarp PGP
*Mrs. Virda Simpler	1944	*Cheston R. McCormick PGP
*Miss Edith H. Shinn PGM	1945	*Paul W. Hughes
*Mrs. Sarah Hoffman PGM	1946	*G. Lloyd Frederick
*Mrs. Frances Warren	1947	*George H. Ostendarp PGP
*Mrs. Ruth M. Stiggins	1948	*James H. Fulks
*Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp	1949	*James W. Keenan
*Mrs. Emma M. Gehret	1950	*William A. Gehret
*Mrs. Florence Gilbert Rawlins	1951	*Raymond E. Jensen
***Mrs. J. Cordella Rodenhiser	1952	**John A. Rodenhiser
*Mrs. Ruth DeCamp Spitzer	1953	*George H. Ostendarp PGP
*Mrs. Jeanette H. Gutzke	1954	*Cheston R. McCormick PGP
***Mrs. Marjorie S. Ward	1955	*Walter A. Gehret
*Mrs. Rebecca Hagenbuch	1956	*George H. Ostendarp PGP
*Mrs. Margaret Weir	1957	*Harold R. Harding
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1958	*Lee R. Hawkins
*Mrs. Elizabeth Jeuell	1959	*Lousell S. Jeuell
*Mrs. Hilda D. Livingstone	1960	*G. Lloyd Frederick
**Mrs. Alice S. Harding	1961	*Harold R. Harding
*Mrs. Ethel R. Semple	1962	**William R. Semple
Mrs. Betty M. Jones	1963	*Raymond S. Borders
*Mrs. Genevieve Mowery	1964	*Harold R. Harding
*Mrs. Selma Fineman	1965	*Raymond S. Borders
*Mrs. Mary G. Dilks	1966	*Lee R. Hawkins
*Mrs. Helen Sterndale	1967	**John A. Rodenhiser
*Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds	1968	*George D. Bogart PGP
**Mrs. Betty M. Schultz	1969	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Laura S. Taylor	1970	*Theodore E. Schultz

**Mrs. Melissa S. Richardson	1971	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Margaret E. Bogart	1972	*George D. Bogart PGP
**Mrs. Ruth T. Duncan	1973	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Phyllis A. Thomas	1974	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Alverta W. Kandle	1975	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Margaret E. Bogart	1976	*Walter T. Mills
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1977	*Lee R. Hawkins
**Mrs. Margaret Mills	1978	*Walter T. Mills
**Mrs. Margaret Mills	1979	*Walter T. Mills
*Mrs. Estelle Berg	1980	*George D. Bogart PGP
*Mrs. Margaret Cahoon	1981	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
Mrs. Marion Purvis Townsend	1982	*Walter T. Mills
Mrs. Bessie L. Steed	1983	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
Mrs. Debra Leary Huie Baue	1984	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
**Mrs. Joyce Townsend	1985	*Franklin R. Townsend
*Mrs. Margaret Pastore	1986-1987	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	1987-1988	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Haroldine Walker	1988-1989	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1989-1990	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
*Mrs. Ruth DeCamp Spitzer	1990-1991	George W. Taylor PGP
*Miss Edith H. Shinn PGM	1991-1992	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1992-1993	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
*Mrs. Louia McLaughlin	1993-1994	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1994-1995	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
*Miss Edith H. Shinn PGM	1995-1996	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Margaret L. Pastore	1996-1997	*Howard M. Cahoon PGP
*Mrs. Jacqueline Stearns	1997-1998	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	1998-1999	George W. Taylor PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	1999-2000	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Jacqueline Stearns	2000-2001	George W. Taylor PGP
*Mrs. Charlotte M. Outten	2001-2002	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	2002-2003	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	2003-2004	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	2004-2005	*Thomas J. Berry PGP
Mrs. Barbara Davison	2005-2006	George W. Taylor PGP
Mrs. Barbara Davison	2006-2007	George W. Taylor PGP
Mrs. Susan T. Shustack	2007-2008	George W. Taylor PGP

Radiant Chapter No. 6 consolidated with Brandywine Chapter No. 14 on December 31, 1983

VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15 – DOVER

Meets 2nd and 4th Monday Jan.-Apr, June, Sep-Nov, and 4th Monday in May
and 2nd Mon in Dec at 7:30 pm. No meetings July or August.

Instituted by Grand Chapter of Delaware May 13, 1942/Date of Charter Dec. 10, 1942

Meets in Masonic Temple, 1478 Wyoming Mill Road, Dover, DE 19904

Mrs. Carolyn Van Hekle, 145 Thames Drive, Dover, DE 19904 Worthy Matron
Robert A. Bradish, 92 Wyatt Street, Frederuca, DE 19946 Worthy Patron
Mrs. Debra Hodges, 92 Ruyter Dr., Frederica, DE 1994..... Associate Matron
Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP, 38 Iris Court, Dover, DE 19904..... Associate Patron
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier, PGM, 161 Candlewicke Drive, Dover, DE 19901Secretary

*Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson	1942	*M. Eugene Gardner
*Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner	1943	*M. Eugene Gardner
*Mrs. Pauline Davis	1944	*John A. Kennedy, Jr.
*Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus	1945	*M. Eugene Gardner
*Mrs. Florence Williams	1946	*Walter J. Williams
*Mrs. Lenora Watson	1947	*James A. McWilliams
*Mrs. Julia Slaughter	1948	*Robert Slaughter
***Mrs. Ann B. Cleaves	1949	*John J. Saxton
*Mrs. Mary McWilliams	1950	*I. Kendall Gibbs PGP
*Mrs. Katherine Smith	1951	*Earl D. Smith
*Mrs. Adelle Gibbs	1952	*Robert E. Chambers
*Mrs. Mary R. Miller	1953	*Joseph F. Miller
*Mrs. Jennie Thompson	1954	**Richard E. Chambers

