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A Message From the Worthy Grand Patron



We would like to wish you and your families a holiday filled with peace, love, and good health for the coming year.







Grand Chapter News & Stranger





Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron Continues Florida Grand Chapter's Commitment to Charity

Florida Grand Chapter Donates \$15,000 to Lighthouse Ministries

August 2023



On August 15, 2023 Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron, Elsie Entzminger, Past Grand Matron, Shyre Jordan, Grand Adah, and other members of District 19 presented Lighthouse Ministries CEO, Steve Turbeville, a check for \$15,000.00 as part of the Grand Chapter of Florida Order of the Eastern Star Charitable Foundation's Community Outreach Program.

Kevin Jordan, WGP: Steve Turbevelle, CEO Lakeland Lighthouse Ministries fights against homelessness by providing food, shelter, education and job skills training for those in need. They have served the Lakeland community since 1977.

Kevin Jordan Grand Worthy Patron



Elsie Entzminger, PGM; Shyre Jordan, G Adah; Kevin Jordan, WGP; Steve Turbevelle, CEO

Wake Forest Institute of Regenerative Medicine Receives \$51,000 from Florida Grand Chapter

September 2023

A check was presented to the Wake Forest School of Medicine, Institute of Regenerative Medicine in Winston-Salem, NC on September 20, 2023 in the amount of \$51,000. Along with the Worthy Grand Matron, those attending the presentation were two General Grand Chapter Committee Members, one Triennial Other Assembly Committee Member, General Grand Chapter; three Past Grand Matrons, five elected Grand Officers, five appointed Grand Officers; and several members of the Florida Order of the Eastern Star, Inc. Along with the check presentations, the group was given a tour of the Institute.

Gail JerrellGrand Worthy Matron







Florida Grand Chapter Presents \$100,000 Check to Studer Children's Hospital

October 2023

On October 6, 2023, checks were presented to the Studer Children's Hospital at Ascension Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Florida. A check for \$100,000 was presented for two rooms in the hospital; a check for \$10,000 for a Comfort Dog for the Adult Oncology Ward; a \$20,000 check for the Ronald McDonald House and a \$500 check from Jay Chapter No. 208.

The group was given a tour of the hospital, gave out stuffed teddies to the patients, and met the new Comfort Dog. Along with the Worthy Grand Matron, Those who also attended included three General Grand Chapter Committee Members; one Triennial Other Assembly Committee Member, General Grand Chapter; three Past Grand Matrons; one Past Grand Patron; ten Grand Officers; and several members of the Florida Order of the Eastern Star .

– Gail Jerrell Grand Worthy Matron







Ronald McDonald House Sends Thank You for \$20,000 Donation from Florida Grand Chapter



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-Grace Darrow. RMHC Family

Dear Friends,

There are many hardships that take a toll on families whose child is experiencing a medical emergency, and the financial strain can be the most overwhelming burden of all. Your donation helps ease the stress by giving families a comfortable place to land when their world is turned upside down.

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Within five days of his birth, Brennan would be rushed by air to a nearby hospital and would spend the next two months in the ICU. For us, the RMHC was a lifesaver. Throughout Brennan's hospital stays, surgeries, and appointments, we were spared the immense financial stress of finding accommodations and covering meal expenses. This tremendous support lifted a heavy weight off our shoulders, enabling us to fully focus on Brennan's care

and well-being," shared Brennan's mother, Grace.

Your contribution helps families like Sawyer's and ensures they can be side by side through their child's medical care. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your generous gift. For more information, please call 850-477-2273 or visit www.rmhc-nwfLorg.

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Ascension Sacred Heart Foundation Sends Thank You for \$100,000 Donation from Florida Grand Chapter

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Ascension Sacred Heart Foundation

October 10, 2023

Mrs. Gail Jerrell
Worthy Grand Matron
Grand Chapter of Florida Order of the Eastern Star
P.O. Box 1518
Lynn Haven, FL 32444

Dear Mrs. Jerrell,

Thank you for your generous contribution, which will help us improve the health and well-being of our community. Ascension Sacred Heart ministry was founded on the desire to provide sincere, compassionate healthcare to all, with emphasis on the needy and most vulnerable.

Since 1969, the Children's Hospital has provided quality, compassionate care to children across the Gulf Coast, regardless of their ability to pay. Today, donors such as you allow us to continue carrying out that mission, ensuring a safe, healing environment and the highest quality care to all who enter our doors.

Please know that your gift affects real lives every day, and we are grateful to have supporters like you who provide hope to the communities we are so blessed to serve.

Best regards,

Adrienne M. Maygarden

President

Your gift details are outlined below

Gift Amount:

\$100,000.00

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Associate Grand Matron/Associate Grand Patron Honor Night Shouts "It's Game Time!"



June 2023

Game Time was ON for the Honor Night held for Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron on June 3, 2023. Everyone joined in the spirit of sports dressed in their favorite team jersey or costume celebrating the joy of sports. The Grand Chaplain's prayer over the food was reverently delightful with keeping in with the sports theme.

Grab bags, baskets, and 50/50 tickets were sold and a live band kept everyone's spirits lively and feet dancing. The courtesies were cute and funny. Everyone had a wonderful time!





















