

Ewes Give A Hoot

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Grand Chapter of Maine, Order of the Eastern Star

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Grand Family Reception

The Grand Family Reception will be hosted by Millwee Chapter #198 at Jeff's Catering, 15 Littlefield Road in Brewer on Saturday, July 21st. The cost of a ticket is \$16 with checks payable to Millwee Chapter #198 and mailed to Sister Wilda G. Naugler, 90 Cross Street, Brewer, ME 04412. Registration will be from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. with the program starting at 10 a.m. All members and guests are invited to attend this reception of the *Through the Eyes of a Child* Grand Family.

Save the Date

The Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project will be held at the Auburn Masonic Hall on Monday, August 13 with work commencing at 9 a.m. Casual wear is appropriate. Fill your car with friends and come enjoy the social time along with working together. Sisters Lynda Bell and Nancy Jacobs are co-chairs for this mailing.

Grand Family in Waterville

Martha Washington Chapter #15, Waterville, will be hosting the *Through the Eyes of a Child* second Grand Family on Saturday, August 25. Registration commences at 9:30 a.m. with the rehearsal at 10:30 a.m. and the luncheon is at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will commence at 1 p.m. For the luncheon reservation, checks for \$10 made out to Fireside Chapter #103 should be sent by August 17 to Sister Judy Ashe, 158 Bangor Road, Benton, ME 04901.

Maine–New Brunswick Exchange

Miramichi Chapter #44 will be hosting the annual Maine in New Brunswick Grand Family Exchange on Saturday, September 22 at the United Church Centre at 556 King George Highway, Miramichi, NB. (all events to be there) Registration commences at 9 a.m. with practice for the Grand Officers at 10 a.m. A complimentary light lunch will be provided beginning at 11:30 a.m. The meeting commences at 1:30 p.m.

A roast beef dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Reservations of \$20 in Canadian Funds must be reserved by September 15 by contacting Sister Debbie

Hill, PGM, 101 Hilltop Drive, Fredericton, NB E3A 2J3. Her email is debbiejhil101@gmail.com

Fall Event for Dyslexia

The Fall Event will be held at T & B Celebration Center, 6 Jefferson Street, Waterville, September, 29. Reservations need to be in by September 14 to Sister Rosemary Ballard, 517 Palmyra Road, St. Albans, ME 04971. The DDGM's have tickets for this event. The cost is \$25 which will include cheese and crackers, salad bar, and two hot entrees on the buffet with fixings and dessert. The social hour commences at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a dance. There will be baskets raffled, a quilt auction, 50/50 raffle as well as a silent auction. All proceeds will go to Maine's two dyslexia centers. Sisters Rosemary and Irene Robinson are the co-chairs for this event.

County Week

County Week will soon be here – and then we'll hear tales and view wonderful photos of the skits they always perform.

July 9 – Molunkus Valley #95, Sherman, meets at 7 p.m. and will have a pot luck supper at 6 p.m.

July 10 – Tillikum #99, Ashland, 7 pm with a pot luck supper at 6 p.m.

July 11 – Lunar #126, Presque Isle, 7 p.m., Barbeque at 5:45 p.m. with a free will offering for ESTARL

Name That Chapter

(The following has been revised from 2000, when Sister Alice P. Webber, PGM was serving as Grand Martha and created it. The answers are on page four.)

1. Name the Chapter that is first alphabetically.
2. Name the Chapter that is last alphabetically.
3. Name the Chapter with the most letters in its name.
4. Name the Chapter with the fewest letters in its name.
5. Name the Chapter that shares its Chapter name with the place where it is located.
6. Name two Chapters that share their names with mountains.
7. Name three Chapters whose names have to do with the sky.
8. Name the Chapter that smells like a rose.
9. Name two Chapters that share their name with something as hard as rock.

The Lord Is My Shepherd

The Bible is a rule of right living for all. From its pages we glean the lessons of our Star Points. As we focus on their teachings may we remember the 23rd Psalm and the fact that the Lord is our Shepherd.

Adah teaches us to be faithful to all of our obligations. We will probably never be called upon to sacrifice our very lives, but we do need to be faithful to all of our promises, our commitments and our obligations. The sword and veil reminds us that if we make a promise, it should be sacred.

Ruth teaches us to be obedient. Would you be willing to give up all that you hold dear to travel to a far away state or country to care for another? The ties that bind us together are strong and wherever we may go or whatever we may do, the constancy of the teachings of our Order bind us together as exemplified by the sheaf of wheat.