*** Miss Sue Baynard	1955	**William R. Chambers
** Mrs. Sara Coverdale	1956	**Paul Coverdale
* Mrs. Margaret D. Tomlinson PGM	1957	*Russell W. Chidester
** Mrs. Delsie S. Chambers	1958	*Clayton Jenkins
* Mrs. Marjorie L. Chidester	1959	*Russell W. Chidester
* Mrs. Lillian Jost	1960	*Victor Jost
* Mrs. Mildred Ney	1961	*Clayton Jenkins
* Mrs. Alberta Warren	1962	*Russell W. Chidester
* Mrs. Nancy L. Morton	1963	*Vernon Morton
*** Mrs. Wilma Pitts	1964	**James W. Nunnery
* Mrs. Alice Calder	1965	*Jimmy Calder
* Mrs. Dorothy A. Russ	1966	*Ralph L. Russ
* Mrs. Phyllis M. Saxton	1967	*John J. Saxton
* Mrs. Catherine Cassey Ashton	1968	* Joseph Cassey
*** Mrs. Janet Q. Brown	1969	*Harry Decker
Miss Elisabeth Tomlinson	1970	*Frank H. Furr, Jr.
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier PGM	1971	***James A. McWilliams, Jr
Mrs. Judith Parrott	1972	*George A. Parrott
* Mrs. Annabelle E. Lutton	1973	*Henry Y. Lutton
* Mrs. Salena K. Sherwood	1974	*Robert L. Sherwood PGP
* Mrs. Mary W. Weik	1975	*Edward J. Hall
* Mrs. Lois B. Faircloth	1976	*Clifford W. Faircloth PGP
Mrs. Joan K. Edwards	1977	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
* Mrs. Pauline McPhee	1978	*George A. McPhee PGP
Mrs. Geraldine Harman	1979	*Edgar Harman
Mrs. Jacqueline McGuckin	1980	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
* Mrs. Clara Hall	1981	*Edward J. Hall
* Mrs. Joan L. Caulk	1982	*Rodney L. Caulk
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier, PGM	1983	*Clifford W. Faircloth PGP
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier PGM	1984	*Clifford W. Faircloth PGP
Mrs. Jacueline McGuckin	1985	*Clifford W. Faircloth PGP
* Mrs. Salena K. Sherwood	1986-1987	*Robert L. Sherwood PGP
* Mrs. Bell Walters	1987-1988	*Clifford W. Faircloth PGP
Mrs. Cheryl Gladden	1988-1989	*Robert L. Sherwood PGP
* Mrs. Sarah O. Satterfield	1989-1990	*John H. Satterfield
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier PGM	1990-1991	*John H. Satterfield
Miss Elisabeth Tomlinson	1991-1992	*John H. Satterfield
Mrs. Judith Parrott	1992-1993	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Joan S. Edwards PGM	1993-1994	R. Dale Gladden PGP
Mrs. Cheryl Gladden	1994-1995	R. Dale Gladden PGP
* Mrs. Sarah O. Satterfield	1995-1996	*John H. Satterfield
Mrs. Linda Aspinwall	1996-1997	*Robert L. Sherwood PGP
Mrs. Laura Schmukler	1997-1998	*Robert L. Sherwood PGP
Mrs. Joan S. Edwards PGM	1998-1999	Jose V. Perrusquia PGP
Mrs. Judith Parrott	1999-2000	R. Dale Gladden, PGP
Mrs. Judith Junge	2000-2001	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Kathleen Trombly	2001-2002	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
* Mrs. Margaret Perrusquia	2002-2003	Jose V. Perrusquia PGP
Mrs. Joan K. Edwards	2003-2004	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Joan S. Edwards PGM	2004-2005	Jose V. Perrusquia PGP
Mrs. Joan K. Edwards	2005-2006	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Maria Peterson	2006-2007	Robert Peterson
Mrs. Maria Peterson	2007-2008	Robert Peterson
Mrs. Joan S. Edwards PGM	2008-2009	Jose V. Perrusquia PGP
Mrs. Laura Schmukler	2009-2010	Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP
Mrs. Joan S. Edwards PGM	2010-2011	Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP
Ms. Donna Austin	2011-2012	Jose V. Perrusquia PGP
Mrs. M. Ruth Lorup	2012-2013	*Eugene L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. M. Sue Kennedy	2013-2014	Robert Peterson PGP
Miss Kristine Butler	2014-2015	Robert A. Bradish PGP
Mrs. Carolyn Van Hakle	2015-2016	Jeffrey B. Dennis PGP

Mrs. Debra Hodges 2016-2017 Robert A. Bradish PGP
 Mrs. Ruth Lorup, Plural Member with Friendship Chapter No. 551, PA
 *Mrs. Jane W. Shetzler, Plural Member with Newark Chapter No. 10
 Ms. Kathleen Dennis Anderson, PGM, Plural Member with Caesar Rodney No. 8
 Mrs. Jana Bradish, Plural Member with Providence Chapter No. 1, RI
 Robert A. Bradish PGP, Plural Member with Providence Chapter No. 1, RI

Kent Chapter No. 11 consolidated with Victory Chapter No. 15, in March 2010
UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16 – LEWES

Meets 2nd and 4th Tues. of each month except the 4th Tues. of June and Dec.
 or the evening of Grand Chapter Sessions at 7:30 pm. No meetings July or August.
 Instituted by Grand Chapter of Delaware Mar. 20, 1946/Date of Charter Oct. 29, 1946
 Meets in Masonic Temple, 116½ W. Second Street, Lewes, Delaware 19958

Mrs. Terese J. Hensel, 24355 Kent Drive, Millsboro, DE 19966	Worthy Matron
Christian Dull, 6 Devon Lane, Lewes, DE 19958-4111	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Joan L. Moore, 3160 Point Circle, Lewes, DE 19958-3868.....	Associate Matron
Stephen P. Tolbert, 22575 Waterview Road, Lewes, DE 19958-5749	Associate Patron
Mrs. Sandra Sahutsky PGM, 96 Comanche Cir., Millsboro, DE 19966-9290.....	Secretary
*Mrs. Mary H. Bevis PGM 1946	*H. Edward Maull
*Mrs. Gladys H. Lynch 1947	*E. Elwood Lynch
*Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore 1948	*H. Edward Maull
*Mrs. Ruth H. Roberts 1949	*Walter O. Bryan
*Mrs. Goldia M. Palmer 1950	*Clarence E. Rickards
*Mrs. Claire Andress 1951	*Walter O. Bryan
*Mrs. Mabel E. Guthrie 1952	*Clarence E. Rickards
*Mrs. Ruth J. Bryan 1953	*Walter O. Bryan
*Mrs. Helen T. Joseph 1954	*Clarence E. Rickards
*Mrs. Jane D. Brittingham 1955	*Walter O. Bryan
*Mrs. Margaret E. Russell 1956	*Wilbert E. Schmierer
*Mrs. Grace A. Hall 1957	*Clarence E. Rickards
*Mrs. Marguerite L. Yarnall 1958	*Rupert O. Hall
*Mrs. Elizabeth Greene 1959	*Wilbert E. Schmierer
*Miss Sara M. Tikiob 1960	*Walter O. Bryan
*Mrs. Dorothy L. Collins 1961	*Wilbert E. Schmierer
***Mrs. Arzle M. Powell 1962	***Charles R. Powell
*Mrs. Susan E. Volk 1963	*Rupert O. Hall
*Mrs. Doris M. Downs 1964	*William J. Downs
Mrs. Barbara W. Ewing Joseph PGM 1965	*Rupert O. Hall
*Mrs. Jane Bell Wilson 1966	***Charles R. Powell
Mrs. Nancy J. Burbage 1967	*Rupert O. Hall
Mrs. Signa Souder 1968	John W. Souder
*Mrs. Martha E. Pratt 1969	*Archilaus A. Pratt
*Mrs. Meta Mae Harper West 1970	John H. Souder
Mrs. Joan L. Moore PGM 1971	*Harry A. Moore PGP
Mrs. Betty H. Macintire 1972	*Harry A. Moore PGP
Mrs. Elizabeth H. Hill 1973	John W. Souder
**Mrs. Celia S. Green 1974	**George Green
**Mrs. Louise V. Hanby 1975	*William J. Downs
*Mrs. Martha L. Little 1976	**George Green
*Mrs. Minna H. Lodge 1977	*Harry A. Moore PGP
Mrs. Joy H. Hopkins PGM 1978	*Harry A. Moore PGP
*Mrs. Linda H. Good 1979	*William R. James
*Mrs. Barbara K. Edginton 1980	*William R. James
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Anderson PGM 1981	*Anthony J. Kowalski
Mrs. Jennie L. Dull 1982	*William R. James
Mrs. Cathy H. Brady 1983	*William R. James
*Mrs. Nancy C. Spiros 1984	*Harry A. Moore PGP
*Mrs. Irene P. Sorbara 1985	*William R. James
*Mrs. Lurene F. Kowalski 1986-1987	*Anthony J. Kowalski
Mrs. Marie Savin 1987-1988	*William R. James
Mrs. Fay Welch 1988-1989	*Ray Welch
*Mrs. Shirley M. Carey 1989-1990	*Ronald L. Carey PGP