Grand Conductress / Grand Sentinel Hold Barn Dance Honor Night



Left to Right, Center Stage — Sister Sandy Leduc, Grand Conductress and Brother Dale Schrock, Grand Sentinel

Far Right Corner at Podium — Sister Margaret Nathurst, Co-Mistress of Ceremonies, GGCC (Benevolence), PGM, Grand Treasurer

On Floor, Left to Right — Sister Brenda Keepin, Grand Secretary, Sister Mary Ann Holt, Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Joy Feit, Triennial Other Assembly

Committee (Personal Page to Right Worthy Grand Trustee), PGM, Sister Donna Schrock, PGM, Sister Debbie Rosenthal, Associate Grand Matron, Brother

Mickey Brown, Grand Chaplain, Sister Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron, Sister, Merry Berry, Grand Marshal,

Sister Donna Stowers, Grand Electa, Sister Kim Grubbs, Grand Martha (Green Hat, behind Rake), Brother Richard Henderson, Grand Warder, Sister Patty Lyles,

Grand Ruth, Sister Shyre Jordan, Grand Adah, Sister Katrina Keith, Grand Organist

June 2023

On Saturday June 17, 2023, the members honored our newly elected Grand Conductress and Grand Sentinel with a Barn Dance complete with square dancing and a professional Square Dance Caller who gave a few basic lessons on how to "promenade" and "swing your partner" and other basic steps. Whether you watched or participated or both, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. In addition to this entertainment, we most hardily enjoyed the jokes and remarks of our Mistresses of Ceremonies, Sister Charlene Williams, GGCC (Bylaws), PGM and Sister Margaret Nathurst, GGCC (Benevolence), PGM. They had those in attendance laughing all night.

Other events that evening included the Flag Tribute, given by Brother Michael Harrison, PP, who explained the meaning of



the 13 folds of our flag. As always, this tribute is illuminating and touching. Dinner was served "buffet stye" and the food was delicious.

The fellowship among all attending was wonderful. The Jerrel-Jordan Grand Family gave Sister Sandy and Brother Dale an interesting and cute courtesy. The skit included the "Gossip Girls" and the "Hee-Haw Star Cornfield" group and other "country folks."

Valerie Tooma Gray
 Reporter, Stargazer Committee









Honor Night Held for Associate Grand Conductress



On Stage: Sister Mary Ann Holt AGC

Note: Escorts are standing behind Grand Officers:

Front Row L to R: Debbie Rosenthal, AGM; Mike Clevens, AGP; Brenda Keepin, Grand Secretary; Margaret Nathurst, GGCCM, PGM, Grand Treasurer, Sandy Leduc, Grand Conductress; Merry Berry, Grand Marshal; Shyre Jordan, Grand Adah; Patricia Lyles, Grand Ruth.; Linda Barton, Grand Esther; Kim Grubbs, Grand Martha; Donna Stowers, Grand Electa; Dale Schrock, Grand Sentinel

July 2023

On Saturday, July 8, 2023, at *The Downtown Venue* in Okeechobee, Florida, we gathered to celebrate our newly elected Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Mary Ann Holt. The room was decorated with colorful balloons, including an arch of balloons. The atmosphere was that of a party with Sister Lois Ann Wolf, PGM, and Brother James Lambert, PGP, as the Co-Toastmasters for the evening. There were General Grand Chapter Committee Members and numerous Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons present and introduced. We also were pleased to see "Esther" being well-

behaved with Brother Carl and Sister Jocelyn. The Grand Family dressed as Gypsies presenting her "precious stones." Each "precious stone" was inside a balloon filled with air which was "popped" to reveal the precious stone. As the balloon was "popped," the gypsy explained its meaning. Courtesies were also done by Districts 21 and 22, and the Westmoreland-Fiedler Grand Family. Sister Mary Ann gave her closing speech and expressed her thanks and gratitude to all who had made the evening so wonderful and everyone in attendance for their support.

 Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee





Grand Officers School of Instruction

Grand Officers School of Instruction June 10, 2023 in New Port Richey

June 2023

New Port Richey Chapter No. 117 hosted the third Grand Officers School of Instruction on Saturday, June 10, 2023. Lunch was available by reservation only, prior to the school. Vendors were there selling jewelry and other items. Current signed dues cards with the secretary's chapter seal were checked at the door. Unfortunately, due to legitimate reasons, a few of the Grand Officers were unable to attend this school. The Worthy Grand Matron pre-arranged for protems to fill the

necessary stations. Our Worthy Grand Matron reviewed how a proper chapter room should be set up, giving page numbers and paragraphs as appropriate, of where the information could be found in the green book and ritual. The Grand Officers, including the protems, did a wonderful job exemplifying the floor work. It was a pleasant afternoon and I hope everyone has an opportunity to see our Grand Officers at one of the remaining Grand Officers School.

- Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



R to L: Katrina Keith, Grand Organist; Terri Justice, Past Grand Marshal (2021-2022) <u>pro-tem</u> Grand Marshal; Mary Ann Holt, Associate Grand Conductress; Sandy Leduc, Grand Conductress; Margaret Nathurst, GGCC (Benevolence)), PGM, Grand Treasurer; Brenda Keepin, Grand Secretary; Debbie Rosenthal, Associate Grand Matron; Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron; Mike Clevens, Associate Grand Patron, <u>pro-tem</u> Worthy Grand Patron; Buddy Barton, PP, (spouse of Grand Esther), <u>pro-tem</u> Associate Grand Patron; Mickey Brown, Grand Chaplain; Richard Henderson, Grand Warder, PG Warder of Minnesota (spouse of WGM); David Lyles, PP, (spouse of Grand Ruth), <u>pro-tem</u> Grand Sentinel; Samantha "Sam" Marshall, PG Adah (2010-2011), <u>pro-tem</u> Grand Adah; Patty Lyles, Grand Ruth; Linda Barton, Grand Esther; Peg Harriman, PG Martha (2010-2011), <u>pro-tem</u> Grand Martha; Donna Sowers, Grand Electa



Heather Earnhardt Presented Advisor of the Year by Florida DeMolay 2023

October 2023

Every year, DeMolay Florida holds its annual State Conclave in July. There are many activities including ritual competitions, Instillation of new officers, banquets, fun and fellowship. This year our very own Past Grand Matron, Heather Earnhardt was awarded the very prestigious "Guild of the Leather Apron" award. This award denotes a lifetime of service as a DeMolay Advisor and only one can be awarded each year in each Jurisdiction (state). This award is rarely given to a woman, in fact, Heather Earnhardt is only the 4th woman to have ever received this prestigious award.

DeMolay Florida has a proud heritage and we are proud Mom Heather Earnhardt is among the distinguished list of advisors to have served our youth. Heather exemplifies the ideals and precepts of the Order of DeMolay in her daily life as well as the work with the young men in DeMolay.

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Congratulations on your dedication to our youth, it does not go unnoticed.

– Michelle Wilson Reporter, Stargazer Committee





July 2023

2023 Subordinate Line Officers Seminar

The First Annual Line Officers Seminar was held at The World Golf Village Renaissance Resort in St. Augustine, Florida, on July 28th and 29th. Friday night was a fun filled night of games, laughs, and fun! The attendees counted off from one to four and then repeated until everyone had an assigned number. Then they were split into teams by that number to compete against each other for fun. The line officers also had their teams and went first. We watched them and laughed, and then it was our turn. We were all laughing at how silly we each looked and how much fun we had playing.

One of the games had each member of the team suck up a Skittle and move it from one container to another. There was much more fun, and everyone enjoyed the night. On Saturday, more attendees arrived for the seminar itself. The Grand Line Officers and some Past Grand Matrons each spoke about their duties and how it affected the subordinate line officers. It was highly informative whether you were a first time or a multiple times line officer.

 Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee







Rob Morris Celebrations



District 5 Celebrates Rob Morris August 19

August 2023

District 5 celebrated Rob Morris on Saturday, August 19th at the Seineyard at Wildwood in Crawfordville with 26 members and friends attending, with lots of fun and fellowship

> Zoe A Mansfield, PG Martha Reporter, Stargazer Committee





District 20 has Rob Morris Party August 27

August 2023

The three chapters, Ft. Myers, Peace River and Lehigh Akers, of District 20 celebrated Rob Morris birthday on August 27. Looks like they had a good time!

– Pat Cooper, PG Ruth Photographer













District 16 Celebrates Rob Morris

August 2023

The members of the four chapters in District 16 – Tampa #11, Mystic #110, Friendship #209, and Palma Ceia #243 – gathered on Sunday, August 20th, to share in celebrating the birthday of our founder, Dr. Rob Morris. A short essay was written by one of the Worthy Matrons depicting his many accomplishments and his reasons for laying the foundations for the Order of the Eastern Star. The members enjoyed the variety of covered dishes brought. This was followed by many games of bingo. There were several winners who won prizes. Everyone enjoyed the games and fellowship. Thank you, Dr. Rob Morris, for founding our Order.

Valerie Tooma Gray
 Reporter, Stargazer Committee



L to R: Claudine Rogers, WM, Tampa #11, Barbara Gant, WM, Friendship #209, David Lambert, WP, Friendship #209, Patty Dubose, WM, Mystic #110, Joe Caccasia, WP, Mystic #110, Ivy Cranford, WM, Palma Ceia #243





Members of District 16, all four chapters represented, including the PGM over District 16, Lois Caccasia, GGCCM, PGM



Rob Morris Celebrations



District 3 Honors Two Special OES Sisters at Rob Morris Picnic

August 2023

District 3 celebrated Rob Morris on Saturday, August 19th at sisters Lucille Windham, Panama Chapter 102 and Bessie Nunnery, Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229 were recognized and honored at District 3's Rob Morris picnic on August 26. Their names are engraved on a "Gold Leaf" to be place on the "Tree of Life" at the Masonic Home in St. Petersburg.

These sisters have distinguished themselves through their never-ending and tireless efforts to make and keep our Order of the Eastern Star an elite organization. Each Sister has more than fifty years of membership in the OES Fraternity.

District 3 is proud to have these Sisters and look forward to many more years of service from them.

Betty and Coy Beasley
Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229



Lucille Windham, Panama Chapter 102 Bessie Nunnery, Wewahitchka Chapter 229



St. Cloud No. 46 Celebrates Rob Morris

August 2023

Wonderful attendance at the Rob Morris Program presented



by St. Cloud No. 46 Worthy Matron, Sister Lynda Wingate. Everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship and especially her informative Program!

The lunch was delicious and the Program presented was absolutely fabulous! We all learned so very much of his life and how our Order began. Felt great to be with our

membership again and enjoy the fellowship. Thank you St. Cloud!





