

November 2014

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

November is the time of year for us to remind ourselves of our blessings. Each of us has something we are thankful for. Whether it is our family, health, friends, ability to worship freely in our country or all of the freedoms we enjoy; we must be thankful to God because we are truly blessed.

Speaking of spending time with family and friends do not forget to join your Grand Family for either the north or south Christmas parties. They will be held at:

- December 6<sup>th</sup> – Northern Christmas Party at the Orchard Inn, Baldwin, WI
- December 14<sup>th</sup> – Southern Christmas party at Alioto's, Milwaukee, WI

Your secretary will be reading specifics about each event. We look forward to seeing you there.

On November 29, 2014 at 1:00 PM Shawano Chapter #167 will be consolidating with Trillium Chapter #208, Crivitz. Please join us as we conduct the Consolidation Ceremony. The members of Shawano Chapter will begin a new phase of life when they consolidate with Trillium. Please attend this event to show your support. Trillium Chapter is located at 915 Louisa St., Crivitz, WI.

We trust that you will continue to attend as many Eastern Star events as your schedule will allow. Maintaining traditions and enjoying fellowship is what sets our organization apart from others.

Sisters and Brothers Facebook is not the proper venue to air your disagreements, problems, complaints concerning the Order of the Eastern Star. Your comments could be perceived in a negative manner blemishing the Good of our Order. Remember, everything you post is available for public view.

Please, refrain from posting these types of comments on the Grand Chapter Facebook page, your Facebook page or any other social media site. Many times the public views everyone by the words or actions of a few. Remember your obligation and treat your Sisters and Brothers with respect.

On a positive note our S.W.A.T. Team has been very active. Several Chapters have actively recruited new members. Thank you for your hard work in this endeavor.

The entire Faith to Believe Grand family is looking forward to meeting all of you and we thank you in advance for all of your support during our Eastern Star year.

In closing,

May the blessings at your table on Thanksgiving remind us of the love in our hearts for family and friends, near and far, young and old. God Bless You.

Happy Thanksgiving - Hugs and a little pixy dust,

*Jane Blackwood*

Worthy Grand Matron

*Don "Boots" Jensen*

Worthy Grand Patron