*Mrs. Dorothy A. Fields	1990-1991	*William R. James
Mrs. Claire Watkins	1991-1992	*Robert S. Watkins PGP
Miss Margaret Moore	1992-1993	*William R. James
*Mrs. Madelon Kidwell	1993-1994	*Richard O. Kidwell
*Mrs. Isabel Turley	1994-1995	*William R. James
*Mrs. Ethel Shellender	1995-1996	*Thomas W. Harvey
Mrs. Annabelle Boire	1996-1997	*Robert S. Watkins PGP
*Mrs. Mabel E. Harvey	1997-1998	*Thomas W. Harvey
Mrs. Jennie Dull	1998-1999	*Ronald L. Carey PGP
Mrs. Doris E. Lauer PGM	1999-2000	*James A. Carmean PGP
*Mrs. Mary A. Doerfler	2000-2001	Leon D. Ware, Sr. PGP
Mrs. Claire Watkins	2001-2002	*Robert S. Watkins PGP
*Mrs. Shirley Haynie	2002-2003	Warner C. Haynie PGP
Mrs. Sandra Sahutsky PGM	2003-2004	William E. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Nancy Ware	2004-2005	Leon D. Ware, Sr. PGP
Mrs. Patricia A. Martin	2005-2006	Warner C. Haynie PGP
Mrs. Colleen Willis	2006-2007	Warner C. Haynie PGP
Mrs. Sandra Fawcett	2007-2008	Christian Dull
Mrs. Rhonda Lee Zawora	2008-2009	Bryan Ware PGP
Mrs. Susan Tolbert	2009-2010	Stephen Tolbert PGP
Mrs. Sandra Sahutsky PGM	2010-2011	Joseph G. Bishop
*Mrs. Shirley Haynie	2011-2012	Warner C. Haynie PGP
Mrs. Eleanor Ellis	2012-2013	Warner C. Haynie PGP
Mrs. Teresa Shearon	2013-2014	William E. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Terese Hensel	2014-2015	Robert Roby
Mrs. Nichole Pantuliano	2015-2016	William E. Edwards PGP

*Mrs. Helen Coyle, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Paul Coyle, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Mabel E. Harvey, Demitted from Brandywine Chapter No. 14

*Thomas W. Harvey, Demitted from Brandywine Chapter No. 14

*Mrs. Elsie I. Conley, Demitted from Ruth Chapter No. 19

** Mrs. Phyllis Carmean, PGM Affiliated from Naomi Chapter No. 20

*James A. Carmean PGP, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20

*Mrs. Alverta Kandle, Plural Member with Brandywine Chapter No. 14

*Mrs. Mildred McDermott, Plural Member with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

*Mrs. Isabel Turley, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19

*Joseph Turley, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19

Mrs. Eleanor Huber, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20

*** Mrs. Marcia L. Belmont, Dual Member with Wall Chapter No. 143

Mrs. Georgia Bishop, Plural Member with Palmyra Chapter No. 402, VA

Mrs. Eleanor Ellis, Plural Member with West Chester Chapter No. 352, PA

*Mrs. Shirley Haynie, Dual Member with West Chester Chapter No. 352, PA

Warner C. Haynie PGP, Plural Member with West Chester Chapter No. 352, PA

Mrs. Patricia Martin, Plural Member with Morning Star Chapter No. 22, NJ

Mrs. Terese Hensel, Plural Member with Bethlehem Chapter No. 40, NJ

Mrs. Carol Fehnel, Plural Member with Calypso Chapter No. 130, PA

Ernest Fehnel, Plural Member with Calypso Chapter No. 130, PA

Mrs. Sally Fox, Plural Member with Stewart Chapter No. 166, NJ

Mrs. Doris Lauer PGM, Plural Member with Howard Chapter No. 20, MD

John C. Williams, Plural Member with West Chester Chapter No. 352, PA

Mrs. Rhonda Lee Zawora, Plural Member with Laurel Springs Chapter No. 227, NJ

Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas, PGM, Plural Member with Sussex Chapter No. 7

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17 – MIDDLETOWN

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sep 27, 1950/Date of Charter May 2, 1951

Consolidated with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 in April 2006

*Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall	1951	*Oscar G. Biddle
*Mrs. Florence Mannering	1952	*Samuel Carpenter
**Mrs. Grace Cochran	1953	**Winfield J. Cochran
**Mrs. Patricia Mears	1954	**C. Groome Mears
*Mrs. Edith Labour	1955	*C. Martin Mitchell
***Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds	1956	*Howard L. Donovan

**Mrs. Mabel C. Guessford	1957	**John W. Guessford
**Mrs. Elizabeth C. Barnes	1958	**John W. Guessford
*Mrs. Helen Baker	1959	*James R. Truitt PGP
*Mrs. Melita Knolls	1960	**Howard L. Donovan
*Mrs. Edna S. Riffin	1961	**George I. Schrader
*Mrs. Mary V. Truitt	1962	*James R. Truitt PGP
Mrs. Evelyn Holland	1963	*Elton Holland
Mrs. Edith B. Chas	1964	*Joseph A. Chas
*Mrs. Dorothy A. Englert	1965	**Dr. Fred A. Englert
*Mrs. Kathryn Chas	1966	*Joseph A. Chas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1967	*James R. Truitt PGP
*Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas	1968	*Milton C. Douglas
*Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas	1969	*Milton C. Douglas
*Mrs. Mary V. Truitt	1970	*James R. Truitt PGP
*Mrs. Helen M. Keskemety	1971	*Joseph A. Chas
*Mrs. Dora C. Biddle	1972	*Milton C. Douglas
Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse	1973	*Joseph A. Chas
Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse	1974	*Joseph A. Chas
***Mrs. Frann Hutchinson	1975	*Milton C. Douglas
*Mrs. Dora M. Ford	1976	*John Wilson
*Mrs. Margaret Douglas	1977	*Milton C. Douglas
**Mrs. Elizabeth C. Barnes	1978	**Thomas C. Chas
Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse	1979	**Thomas C. Chas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1980	**Thomas C. Chas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1981	*Joseph A. Chas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1982	*Joseph A. Chas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1983	*Joseph A. Chas
*Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas	1984	*Milton C. Douglas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1985	*Milton C. Douglas
*Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall	1986-1987	*Milton C. Douglas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1987-1988	*Milton C. Douglas
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1988-1989	**William S. Eveleigh
***Mrs. LaVerne Eveleigh	1989-1990	***William S. Eveleigh
***Mrs. LaVerne Eveleigh	1990-1991	***William S. Eveleigh
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1991-1992	*Elton Holland
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1992-1993	*Elton Holland
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1993-1994	*Elton Holland
*Mrs. Doris Pyle	1994-1995	*Elton Holland
Mrs. Jane B. Brackin	1995-1996	Jay R. Brackin
*Mrs. Doris Pyle	1996-1997	Jay R. Brackin
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	1997-1998	Jay R. Brackin
Mrs. Jane B. Brackin	1998-1999	Jay R. Brackin
*Mrs. Doris Pyle	1999-2000	Jay R. Brackin
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	2000-2001	*Homer C. Jennings
Mrs. Jane B. Brackin	2001-2002	Jay R. Brackin
*Mrs. Doris Pyle	2002-2003	*Homer C. Jennings
Mrs. Jane B. Brackin	2003-2004	Kenneth J. Norris
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	2004-2005	Kenneth J. Norris
Mrs. Edna C. Alfree PGM	2005-2006	Kenneth J. Norris

