

QUEEN'S QUARTERLY

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF QUEEN BEATRICE GRAND CHAPTER
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR - STATE OF ILLINOIS

"As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming when no one can work."

- John 9:4 NIV

Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter finished another year strong. Thank you for being consistent. Thank you for being there and standing in the gap for multiple communities, the organization and your sisters and brothers. The work of your heart has allowed you to show up in ways that are unimaginable and is evident in your work. This year, just as in years past, Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter demonstrated commitment and dedication. Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter, your minds have not been idle, and you have been busy, heart, mind, body, and soul. The theme for this year was "Just like the brightest star we will rise each day taking opportunity to be better." Mission accomplished. Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter is filled with people who try and try again. We are not perfect people, but we are persistent people with a clear purpose in our hearts.

I encourage you all to take a moment to reflect on 2024 for all that it brought. Reflect on the highs and the lows of life. Reflect on the blessings received, the prayers answered and the things unexpected. Reflect on the things accomplished and those things in process. Reflect on areas of growth and areas of opportunity. As we continue to get through each moment, each day, each month, and each year may 2024 be a testament of our resilience and our commitment to our clear purpose, a purpose placed in our hearts by God.

Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter, 2024, Job Well Done!

In Sisterly Love,
Sister Lolita Godbold
Grand Worthy Matron
State of Illinois



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CORRECTION:



In the Fall Issue of the Queen's Quarterly, the picture of elected Supreme Worthy Patron Bro. Bryan Turner was accidentally omitted. We sincerely apologize for the oversight. Congratulations on winning your election and we wish you the best of luck while serving your term!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Administrative Council is held on every 2nd Saturday of each month, except August and October; Time: 11am Location: Temple

OES Grand School of Instruction is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month, except August and October; Time: 1:00 p.m. Location: Temple

December:

- **12/6 - 12/8:** Annual Grand Session: Marriott Chicago O'Hare
 - Friday, December 6, 2024
 - Feed My Starving Children - 740 Wiley Farm Court, Schaumburg, Illinois @ 2pm
 - 4th Quarter Grand Chapter Meeting @ 6pm (regalia required)
 - Fellowship immediately after the Grand Chapter meeting (hosted by the Joint Ways and Means Committee)
 - Saturday, December 7, 2024
 - 4th Quarter Grand Chapter Meeting @ 9am (regalia required)
 - Annual Grand Session Banquet @ 7pm (formal attire)
 - Fellowship immediately after the Grand Chapter meeting (hosted by the Joint Ways and Means Committee)
 - Sunday, December 8, 2024
 - Prayer Breakfast @ 9am
- **12/27:** Official Changing of the Guard

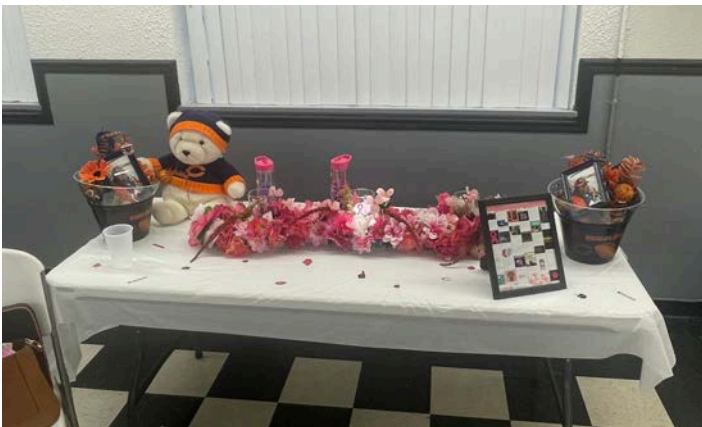
CHAPTER OF SORROW

On Saturday, November 11, 2024, Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter held it's annual Chapter of Sorrow ceremony. Grand Matron Sis. Lolita Godbold decided to hold it earlier so that sisters that have passed away can be fully recognized without rushing to get to the next event during a very busy Grand Session. This year, we paid tribute to two sisters: Past Grand Worthy Matron Sis. Lovie Threadgill of Poole Chapter #18 and Sis. Nichole Collins of Hannah Chapter #10. Tables were decorated in Sis. Threadgill and Sis. Collins' memory along with sisters from their respective chapters sharing fond memories. Missing these sisters and celebrating their lives was truly a bittersweet experience. Although these sisters aren't here with us physically, we will cherish their memories forever.