– Sand Leduc Grand Conductress



District 19 has Covered Dish to Celebrates Rob Morris Birthday

August 2023

District 19 celebrated our founder's birthday with a covered dish dinner at Lake Wales Masonic Lodge last night. Mulberry Chapter provided the entertainment by way of a cute skit and the reading of a poem. Fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

– Mickey Wise Past Grand Matron







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Ensley, Florida, Jay, Milton, Myrtle Grove, Pensacola

June 2023

Milton Chapter No. 189 Gives Mary Ann Holt, AGM Warm Welcome to Official Inspection

Sister Mary Ann Holt, Associate Grand Conductress, as Deputy for the Worthy Grand Matron, began her journey to the Grand East when she made her first Official Inspection on Monday, June 5, 2023, at Milton Chapter No. 189. The members of Milton chapter gave her a warm welcome beginning with a beautifully decorated dining room filled with sunflowers and a delicious dinner prior to the meeting. Distinguished guests included Sisters Charlene Williams, Member of the Bylaws Committee of GGC and PGM of FL, Brother Billy Williams, Co-Chairman of the Regenerative Medicine Committee of GGC and PGP of FL, Sister Audrey Cleland, PGM of FL, and Brother William "Bill" Kranz, PGP of Florida.

The officers did a wonderful job; the exemplification of Ruth was beautifully recited. The courtesy was very cute, and Sister Mary Ann was most gracious. As she was blindfolded, she was fed a small sample of various foods and had to state which each one was. She did a wonderful job of determining the various foods. The courtesy was based on her love of cooking, which she noted that she hasn't had a lot of time recently to do as much as she would like but will get back to it "down the road."

Valerie ToomaStargazer Reporter



L to R: Billy Williams, GGCC; Susan Covington, WM; Mary Ann Holt, AGC; Charlene Williams, GGCC



L to R: Audrey Cleland, PGM, Mary Ann Holt, AGC, Susan Covington, WM, William "Bill" Kranz, PGP



Mary Ann Holt, AGC, being fed at courtesy with Susan Covington, WM, watching in background



Crestview, Fort Walton, Niceville



July 2023

Crestview No. 203 and Niceville No. 254 Make Port Pillows for Moffitt Cancer Center

Crestview Chapter #203 and Niceville Chapter #254 got together to make Port Pillows for Moffitt Cancer Center. These Velcro to the seatbelt strap to protect the port site from damage or irritation. Anyone who would like to help, let me know and I will share the directions. We had a great time with fun and fellowship!!

- Theresa LeCroy Mouer













Lynn Haven, Panama, Parker, Wewahitchka



District 3 Supports Tupelo Lodge No. 289 Annual Fish Fry

September 2023

On Saturday afternoon on September 16, Tupelo Lodge No. 289 F&AM, held their annual fish fry fundraiser which was supported by District No. 3 OES and Wewahitchka community supported by District No. 3 OES and the Wewahitchka community. Great fish with the trimmings and delicious desserts furnished by OES Sisters. Everyone enjoyed a very relaxed afternoon of community fellowship.

Betty and Coy Beasley Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229



November 2023

Lynn Haven No. 262 Warmly Welcomes AGC Sandy Leduc for Official Inspection in honor of AGM Debbie Rosenthal

Oh my goodness, it was frog heaven at Lynn Haven Chapter this evening in honor of our Associate Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Rosenthal. What a great night of laughter as I tried to perform my duties while having such a great time!



Tupelo Lodge Awards Perpetual Friend to Wewahitchka Chapter Secretary

October 2023

Tupelo Lodge #289's Widow's Night. A Perpetual Friend Certificate was awarded to Dawn Shockley, Secretary of Wewahitchka Chapter #229.

- Dawn Shockley, Secretary Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229



October 2023

Panama No. 102 Welcomes Gail Jerrell, WGM for Official Visit

Brenda Hendricks Photographer







Lynn Haven, Panama, Parker, Wewahitchka



Tupelo Lodge and Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229 Have Family Night with Girl Scouts

October 2023

Tupelo Lodge had a Family Night and The Girl Scouts of Wewahitchka were present to help serve. The Tupelo Lodge Members raised money to help supply uniforms for our Troop # 101344. Jordan Collins and Dawn Shockley are the Troop Leaders as well as members of Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229.

- Dawn Shockley, Secretary Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229









Blountstown, Marianna, Union Hill



Blountstown Chapter No. 179 Gives Warm Welcome to Gail Jerrell, WGM

October 2023

It was nice to be in the panhandle at Blountstown for the Official Visit. We had such wonderful fellowship.

– Gail Jerrell Worthy Grand Matron















Crawfordville, Tallahassee, Washington

Crawfordville Chapter No. 242 Provides Unity Dinner for Masonic Brothers

September 2023

Crawfordville Chapter No. 242 promoted unity with their Masonic Brothers with a fabulous dinner. There were over 16 Masonic Brothers attended along with families and guests.

The Worshipful Master Ken Johnson was overwhelmed with the comradery that was promoted. "Unity is our goal" said Worthy Matron Eileen Bramblett.

– Zoe A Mansfield, PG Martha



July 2023

Crawfordville Chapter No. 242 Donates Generous Gift to Wakulla County Health Department

Worthy Matron Eileen Brablett and members of Crawfordville Chapter No. 242 Order of Eastern Star thoroughly enjoyed gathering baby diapers and wipes to be donated to the Wakulla County Health Department Healthy Start Program.