*Mrs. Fran Hutchison, Demitted from Esther Chapter No. 17
 *Mrs. Madalyn M. Seymour, Demitted from Ruth Chapter No. 19

LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18 – LAUREL

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 4, 1952/Date of Charter Jan. 18, 1953
 Consolidated with Sussex Chapter No. 7 on October 16, 2008

*Mrs. Minnie S. Kytte	1952	*William E. Hall PGP
*Mrs. Mary E. Woerner	1953	*William E. Hall PGP
*Mrs. Thirza P. Hall PGM	1954	*William E. Hall PGP
*Mrs. Catherine Ruston PGM	1955	**Albert E. Quillen
*Mrs. Marilyn M. Cooper	1956	**E. Pratt Ingersoll
*Mrs. Frances Tulloch	1957	*Lawrence Tulloch
*Mrs. Ruth Pollitt	1958	***Walter W. Pollitt

*Mrs. Pearl E. Johnson	1959	**James W. Flood
*Mrs. Anna Brittingham	1960	**James W. Flood
*Mrs. Isabel Phillips	1961	*Raymond Orendorff
*Mrs. Pauline White	1962	*William E. Hall PGM
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1963	*William Womach
*Mrs. Etta Marine	1964	*Raymond Orendorff
*Mrs. Marie Orendorff	1965	*Raymond Orendorff
*Mrs. Glenna S. Phillips	1966	*William Womach
Mrs. Lillian H. Wooten	1967	***Walter W. Pollitt
Mrs. Nancy McMasters	1968	***Walter W. Pollitt
Mrs. Gail Henderson	1969	*Glenn Lowe
*Mrs. JoAnn Bailey	1970	*Edwin Bailey
*Mrs. Hazel Baker	1971	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Sylvia Johnson	1972	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Pearl Austin	1973	*Calvin Jones
*Mrs. Lyda Niblett	1974	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Lyda Niblett	1975	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Pearl Austin	1976	*Ralph Baker
Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas PGM	1977	*J. Norman Nicklas
*Mrs. Isabel Phillips	1978	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Isabel Phillips	1979	*Ralph Baker
***Mrs. Frances Lindberg	1980	Roy Davis
Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas PGM	1981	*J. Norman Nicklas
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1982	*J. Norman Nicklas
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1983	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Marilyn M. Cooper	1984	*J. Franklin Cooper
Mrs. Karen Womach Plummer	1985	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Hazel Baker	1986-1987	*Ralph Baker
*Mrs. Thirza P. Hall PGM	1987-1988	*Ralph Baker
Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas PGM	1988-1989	*J. Norman Nicklas
Mrs. Karen Womach Plummer	1989-1990	*T. Eugene Womach
Mrs. Marlene P. Rutherford	1990-1991	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Claire Andress	1991-1992	*J. Franklin Cooper
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1992-1993	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1993-1994	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1994-1995	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1995-1996	*T. Eugene Womach
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	1996-1997	*T. Eugene Womach
Mrs. Susan Z. Calloway	1997-1998	***Jay F. Plummer
Mrs. Karen Womach. Plummer	1998-1999	***Jay F. Plummer
Mrs. Susan Z. Calloway	1999-2000	***Jay F. Plummer
Mrs. Susan Z. Calloway	2000-2001	Richard Marine
Mrs. Tina Marine	2001-2002	Richard Marine
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	2002-2003	Richard Marine
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	2003-2004	Richard Marine
*Mrs. Janet C. Womach PGM	2004-2005	Richard Marine
Mrs. Judith Booze	2005-2006	Richard Marine
Mrs. Judith Booze	2006-2007	Richard Marine
Mrs. Judith Booze	2007-2008	Richard Marine
Mrs. Susan Z. Calloway	2008-2009	Richard Marine
*Mrs. Edna L. Allen, Demitted from Five Points Chapter No. 13		
*Mrs. Claire Andress, Plural Member with Unity Chapter No. 16		

RUTH CHAPTER NO. 19 – WILMINGTON

Meets 1st Monday in Feb., May, June, Nov. & Dec.; 3rd Monday in Jan. & Sep.; 1st & 3rd Monday in Mar., Apr., & Oct at 7:30 pm. No meetings July or August

Instituted by Grand Chapter of Delaware Mar. 30, 1960/Date of Charter Jan. 16, 1961

Masonic Temple, 2016 Foulk Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810

Ms January Kendall, 508 W. Holly Oak Road, Wilmington, DE 19809 Worthy Matron
 Robert Hiddemem PGP, 2204 Kingsridge Drive, Wilmington, DE 19809..... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Virginia Robertson, 2906 Green Street, Claymont, DE 19703..... Associate Matron
 19703E. Watson Day PGP, 210 Gordon Ave., Wilmington, DE 19809 Associate Patron

Donna Hiddemen (Mrs.), 2204 Kingsridge Drive, Wilmington, DE 19810Secretary

*Mrs. Ruth Russell	1960	*John R. Crossland, III
Mrs. Mamie L. Nazarian	1961	*Gregory H. Nazarian
*Mrs. Helen Oliver	1962	**George G. Patterson
Mrs. Winifred H. Hulme PGM	1963	*Joseph C. Galloway PGP
*Mrs. Louise M. Hildebrand	1964	*James G. Moore
Mrs. Ethelene F. Krauss PGM	1965	***Albert H. Westerside
*Mrs. Lois M. Schiff	1966	**Wilmer H. Reburn
*Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey	1967	*Elmer K. Roush
*Mrs. Marion C. Crossland	1968	*John R. Crossland, III
Mrs. Doris H. Latta	1969	*John R. Crossland, III
Mrs. Beverly A. Wittenberg	1970	*Paul L. Walbridge
*Mrs. Kathleen D. Hall	1971	Ralph P. Hall
*Mrs. Melba L. Minshall	1972	**William Minshall
*Mrs. Editha Hinchliffe	1973	*James W. Hinchliffe
*Mrs. Lorraine W. Carver	1974	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Shirley Flickinger McShane	1975	*John R. Crossland, III
Mrs. Faith Benson Kelley Mulqueen	1976	***Richard W. Benson
*Mrs. Isabel E. Turley	1977	*Joseph H. Turley
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	1978	*Joseph H. Turley
***Mrs. Jean S. DeGraw	1979	*John R. Crossland, III
Mrs. Susan E. Beachboard	1980	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
*Mrs. Evelyn Meck	1981	*Harry Meck PGP
*Mrs. Lorraine W. Carver	1982	*Frank W. Carver PGP
Mrs. Donna S. Hiddemen	1983	*Robert J. Shustack
*Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey	1984	*Frank W. Carver PGP
Mrs. Ethelene F. Krauss PGM	1985	*John R. Crossland, III
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	1986-1987	*Joseph H. Turley
Mrs. Deborah C. Butzbach	1987-1988	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Kathleen Raney Murphy	1988-1989	***David R. Dawson
Mrs. Anna P. Giannatos	1989-1990	*Frank W. Carver
Mrs. Susan E. Peronti	1990-1991	*Charles S. Hattenfield
Mrs. Georgena L. Jones	1991-1992	*Frank W. Carver
Mrs. Donna S. Hiddemen	1992-1993	*Robert J. Shustack
Mrs. Deborah C. Butzbach	1993-1994	*Frank W. Carver PGP
Mrs. Anna P. Giannatos	1994-1995	E. Watson Day PGP
*Mrs. Helen A. Oliver	1995-1996	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Helen A. Oliver	1996-1997	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey	1997-1998	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Jean Shustack	1998-1999	Robert R. Hiddemen, PGP
Mrs. Susan McKinney	1999-2000	*R. Dale McKinney
*Miss S. Amanda Beachboard	2000-2001	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
*Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey	2001-2002	*Frank W. Carver PGP
*Mrs. Shirley McShane	2002-2003	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Miss Heiress Stevens	2003-2004	*Frank W. Carver PGP
Mrs. Anna P. Giannatos	2004-2005	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	2005-2006	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
Mrs. Donna S. Hiddemen	2006-2007	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Miss Heiress Stevens	2007-2008	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Mrs. Diane Boyer	2008-2009	R. Eugene Beachboard PGP
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	2009-2010	Wayne Slack
Mrs. Diane Boyer	2010-2011	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	2011-2012	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Miss Heiress Stevens	2012-2013	Wayne Slack
Mrs. Virginia Robertson	2013-2014	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Mrs. Virginia Robertson	2014-2015	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Mrs. January Kendall	2015-2016	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP
Mrs January Kendall	2016-2017	Robert R. Hiddemen PGP

