

We need your help!

Many of you are crafters or you know people who are crafters or distributors of goods. As you know our Vendor Area at Grand Chapter is in need of a boost. Please ask yourself and or your friends to consider joining us during Grand Chapter for a day. We are planning on promoting Monday as a super vendor day!!! Feel free to contact Brenda, WGM or David, WGP if you would like to join us!

Special Dispensations

If your chapter needs a Special Dispensation for an event in January please submit your request to our WGM before December 31st. She will not be available to make them out during January.

NOTICE!

Everything seems to change and yes, soon we have to change our personal email address that we have had for over 20 years. Going forward please use the following email to contact Brenda and or Carl Gaulke:

brendagaulke59@gmail.com Thank you!!!

ALL STATE CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year, we will celebrate Christmas with just one party, in Stevens Point at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center on Sunday, December 9th. Be sure to mark your calendars to save the date!!

Noon Social with 1:00 PM banquet. A block of rooms has been reserved for Saturday night. Please contact the hotel and ask for Grand Chapter Eastern Star group.



Willow River Chapter is honoring Grand Representatives Marla McFetridge, representing Minnesota, and Alice Hedberg, representing Colorado in Wisconsin with a reception on Saturday November 10th at the Masonic Center in New Richmond, WI. Social time at 10:30 A.M., program at 11:00 and lunch at 11:45. Please contact Jill Thomas with your reservations at jillthomas@nwcomm.net or 715-246-2878.

Northwest Area Club invites you . . .

. . . to Christmas on Tuesday, December 4th, at 5:30 pm At Ready Randy's in New Richmond. Cost is \$24.00 with no refunds. Send your RSVP by November 27th to:

Jill Thomas

552 Cassandra Drive

New Richmond, WI 54017

Checks made payable to Northwest Area Club.

It's Not Too Early!!

Hello! Are you working on your WGM Accomplishment awards? Please let us know if you need a new board. I would also like to know how many actual engraved plates there are for each Chapter to keep our records up to date.

Don't forget that the award started April 1st so you can use dates from the last part of the previous year. Any questions, you can email me at witigrss@solarus.net or call me at 715.325.2965.

Let's see all Chapters getting into the spirit of this award this year! We can do it!

Carol McAllister

CHARITY OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER . . .

. . . is the Cheer Fund. Your donations help the Cheer Committee bring joy and fun to the Residents of Three Pillars, not only at Christmas, but throughout the year. The Committee members buy a Christmas present for each Resident and provide a little celebration at the Masonic Healthcare Center and at Compass Point, which means they are busy little elves right about now. They also host parties at Compass Point for Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Packer Tailgate Party and other events throughout the year.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 6 Eastern Star Friends Night with WGM Brenda at Dodgeville Chapter, Dodgeville, 7 PM
- Nov 7 Grand Representative Reception**, Queen Esther Chapter, Lodi, for Tammie Otterstein and Tina Kurt, 7 PM
- Nov 7 Elected Officer Night at Bristol Chapter, Bristol. Refreshments and activities at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
- Nov 9 Triwaukee Area Club Meeting** at Lila B. Graser Chapter, Colgate, 7 PM
- Nov 10 Proficiency Testing**, Northwest Chapter, Clear Lake, 1 PM
- Nov 10 Southeast Area Club Meeting** and “traveling meal”, Union Grove Chapter, Union Grove, 9 AM
- Nov 17 Grand Representative Reception**, LaBelle Chapter, Mukwonago, for Debra Angers, 11 AM
- Nov 19 Speaker at Sparta Chapter, Sparta from “Sunshine on the Trail,” a cancer group in LaCrosse County, 7 PM.
- Nov 24 Kenosha Chapter’s “Oven Roasted Meatball Dinner,” 4-6 PM (proceeds to benefit James A. Peterson Veterans Village in Racine for homeless veterans)
- Nov 28 Western Stars Area Club Meeting** & Holiday pot luck at Sparta Chapter, 6:30 PM
- Dec 4 **Initiation** (2 candidates) at Trillium Chapter, Crivitz, 7 PM
- Dec 4 Northwest Area Club** Christmas buffet at Ready Randy’s, New Richmond; 5:30 PM social, 6 PM dinner
- Dec 9 All State Christmas Party** in Stevens Point

