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March 1, 2022

Happy Spring to all of our members! We can look forward to all the green grass and flowers that will soon poke out of the snow.

The chapters that were closed for the winter will be welcoming their members back. Did you get together over those months? Post a picture on the Facebook page and send an article into the Starburst. Did your turtle do any traveling?

Numbers are looking much better for Covid. Let's hope numbers continue to drop. Masks are optional, if you feel better wearing one, please do! Introductions can be everyone escorted or just the WGM and WGP, whichever your room and members feel comfortable doing.

The Grand Officers helped West Allis bring in their member. A few of us will help Sparta on March 7. Please let us know if we can help your Chapter!

We held the first exchange last weekend and will host our 2nd exchange with Michigan in a few weeks in Milwaukee. Please join us for a fun event!

Plans have started for your Grand Chapter! All the information is on our website (www.wioes.org) with registration, hotel information, banquets and other details. You can sign up via mail or online! If registering by mail, make sure to send to the correct person. Thank you to our webmaster Marianne for all of her hard work getting our website set up!

Make sure your Secretary and Treasurer sends in by the 31st all your donations including your Pets for Vets coin jar money. We want to have very good totals for all

of our charities. Sign up for being a page or teller or Sentinel. We need your help! We've made the WGM achievement award easier with not having our DD schools. Questions can be directed to Barb Foster.

Send in your reservations for the announcement party for the Pathways of Joy Grand Family to be held at the Ridges in Wisconsin Rapids in early April.

May the early spring awaken your soul and
Remind you to celebrate the season with the
Hope and joy it brings

With a heart full of love, Terri WGM



New Grand Representative

Congratulations to Sister Janet Finn from Viroqua Chapter who was recently named Grand Representative of Rhode Island in Wisconsin. Enjoy your commission!

Upcoming Events

- Mar 7 Sparta initiation with Grand Officers assisting
- Mar 8 West Allis honors Secretary/Treasurer, 7 pm
- Mar 9 Darlene Radtke will receive her 50-year card/pin at Wauwatosa Chapter, 7 pm
- Mar 11 Triwauke Area Club; location TBD
- Mar 12 MI/WI Exchange night at Vega Chapter
- Mar 18 Tycopera Area Club, 6:30 at Oregon Chapter
- Mar 18 Vega Chapter Compass Night, 7:30 pm
- Mar 22 West Allis Compass Night, 7 pm
- Mar 23 Janesville Chapter Compass night; Entertainment at 7 pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
- April 3 Announcement of 2022-23 Grand Officers
- April 19 Grand Representative reception at Dodgeville (Anna Olson, OK)
- April 20 Grand Representative reception at Starlight (Brooke Froelich MA, Robert Dorsey NV)
- May 5-7 Minnesota Grand Chapter; information at <https://mnoes.com/session/>
- May 17-19 Wisconsin Grand Chapter (see pages 3 & 7)
- June 25 Wine & Cheese Fundraiser (save the date)

From Grand Secretary

- If you ordered an updated Roster Book, please contact your Chapter Secretary.
- Extra-large print rituals are now available. Please order them from the Grand Secretary.
- Grand Chapter's annual session will be held May 17-19, 2022. As was done at the 2021 session, at the registration desk members will have the option to add a colored sticker to their name badge, in order to keep members comfortable with the Covid environment we continue to live in. A red sticker means let's wave; a yellow sticker means let's do an elbow/fist bump; a green sticker means it's ok to hug.
- No nominations for Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Trustee (for a 3 year term) were received at the Grand Chapter office by the Feb 1st deadline. Those interested in these offices may be nominated the day of elections at Grand Chapter.

Annual Donation Reminder

While fundraising by Chapters became a hurdle due to Covid-19 restrictions, as Eastern Star members we continue to support many charities, even when times get tough. Grand Chapter charities are numerous and count on the support of Chapters and individual donations. Charities include: the WGM/WGP Project Pets for Vets, ESTARL Scholarships, Cheer Fund, Cancer Fund, Heart Fund, World of Youth Scholarships, and the Eastern Star Foundation. A reminder to Chapters to submit annual contributions to the Eastern Star charities to the Grand Chapter Office no later than March 31, 2022.