*Mrs. Ellen E. Buckalew, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

**Mrs. Carol Hall Lind, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

*Mrs. Iva C. Hall, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

- *Howard C. Hall PGP, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- *Mrs. Margaret R. Hubbard, Demitted from Delaware Chapter No. 1
 - *Mrs. Elsie Kemery, Demitted from Mizpah Chapter No. 2
 - *Mrs. Vivian Pugh, Demitted from Chapter No. 536 in PA
- Mrs. Mae Buss, Demitted from Little Walnut No. 362 in Kansas
- Mrs. Diane Boyer, Plural Member with Chester Chapter No. 335, PA
- Sheldon L. Edwards PGP, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20
- Mrs. Virginia E. Crockett, Plural Member with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
- Mrs. Barbara Davison, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20
- Mrs. Lana Donovan, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20
- Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey, PGM, Plural Member with Naomi Chapter No. 20

Mizpah Chapter No. 2 consolidated with Ruth Chapter No. 19 on March 16, 1987
Delaware Chapter No. 1 consolidated with Ruth Chapter No. 19 on December 4, 1989

NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20 –WILMINGTON

Meets 1st Wed. of April, June, October-February; 1st & 3rd Wed. of March, May and September.
 If meeting falls on New Year's Day, it would be held on the 3rd Wed at 7:30 pm.
 No meetings July or August.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sep. 27, 1961/Date of Charter Jun 20, 1962

Miss Euretta L. Schultheiss, 296 East Chestnut Hill Rd., Newark, DE 19713 Worthy Matron
 Tom Morganstern, 23 N. Woodward Ave., Wilmington, DE 19805-2354 Worthy Patron
 Miss Cathy Yaiser, 2014 S. Brownleafe Rd., Newark, DE 19713-3208 Associate Matron
 Sheldon Edwards PGP, 4 Westmeadow Ln., Newark, DE 19711-2961 Associate Patron
 Miss Henrietta McKelvey, PGM, 517 McCabe Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19802-3227 Secretary

*Mrs. Clara R. Wittenberg	1961	Vernon F. Huber
*Mrs. Clara R. Wittenberg	1962	Vernon F. Huber
Mrs. Eleanor J. Huber	1963	*Harry S. Bristow PGP
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Bundick	1964	**Alfred L. Bundick
Mrs. Dee W. Hook	1965	*William E. James
*Mrs. Rebecca S. Welsh	1966	*Elias D. Hontz
*Mrs. Hannah E. Hackett	1967	Vernon F. Huber
*Mrs. Mary Bristow Woollen	1968	*Harry S. Bristow PGP
Mrs. Joan M. Hontz	1969	*Elias D. Hontz
Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey PGM	1970	*Stanley McKelvey
*Mrs. Geraldine C. Edwards	1971	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
*Mrs. Mary C. Ziegler	1972	**Garvin W. Greer
Mrs. Dorothy P. James	1973	*William E. James
**Mrs. Doris K. Simmons	1974	**Preston L. Simmons
*Mrs. Alverta C. Bowman	1975	*Frederick D. Bowman PGP
***Mrs. Esther C. Carre	1976	***Victor J. Carre
*Mrs. Patricia A. Dillon	1977	*Lonnie Dillon
*Mrs. June H. Enright	1978	*William E. James
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**Mrs. Margaret B. Murray	1980	*John E. Accord
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Mrs. Helen I. Green	1983	Wilson Green
Mrs. Betty A. Kaminski	1984	*Victor J. Carre
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Miss Euretta L. Schultheiss PGM	1990-1991	*Gordon E. Kyle PGP
Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle	1991-1992	*Robert Trate
Mrs. Linda L. Baker	1992-1993	***Victor J. Carre
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Mrs. Linda L. Baker	1996-1997	*Robert Trate
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*Mrs. Gertrud Long	1998-1999	*Gordon E. Kyle PGP

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Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey PGM	2000-2001	*Gordon E. Kyle PGP
Mrs. Gertrud Long	2001-2002	*Frederick D. Bowman PGP
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Mrs. Linda L. Baker	2003-2004	*Gordon E. Kyle PGP
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Miss Catherine Yaiser	2005-2006	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey PGM	2006-2007	*Gordon E. Kyle PGP
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM	2007-2008	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
Miss Euretta L. Schultheiss PGM	2008-2009	VACANT
Miss Catherine Yaiser	2009-2010	Robert Hiddemen PGP
Mrs. Barbara Davison	2010-2011	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Susan Shustack Marge	2011-2012	Thomas Morganstern
Miss Catherine Yaiser	2012-2013	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
Mrs. Sara Quinby	2013-2014	Robert Hiddemen PGP
Mrs. Barbara Davison	2014-2015	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey PGM	2015-2016	Thomas Morganstern
Miss Catherine Yaiser	2016-2017	Sheldon L. Edwards PGP
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*Mrs. Frances McCrery, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3		
*Mrs. LaVon Smith, Demitted from Kent Chapter No. 11		
Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle, Demitted from Five Points Chapter No. 13		
*Gordon E. Kyle PGP, Demitted from Five Points Chapter No. 13		
*Mrs. Marion J. Calvert, Demitted from Brandywine Chapter No. 14		
*Mrs. Florence A. Schroeder, Demitted from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3		
*Edward Kopp, Demitted from Mizpah Chapter No. 2		
*Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss PGM, Plural Member Newark Chapter No. 10		
Mrs. Phyllis A. Bowman PGM, Plural Member Five Points Chapter No. 13		
*Mrs. Nancy L. Edwards PGM, Plural Member Ruth Chapter No. 19		
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**Mrs. Joan Murphy, Dual Member with Covenant Chapter No. 199, PA		
Mrs. Barbara Davison, Plural Member with Chester Chapter No. 335, PA		
Mrs. A. Elizabeth Davison, Plural Member with Chester Chapter No. 335, PA		
Robert Hiddemen PGP, Plural Member with Ruth Chapter No. 19		
Mrs. Linda Morganstern, Plural Member with Friendship No. 551, PA		
Thomas Morganstern, Plural Member with Five Points Chapter No. 13		
Mrs. Sara Quinby, Plural Member with Signet Chapter No. 129, PA		
Mercer Quinby, Plural Member with Signet Chapter No. 129, PA		

