

Ewes Give A Hoot

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Grand Chapter of Maine, Order of the Eastern Star

Flora M. Stack, Worthy Grand Matron

Brett Jervis, Worthy Grand Patron

Final Grand Family in Augusta

Abenaki #116 is hosting the final Grand Family of the *Through the Eyes of a Child* Grand Family on Saturday, May 11 at the Augusta Masonic Lodge, 317 Water Street, Augusta.

Registration commences at 9 a.m. with a light brunch available, rehearsal at 10 a.m. and lunch at 11:30 a.m. The meeting commences at 1 p.m.

The menu for lunch is make your own sandwich, salads, and a variety of sweets. The price is \$14 with the lunch deadline of April 30 or when 100 reservations have been received. Checks made out to Abenaki Chapter #116 should be sent to Kelley Hooper, 52 Rte 41, Winthrop, ME 04364.

Schools of Instruction

Two schools of instructions are being planned for the *Cup of Kindness* Grand Chapter year. Each school will begin with registration at 9 a.m. and the instruction to begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. with no morning refreshments. Remember to bring your 2019 dues card for the registration. All members are encouraged to attend one of these schools.

Saturday, June 1 at the Auburn Masonic Hall, 1021 Turner Street, Auburn with \$10 reservations going to and made out to Betty Perkins, 208 Broad Street, Auburn, ME 04210 and received by May 25.

Saturday, June 15 at the Millwee Masonic Hall, 730 River Road, Orrington with the \$12 reservations going to Wilda Naugler, Secretary, 9 Cross Street, Brewer, ME 04412 and being made payable to Millwee #198, OES and received by June 8.

127th Grand Chapter Session

The *Through the Eyes of a Child* Grand Chapter Session will be held at the Augusta Civic Center, 76 Community Drive in Augusta, May 20, 21, and 22. The Grand Chapter Website has all the forms for the Session under *Forms and Booklets* or your chapter secretary has the information. When picking up your preregistration or registering, make certain you have your signed dues card.

Special activities you won't want to miss are the commercial vendors as well as the Maine sponsored Gown and Tuxedo Sale, Used Jewelry Sale, the Craft Table, and the Charity Baskets. (Bring your small preprinted address labels for this!) The Hospitality Room that is sponsored by the GROMMETS is located in the Best Western Hotel on the first floor beyond the ice machine.

ESTARL Vesper Service

Grand Chapter actually commences on Sunday, May 19 at 4 p.m. when members and guests gather at the Green Street United Methodist Church, 13 Green Street in Augusta. ESTARL recipient Brother Forrest Genthner will be delivering the message.

First Grand Family in Presque Isle

Lunar #126, Presque Isle will be hosting the first *Cup of Kindness* Grand Family on Saturday, June 22 at the Masonic Hall at 230 State Street, Presque Isle. Rehearsal is at 10:30 a.m. and luncheon at 11:45 a.m.

The Grand Family commences at 1 p.m. Luncheon will consist of assorted salads, rolled ham and turkey, rolls, and dessert. Reservations are due by June 13 and the \$12 checks are to be made payable to Lunar Chapter #126 and mailed to Phyllis Taylor, PO Box 174, Westfield, ME 04787.

Precious Moments

Along life's journey, many precious moments happen in our daily travels, and sometimes we may not even recognize them or appreciate them as a quiet gift from our Heavenly Father.

Sister Adah:

This is a very precious moment in your life. You are seeing clearly that in life, promises need to be kept, our word needs to be honored and integrity will be your banner as you teach that virtue by your own example.

Sister Ruth:

Your precious moment was your decision to accompany and protect Naomi on that long journey from Moab to Bethlehem. From your station, you will teach by your own constant example of unselfish protection for all those who need your loving care and concern, even in times of tiresome work.

Sister Esther:

Your precious moment comes as you courageously show your loving concern for your own people who so needed your brave intervention with the King. Your firm loyalty will be a fine example to others.

Sister Martha:

Your precious moment presented itself as you knelt before Jesus imploring Him to save your brother. You have a clearer understanding of what true faith really is and how it is to be ... and exemplified in our work through life.

