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June 1, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Thank you to all who were able to attend Grand Chapter and to help PGM Laramie and PGP Ian have a memorable session, even if it was shortened. Even with our masks, it was evident that there were big smiles on everyone's faces and if someone felt comfortable with hugs that we could. Thank you to the membership for electing myself and the rest of the Grand Line and welcoming the Follow Your Heart appointed Grand Officers. I was very happy to hear the cheer that went up when I announced that chapters will be reopening in June. Fundraisers are also allowed as long as done safely. The Worthy Matrons and Secretaries were emailed a letter explaining how the opening will happen; a copy of the letter is included in this issue of the newsletter. I'm hoping each Chapter will be able to hold a social gathering for their members either at their lodge or a park so we can get used to being with friends again after more than a year apart. In June please wear a mask and make sure to use lots of hand sanitizer! Stay tuned for announcements on updates as this is fluid and ever changing. Included in this newsletter are the blanket dispensations for the chapter secretaries to print out and attach to the meeting that you have your elections and then also for the meeting that you hold installation. For the chapters that are dark in the summer or that need extra time, you have until October for holding installation. Please inform Linda Schreier when your chapter is having installations to be put in the Blast. The Grand Officers will visit the chapters to read the books in the fall and the District Deputies will be in charge of the Official Visit in the spring. Grand Officers will be traveling and have pins and the march to sell. Make sure to fill your chapter coin jar full of coins and dollar bills for the combined WGM/WGP project Pets for Vets.

Print out and color the flat stanley turtle and take it on your adventures, to your chapters, vacations, other grand chapters, fundraisers, etc. Let's see how far our turtles can travel and return to Stevens Point next May. There is one already traveling to Tennessee right now having fun!

Make sure to send in your RSVPs to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron parties on 6/27 and 7/31. There will be silent auctions at both parties to raise money for our joint project. Daylene Bain and Cindy Damon are chairman for the project and would love to have lots of auction items from chapters and individuals. Hotel for the WGM party is the Comfort Suites at 6362 S 13th St in Oak Creek, WI 414-376-4284

I promise to do my best as Worthy Grand Matron and look forward to visiting with you all over the year. Each time we face our fear, we gain strength, courage and confidence.

With a heart full of love,

Terri Hundhausen, Worthy Grand Matron

It's a New Grand Chapter Year



Terri Hundhausen and Leonard Pederson were installed as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Wisconsin Eastern Star on May 19, 2021 and will preside over the "Follow Your Heart" year. Congratulations WGM and WGP and your corps of Grand Officers!

Other Grand Officers for 2021-2022:

Assoc. Grand Matron	Tammy Hundhausen
Assoc. Grand Patron	Doug Moorhouse
Grand Secretary	Jane Blackwood, PGM
Grand Treasurer	Mary Rasmussen, PGM
Grand Conductress	Debra Bower
Assoc. Grand Conductress	Lori Williams
Grand Chaplain	Judy Paust
Grand Lecturer	Kristen Schoville, PGM
Grand Marshal	Paul Twardy
Grand Organist	LuAnn Hansen
Grand Adah	Gail O'Connell
Grand Ruth	Lynda Ferguson
Grand Esther	Andrea Hraban
Grand Martha	Kim Gascoigne
Grand Electa	Holly Swenson
Grand Warder	Kathleen West
Grand Sentinel	LeRoy Kifer
Grand Trustees:	Mary Olson, GTE
	Craig Wepprecht, PGP
	Brenda Gaulke, PGM

WGM & WGP SPECIAL PROJECT

Sister Terri and Brother Len have chosen "Pets for Vets" as their special project this year, whose mission is to help heal the emotional wounds of military veterans by using the power of the human-animal bond to provide a second chance for shelter animals by rescuing, training and pairing them with America's servicemen and women who could benefit from having a companion animal. The funds raised will stay in Wisconsin. Please watch for opportunities to participate in fundraisers for this worthwhile cause, which will begin with silent auctions at the WGM and WGP party. Please contact Daylene Bain (DK326@aol.com) or Cindy Damon (cindydamon@hotmail.com) if you plan to bring an item to either auction.