St. John's Chapter No. 4 consolidated with Naomi Chapter No. 20 on June 20, 2007
Brandywine Chapter No. 14 consolidated with Naomi Chapter No. 20 on October 3, 2007

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE

	*Deceased	**Suspended	***Demitted
*Mrs. Julia M. Story (1)	1921-1922		*Harry F. Newlin (2)
*Mrs. Amy E. Meyer (3)	1922-1923		*Harry T. Hickey (5)
*Mrs. Lillie Schofield Riley (6)	1923-1924		*Alfred McClower (4)
*Mrs. Corrine W. Timmons (7)	1924-1925		*William H. Redmile (1)
*Mrs. Louise W. Green (1)	1925-1926		*Elhannon B. Wilson (3)
*Mrs. Elizabeth Leach (8)	1926-1927		*Walter Wood (6)
*Mrs. Rose E. Newlin (2)	1927-1928		*Thomas B. Pepper (9)
*Mrs. Jean H. Cauffman (1)	1928-1929		*H. Raymond Foster (8)
*Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn (4)	1929-1930		*Robert S. Gallher (10)
*Mrs. Irma Baker Barr (5)	1930-1931		*Walter D. Sawdon (6)
*Mrs. Mary M. Glower (4)	1931-1932		*Frank L. Howard (1)
*Mrs. Anna Bell Sauter (3)	1932-1933		*Grover C. MacNamee (4)
*Mrs. Irene Bauer (2)	1933-1934		*C. Herbert Neutze (1)
*Mrs. M. Etta Keys (1)	1934-1935		*Dr. Jay W. Miller (3)
*Mrs. Bessie M. Warrington (9)	1935-1936		*Victor J. Carmine (5)
*Mrs. Bertha M. Smith (4)	1936-1937		*James Duncan (13)
*Mrs. Sarah E. Riggan (11)	1937-1938		*John Frederick (3)
*Mrs. Martha W. Krapf (10)	1938-1939		*John L. Lecompte (9)

*Miss Carrie L. Gemmill (8)	1939-1940	*Frank L. Harrar (4)
*Mrs. Jane C. Zebley (6)	1940-1941	*William B. Derricksen (12)
*Mrs. Berta S. Welch (7)	1941-1942	*Robert M. Rogers (2)
*Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt (3)	1942-1943	*Frederick Stout (4)
*Mrs. Clara A. Reuter (1)	1943-1944	*Robert W. Larrimore (8)
*Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce (13)	1944-1945	*Cheston R. McCormick (14)
*Mrs. Helen C. West (12)	1945-1946	*Charles V. Cleaver (3)
*Mrs. Alice C. Abbott (10)	1946-1947	*Percy C. Cotty (1)
*Mrs. Sarah S. MacNamee (4)	1947-1948	*Horace K. Fulmer (2)
*Mrs. Marie L. Roberts (11)	1948-1949	*Harlan L. Cloud (3)
*Mrs. Dora E. Fitzgerald (5)	1949-1950	*J. Albert Kumpel (8)
*Mrs. Edna L. Gifford (14)	1950-1951	*Frederick H. Warrington (9)
*Mrs. Irma O. Lecompte (9)	1951-1952	*Thomas C. Rodway (11)
*Mrs. Marian J. Simpson (12)	1952-1953	*Henry T. Miller (13)
*Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler (1)	1953-1954	*I. Kendall Gibbs (15)
*Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore (8)	1954-1955	*George H. Ostendarp (14)
*Mrs. Ruth M. Betty (13)	1955-1956	*Norris Tull (7)
*Mrs. Mary H. Bevis (16)	1956-1957	*William F. Nutter (4)
*Mrs. Sarah Hoffman (13)	1957-1958	*John Conley (1)
*Mrs. Mildred H. Minner (9)	1958-1959	*William Hall (18)
*Miss Eliza L. Crossland (2)	1959-1960	*Joseph H. Ellis (13)
*Mrs. Reta C. Wilkinson (5)	1960-1961	*Ross M. Lanius (3)
*Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall (6)	1961-1962	*Dr. Charles H. Schultheiss (10)
*Mrs. Edith H. Shinn (14)	1962-1963	*Carl E. Oliver (1)
*Mrs. Bessie E. Miles (8)	1963-1964	*Arthur R. Kempston (12)
*Mrs. Edna E. Johnson (12)	1964-1965	*C. David Wiberg (13)
*Mrs. Adelaide L. Martin (1)	1965-1966	*Charles R. Sweeney (4)
*Mrs. Margaret D. Tomlinson (15)	1966-1967	*James R. Truitt (17)
*Mrs. S. Elizabeth Tull (7)	1967-1968	*Thomas J. Berry (14)
*Mrs. Edith C. Galloway (2)	1968-1969	*Ralph E. Nichols (5)
*Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox (3)	1969-1970	*Havey J. Bunting (9)
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*Mrs. Mildred A. Wootten (5)	1973-1974	*Harry S. Bristow, Jr. (20)
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Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey (20)	1982-1983	*Geroge A. McPhee (15)
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Australia	Don McElwee	12/31/18
Bolivia	Kathleen Trombly	05/31/18
British Columbia & Yukon	Elenaor DuBois, PM	12/31/18
California	Beth Johnson	12/31/17
Colorado	M. Barbara Nakai PM	12/31/17
Connecticut	Susan Peronti PM	12/31/18
District of Columbia	Hazel Smith PM	12/31/17
Florida	Billie Lee Banning PM	12/31/17
Georgia	Faye Jones	12/31/18
Idaho	Sara Johnson	12/31/18
Illinois	Carol Fehnel PM	12/31/17
Indiana	Elizabeth Holly Swain	12/31/17
Iowa	Jackie Kyle	03/31/18
Italy	Joe Notorfrancesco	12/31/18
Kansas	Ellen Magee	12/31/18
Kentucky	Mary Shaver	12/31/18
Louisiana	June Satterfield	12/31/17
Maine	Mary Venables	02/28/17
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Massachusetts	Olivia Hiddemen	12/31/17
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Minnesota	Gale Lukas	12/31/17
Mississippi	Annalyn Sharpless	12/31/18
Missouri	Jennie Dull PM	12/31/18
Montana	Carolyn Van Hekle PM	12/31/17
Nebraska	Florence Horsey PM	09/30/17
Nevada	Olga Casas	12/31/18
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New Hampshire	Donna Hiddemen PM	12/31/17
New Jersey	Jean Nicklas	12/31/18
New Mexico	Nancy Evans	12/31/18
New York	Rosemarie Vanderghoot	03/31/19
North Carolina	George Sahutsky	12/31/18
North Dakota	Heiress Stevens PM	12/31/17
Nova Scotia & PEI	Jessica Cooper	12/31/17
Ohio	Debbie Hodges PM	12/31/18
Oklahoma	Jessie Wenke	12/31/18
Ontario	Laura Williams	12/31/17
Oregon	Barbara Edwards	12/31/18
Pennsylvania	Elizabeth Toy	12/31/18
Puerto Rico	Kathy Kee PM	12/31/17