Is your Chapter having a fund-raising event, speaker at one of your meetings, a special honor night? Send the information to the Grand Secretary and have it included in the newsletter for everyone to know about it. *The Wisconsin OES Monthly Newsletter* is sent to all members, including those who are not able to attend Chapter meetings. Let all our members know what is happening around the state. You never know when you might see an event that would be fun and successful in your Chapter – or when one of your events will work in another Chapter.



REMINDERS TO ALL CHAPTERS

All Chapters must submit a 990-N to the IRS each year to maintain their income tax-exempt status, unless you file a full return. Deadline for filing is November 15th. A copy of the “Confirmation” is to be sent to the Grand Secretary once your 990-N is submitted. As of Oct. 29th, I have only received confirmation from 22 chapters.

When sending mail to the Grand Chapter Office, please be sure to address it to “Grand Secretary OES.” There are 4 different Grand Secretaries in the building and your letter will make the rounds of the building if it does not specify which Grand Secretary it is intended for. Thank you.

There seems to be some confusion about writing checks for multiple payments. Hopefully, this will clarify the “rules”:

1. All checks for donations to OES Foundation are to be made out separately and sent in care of the Grand Chapter Office.
2. Donations for more than one charity should be included in one check and accompanied by a Charity Donation form to specify how much is to be applied to which charity (copy of the form is on page 6).
3. Payments for multiple invoices may be added together and paid with one check EXCEPT payments for annual per capita (requires separate check/money order).
4. Charity donations and payment for supplies may NOT be combined into one check.
5. Donations to Foundation MAY NOT be combined with other charity donations or payments for supplies.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CORRECTED RED BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE

The newly formatted Red Books sold in May contained several errors. These errors have now been corrected and the corrected Red Books are now available. Each Chapter has/will receive a corrected version for the Marshal’s use. If you purchased a Red Book in May, you have/will be sent a corrected version without charge. If you have been waiting for the corrected version to be available, you can now place your order.

The new formatting is a different size than the previous Red Book, and does not fit into the old binder. Any 3-ring 5x7 binder is usable. Grand Chapter Office does have a limited supply of white 5x7 binders, or you may purchase your own. Red Book pages are \$15; binders are \$8. DO NOT SEND PAYMENT WITH YOUR ORDER. You will receive an invoice with the item.

RED BOOK HINTS FOR NOVEMBER

The Preparation of the Labyrinth

- Begins when the Associate Conductress leaves the Chapter (the second time) after she reports the names of the candidates who are waiting.
- As the Warder is seated the Marshal with ribbons in hand, the Conductress with Bibles in hand and Star Points should rise in unison. The Star Points stand at the side of their chair. The Marshal (from the front of chair) and the Conductress begin immediately to prepare the Labyrinth.
- The Conductress and the Marshal work in unison throughout the preparation.
- The Marshal marches outside the Labyrinth handing to each Star Point the appropriate ribbons, the Star Points remain standing holding their ribbons.
- The Conductress with Bibles in hand steps to the south marching line, turns and marches west to the three foot line, turns and diagonals into the Labyrinth between Ruth and Esther. The Marshal should be handing the ribbons to Ruth at the same time the Conductress enters the Labyrinth.
- The Conductress places the Bible on the southeast corner of the Altar with the open edges of the Bible facing the east. She then backs to the west side of the Altar, and squaring the Altar she places the Bible on the northeast corner of the Altar with the edges facing west. Regardless of how many Bibles are needed they are always placed in these same corners one on top of the other.
- The Marshal is facing Electa and handing her the ribbons at the same time as the Conductress is placing the Bible on the northeast corner.
- The Conductress backs to the northwest corner of the Altar turns left and marches to the edge of the Labyrinth between Esther and Martha and diagonals to the three foot line arriving at the same time as the Marshal. The

Conductress is on the three foot line and the Marshal is nearest to the Altar.