Zoe Mansfield Crawfordville Chapter #242





Branford, Chiefland, Grace, Mayo, Sante Fe



Branford Chapter No. 112 Floats Its Way in Branford July 4th Parade

July 2023

Our Masonic Family participated in the Branford July 4th Parade. We handed out info on Rainbow, DeMolay, and the Masonic Child ID program!

Heather Earnhardt
 Past Grand Matron







Mayo Chapter No. 196 Welcomes WGM and WGP for Official Visit

October 2023

The members of Mayo Chapter went out of their way last night to make sure we had a good time at the official visit. The home-cooked covered dishes were amazing and desserts, oh boy! Always enjoy being there visiting with my friends. .

Gail JerrellWorthy Grand Matron



















Callahan, Orange Park, Riverside, Wesconnett

Riverside Chapter No. 218 Attend Aheine Rodeo

September 2023

Riverside Chapter No. 218 traveled to Ocala for a rip-roaring time at the Aheine Rodeo! Lots of fun and excitement!.

- Connie Coward









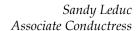
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November 2023

St. Augustine Chapter No. 12 Gives a Warm Welcome to AGC Sandy Leduc for Official Inspection

What a great way to spend a beautiful Saturday afternoon! St. Augustine Official Inspection was filled with love, fun and fellowship as we had a wonderful lunch (which was actually a full dinner meal); a perfect meeting with Dawne Beebe doing her work to perfection and a team of Officers who did a beautiful job. Thank you St. Augustine Chapter for the love gifts and great courtesy you bestowed upon me!





















June 2023

Belleview Chapter No. 122 Adds Another Chapter Member

Special meeting called to order on June 21st at Belleview Chapter No. 122. After a wonderfully prepared meal, we welcomed another member to our Chapter. If you seen Mr. Jose A. Toro Clarke, please help us to welcome him to our order!

- Kimberly Fiscus





July 2023

Inverness No. 65 Adds Three New Members

Inverness No. 65 initiated three new members in July. They were welcomed with a delicious pork loin lunch with lots of side dishes prior to the beautiful ceremony. I am happy that two of the three new members are my daughters, the third is a friend of one of them. We welcome our new sisters into our Chapter.

– Diana Burris Kreisle





District 12Clermont, Leesburg, Mount Dora



August 2023

Mount Dora No. 103 Combines District 12 Proficiency Class with Rob Morris Celebration

- Jocelyn Hargrove



November 2023

GC Sandy Leduc Enjoys Warm Welcome From Mount Dora No. 103 for Official Inspection









November 2023

GC Sandy Leduc Enjoys Warm Welcome From Mount Dora No. 103 for Official Inspection





Mizpah, Orlando, Pine Castle, Pioneer, St. Cloud



Pioneer No. 99 Hosts District 14 Proficiency Class

August 2023

What a great group of Sisters and Brothers who attended District 14's Proficiency Class held at Pioneer Chapter. Every chapter in the District was represented with 10 members attending for the very first time. We thank pioneer Chapter for hosting this event. Thank you to Sisters Debbie and Sandy for their assistance. We were also pleased that Sister Lynda Wingate, PGM of Colorado and also WM of St. Cloud Chapter was in attendance. Again thank you to all who attended yesterday. I am so proud of this District.

Sharon StrosniderPast Grand Matron



Orlando No. 131 Initiates Two New Members

September 2023

September 25, 2023, we initiated two new members into our Chapter. I wanted to thank all the members from our Sister Chapters for serving as Protems for this amazing Ceremony. Without you all, it just would not have been possible. Your floor work and ritualistic work was amazing and I was overwhelmed with joy as I listened and watched you all. I know our new members were so amazed by all of you as well. You have all exemplified what it means to be true family and we love you for that. Thank you again for all you do!

- Suzanne Siu Worthy Matron

Pine Castle No. 321 Dedicates New Altar Cover

October 2023

We dedicated a new Altar Cover last night to all past present and future members of Pine Castle!

Michele Guest
 Worthy Matron





Mizpah, Orlando, Pine Castle, Pioneer, St. Cloud





L to R: Loretta Dow, Organist, ORL No. 131; Leta Dickerson, Ruth, ORL No. 131; Athena Mock, Secretary ORL 131; Carla Girtman, WM Mizpah 190; Patrick Biggs, WP, Mizpah No. 190; Angie Mackey, Conductress ORL 131; Sharon Strosnider, PGM

Orlando No. 131 Claims the Traveling Gavel from Mizpah No. 190

October 2023

Last Night Orlando No. 131 showed up to collect "The Traveling Gavel" at Mizpah's meeting. We had five members in attendance: Loretta Dow, Leta Dickerson, Athena Mock, Angie Mackey, and Joan Schwebel. We had such a great time, so much fun!!!

Angie Mackey
 Conductress, ORL No. 131

Pine Castle No. 321 Initiates Two More Members

October 2023

Some say it takes a village, I gratefully say it takes a District! Pine Castle had a wonderful initiation last night. We welcomed two new members. We could not have done it without the support of many friends in the District. Thank you to all who attended and helped make it a great and memorable evening.