ELECTA CHAPTER #75 MILWAUKEE

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND A LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM
HONORING TERRI HUNDHAUSEN
WORTHY GRAND MATRON OF WISCONSIN

SUNDAY JUNE 27, 2021
GATHERING 11:30am
LUNCHEON 12:30pm

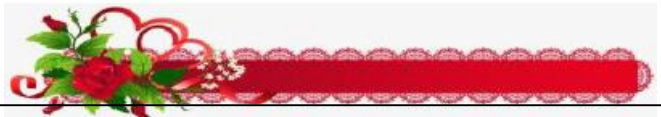
ENTERTAINMENT AND INTRODUCTIONS TO FOLLOW

SOUTH MILWAUKEE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
732 BADGER AVENUE
SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WI

COST PER PERSON \$30—NO REFUNDS
PAYABLE TO: ELECTA CHAPTER #75 OES

PLEASE MAIL YOUR RESERVATION AND ANY TITLES TO:
JAN WINGET
507 14TH AVENUE
UNION GROVE WI 53182

RESERVATIONS DUE BY JUNE 11TH, 2021



Eagle River Chapter #218 OES

Invites you to
FOLLOW YOUR HEART
and join us in honoring

LEONARD PEDERSON
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
OF WISCONSIN

Saturday July 31, 2021
Eagle River Inn
5260 Hwy 70 W,
Eagle River, WI

Social Noon

Meal 1:00 p.m.

Cost \$30.00

Menu Plated Salad, Buffet style: Sliced Turkey, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Beef Stroganoff with Noodles, Mixed Vegetables, Rolls and Dessert.

Entertainment to follow

Please make checks payable to Eagle Chapter #218 and return by JULY 10th with form to:

Kay Smith,
11382 Norman Dr,
Arbor Vitae, WI 54568

No refunds

Eagle River Inn has a block of six (6) rooms available for Friday July 30, 2021. Two Queen beds, microwave and mini-fridge Rate \$134.10 plus tax. Call 715-479-2000 and mention Eastern Star

Chapter Name _____ # _____ Location _____

Name _____

Title _____

RETURN BY JULY 10, 2021



Message from our WGM: Wisconsin Chapters Are Reopening

Sisters and Brothers,

I know you were excited when I announced the reopening of Chapters in June during my acceptance speech at Grand Chapter. After the excitement came the questions as to how this will happen. **Chapters will reopen as of June 1, 2021.**

I would like to encourage all chapters to have a social gathering for their members to provide our Sisters and Brothers the chance to get reacquainted in a relaxed environment. This may be held before or after your first meeting if you meet in the first week of the month. Some chapters have not been together in over a year and a half. It may be held at the lodge or in a park. **If a meal or snacks are provided, only commercially prepared food may be served. Individuals may bring their own food and drink as long as there is no sharing.** Bottled water should be provided.

You may hold any and all fundraisers, as long as they are done safely. **If the fundraiser involves making and cooking food items** masks and gloves are to be worn at all times.

I will be issuing a blanket dispensation covering elections and installations. Per code, we are to have elections in April and installations in June. Chapters are being allowed to have these completed by the end of October. Please do not hold both elections and installation at the same meeting. As long as you inform your members before your 1st meeting, you may hold elections that night. If your chapter is normally closed during the summer months, you can hold your installation during those months or wait until September or October. Please inform the Grand Secretary and I of when you will be holding your installations so we may let other chapters know and to hopefully let visitors know as we help you celebrate the start of a new term. Chapter Secretaries, please print out the dispensations (in this newsletter and attach them to your meetings that you have your elections and installations.

We hope that you will be able to have a quorum of 7 members at your meetings. If your members are comfortable coming to meetings, gladly welcome them back! If your members are not yet comfortable coming to meetings, let them know we will gladly welcome them back when they are! Please do not make members feel bad if they are not yet comfortable. Keep all members up to date on meetings. With this, if you are not able to have a quorum, please still hold your meeting. I will not punish a chapter as we are slowly opening. This will change later in the year as more members get their vaccinations and feel safer coming out to meetings.

As of June 1, 2021 zoom chapter meetings will stop. Only membership and social zooms will be continuing. Zoom chapter meetings were only allowed during the closure. If we have to close the chapters again, the zoom meetings can start up at that time.

Certain things we can and can't do during a meeting:

- Masks must be worn by all members, even if fully vaccinated. This will change later in the year but to begin with, we will all be masked. When speaking, you may lower or take off your mask and then replace it when done speaking.
- Flag must still be presented and retired, but by the Associate Patron or the Flag Bearer only. No Conductresses as a guard of honor.
- NO SINGING. This may also change later in the year but to begin with, no singing.
- We may have initiations, ask the candidate how comfortable they are with groups. The Conductresses may ask the candidate to follow instead of offering their arm and stand a bit farther back from the star points when they give their lecture.
- Everyone present must check in with the Chapter Secretary so they may keep a very accurate attendance in case anything happens.
- Have hand sanitizers at the entrance to the chapter room and on the Secretary desk and please use these often.
- During introductions, if you are to be introduced, you have the option of either being presented or introduced from your place. If presented, you are to only follow the Conductresses.
- There may be refreshments following the meeting, but serving only store bought items, no homemade items at this time. This will change later in the year. Please have bottled water, soda, milk, juice available.