- They march together to the south marching line, turn and march east together if possible. If not, the Marshal leads. As they march east the Conductress squares into her station and the Marshal squares into station at the side of chair
- The Marshal, Conductress and Star Points are seated together. Then the Star Points place their ribbons on the back of the pedestal.

. . . from the Kite Handler

How is your Chapter doing? Are you missing officers and/ or sideliners? What are you doing to bring back your inactive members? Do you have a plan?

If you have not initiated a new member in the last 2 years, you NEED to call Sister Laurie Twardy to help your Chapter develop and put into action a plan for your Chapter's membership.

If you need membership supplies, let Sister Laurie know and she will make arrangements to get them to you.

Remember to let Sister Laurie know when you read a petition and when the initiation will be. After the new member is initiated, be sure to send Sister Laurie the name and address of the new member.

We want to have as many flip flops on the kite as possible to keep it flying steady. Working together we can

Soar to New Heights!

If you would prefer to receive the Wisconsin OES Monthly Newsletter by email, or view it on the web site, please email the Grand Secretary at secretary.wioes@gmail.com to make the change. This will help keep costs down (so as to not require an increase in Grand Chapter per capita fees), you will receive it earlier, and it won't get delayed by bulk mail procedures.



Traveling Twins make an impact in Star

By Milt Helmer

Terri and Tammy Hundhausen, the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, have done everything together.

They were born 1 minute apart and to their mom's surprise she did not know she was having twins until 2 weeks from the due date.

When the girls were young their mom gave them the option of staying in girl scouts or petitioning Jobs Daughters. Terri and Tammy said they are glad they choose Jobies. "Our mom Mary went through the majority ceremony at Bethel #60 Port Washington which was pretty special," says the twins.

Mom and the twin girls then joined Electa Chapter #75 in Milwaukee in October 1995. "It took a few years on the sidelines before our first station; we were the first 3 star points together." A very special memory was they served as Conductresses for their mom when she was Worthy Matron. The girls decided Terri would serve as Worthy Matron first and run for the grand line first since she wasn't Honored Queen in Jobies. They served as escorts for each other when they both were grand officers.

The twins station resumes are very impressive.

Terri served as Esther, Electa, Chaplain, Associate Conductress, Associate Matron and 4 times as Worthy Matron. She is currently Conductress for the chapter. She was grand representative of North Dakota in Wisconsin in 2010-12 and was Grand Electa for the Stars in Harmony Grand Family in 2013-14. She knew the best time to run

for Grand North was when Mary Barnett, another of her original grand family sisters, would be Worthy Grand Matron. She was Associate Grand Conductress in 2017-2018 and is currently Grand Conductress.

Tammy's path up the line included Adah, Ruth, Electa, Chaplain, Associate Conductress, and Associate Matron 2 times since 2012. She was Grand Adah for the Stars of Love Grand Family in 2011-2012 and served as District Deputy 2 times.

Tammy was also named the Grand Representative of Italy in Wisconsin 2014-2017 and they were both lucky to have gone there 3 times (Rome, Sorrento and Sicily). She is currently the Associate Grand Conductress.

The traveling sisters grew up in Milwaukee cheering on the Milwaukee Admirals Hockey team, the Brewers and Packers.

The traveling sisters have visited 17 states, 4 Canadian provinces, New Zealand, Australia, Ireland, Italy, Panama Canal and some Caribbean Islands. The single traveling twins hope to next go to Germany to find out some family history.

Both have an associate degree in accounting from Bryant and Stratton College. Then they both went to work at Milwaukee Hilton Hotel in the accounts receivable department. They both went on to careers in accounting.

Both enjoy meeting the members in their travels and look forward to more travels in the state and beyond.

See page 8 for your opportunity to identify each twin in the photo correctly and be entered into the drawing for a fabulous prize!

Send entry to Grand Secretary by November 15th. One entry per person. Good Luck!



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