We often forget that Esther was such a young girl and was thrust into such terrifying circumstances. It must have been a fearful time for her to speak up for her race, knowing that she might lose her own life if the King found out she was Jewish. It makes the issues we face today seem like nothing. The crown and scepter reminds us to be loyal to our family, to our friends, and to our God.

The lesson of Martha teaches us that through faith all things are possible. Jesus said *I am the resurrection and the life. He that believes in me shall not perish, but have everlasting life.* No matter how overwhelming our problems may be, our faith in God will sustain us. Whenever we look up into the sky and see a rainbow, we are reminded that there is a power greater than any human, that there is a loving Father watching over us. May the beauty of God's creation and the broken column remind us that through faith all things are possible and that, most importantly, we have eternal life.

Electa teaches us that love conquers all. Without love we would face a sad and bitter world. Love has come down through the ages and touches us all. Through love we are stronger and better people. Electa and her love for her Savior provide a firm foundation upon which we can build our love for each other. The cup is a symbol of the love a fraternal family shows each other.

Sheep Terms

S H E E P A R E H T E W N
B E R U T S A P B C D O E
U A F E D L O F F A T S G
C B N H D B I A J T D E K
K A L D M R M R U R N W D
O T P A S Q E M E R S E R
T T L L O O W H O R N S E
U O R A N C H V P W A X H
P I L C R O O K Y E Z M P
A R B G N I B M A L E C E
D K C O L F L E E C E H H
E G N I L R A E Y F I O S

Abattoir	Fold	Sheep
Bands	Herds	Shepherd
Buck	Horns	Shepherd
Clip	Lamb	Staff
Crook	Lambing	Wether
Ewes	Mutton	Wool
Farm	Pasture	Yearling
Fleece	Ram	
Flock	Ranch	

Quickie Questions (answers on page 4)

1. When there are two doors to be handled by the Warder, what door is the last one to be closed?
2. What document must be in the Chapter for the meeting to be legal?
3. Chapters meeting once a month may open how often in short form?
4. Is a Committee of Inquiry appointed for a Reinstatement Petition?
5. Does the Chaplain hold the *Reverent Attitude* when entering or retiring from the Altar?

Riddle for Senior Citizens

Here is the situation:

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed. On your right side is a sharp drop-off.

On your left side is an elephant traveling at the same speed as you. Directly in front of you is a galloping kangaroo and your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the kangaroo. What must you do to get out of this highly dangerous situation? (Answer on page four)

June

- 25 – Orion #45, Calais, 6:30 pm, Father's Day Auction
- 25 – Lake View #179, Jefferson, 7:30 pm, 6:15 pm
ESTARL Supper with program during meeting with
Jerri Holt, PGM

- 26 – Mt. Zircon #142, Mexico, 6 pm Supper, 7 pm, Landmarks and Obligation Night. *What does it mean to you?* The bridge from Peru into Mexico will be closed the week of our meeting.
- 26 – Corner Stone #193, Portland, 7:30 pm, Father's Day, honoring Past Patrons and Master Masons
- 26 – Millwee #198, Orrington, 7:30 pm, Grand Chapter Reports and Redo – *Let's Play Golf!!!*
- 27 – Jefferson #89, Bryant Pond, refreshments 6 pm, meeting 7 pm, Official Visitation, WGM
- 27 – Beacon #202, Damariscotta, 7 pm, Official Visitation, GC
- 28 – Riverside #123, Orland, 7 pm meeting, 6 pm Charity Supper – Honoring Fathers, Grand Chapter Reports
- 29 – Grace #93, Rockland, 7:30 pm, Special for Degrees with supper at 6:30 pm