Sister Electa:

Your precious moment came with your refusal to deny your love for all those strong principles in life that you hold dear. As you day by day teach true loving kindness to everyone you meet, you are sharing your message by loving it.

My Star Point Sisters:

You will experience many precious moments in your own lives every day in this year of service. Appreciate them all!

Obligation Words

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 H G M E M B E R S H W I J A

Advice	Evil	Reputation
Aid	Give	Reveal
Binding	Jurisdiction	Sincerely
Bylaws	Members	Solemnly
Cease	Misfortunes	Star
Cherish	Never	Sympathy
Constitution	Order	Troubles
Defend	Power	Unlawfully
Discreet	Presence	Will

Quickie Questions (answers on page four)

- In the Order of the Eastern Star, which word below is correctly spelled?
A. Marshal B. Marshall
- Referring to the Officer who prays for the Order, which word is spelled correctly?
A. Chaplain B. Chaplin
- Who selects the prompter for the Ceremony of Installation?
- In the Chapter's program which word is correct to go with Landmarks and ____
A. Obligations B. Obligation
- Is it a correct courtesy to ask the DDGM to serve on the Installation of Officers Installing Suite?
A. Yes B. No.

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(Solution on Page Four)
 Z U X O N G L U N G Z D J R G Q,
 M X D Z U X O N G ' D L U P
 C P E Z D J R G Q

April

- 23 – Mt. Zircon #142, Mexico, 7 pm, Welcome, *What is Friendship Challenge?*
- 23 – Corner Stone #193, Portland, 7:30 pm, Honoring DDGM's
- 23 – Millwee #198, Orrington 7:30 pm, Balloons for fun
- 24 – Jefferson #89, Bryant Pond 7 pm, stated meeting with Installation of Officers, supper at 6 pm
- 24 – Beacon #202, Damariscotta, 7 pm, Honor Night
- 25 – Riverside #123, Orland, 7 pm, Installation following stated meeting, supper 6 pm

May

- 1 – Messalunskit #170, New Sharon, 7:30 pm, Honor Mothers and Life Membership Presentations
- 2 – Keystone #78, Solon, 7:30 pm, Guest Officers, Basket Auction
- 2 – Pythagorean #169, Fryeburg, 7 pm, Honoring Secretaries and Treasurers
- 3 – Ruth #14, Springvale, 7:30 pm, Honoring Mothers
- 3 – Naomi #25, Tenants Harbor, 7:30 pm, Coastal Recovery, Basket Raffle
- 3 – Genesta #73, Bath, 7 pm, Honoring Past Matrons and Past Patrons, pot luck dinner at 6 pm
- 3 – Irene #97, Ellsworth, 7:30 pm, "Mamma Mia" — Mother's Day
- 6 – Arbutus #19, Liberty, 7:30 pm, Memorial/Mother of the Year, Basket auction (Paws Humane Society)
- 6 – Mystic #69, Litchfield, 7 pm, History Gems of Litchfield by Rayna Leibowitz, PM
- 6 – Mountain View #197, Buckfield, 7 pm, Honor District Deputies, pot luck supper at 6 pm
- 6 – Fireside #103, Clinton, 7:30 pm, Mother's Day Program
- 7 – Queen Esther #10, Hallowell, 7 pm, Secretaries and Treasurers Night
- 7 – Deering #59, Portland, 7:30 pm, Guest Officer Night - Degrees
- 7 – Tuscan #148, Bangor, 7:30 pm, Memorial Day