Michele Guest
 Worthy Matron





L to R: Marcia Burks, WM ORL 131; Leta Dickerson, Conductress, Mizpah 190; Sharon Strosnider, PGM; Athena Mock, Secretary ORL 131; Angie Mackey, Conductress ORL 131; Carla Girtman, WM Mizpah 190; Joan Schwebel, Secretary Mizpah 190; Patrick Biggs, WP, Mizpah No. 190

The Traveling Gavel Travels Back to Orlando 131

November 2023

Due to unforeseen reasons, Sister Athena and I had to make the hard decision to miss the Official inspection for Mt. Dora Chapter. But in the spirit of traveling, we decided to stay close to home and see if we could retrieve the Traveling Gavel from Mizpah Chapter. Unfortunately, we only had 4 members in attendance at the meeting and Pioneer Chapter had 5 members. Sister Marsha decided that since we came out, she would graciously let us have it. So guess who has the Gavel again? Orlando 131!

Angie Mackey
 Conductress, Orlando No. 131





Mizpah, Orlando, Pine Castle, Pioneer, St. Cloud











St. Cloud No. 46 Welcomes GC Sandy Leduc to Official Inspection

November 2023

What a wonderful evening at St. Cloud 46 for my Official Inspection. Worthy Matron, Sister Lynda Wingate, presented a beautiful flag tribute program prior to opening and a flag was presented to Sister Pat Rudd as well as one for me and Brother Dayle. I can't believe all the gifts presented to us as well as a great courtesy about dragonflies and Stealth fighters. A night to remember for many years to come. Thank you St. Cloud!

Sandy LeducGrand Conductress









Mizpah, Orlando, Pine Castle, Pioneer, St. Cloud

Pioneer No. 99 Welcomes GC Sandy Leduc to Official Inspection















Friendship, Mystic, Palma Ceia, Tampa



Palma Ceia Chapter No. 243 Welcomes AGM Debbie Rosenthal for Official Inspection

June 2023

At a Special Meeting, Sister Debbie Rosenthal, Associate Grand Matron, as Deputy for the Worthy Grand Matron, visited Palma Ceia Chapter No. 243, where two of her Grand Sisters are members. Sister Lois Casaccia, GGCC, and Sister Sharon Strosnider, PGM, also attended. Sister Ruth Murray gave the initiatory star point lecture of Adah and did a most impressive and beautiful presentation. Sister Debbie expressed to Sister Ruth that she was aware that Sister Ruth is known in this area for her recital of the star point lecture for the station of Ruth. Sister Debbie then complimented her on her impressive and beautiful presentation of the star point lecture for the station of Adah. Although a dinner was provided prior to the meeting, Palma Ceia Chapter also provided refreshments following the meeting. The fellowship was wonderful, and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

 Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



Left to right
Lois Casaccia, Co-Chairman of Appeals
& Grievances, GGC, & PGM of Florida;
Debbie Rosenthal, Associate Grand
Matron of the Grand Chapter of Florida;
lvy Cranford, WM of Palma Ceia Chapter
No. 243, & GC Credentials Committee;
Les Alonzo, WP of Palma Ceia Chapter
No. 243; Sister Sharon Strosnider, PGM
of Florida



Left to right
Patrice Barker, PG Martha (2013-2014,
Covey-Earnhardt Grand Family); Sandra
Johnson, PG Chaplain (2013-2014,
Covey-Earnhardt Grand Family); Debbie
Rosenthal, AGM (PG Warder, 20132014, Covey-Earnhardt Grand Family);
Ivy Cranford, WM of Palma Ceia Chapter
#243, & GC Credentials Committee; Les
Alonzo, WP of Palma Ceia Chapter #243





Tampa No. 11 and DeSoto Chapter No. 201 Join Together to Deliver Goods to Corky's Cupboard

August 2023

DeSoto Chapter No. 201 and Tampa No. 11 delivered two carloads of items for Corky's Cupboard at the Masonic Home. We visited with Sister Alice Lanier, PGM and several other delightful residents. We even had time for lunch and shopping at the gift shop. Fun day for everyone!

- Dianna Carter



Editor's Note: Visit the Masonic Home of Florida website at <u>masonichomefl.com/giving</u> to see how you can help support Corky's Cupboard. There are links to an Amazon Wish List. See Corky's Cupboard's updated wish list taken from the website under the Stargazer's Announcements and Classifieds on page 49.







Friendship, Mystic, Palma Ceia, Tampa

Friendship Chapter No. 209 Initiates Five New Members

November 2023

Friendship Chapter No. 209 held a special meeting on Monday, November 4, 2023 for the Initiation Ceremony for five new members. Four of these new members are from the Swartsel Masonic Lodge No. 251: the Worshipful Master Wade Angel; Sr. Warden Brian Reach; Brothers John Zacheus and Tod Farmer. The fifth member initiated was Sister Stacey Hudson, wife of a member of this Lodge.

Our WM Barbara Gant, WP David Lamber, Sr., and Brother Steve Johnson, AP member of OES Gulf Beach Chapter No. 241, and the officers of Friendship Chapter No. 209 presented an outstanding recitation for the Initiatory lectures.

Sister Lois Casccia, PGM and husband Brother Joe; Sister Terri Justice, PG Marshal; Sister Sara Cruz, Conductress; and other guests were present for this memorable occasion.

Barbara Gant, WMFriendship Chapter No. 209





Annie H. Schineider, Crescent, Desoto, Plant City



Annie H. Schnieder Chapter No. 327 Welcomes AGM Debbie Rosenthal to Official Inspection

June 2023

Thursday, June 22, 2023, Annie H. Schnieder Chapter #327, held their Official Inspection by Sister Debbie Rosenthal, Associate Grand Matron, as Deputy for our Worthy Grand Matron.