Quebec	Eleanor Allione PM	12/31/18
Rhode Island	Catherine Bradish	12/31/17
Sao Paulo, Brazil	Cathy Yaiser PM	02/28/18
Saskatchewan	Lynette Gravatt	12/31/17
Scotland		
South Carolina	Eleanor Ellis	12/31/18
South Dakota	Dorothy Irwin	12/31/18
Tennessee	Samantha Sherlock	12/31/17
Texas	Prestina Crockett	12/31/17
Utah	Marlene Mickles PM	12/31/17
Vermont	Phyllis Roby PM	12/31/17
Virginia	Barbara Dvison PM	12/31/18
Washington	Richard Mickles	12/31/18
West Virginia	Jack Williams	12/31/18
Wisconsin	A. Elizabeth Davison PM	12/31/17
Wyoming	January Kendall PM	12/31/18

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Arkansas	Patsy Crawley	12/31/18
Australia	Helen William	5/31/17
Bolivia	Rosa Lenny Sanchez de Rivera	10/31/18
British Columbia & Yukon	Charlene Lingstrom	12/31/18
California	Marydith Currie	12/31/18
Colorado	Lyric McKnight	12/31/18
Connecticut	May Ellen Blake	12/31/18
District of Columbia	Joel Kahn PGP	12/31/17
Florida	Anna Marie Miller	12/31/18
Georgia	Virginia Pannell	12/31/18
Idaho	Gordon Westervelt	12/31/18
Illinois	Connie Crow	12/31/17
Indiana	Debra Stout	12/31/18
Iowa	Wayne Thiese	12/31/18
Italy	Chiara Basile	12/31/18
Kansas	Wayma Jean Ramirez	12/31/17
Kentucky	Johnnie Cross	12/31/17
Louisiana	Geri Rose	12/31/17
Maine	Darlene Bearse	12/31/17
Manitoba	Joyce McTaggart	12/31/17
Maryland	Frank D. Bradley	12/31/18
Massachusetts	Sue A. Fulton	12/31/18
Michigan	Sandra J. Adkins	12/31/18
Minnesota	Kim Boyne	12/31/18
Mississippi	Lacy Dean	12/31/17
Missouri	Marci McKee	12/31/18
Montana	Sheryl McGuire	12/31/18
Nebraska	Courtney Relzlaff	12/31/18
Nevada	Lynn Berzins	12/31/18
New Brunswick	Florence Scott	12/31/18
New Hampshire	Debra Bean	12/31/17
New Jersey	Doris Forte	12/31/18
New Mexico	Karen Peterson	12/31/17
New York	Sharon Stokes	12/31/17
North Carolina	Linda Sigmon	12/31/18
North Dakota	Audrey Lunday	12/31/18
Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island	Veida Forrest	03/31/18
Ohio	Wilhelmina Tazelear	12/31/18
Oklahoma	Diana Lonkerd	12/31/18

Ontario	Joan Mayer	12/31/17
Oregon	Robert Merrille	03/01/18
Pennsylvania	Carol Houtz	12/31/18
Puerto Rico	Edgardo Rosado	12/31/18
Quebec	Beverly Mahannah	12/31/17
Rhode Island	Robert Kane PGP	12/31/17
Sao Paulo, Brazil	Milena cristina de Couto	02/28/18
Saskatchewan	Penny Bradwell	12/31/18
Scotland		
South Carolina	Mary Jo Porter	12/31/18
South Dakota	Karen Kinney	12/31/18
Tennessee	Amanda Strode	12/31/18
Texas	William F. Knight	12/31/17
Utah	Lynn Berzins	12/31/18
Vermont	Marilyn Chapin	12/31/17
Virginia	Rita ann Heins	12/31/18
Washington	Jack Otterson	12/31/17
West Virginia	Helen Ollis	12/31/18
Wisconsin	Gina Vergenz	06/01/19
Wyoming	Wendy Lewandowski	12/31/17

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CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Page 3 – Organization changed to “PREAMBLE”

Page 4 – Article IV, Section 3: Eligibility, C) – Add at end of sentence, “and where needed have the appropriate proficiency.”

Page 6 – Article VI - Vacancies - Add information regarding inability of advancement.

Section 2: Associate Grand Patron through illness, resignation or some emergency, not be able to advance:

- A) The next Grand Officer in line will be advanced by the Grand Secretary casting a unanimous vote for the vacant office.

- B) If this situation leaves the office of Associate Grand Patron vacant, notice will be given to the Grand Chapter in writing and read by the Grand Secretary on the first full morning of the Grand Chapter Session.

Section 3: Grand Sentinel through illness, resignation or some emergency, not be able to advance, a nomination must be place in the nomination box for Associate Grand Patron.

Page 6 – Article VII, Section 1, B – add “and available on the website”

Page 7, Article VIII - Voting Regulations – Delete Section 2 – Chapters in Arrears

Page 8, Article XI – Arrest or Suspension of a Subordinate Chapter Charter – Section 2, A) and B) – add “for two (2) consecutive years.”

Page 8, Article XI – Arrest or Suspension of a Subordinate Chapter Charter – Section 3, C – changed to the following: “All expenditures must be approved by Worthy Grand Matron.”

Page 8, Article XI – Arrest or Suspension of a Subordinate Chapter Charter – Add Section 5: “This process may be appealed by the Chapter to the Grievance and Appeals Committee.

RULES AND REGULATIONS – GRAND CHAPTER

Page 10 – Article I, Section 1, A – inserted “as stated in Article IV, Section 1) G).”

Page 11 – Article I – Meetings –

Section 1: Stated Annual Session, C) – Add the following:

- 1) Necrology
- 2) Informal Opening
- 6) Filling of Vacancies

ReNUMBER the following items

Page 12 - Article I Meetings -

Section 4: Reports

- A) - Change “four (4)” to six (6)
- A, 2) - insert after to “each member of”

Page 12 – Article I – Meetings –

Section 4: Reports, F), 1) - insert after Completed “detailed”

Page 16, Article II, Section 2: Worthy Grand Patron

Add appointing the Nominating Committee first thing Monday morning, since the Nominating Committee was eliminated in the list of Committees.

Insert new E) Appoint 3 members to the Nominating Committee whose duty it will be to check the ballot box with the Worthy Grand Patron on Tuesday morning at 10:00 am.

Reletter the remaining item

Page 18 - Article II, Section 5: Grand Secretary –

- B) Directories, 1) – delete “in our geographic area”
And insert “Grand Secretary of District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia.”

Page 19 - Article II, Section 5: Grand Secretary –

E), 4) – delete “voucher checks” and insert “warrants” in both places in the section.

Page 19 - Article II, Section 5: Grand Secretary -

F) Reports 2) – delete “on February 16th” and insert “last day of February”.

Page 21 – Article II, Section 5, Q - Added “6) Names, addresses, and emails of Grand Officers installed at the Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.”

Page 22 - Article II, Section 6: Grand Treasurer -

A), 3) – delete “voucher checks” and insert “warrants”

Page 22 - Article II, Section 6: Grand Treasurer -

C), 1) – delete “Grand Treasurer” at end of paragraph

Page 22 - Article II, Section 6: Grand Treasurer –

D), 2) – delete “bills” and insert write “checks”

Page 23 – Article II, Section 7: Grand Trustes, L) Surety Bond, 3) –

Delete entire section and insert- “The original copy of the Surety Bond to be in the Safe Deposit Box and copies for the Chairman and the Grand Secretary.”

Due to deleting who the Surety Bond covers, amend H), 1) as follows:

Article II, Section 7, Grand Trustees, H), 1)

The Grand Trustees will secure a Blanket Surety Bond *to cover the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Subordinate Chapter Secretaries and Treasurers* from a solvent and satisfactory Guarantee Company authorized to do business in the State of Delaware.