WI Eastern Star Foundation

Have you found yourself facing financial hardship? Do you know of a member of your Chapter who could use some financial assistance? There are many reasons why someone may need a helping hand. As Wisconsin Eastern Star members, we are fortunate to have the Wisconsin Eastern Star Foundation. The Foundation is one of the means through which we accomplish the great beneficent purpose of providing for the welfare of our Sisters and Brothers. There is no need to feel ashamed in asking for help. The Foundation is a separate entity from Grand Chapter; the business of the Foundation lies solely with the Board of Directors. The Foundation meets quarterly to review applications and provide aid to Sisters and Brothers of Wisconsin Chapters. Applications are confidential and only reviewed by the members of the Foundation Board. Nothing ever leaves the room once the meeting is over.

The Foundation Board will be meeting in March. Applications for financial assistance can be submitted at any time but need to be received at the Grand Chapter Office **no later than Thursday 3/3** for consideration this quarter. Applications can be received from your Chapter Secretary, the Grand Secretary or downloaded on the Wisconsin OES website (www.wioes.org under the Forms tab).



Michigan/Wisconsin Exchange Night

March 12th: social at 4:30 pm, dinner at 6 pm
Entertainment and program after dinner

At Lake Lodge Masonic Center
1235 E. Howard Ave, Milwaukee

Send Reservations of \$30 per person

NO LATER than March 1st to

Nancy Ryburn, 716 51st St #2018, Kenosha WI 53140

Announcement of 2022-23 Grand Officers

Tammy Hundhausen, AGM and
Doug Moorhouse, AGP are excited to announce their
Appointed 10 Grand Officers for the
“Pathways of Joy” Grand Chapter year.

April 3rd: social at 11 am, buffet lunch at noon
Program to follow lunch

At the Ridges Country Club
2311 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids

Send Reservations of \$30 per person
(checks payable to WI Grand Chapter OES)

NO LATER than March 25th to

Jerry Bristol, PGP
138 W Grove St, Ellsworth WI 54011

Silent Auction in May

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

On behalf of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy
Grand Patron, I wish to thank you for your
overwhelming response to the silent auctions.

I am asking for your generosity for one more and
the last (this year) silent auction. If you will be
providing item(s) for the auction at Grand Chapter,
please email me to let me know. It makes it so much
easier to have the signup sheets printed ahead of time.
If you wish to have a suggested retail value listed on
the sheet, make sure to let me know that dollar
amount. We will not be listing starting bids. You know
what you want to spend. Please know we are very
appreciative of every dollar going to this year's
WGM/WGP charity project. Remember email Daylene
at dk326@aol.com. See you at Stevens Point in May!!

Star Love,

Daylene Bain and Cindy Damon

Co-chairs of WGM/WGP Project Pets for Vets

Wisconsin Grand Chapter May 17-19, 2022

You are cordially invited to attend the
“Follow Your Heart” Grand Chapter Session
Holiday Inn Convention Center
Stevens Point, WI

Information on registration, meals and a tentative
schedule is located on the Wisconsin OES Website
at www.wioes.org. Select the Tab “2022 Grand
Chapter Forms” and then click the link for each form to
print copies. If you do not have access to the internet,
contact your Chapter Secretary or the Grand Secretary
for forms.

There are two ways to register:

Registration Option 1: Log onto www.wioes.org and
click on the “Wisconsin Grand Chapter 2022 Online
Registration” Tab. Complete the Form and pay via the
Stripe secure Credit Card transaction. For your
convenience the processing fee has been added to the
cost of each item. Questions regarding online
registration should be directed to: Marianne Totsch
Phone: 262.888.2493 or Email:
registertofollowyourheart22@gmail.com

Registration Option 2: Complete the forms for
registration & meals and mail your completed forms
with your checks to the person listed on each form.
Registration to PGM Laramie Reissner and Meals to
Deb Morgenstern

World of Youth Scholarships

Each year the Grand Chapter World of Youth
Committee reviews applications from members of
Wisconsin DeMolay and Job's Daughters to provide
some financial assistance as they pursue their
secondary education. If you know of a member of one
these organizations, have them contact Dorothy Cigale
via email djcigale@gmail.com to request an
application. Completed applications must be
postmarked no later than 3/31/2022 and sent to
Dorothy Cigale, 3801 S. Austin St, Milwaukee WI
53207-3912.

IRISH BLESSING

*May the sun shine all day long
everything go right and nothing wrong.
May those you love bring love back to you,
and may all the wishes you wish come true.*

WGM Accomplishment Award and Individual Award

The deadline for submitting the **WGM Accomplishment Award** is just around the corner! The award runs from April 1, 2021-March 31, 2022. The Chapter form must be postmarked by April 10, 2022. Please include your Chapter name on page 1 of the form; take a plate off of your current plaque and include it with your completed form. If you need a new WGM Accomplishment Award wooden plaque because your current plaque is full, please let Barb Foster know as soon as possible (wibaf@yahoo.com or 920-921-2474).