A covered dish dinner was served prior to the meeting, and it was most delicious! It was a regular stated meeting and Landmarks were observed. Following the close of the meeting, a cute courtesy was given to sister Debbie. This courtesy, unlike many, included some of the officers and some of the visiting sideliners. It started out with the Conductress and her friend, a large pink frog on a leash,



L to R: Judy Covey, PGM, Debbie Rosenthal, AGM, Kathryn Kneeland, WM, Larry Gillespie WP, James "Jim" Ford, PGP

Sister Wendy Kinka, Conductress, and her pal (the pink frog) escort Sister Debbie Rosenthal, AGM, around the chapter room during the courtesy as she is presented with various pictures of characters from her favorites movies. She is presented the pink frog at the end of the courtesy as well.

Forever Rely On God



escorting Sister Debbie to various members around the room. Each member read the prepared script and handed a small poster containing a Disney character from one of the more recent movies, such as Harry Potter. At the end of the courtesy, Sister Debbie was also given the pink frog to travel with her to keep her company, if she so chose. Refreshments were also provided following the courtesy and an enjoyable time was had by all.

- Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



L to R: Angela Prestwood, AM, Plant City No. 81; Linda McCool, AM, Annie H. Schneider No. 327; Dianna Carter, AM, DeSoto No. 201; Georgia Pashley, AM, Lakeland No. 26; Debbie Rosenthal, AGM; Kathryn Kneeland, WM; Larry Gillespie WP; A. J. Ahrens, AP, Annie H. Schneider No. 327; John Gray, Palma Ceia No. 243

Desoto Chapter No. 201 Gives Warm Welcome to AGM Debbie Rosenthal

October 2023



Official Inspection of Desoto Chapter No 201 was on Monday October 9, 2023. Wonderful Chapter and WM Kimberly Ledford and her officers did a beautiful job. Brother Donald Cambell AP did the long lecture for their exemplification and it was just amazing and so heartfelt. The dining room was beautifully

decorated and I just loved the Harry Potter courtesy done by Wendy Kinka and Dianna Carter. It was just a perfect evening.

- Debbie Rosenthal, AGM







Annie H. Schineider, Crescent, Desoto, Plant City



DeSoto Chapter No. 201 Annual Ice Cream Social & Auction

June 2023

DeSoto Chapter No. 201 has an annual fundraiser that provides wonderful fellowship and a fun time. encourage bringing friends, family, and neighbors. usually have the event at the end of June just before the summer break. In addition to the ice cream and toppings, you can buy lunch, usually hot dogs and hamburgers and condiments for a nominal price. Once most everyone has eaten, the auction begins. What makes the auction so much fun is that you have no idea what you are bidding on. Everything is bagged or wrapped, sometimes in Christmas paper, and you have no idea what is inside. It could be something practical, such an electric edger, something beautiful, such as jewelry or a painting, or something you might not expect or a joke, such as a dustmop or a book on "How to Catch a Man." The members of the chapter bring several wrapped or bagged items each year. At times, the bidding get interesting as two or three people haggle over the price. It's always interesting to see if what was paid was actually worth it

> - Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee

DeSoto Chapter Invites Members of Districts 16 & 17 To Join Together for Luncheon Social

July 2023

On July 3, 2023, DeSoto Chapter had their monthly lunch social at Olive Garden in Brandon. As is their custom, they invited all members in Districts 16 and 17 to attend and enjoy the fellowship with all who attend. District 16 (Tampa & Lutz) and District 17 (Zephyrhills, Riverview, Plant City and Turkey Creek) are all overseen by Sister Lois Casaccia, GGCCM & PGM. Perhaps it was because it was the day before the Independence Day holiday or because it was Summer we do not know, but they were blessed to have 27 people in attendance and all chapters but one were represented and able to attend this social event.

Attendance to this social event has gradually increased and this was their largest crowd since they started about a year ago. Lois surprised everyone by bringing homemade cup cakes to celebrate the birthday of her husband, Joe, which happened to be that day. Everyone, including the wait staff, joined in singing the "Happy Birthday" song to him. A great time was enjoyed by all.

- Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee







DeSoto Chapter No. 201 Loves Tampa Bay Rays Baseball $August\ 2023$

Several members from DeSoto Chapter were able to attend a weekday baseball game of our very own Tampa Bay Rays. We also had a couple of friends from the area join the group. We enjoy the fellowship and having a truly social gathering is always a plus and an opportunity to include non-members. As you see the smiling faces, all were enjoying the outing. *GO RAYS!*

- Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



L to R: Katie Mason, (Friend), Sandy Grubbs, Delmas Little, Kathy Schnieder, Joe Caccasia, Lois Caccasia, (Friend), George Wiggins, Diane Wiggins, Dianna Carter





Annie H. Schineider, Crescent, Desoto, Plant City



Plant City Chapter No. 81 Warmly Welcomes WGM Gail Jerrell for Official Visit

June 2023

On Tuesday, June 13, 2023, Plant City Chapter No. 81 held their stated meeting and the Official Visit by our Worthy Grand Matron. Prior to the meeting there was a dinner at Fred's Market Restaurant. This was probably a "new" experience for our Grand Officers and dignitaries as it is buffet style, and everyone was dressed in attire for the meeting. Our Worthy Grand Matron alluded to this in her closing remarks.