July

- 3 – Queen Esther #10, Hallowell, 7 pm, *Celebrating Our Nation*
- 4 – Messalunskit #170, New Sharon, 7:30 pm, Rainbow Girls at 7 pm
- 5 – Pythagorean #169, Fryeburg, 7 pm, Honoring Members
- 6 – Naomi #25, Tenants Harbor, 7:30 pm, *Triple Honor Night*
- 6 – Primrose #152, Belfast, 7:30 pm, *4th of July Celebration*, BBQ/Charity Fund at 6:15 pm
- 9 – Marion #63, Gardiner/Litchfield, 7:30 pm, *Honoring Our Country*
- 9 – Molunkus Valley #95, Sherman, 7 pm, Start of County Week with skit, 6 pm pot luck
- 10 – Lakeside #60, Wales, 7 pm, Honoring Ruth
- 10 – Machias #83, Machias, 7 pm, Independence Day
- 10 – Tillikum #99, Ashland, 7 pm, County Week, pot luck supper at 6 pm
- 10 – Elm Vale #105, Harrison, 7:30 pm, refreshments 6:30 pm, program by Janice Fogg
- 11 – Josiah H. Drummond #91 of Thorndike, 7:30 pm, ESTARL Barbeque, *Our Country*
- 11 – Grace #93, Rockland, 7:30 pm, Stated Meeting with 6:30 pm pot luck supper
- 11 – Lunar #126, Presque Isle, 7 pm, County Week Barbeque at 5:45 pm with free will offering to go to ESTARL
- 11 – Harbor View #136, Deer Isle, 7 pm, *4th of July Celebration*, picnic at 6 pm
- 12 – Somerset #80, Stratton, 7:30 pm, 6:30 pm Meat loaf Night, Official Visitation, AGM
- 13 – Rumery #46, Addison 7:30 pm, Honoring Our Masonic Brothers, 6:15 pm chicken BBQ Supper
- 13 – Genesta #73, Bath, 7 pm meeting, 6 pm ESTARL Supper - Honoring Chaplains
- 13 – Abenaki #116, Readfield, 7:30 pm, Brothers and Sisters - Chaplain, Marshal and Organist
- 16 – Arbutus #19, Liberty, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM, ESTARL Supper 6:15 pm

- 16 – Mountain View #197, Buckfield, 7 pm, Official Visitation, GC
- 17 – Golden Sheaf #114, New Gloucester, 7 pm, Official Visitation, GC
- 17 – Almeda #149, Guilford, 7:30 pm, *The Red, White, and Blue*
- 17 – Pondicherry #192, Bridgton, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, WGM
- 18 – Ivy #16, Warren, 7:30 pm, Flag Ceremony, *Double "R" Night*
- 18 – Felicity #195, Orland, 7:30 pm, Honor Past and Present DDGM, 6:15 pm ESTARL Supper
- 19 – Lily of the Valley #157, Weeks Mills, 7:30 pm, *Peacekeepers*, Warder and Sentinel Night with Annual BBQ
- 21 – Millwee #198, Orrington, Reception for the Grand Family (article on page one)
- 23 – Orion #45, Calais, 6:30 pm, *Fun Night*
- 23 – Lake View #179, Jefferson, 7:30 pm, *Independence Day*, strawberry shortcake
- 24 – Millwee #198, Orrington, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM
- 25 – Jefferson #89, Bryant Pond, meeting 7 pm, Bring the Family - Cook Out at 6 pm
- 25 – Beacon #202, Damariscotta, 7 pm, Honor Night
- 26 – Riverside #123, Orland, 7 pm meeting, 6 pm supper – Skit and Snippet Bags to purchase
- 27 – Naomi #25, Tenants Harbor, Annual Dessert Cruise (article on page four)

August

- 1 – Messalunskit #170, New Sharon, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM
- 2 – Pythagorean #169, Fryeburg, 7 pm, Landmarks, Obligation and program
- 3 – Naomi #25, Tenants Harbor, 7:30 pm, *And the answer is....*
- 3 – Genesta #73, Bath, 7 pm, Official Visitation with AGC
- 3 – Primrose #152, Belfast, 7:30 pm, *Summer Fun*, Pot Luck/Shriner's at 6:15 pm
- 6 – Mystic #69, Litchfield, 7 pm, *Do you know how to play Cat's Cradle?*
- 7 – Queen Esther #10, Hallowell, 7 pm, ESTARL Supper at 5:30 pm
- 7 – Sarah Orne Jewett #176, South Berwick, 7:30 pm, *What a perfectly beautiful little Lady!*, Official Visitation, WGM
- 8 – Josiah H. Drummond #91 of Thorndike, 7:30 pm, Honoring Past and Present Warders and Sentinels, Spaghetti Supper to benefit Shriners' Children's Hospital
- 8 – Grace #93, Rockland, 7:30 pm, ESTARL pot luck supper 6:30 pm, Speaker: Sister Jerri A. Holt, PGM
- 8 – Lunar #126, Presque Isle, 7 pm, Pound Auction
- 8 – Harbor View #136, Deer Isle, 7 pm, Official Visitation, WGM, 6 pm supper