Mail the form and a bronze plate from your plaque to: Barb Foster, 56 Hillside Circle, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

NOTE: There is a change in Part A of the WGM Accomplishment Award. Currently, it states that the Chapter must complete 10 of the 14 activities. With the cancellation of the DD schools and with the permission of our WGM, that has been adjusted to: IN SECTION A, COMPLETE 8 OF THE 12 ACTIVITIES.

The **Individual Achievement Award** runs from May 1, 2021-March 31, 2022. Give your completed Bingo Sheet to a Grand Officer as soon as possible but no later than Grand Chapter in May and receive your pin!

Do you shop at Amazon?

If so, make one small change in how you log in to Amazon and help a charitable organization. AmazonSmile is a program that donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases on Amazon to a charity of your choice. Start your shopping at smile.amazon.com and select a charity from the list. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you. Our WGM/WGP project Pets for Vets, as well as OccuPaws, are just two of the many charities you can help, just by shopping at AmazonSmile.

IRISH BLESSING

May your days be many,
and your troubles be few.

May all God's blessings descend upon you.

May peace be within you,
may your heart be strong.

May you find what you're seeing
Wherever you roam



DeMolay Member In Need

At the end of January, an active member of Wisconsin DeMolay was in a devastating car accident. Logan Koenig of Sir Galahad Chapter was admitted to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee with life threatening injuries after his involvement in a single vehicle crash. Logan has a long road ahead of him, with possibly up to six months of long-term care at Children's Hospital. His family set up a GoFundMe page to help offset the cost of hospital bills. Wisconsin DeMolay leaders have decided to take direct donations, bypassing GoFundMe fees, to assist the Koenig family. It's time to step up as DeMolay's, advisors, and friends to help this family in need. Remember we are the world's greatest family. If you wish to donate to help offset Logan's medical bills and recover, please PayPal your donation to umb.treasurer@gmail.com with the note "Logan Koenig Donation" as soon as you are able.

Illinois/Wisconsin Exchange

The Illinois/Wisconsin exchange was held at Oregon Chapter on Feb. 26th and to raise funds for our Pets for Vets charity a 50/50 raffle was held. The Grand total was \$646: \$323 for the charity and \$323 for the winner Daylene Bain who very charitably gave her amount back, so Pets for Vets will receive the total of \$646!! We also held a basket raffle. Area Chapters graciously donated baskets and even a few from the Illinois members. The total raised from the basket raffle was \$742 which is being split between the Turtle Hospital in Key West, Florida and Illinois WGM Margolita's Swing project, with each project receiving \$371. THANK YOU to all who attended for their generous support.



DODGEVILLE CHAPTER NO. 39
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
DODGEVILLE, WI

Cordially invites you to a
RECEPTION AND PROGRAM

IN HONOR OF

ANNA OLSON
GRAND REPRESENTATIVE OF OKLAHOMA
IN WISCONSIN

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022; 7:00 PM

DODGEVILLE MASONIC CENTER
204 W. CHAPEL ST
DODGEVILLE, WI 53533

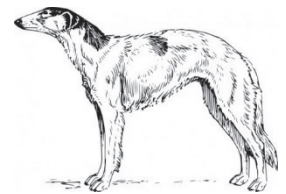


PLEASE RSVP TO KRISTEN
SCHOVILLE, PGM BY 4/15/2022
goldenoegirl@yahoo.com
or 608-574-3695



Volunteers needed for Grand Chapter May 2022

If you've always wanted to volunteer at YOUR Grand Chapter session, here's your opportunity to be a Grand Page, Usher/Teller or Assistant Sentinel!



GRAND PAGE

If you received a letter from the Worthy Grand Matron to serve as a Grand Page, and have not yet replied to her, please do so by March 5th. The letter included information on ordering the top to be worn at Grand Chapter session, along with a black skirt of your choice.

USHER/TELLER

Any Brother can serve as an **Usher/Teller**. Duties of Ushers: To be ready to assist members and guests when needed especially in the Grand Chapter room during meeting times. Duties of Tellers: To circulate ballot boxes for written ballots during elections and voting on resolutions requiring written ballots. Head counts of voting may also be needed. Tellers will also be counting written ballots. Contact Head Teller Ian Watts, PGP at 262 567 6468 or Ian_watts@sbcglobal.net



**THE FOLLOW YOUR HEART
 GRAND SESSION
 MAY 16-19, 2022
 CALLING ALL ASSISTANT SENTINELS**



**Dear Sisters and Brothers,
 We are in need of your assistance to be guards at Grand Chapter!**

Duties: Greet and Welcome Sisters and Brothers at the doors to Grand Chapter. Times:

Mornings 7:45 - 11:30

Afternoons 12:30 - 4:30

Evenings 5:45 - 10:00

We need at least one member from each chapter to make the task easier for all.