The chapter had a wonderful turn out of visitors including General Grand Chapter Committee Members, a Past Grand Matron and a Past Grand Patron, Grand Officers, and a Special Appointment of the WGM. The exemplification given by Sister Electa. A courtesy was given following the close of the meeting and refreshments were available in the dining hall.

- Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



L to R: Patty Lyles, Grand Ruth; Shyre Jordan, Grand Adah; Margaret Nathurst, GGCC (Benevolence), PGM, Grand Treasurer; Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron; Sheila Perine, WM, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Mike McCool, WP, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron; Richard Henderson, PG Warder of Minnesota (spouse of WGM), Grand Warder, Dale Schrock, Grand Sentinel



L to R: Margaret Nathurst, GGCC (Member of Benevolence), PGM, Grand Treasurer; Lois Casaccia, GGCC (Co-Chairman of Appeals & Grievances), PGM; Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron; Sheila Perine, WM, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Mike McCool, WP, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron-



L to R: Donna Schrock, PGM; Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron; Sheila Perine, WM, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Mike McCool, WP, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron; James "Jim Ford, PGP"



L to R: Sister Elaine Howell, WGM's Special Appointment "Angel Wings;" Gail Jerrell, Worthy Grand Matron; Sheila Perine, WM, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Mike McCool, WP, Plant City Chapter No. 81; Kevin Jordan, Worthy Grand Patron





District 19

Lake Wales, Lakeland, Mulberry, Winter Haven



Mulberry Chapter No. 57 Welcomes Mary Ann Holt, AGC for Official Inspection

June 2023

On June 16, 2023, Mulberry Chapter No.57 held a special meeting to host the Official Inspection by Sister Mary Ann Holt, Associate Grand Conductress, as Deputy for the Worthy Grand Matron. Following the introductions, Sister Ruth gave her initiatory lecture for exemplification. She did a beautiful job and that was all that was asked for as exemplification. The sideliners had been given small bags containing colorful beads prior to the meeting and asked to participate in the courtesy. After the chapter was ritualistically closed, the courtesy began. Sister Mary Ann was given a small treasure chest to collect and hold her "pearls." The officers and then the sideliners brought up their "bags of pearls" and placed them in the treasure chest. This was to honor Sister Mary Ann, symbolically, for her love of pearls. The Worthy Matron explained that Sister Mary Ann was a "Pearl" to them and to our order.

> Valerie Tooma Gray Reporter, Stargazer Committee



L to R: Michele "Mickey" Wise, PGM, Judy Wilson, PGM, Elsie Entzminger, PGM, Mary Ann Holt, AGC, Diane K. Pierce, PG Adah, WM, Tommy Griffin, WP



L to K: Georgia Pasley, WM, Crescent Chapter No. 54; Nancy Bice, WM, Lakeland Chapter No. 26; Jenny Glenn, Lake Wales Chapter No. 107; Mary Ann Holt, AGC,; Diane K. Pierce, PG Adah; WM, Tommy Griffin, WP; Richard Mengeling, WP, Winter Haven Chapter No. 74

Lake Wales Chapter No. 107 Gives Warm Welcome to AGM Debbie Rosenthal

June 2023

I had a wonderful evening of fellowship with such a great group of Sisters and Brothers. I so enjoyed everything!

Debbie Rosenthal Associate Grand Matron















District 20



Fort Myers, Lehigh Acres, Peace River

District 20 School of Instruction Held October 7, 2023 at Ensley Chapter No. 244

October 2023

The group that attended the class today we all learned a lot from Sister Margaret Nathurst. She is a very knowledgeable Past Grand Matron.

> – Pat Cooper, PG Ruth Photographer





Fort Myers No. 31 Holds Honor Tea For General Grand Chapter Community in October



Patti Lyles, Grand Ruth; Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer Margaret Nathurst; Richard Henderson, Grand Warder



Patti Lyles, Grand Ruth, & Richard

Henderson ,Grand Warder

- Pat Cooper, Photographer







Ruth Chapter No. 7 Welcomes Associate Grand Conductress Back Home for Official Inspection

November 2023

Had a great time doing the Official Inspection of my Primary Chapter, Ruth No. 7 last night.

The Officers did a beautiful job! Thank you, Sister Corey Krone Jansen for doing the Conductress' lecture. I admire your dedication to perfection.

Sister Joy Hudson and Brother Stan Hudson had a fun time in the East! I was overwhelmed by the number in attendance on a Saturday night! It was great to see the sidelines filled.

> Mary Ann Holt Associate Grand Conductress













Meet the Candidates & Analysis





Candidate for Grand Secretary Brenda Keepin Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229



Candidate for Grand Treasurer

Margaret Nathurst
Fort Myers Chapter
No. 31







Candidate

for

Associate Grand Conductress

Jolene L. Goodwin
Belleview Chapter

No. #122



Candidate for Associate Grand Conductress

Alice Faye Marshall
Blountstown Chapter
No. #179







Candidate for Associate Grand Conductress

Jane Stewart
Desoto Chapter
No. #201







Candidate for Grand Sentinel Weldon "Buddy" Barton Lake Butler Chapter No. #40



Candidate
for
Grand Sentinel
Stanley L. Hudson
Ruth Chapter
No. #7







Candidate for Grand Sentinel Rich Keepin Wewahitchka Chapter No. 229



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Grand Sentinel

David Lyles
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Rose Ogo
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