- 9 – Martha Washington #15, Waterville, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM
- 9 – Somerset #80, Stratton, 7:30 pm, 6:30 pm *Italian Night*, Bring in School Supplies, Our History - We will explore where Somerset Chapter #80 started
- 10 – Abenaki #116, Readfield, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation, WGM, Daughters - Conductress and Associate Conductress
- 13 – Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project
- 13 – Aldworth #39, Milo, 7:30 pm, Welcome Back-Pack and Honor our Own Night, ESTARL Supper at 6:15 pm
- 13 – Marion #63, Gardiner/Litchfield, 7:30 pm, *Back to School Trivia*, Bring School Supplies
- 14 – Lakeside #60, Wales, 7 pm, Honor Sideliners - ESTARL Supper
- 14 – Machias #83, Machias, 7 pm, Official Visit AGC
- 14 – Tillikum #99, Ashland, 7 pm, Men's Cookout
- 14 – Elm Vale #105, Harrison, 7:30 pm, refreshments 6:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM
- 15 – Ivy #16, Warren, 7:30 pm, ESTARL Supper at 6:15 pm
- 16 – Lily of the Valley #157, 7:30 pm, Weeks Mills Official Visitation, WGM
- 16 – Felicity #195, Orland, 7:30 pm, Star Point Night, 6:15 pm supper
- 18 – Machias #83, Machias, Blueberry Festival
- 20 – Electa #2, Bowdoinham, 7 pm, Star Point Night with pound auction to benefit *Books for Bikes*
- 20 – Arbutus #19, Liberty, 7:30 pm, Past Matrons and Past Patrons Night, ice cream social
- 20 – Mountain View #197, Buckfield, 7 pm, ESTARL Supper, Honor Star Points
- 21 – Golden Sheaf #114, New Gloucester, 7 pm, *It's a Puzzlement!*
- 21 – Almeda #149, Guilford, 7:30 pm, *OES Baseball*, supper 6:15 pm
- 21 – Oppalunskit #125, Phillips, 7:30 pm, Stated Meeting
- 21 – Pondicherry #192, Bridgton, 7:30 pm, Honoring Star Points
- 22 – Jefferson #89, Bryant Pond, refreshments 6 pm, meeting 7 pm, Honor Cancer Patients
- 22 – Beacon #202, Damariscotta, 7 pm, ESTARL Supper at 6 pm, *Star Trivia Night*
- 23 – Riverside #123, Orland, 7 pm meeting, 6 pm Supper – Music Night – come and sing your favorite hymn or song. We will read a few stories about why the author wrote the song – quite interesting!
- 25 – Grand Family, Martha Washington #15, Waterville (article on page one)
- 27 – Orion #45, Calais, 6:30 pm, Official Visitation, AGM
- 27 – Lake View #179, Jefferson, 7:30 pm, Official Visitation with GC

Name That Chapter Answers

1. Abenaki 2. Tuscan 3. Martha Washington 4. Ivy
5. Machias 6. Mountain View, Mt. Zircon 7. Evening Star, Lunar, Orion 8. Primrose, 9. Keystone, Corner Stone

Quickie Answers

1. The one the Sentinel is guarding.
2. The Charter ... Final Installation speech to the Worthy Matron
3. Four short form openings
4. No as it's voted on the same night it is read. (CR & R page 41 Article VII, Section 3 (a))
5. No. In fact no one holds the Reverent Attitude when the feet are moving.

Riddle Answer

Get off the merry-go-round and go home as you've had enough excitement for one day.

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The Ewes Give a Hoot is the newsletter that will be published during the 2018-2019 year and distributed by the Deputies shortly after Grand Families or statewide events about seven times a year. If you'd like items printed in it, email it to corleybyras@gmail.com or send it by snail mail to Sister Corley Anne.

Star News

Please email items to be posted on *Star News* to corleybyras@gmail.com and to receive the *Star News* please send your email address to the same email.

Web Site

The Maine Order of the Eastern Star's web site is: <http://www.maineoes.org> – this is the place to go to when you want information about our Order in Maine. Current Grand Officers, Chapters and addresses for them, various forms, and a listing of the meetings in Maine etc.

Sunset Dessert Cruise

Sunset Dessert Cruise Naomi Chapter #25, St. George, has tickets available for this year's Sunset Dessert Cruise from the Monhegan Boat Line Dock in Port Clyde on Friday, July 27, from 6:15 to 8 p.m. The back up rain date is Saturday, July 28. Tickets are \$15 per person and \$7.50 for children under the age of 12. Tickets can be purchased from Sisters Robin Anderson, Ann Marie Leight or Judy Barstow at meetings, or you can contact Sister Ann Marie at 372-6668 or 542-2657 or amleight@roadrunner.com

**Reserve the dates for *Through the Eyes of a Child* Grand Chapter Session
May 19, 20, 21, 22 at the Augusta Civic Center**