Perhaps a buddy system will help. Bring a Star friend. Return the form below by May 1, 2022 to:

LeRoy Kifer
 375 Emma St.
 Fond du Lac, WI 54935-4009

ldkifer@charter.net

Please let me help.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Full Address w/ zip _____

Chapter Name & Number City _____

Time(s) you would like to help.

Tuesday Afternoon _____

Wednesday Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____

Thursday Morning _____



TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR WI GRAND CHAPTER, MAY 2022

REGISTRATION

Registration Fee - \$30.00 per person (except life members who do not want to vote) for pre-registration; \$35.00 on-site registration. Deadline for registration is May 4, 2022.

Advance registration forms are enclosed and may be copied. Forms are also available on the website: www.wioes.org. Please be sure to mark the category in which you will be presented; also include all of your Eastern Star titles.

Online registration is also available at www.wioes.org

The Registration desk is at the Holiday Inn Convention Center.

Monday, May 16th 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
 Tuesday, May 17th 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 18th 7:30 am – 9:00 am
 Thursday, May 19th 7:30 am – 9:00 am

Attention: Ballots for elections will not be distributed after 9:00 am on Wednesday.

Current Receipt for Dues and Session registration is required to attend the Sessions. Please wear your Session badge.

HOSPITALITY HOURS

Monday, May 16th 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
 Tuesday, May 17th 8:00 am – 11:30 am

All meals will be at the Holiday Inn Convention Center.
 Meal confirmation will be sent in advance.

Tickets will be held at the door before each meal.

Sorry, NO refunds.

All checks must be made payable to Grand Chapter of Wisconsin. Reservations close **May 4, 2022 – NO REFUNDS**

Meals open to all unless otherwise stated. Please use the enclosed reservation form and return it with your payment to:

Deb Morgenstern
 150 Teddy Ave, Hartford, WI 53027

Wisconsin Past Grand's & BHS Dues to:
 Doris Schultz, 2183 Pine Ridge Ct. Unit H
 Graton, WI 53024

TENTATIVE PROGRAM & SOCIAL EVENTS

MONDAY MAY 16, 2020

12:00 am Past Grand's Luncheon and Meeting

2:30 pm Secretary & Treasurer's Meeting, Workshop.
 (Dues of \$3.00 can be paid at the meeting or mailed to Janet Singer, 2322 S. Wallonne Dr., Marshfield, WI 54449)

5:00 pm Social

5:30 pm "Celtic Blessings"
 Kickoff Banquet
 Entertainment by the "Follow Your Heart 2021-2022 Grand Family
 Introduction of the "Pathways of Joy"
 2022-2023 Grand Family
Dress in Green casual or street attire

TUESDAY MAY 17, 2022

9:00 am Former Appointed Grand Officers (FAGO) Annual Meeting. Open to all Wisconsin and Out of State FAGOS (Dues of \$5.00 can be paid at the meeting or mailed to Secretary/Treasurer Marianne Totsch, PO Box 1496, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

10:00 am Grand Representatives Meeting (Dues of \$5.00 can be paid at the meeting, luncheon or mailed to Secretary/Treasurer Dian Krause, PO Box 151, Viroqua, WI 54665)

11:00 am "Let Your Heart Be Your Compass"
 Grand Representative Luncheon

12:30 pm Prelude, Prologue & Formal Opening
 130th Annual Grand Chapter Session

1:00 pm Ritualistic Opening

Flag Ceremony
 Presentation & Introduction of Eastern Star Distinguished Guests

5:30 pm Social

6:00 pm "With Loving Hearts"
 Distinguished Guest Banquet
 Introduction of Distinguished Guests,
 Presentation to Pets for Vets
 Presentations to OES Charities
Reception for Distinguished Guests to follow by invitation only.