The Grand Master of Masons in Wisconsin has rescinded all of his COVID restrictions and has put the Worshipful Masters in charge of their lodge COVID safety. All federal, state and local counties may still have some health orders concerning groups. These are to be followed to the strictest letter. Please make sure that areas and items we use are sanitized after the meeting, including Conductress staffs, Marshal baton, star point emblems if they are used, chair handles, organ, podiums and Secretary desk.

If you have any questions, contact me directly. Please do not ask on social media. I will not be answering questions via social media. My email is terrio2021@gmail.com

With a heart full of love,
Terri Hundhausen, Worthy Grand Matron

Upcoming Events

- June 27 Worthy Grand Matron party, Milwaukee
- July 10 All Member Learning Session: Ellsworth
- July 17 All Member Learning Session; Appleton
- July 24 All Member Learning Session; Oregon
- July 24 All Member Learning Session; Kenosha
- July 31 Worthy Grand Patron party, Eagle River

Watch the OES Blast for Chapter installation dates as they are announced.

Wisconsin OES YouTube

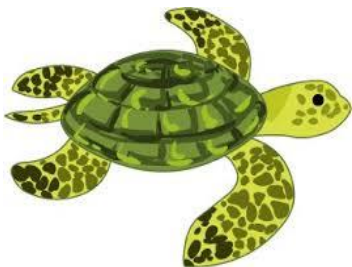
Make sure to check out our Wisconsin Eastern Star Youtube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI9ah_AVtoFQHArCFVaDZkw Grand Chapter installation of officers is available for you to view, and we plan to add other videos throughout the year. Thank you to Brother Brad Bingheim for sharing your talents by live streaming the business sessions of Grand Chapter 2021 and providing the Grand Chapter installation for all to view on YouTube.

All Member Learning Session (Formerly Red Book School)

You may have noticed our name change this year. Our intent is to enhance the teachings of our order for ALL MEMBERS, not just officers of a chapter. We want every member to be comfortable going to any chapter, and if necessary, perform any station knowing you're doing it correctly with or without a red book in your hand. Come join us and reacquaint yourself in the basics of our Order and floor work!! Contact me if you have questions or would like additional information: 608-692-7775 (cell) or sbnana98@gmail.com.

Debra Bower, Grand Conductress

- July 10 at 1pm in Ellsworth
- July 17 at 10am in Appleton
- July 24 at 9am in Oregon
- July 24 at 3pm in Kenosha



New Grand Representatives

Congratulations to these members who received their Grand Representative commissions at Grand Chapter in Stevens Point in May:

- Sandy Wood, Washington DC (Sparta Chapter)
- Karen Luckey, New York (Dodgeville Chapter)
- Alan Weir, Alabama (Ozaukee Chapter)

Copy Machine

The Grand Chapter Office has a used Risograph Model EZ 220 Digital Duplicator that needs a new home. Information on the Risograph can be found at <https://us.riso.com/wp-content/uploads/assets/legacy/a0LF00000BZW9KMAX.pdf>. Please contact the Grand Secretary (262-965-2200, ext 210 or secretary.wioes@gmail.com).

Order Your 2021 Proceedings!

If you would like to purchase a copy of the 129th "The Light of Thankfulness" Grand Session Proceedings, please detach and fill in the bottom portion of this letter and return it to the Grand Chapter office by October 15, 2021. The price of the Proceedings is determined by the final cost when they are printed. Pre-orders are important as we only order from the printer the number that has been pre-ordered.

I would like to order a copy of the Proceedings Book or CD for the 129th "The Light of Thankfulness" Grand Session.


Name: _____

Address: _____

Chapter #: _____

Check one: hard-bound book
 spiral-bound book
 CD

CHAPTER SECRETARIES: Please make a copy of these two special dispensations issued by the Worthy Grand Matron; attach to your Chapter minutes for the election meeting and installation.


**GRAND CHAPTER, O.E.S.**
OFFICE OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Dispensation is hereby granted to May 27 2021
All Chapters

Chapter No. _____

To Change date of Elections meeting
From April

No. 1 Teri Hundhausen
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

**GRAND CHAPTER, O.E.S.**
OFFICE OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Dispensation is hereby granted to May 27 2020
All Chapters

Chapter No. _____

To Change date of Installation
meeting

No. 2 Teri Hundhausen
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

I joined Eastern Star, come & serve with me.

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**
GENERAL CHAPTER





Hi Maude.
You're in charge now.
I am off to serve a Veteran
with PTSD. He is a Twins fan,
sorry Brewers.
~ PEYTON

Call: 262.975.2200
secretary.wioes@gmail.com

All Master Masons and their female relatives are eligible to join.