Page 24 – Article II, Section 9: Grand Lecturer – C) - add “no later than April 15th.”

Page 24 – Article II, Section 9: Grand Lecturer –

Add D) – Will be the only one to test Individuals and issue certificates of proficiency.

Page 24 – Article II, Section 9: Grand Lecturer –

Add E) Forward copies of Certificate of Newly Installed Officers to next Appointed Grand Lecturer.

Page 24 - Article II, Section 10: Grand Representatives –

Section C) Grand Representative -

Add - “Commissions may be presented at special occasions and the Chapter notified by letter under seal.”

Page 24 – Article II, Section 12: Emeritus Title –

To receive an Emeritus Title, a Grand Officer must have served in the Grand Office for a period of six (6) years and by vote of the members of the Grand Chapter.

Page 25 – Article III, Section 3: Standing Committees - (added and remainder renumbered)

Section 3: Committee Composition and Term of Appointment

- 1) Standing and Special Committees will consist of three (3) members;
- 2) Committees of Benefit for Children, Credentials, ESTARL, Grievance and Appeals, Jurisprudence, and Shustack Scholarship shall serve for a term of three years;
- 3) The original three (3) members of these committees shall be appointed for one (1), two (2) and three (3) years respectively;
- 4) One member shall retire each year and the incoming Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint her or his successor;
- 5) The senior member of each committee shall be the Chair of that year;
- 6) For Standing and Special Committees other than Benefit for Children, Credentials, Jurisprudence and Grievance and Appeals, Shustack, ESTARL, the appointments shall cease at the close of the Grand Chapter Session.

Page 25 – Article III, Section 4 – Added “L) Triennial Assembly Committee

Page 25 – Article III – Committees of the Grand Chapter –

Section 3 – Standing Committees –

B) - Changed name of Committee to “Committee to Benefit Children with Special Needs”

Page 25 – Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 4: Special Committees, C) –

Delete C) and re-letter remainder of Section 4

Page 26 – Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 5: Committees Duties and Composition, A) – Annual Session

Insert 1) Necrology (*we did not describe their duties as this section states*)

Insert 2) Informal Opening (*we did not describe their duties as this section states*)

Re-number the remainder

Page 27 - Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 5: Committees Duties and Composition, D) ESTARL

- 4) after “Awards” insert “of \$1000.00 per person”

Page 27 - Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 5: Committee Duties – D) ESTARL

- 4) last sentence - delete “Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star” and insert “the Appendix.”

Page 28 – Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 5: Committees Duties and Composition, E) Grievances and Appeals

- 4), d) – delete “who”.

Page 29, Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter -

Section 5: Committee Duties – H) Jurisprudence

- 2) - Add a) For the year 2017-18 the Committee will be composed of the 2 remaining members of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and the Jurisprudence Committees. Going forward from 2018 the committee will be 3 members as stated above.

Page 31 – Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter

Section 5: Committee Duties – N) Web Page

rename committee “Website”

delete “administration” and replace with “administrator”

Page 31 – Article III – Committees of Grand Chapter –

Section 5: Committee Duties - O) – GGC Charities – Delete entire section

Page 32 - Article IV – Revenue, Expenditures, and Fiscal Year -

Section 1, C), 1) – delete \$10.00 and insert “\$15.00”

Page 32 – Article IV – Revenue, Expenditures and Fiscal Year -

(This Section deals with Registration Fees for Annual Session)

G) – Delete “Pre-” and amount at end of line.

G), 1) - Change Pre-Registration Fee to “\$15.00”

G), 2) – Change Onsite Registration Fee to “\$20.00”

Page 33 – Article IV – Revenue, Expenditures and Fiscal Year –

Section 4: Honorarium, etc.

Add the following as A), and B) and re-letter the following sections

A) – Worthy Grand Matron will receive the sum of \$225.00 to defray her expenses while in office and make an itemized report annually to the Grand Chapter (2015)

B) – Worthy Grand Patron will receive the sum of \$100.00 to defray his expenses while in Office and make an itemized report annually to the Grand Chapter (2015)

F) - Assistant Secretary will receive the sum of \$100.00.

Page 33 – Article IV – Revenues, Expenditures, and Fiscal Year –

Section 5: Advances: -

Delete wording and insert

“All Committees with financial needs submit requests for necessary funds, with justification, to the Grand Trustees by April 15th of each year so these requests may be considered for funding within the proposed annual budget.”

Page 33 – Article IV – Revenues, Expenditures and Fiscal Year –

Section 6: Expenses

A) – delete “and” after Grand Secretary and insert “Grand Treasurer, Subordinate Chapter Secretary and Treasurer”

Page 35 – Article VII – Grand Chapter Proficiency –

Delete entire Section 1) and insert –

“See Book for Instructions Section 30 for proficiency requirements for Elected Grand Chapter Officers.”

Page 36 – Article VIII – Trienium Assembly –

Section 1: – reverse Associate Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron

Page 36 – Article X – Associations –

Section 1, A), 4) – delete “Grand” and insert “Appointed”

Page 36 – Article X – Associations –

Delete C) - Associations may not engage in any prerogative of the Subordinate Chapters of

Order of the Eastern Star.

RULES AND REGULATIONS – SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

Page 59 – Article II, Section a, A –

Inserted “from September to June”.

Page 60 – Article II – Meetings

Section 2) – Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters,

B), 1) – delete line “Funerals, memorial services, ceremonies and observances”

Page 61 – Article II – Meetings

Section 2, C, 5 – added “including Open Installation”.

Page 61 – Article II – Meetings

Section 3, C – Changed wording in first line from “in addition to the presiding officer” to

“for the transaction of business are:” and listed “1) Worthy Matron, 2) Associate Matron and 4) Conductress”

Page 61 – Article II – Meetings

Section 4) E) Delete and insert:

Short form to open the Chapter can be used only four (4) times during a

one-year term.

Page 64, Article III, Section 11: Membership -

Section E) – delete “any one of the elected offices “and insert “the office of Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron or Associate Patron”

Page 64, Article III, After Section 11, add new Section 12 and renumber the remainder.

Section 12) Marriage to a Profane. A female who is qualified to receive the degrees who is married to a man who is not a Mason is eligible to receive the degrees.

Page 65, Article III – After Section 16, add new Section 17

Section 17 – 50 Year Membership

- A) – Fifty (50) Years of Membership will be based on accumulated membership.
- B) – To be awarded on the Anniversary Year.

Page 65, Article IV, Section 1 –

After title “Initiation Fee inserted “Including Plural Membership Fee)

Page 66, Article V, Section 3, A) –

Added at end of sentence “but must hold the appropriate Proficiency Certificate for Conductress, Associate Matron, Worthy Patron and Worthy Matron.”

Page 66, Article V, Section 1) –

add after Trustees: one for a term of three years – (Will be obligated but not installed.)

Page 68, Article VII, Section 5 –

Add – “G) File or have filed a Form 990-N-E Postcard.”

Page 68, Article IX, Section 4 –

Added “but a Special Dispensation must be secured if on a night other than the first Regularly Stated Meeting in April.”

BOOK OF INSTRUCTIONS

Page 88 – Section 11: Procedure for Election of Subordinate Chapter Officers, F) – Change to read:

“Officers may only hold the office of Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron or Associate Patron in one of the plural Chapters to which they belong.”

Page 99 Section 15: Introductions, J) – delete “brought” and insert “escorted through the Labyrinth”

Page 107 – Section 30 – Proficiency (See separate pages)

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