- 7 – Sarah Orne Jewett #176, South Berwick, 7 pm, *Singing in the Rain* "Good Morning"
- 8 – Minerva #74, Madison, 7 pm, Honor Night for Grand Representatives and Mothers
- 8 – Grace #93, Rockland, 7:30 pm, Honor Matrons and Patrons, past and present, ESTARL supper 6:15 pm
- 9 – Pine Cone #26, Auburn, 7 pm, Mother's Day
- 9 – Martha Washington #15, Waterville, 7:30 pm, *Love One Another* and Mother's Day, Honoring Electa and Mothers
- 9 – Somerset #80 Stratton, 7:30 pm, Stated meeting with Installation of Officers
- 9 – Annette #184 Saco, 7:30 pm, Honoring Mothers – International Headquarters, pot luck supper at 6:30 pm. All are welcome
- 10 – Rumery #46, Addison, 7:30 pm, Memorial Program
- 13 – Electa #2, Bowdoinham 7 pm, Mother's Day celebration, *Random Act of Kindness Challenge*: 4th is International Firefighters' Day. Bring in goodies for the Bowdoin and Bowdoinham Fire Departments to enjoy.
- 13 – Marion #63, Gardiner meeting in Litchfield, 7:30 pm, Honoring Mothers
- 14 – Lakeside #60, Wales, 7 pm, Mother's Day Honoring Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, past and present
- 14 – Corner Stone #193, Portland, 7:30 pm, Mother's Day and BINGO
- 15 – Felicity #195, Bucksport meeting in Orland, 7:30 pm, Honoring Veterans, 6:15 pm pot luck supper
- 16 – Pioneer #11, Lisbon Falls, 7 pm, Landmarks and Obligation night
- 16 – Bethlehem #36, Pittsfield, 7 pm, Honoring Parents
- 16 – Lily of the Valley #157, Weeks Mills, 7:30 pm, Honor Our Parents
- 22 – Ivy #16, Warren, 7:30 pm, Mother's Night
- 23 – Riverside #123, Orland, 7 pm, Honoring Mothers, 6 pm supper
- 27 – Arbutus #19, Liberty, Memorial Day Dinner
- 28 – Mt. Zircon #142, Mexico, 7 pm, Landmarks and Obligation, Honor Warders and Sentinels
- 28 – Lake View #179, Jefferson (4th Tuesday),

- 7:30 pm, Landmarks and Obligation
 28 – Corner Stone #193, Portland, 7:30 pm,
 Memorial Day
 28 – Millwee #198, Orrington 7:30 pm,
 Grand Chapter Reports and In Memorial
 29 – Beacon #202, Damariscotta, 7 pm,
 honor scholarship students, observing
 Memorial Day, 6 pm pot luck supper

Quickie Answers

1. A. Marshal (The Ritual only has one L)
2. A. Chaplain (Again check the Ritual)
3. Tradition has the Installing Officer selecting the prompter.
4. B. Obligation We do have two obligations but only one of them is linked to the Landmarks. We do not use the Installation obligation when we review the Landmarks.
5. Yes, an incoming Worthy Matron should strongly consider using the Deputy as part of her Installation Suite.

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You can do anything, but you can't do everything.

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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.

Ceremony for Dual Members or Affiliated Members

Worthy Matron:

My Sister and my Brother when you joined Eastern Star, you traversed the Chapter room again and again, hearing the stories of our Star heroines. Through the years you have heard their stories many times. However, tonight our own Star Points would like to give you their messages. Sister Conductresses, you will escort these new members to the five points of our star.

Adah:

When you joined our Order, Adah's message to you was one of fidelity. My message to you is that we will keep our obligation and will be faithful to you as a new member of our chapter.
 (presents blue flower)

Ruth:

My story is one of the most beautiful ever written. We as a chapter will strive to be steadfast, constant and true to you as you join us here in our chapter.
 (presents yellow flower)

Esther:

My story is of a queen who chose to be loyal to her people. We will strive to be loyal to you as a member of our family, as we continue to be loyal to our country and our God.
 (presents white flower)

Martha:

Faith is the message I give you. Our faith is real and it is our hope that you will continue to keep the faith with us as our newest members.
 (present green fern)

Electa:

I am known for my generous hospitality and loving kindness. May you, along with all of our members of this chapter continue to strive to attain these virtues.
 (presents red rose)

Worthy Matron:

Will you please escort our new members to the secretary's desk to sign the by-laws and then return them to the East facing West?

Grand Chapter Session - Through the Eyes of a Child

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