2021 Spring Newsletter

# Grand Representatives Association of Florida

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#### Greetings from The President...

Hello everyone. This has been a year for the history books. I'm sure each of you have a story you could tell. Hopefully, you are all safe and cautious.

I want to take a minute to congratulate everyone that received the Grand Representative Commissions. I realize travel is not easy during this time but if possible, try to travel to your Grand Jurisdiction. To those that missed out this past year and were not able to travel, maybe you can still go.

If you were not aware, all Grand Representatives from 2020 and 2021 will be recognized at Grand Chapter this year. If you recently received your commission, please get with Sister Mickey Wise to see what you need to do.

Grand Chapter is fast approaching. We hope members will feel comfortable enough to attend as much of the session as possible. Monday at lunchtime will be the Grand Representative luncheon and annual business meeting. At this time, we are not sure how many hosts/hostesses we will need. I'm sure Sister Luanne will address this in her paragraph. The annual Memorial service will be held between the business meeting and Installation. Please contact Sister Vickie for information.

The By-laws approved at our October 26, 2019 was in our 2020 Spring Newsletter and hopefully will soon be posted on our website. Limited copies will



### **Upcoming Events**



March: 14-Daylight Saving Time Begins 17-St. Patrick's Day 20-Spring Begins 28-Palm Sunday

April: 2-Good Friday 4-Easter 19-GRAFL Luncheon 20-115<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Florida starts 21-115<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Florida ends

#### May:

9-Mother's Day 31-Memorial Day

#### June:

20-Father's Day 20-Summer begins

### July:



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be available at Grand Chapter. At our annual meeting will be the election of new officers. We will need a Secretary/Treasurer and names will be welcomed if you or someone you know would like to be an officer. The work is not hard or time-consuming.

We will have our hospitality table available in the lobby or hallway as usual. Please stop by and visit us; you can also pay your dues.

I look forward to seeing as many as possible at Grand Chapter. Please stay safe and well.

Roslyn Heath

#### From the Vice President

Sisters and Brothers –

As we again approach Grand Chapter time, we reflect back to where we were last year at this time. So much has happened that has turned our lives upside down. We have had to embrace lockdown, new electronics, new ways of communicating, new ways to shop and a host of other things we would never think we would experience in our lifetime. Curbside pick-up and delivery are now part of the norm.

Many of our friends, neighbors, co-workers, family, sisters and brothers have come down with COVID and some have not made it. Some have experienced other medical conditions and have also struggled or not made it. Please keep all our sisters, brothers and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Between the business meeting and Installation will be our Memorial Service. Please email me the names of those Sisters and Brothers that have passed so they may be included in our memorial. Please include those that have passed in 2019, 2020 and 2021. My email address is included below. If you know the state/country they were representatives to and/or their chapter, that would also be appreciated.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Vice-President of the Grand Representative Association. As we move into the 2021-2022 year we ask that those that may be interested in serving on a committee, to please let me know. We will need members for the Finance, Nominating, By-Laws and Membership committee to name a few.

Please remember stay safe, social distance, wear a mask and wash/sanitize your hands.

Fraternally, Vickie Hunsaker, Vice-President Past Matron tigger@ij.net

#### From the Secretary/Treasurer

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As Sisters Roslyn Heath and Vickie Hunsaker have stated, this has been a year we will not forgot. We all have a story to tell and we have all lost someone dear to us due to Covid-19 or other health issues. Please do what your gut tells you to do to stay safe.

Please be sure to check your membership card and if need be, complete the attached Membership form. Please note there is no address to mail it to as it is too late to mail. Mail has been taking longer than usual, sometimes up to four weeks for delivery once postmarked. The new Secretary/Treasurer will be voted on at our annual Business Meeting on April 19th. Please check with one of the current Officers after that date. Newsletters and forms are available on the Florida OES website. <a href="https://floridaoes.org">https://floridaoes.org</a> then select IGRA.

Those that had already placed an order for a corsage, your order will be ready for you at our table at Grand Chapter. There will be a limited number available for sale. Below is the list of table hostesses, which is a first come, first serve bases. As of the printing of this newsletter, 149 have paid for the luncheon. Normally, that would be 15 tables. However, due to social distancing, we have not yet been informed how the tables will be set up. Please confirm your contact information and let me know as soon as possible if it has changed or if you will be unable to host a table. As soon as I know, I will email or call each person on the list and let you know if we will need your decorations. Sister Heather Earnhardt has requested that table centerpieces been in a theme representing the state you are/were Grand Representative to and/or historical landmark in your state. If you are bringing favors or goodies to share, please plan on bringing about 175-200. Remember Grand Officers, special guest and GRAFL officers eat at the head tables.

Here is a fun way to remember the guidelines when you come to Grand Chapter or anywhere else you may visit.

## You have got to remember to:

## **AVOID MEN:**



M = mouth E = eyes N = nose

## **INSTEAD, FOLLOW WOMEN:**



Stay safe.

In Star love and service, Luanne Burg Secretary/Treasurer W = wash your hands

O = obey social distancing

- M = mask up
- E = exercise and eat well
- N = no unnecessary traveling

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