WEDNESDAY MAY 18, 2022

7:30 am Prelude
 8:00 am Opening of Session
 8:30 am ESTARL Service
 10:00 am Election of Officers
 11:15 am Memorial Service

12:00 pm "Hearts In Harmony"
 All Member Luncheon

1:00 pm Prelude
 1:30 pm Business of Grand Chapter

2:30 pm Life Member Tribute
 3:30 pm Veteran's Appreciation Tribute

5:30 pm "Shell-abrate Our Memories"
 All member Banquet

7:00 pm Prelude
 7:30 pm Business of Grand Chapter
 Honor Station Ceremonies:
 Electa and Warder
 WGM Accomplishment Award

THURSDAY MAY 19, 2022

8:00 am Prelude
 8:30 am Business of Grand Chapter,
 Presentations: Closing of 130th Grand Chapter Session of Wisconsin

1:00 pm Prelude
 1:30 pm Prologue
 2:00 pm Installation of 2022-2023

"Pathways of Joy" Grand Officers

Check www.wioes.org for updates.

All those giving responses will limit remarks to three (3) minutes; reports are limited to five (5) minutes. An electronic copy has to be sent to the Grand Secretary: secretary.wioes@gmail.com by **April 11, 2022 for the Session Book.** One copy of all remarks and reports must be filed with the Grand Secretary at the time of presentation.
 Thank you

Most Worthy Grand Matron Communication

EASTERN STAR CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION

The following Ceremony of Installation provides acceptable guidelines for Grand Chapters and Subordinate Chapters during the **COVID Pandemic**. We recommend: the badges be cleaned/sanitized, no singing by the assembly, all wear a face mask, and maintain six feet of separation among members whenever possible. This has been approved by the Most Worthy Grand Matron and the General Grand Chapter Ritual Committee dated February 9, 2022.

NOTE: The General Grand Chapter Book of Instruction, Installation Ceremony, page 192, states "The Ritual gives no permission for more than one Installing Marshal..."

Therefore, a Sister or a Brother chosen by the WGM/WM and the WGP/WP (one each) will serve as a "Special Escort," to assist the Installing Marshal, if requested. The duties of the Special Escort will be to escort the WGM/WM and WGP/WP to the altar for installation, invest the WGM/WM and WGP/WP with the badge of their office and conduct them to their stations in the East.

Installation Ceremony

The WGP/WP takes his station in the East and calls the Chapter to order with one blow of the gavel.

WGM/WM and Conductress take their stations and other outgoing Officers take designated seats in the Chapter Room.

Conductress opens the Bible.

Prayer offered by a member.

WGM/WM declares Chapter open for Ceremony of Installation

Pledge of Allegiance recited by a member.

Play National Anthem. (music only)

Welcome Distinguished Guests at their seats.

Remarks by WGM/WM and WGP/WP, if desired.

Introduction of Installing Officer and assistants (use appropriate title)

Installing Officer directs Installing Marshal to invite incoming Officers to enter. Installing Marshal does this from the Marshal's station.

The Officers to be installed enter the Chapter Room on the South and North marching lines, without wearing badges, and go straight to their respective stations.

PAGE TWO – Ceremony of Installation

- The incoming WGM/WM and incoming WGP/WP will take designated seats on the sidelines near the East.
- The Installing Chaplain and Installing Marshal take seats near the East.
- If the Alternate Investing of Badges (see below) is used, those who will invest the officer with their badge will take a seat next to/near the officer after the Installing Officers assume their stations.

Follow Ritual for Ceremony of Installation with following adaptations:

- When the Installing Officer calls up the chapter for the obligation, all members assume the reverent attitude.
- Officers being installed will remain at their stations. Officers being installed will give their assent to obligation.
- Installing Chaplain and Installing Marshal perform duties standing at their station
- The WGM/WM and WGP/WP are the only officers presented at the altar.

The Installing Marshal or Special Escort will present the WGM/WM and WGP/WP at the altar for installation, invest them with badge of office, and conduct them to the East.

- As each successive Officer is installed, the Officer will stand at his/her station and put on their badge at the direction of the Installing Officer.
- Alternate Investing of Badges
 - Prior to the installation, each officer to be installed will select a person to invest them with their badge of office. This will normally be a relative or close friend. This person will invest the installed officer with his/her badge of office when directed by the Installing Grand Officer.

Remarks by WGM/WM and WGP/WM.

Conductress closes the Bible.

Music (no singing)

Closing prayer (in lieu of Mizpah Benediction).

WGM/WM closes the Chapter with one blow of the gavel. (no retiring march)

I joined Eastern Star, come & serve with me.



Spring
Reminds Us of
Eternal Life

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

GENERAL GRAND
CHAPTER



A we dram
of Jamison
to you!

Do you want
a Petition?



Call: 262.975.2200
secretary.wioes@gmail.com

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