Individual Achievement Award

The Individual Achievement Award for members during 2021-2022 involves a fun Bingo game. The Bingo card is included on a page 7 of this newsletter. Between May 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022, achieve 16 of the 24 items on the Bingo card, cross out the 16 activities you completed, and turn in the Bingo card to a Grand Officer. It will be fun, you'll get to participate in so many wonderful Eastern Star activities, and you'll receive an award upon completion.

Would You Like to Receive the Monthly Newsletter in Paper Format?

If you receive the newsletter via US Mail and would like to continue receiving it for the coming year, or receive it by email (which is free) but would like to start getting it in paper copy, please remit your name, address, and \$15 subscription fee to the Grand Chapter office. The form below is provided for your convenience. Subscriptions end June 30th (so this is the last issue for the current year).

To renew your subscription or start receiving a paper copy:

Complete the form and send with \$15 payable to WI Grand Chapter OES

Mail to: Grand Chapter OES
36275 Sunset Drive
Dousman, WI 53118-9349

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Flat Stanley Turtle

All Wisconsin Eastern Star members are invited to travel the state, country and world with Flat Stanley Turtle!

Flat Stanley Turtle is on page 8 of this newsletter. Cut out, color and take it along on your travels. Take fun pictures to show on the Wisconsin Eastern Star Facebook page and send to PGM Mary Rasmussen to be included in the Starburst. You can also send pictures to terrio2021@gmail.com to be added to a world travels video on our Wisconsin Eastern Star YouTube channel.

Fun outings or fund raisers for your Chapter, traveling to another Grand Chapter, volunteering with the youth groups, Job's Daughters, DeMolay, Girl and Boy Scouts, personal vacations and just any fun you have that you would like to share with our members.

Bring your FLAT STANLEY TURTLE to Grand Chapter in May 2022 and let's see how colorful your turtles are and who has traveled the farthest. Turtles swim all over the world and always return to the beach where they were born to lay their eggs.

STARBURST SUBSCRIPTION FORM MAIL TO ADDRESS BELOW

July 2021—May 2022; 4 issues

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Checks Payable to: WI GRAND CHAPTER OES

Mail to: Deb Morgenstern, 150 Teddy Ave.
Hartford, WI 53027

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



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BE AN OFFICER IN YOUR HOME OR DUAL CHAPTER AND KNOW CHARGE AND FLOOR WORK	INVITE AN INACTIVE OR GUEST TO ATTEND AN IN PERSON OR OR ZOOM EVENT	ATTEND A RED BOOK REVIEW IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM	PARTICIPATE IN A FUND RAISER IN YOUR CHAPTER OR SUPPORT ANOTHER CHAPTERS FUND RAISER	VISIT ANOTHER MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS MEETING, EVENT OR FUND RAISER IN PERSON/ZOOM
BRING IN A NEW MEMBER OR RECOVER A PAST MEMBER	EARN A PROFICIENCY OR STATION CERTIFICATE	VOLUNTEER IN A COMMUNITY PROJECT SUCH AS FOOD PANTRY	SUPPORT YOUTH GROUPS SUCH AS BOY/GIRL SCOUTS SPECIAL OLYMPICS SCHOOL TEAMS	ATTEND OR ASSIST IN RUNNING AN IN PERSON MEMBER EVENT
WRITE AN ARTICLE FOR A MASONIC PAPER OR POST ON FACEBOOK AN OES ACTIVITY OR MEETING	SUPPORT OUR MASONIC YOUTH BY VISITING A BETHEL OR CHAPTER OR EVENT	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u> <u>ACHIEVEMENT</u> <u>2021-2022</u>	PLAN OR HELP WITH A SPECIAL NON MEETING ACTIVITY IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM	VISIT ANOTHER CHAPTER IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM
ATTEND WGM,WGP GO, GR PARTY IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM	SERVE ON A COMMITTEE IN HOME OR DUAL CHAPTER	ATTEND GO OR DD VISITS HOME OR DUAL CHAPTER	RECEIVE OR VISIT: THE BLAST STARBURST OES WEBSITE OES YOUTUBE	ATTEND 6 MEETINGS IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM IN YOUR HOME CHAPTER
MAKE A PERSONAL DONATION TO: WORLD OF YOUTH AND/OR SERVICE DOG PROJECT	ATTEND ANOTHER CHAPTERS INSTALLATION	ATTEND GRAND CHAPTER 2021 IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM	ATTEND 2 IN PERSON/ZOOM STATE, ANOTHER CHAPTER, ANOTHER JURISDICTIONS MEETING	VISIT OR SEND CARDS TO SHUT INS

Name: _____ Date: _____

Chapter: _____

FLAT STANLEY TURTLE: Cut out, color and take pictures of you with your Flat Stanley Turtle on your travels!