Sis Nichole Collins

Sis. Nichole Collins was a member of Hannah Chapter #10. Her members expressed a deep sisterly bond with her and shared a few stories that showed her sense of humor and brave spirit. Sis. Collins was an avid Chicago Bears fan and that passion was reflected in her table design. She will be missed by her family, friends and her chapter.



Sis. Lovie Threadgill, PWM

Sis. Lovie Threadgill was a Past Worthy Matron of Poole Chapter #18. She also served as a Grand Worthy Matron of Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter from 1999-2002. She aimed to build a stronger and more knowledgeable Grand Chapter and activated our youth group, The Sunbeams. Her members shared her love for sisterhood, knowledge, and hospitality, along with carrying hard candy with her at all times! She will truly be missed.



THE MYSTERY WOMAN

by Chuck Missler, *Koinonia House*

The Second Epistle of John is among the most neglected books of the New Testament. It, like his third epistle, is simply a short personal letter from the Apostle. There is little doubt that the Apostle John was the author, but there are a number of conjectures as to whom it was written: someone called "the Elect Lady."

The Recipient

The letter is addressed *eklekte kuria*, "the Elect Lady," and her children. *Kuria* is a feminine proper name; but *eklekte* is a strange construction, never assigned to any other individual in the New Testament as a single predicate. There are two prevailing views among the abundance of expositors:

(1) To the Church at large

Most commentators regard this as simply an idiom for the Church in a collective sense. And yet, the Church is never pictured as having children. In fact, the Church is always presented as a virgin and as a bride. The view of *kuria* taken as a symbolic description of the Christian Church has been the dominant view as early as Jerome. The view of believers as "children of the church" may have been comfortable for Jerome, et al., for ecclesiastical reasons, but it flies in the face of Scriptural usage: we are "children of God," not "children of the church." It is also significant that this word does not appear elsewhere with this signification. The further allusion to the recipient's sister and her children (v.13) would also seem fatal to this view but for the preponderance of the expositional history which has attended this epistle.

(2) To a prominent individual within the church

A straightforward reading of the letter would seem to indicate that the letter is addressed to some prominent member of the local church, and this has also been a common alternative interpretation. The writer knows her sister and her sister's children. This view would make this the only book in the Bible specifically addressed to a woman.

A Provocative Conjecture

Who would be the most "Elect Lady" in the entire Bible? To me, the most likely *prima facie* suggestion (which, however, is not even discussed among most commentators) would be that the recipient of this intimate letter is the most "elect" of all women, the very one that Jesus Himself entrusted to John's personal care: Mary, the mother of Jesus!

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In fact, it is surprising that Jesus didn't consign her to one of her other four sons. Jesus was raised among a family of at least seven: five brothers and two sisters. James and Jude became believers after the resurrection and, in fact, each wrote the books in the New Testament that bear their names. Jesus appeared to James after His resurrection. If our surmise is correct - and it is only a surmise - the others probably also became believers. And Mary did have a sister as alluded to in v.13. We know so little of her subsequent history from the Scriptures; there are only minimal allusions in the Book of Acts. She apparently remained in the care of John in his retirement in Ephesus.

Obviously, most of what is commonly published by the Roman Catholic Church has been contrived to promote a number of doctrinal heresies. Most Biblical believers, from their revulsion to the tragic and heretical deification of Mary, tend to disregard her altogether and ignore her situation and predicament. We cannot miss the ostensibly dismissive allusion at her prompting during the wedding at Cana.

"The Truth"

The "Elect Lady" is loved "by all they that have known the Truth"(v.1). Who else would be loved by all other believers? To whom else could this refer? This, too, seems to point to far more than simply a prominent personage within their local church!

Clearly, the prominence of "truth," in concert with "love," is the keynote of this letter. John uses the word "Truth" five times in the first four verses. He uses the word "love" four times. However, in this letter, we learn that Truth "dwells in us and shall be with us forever" (v. 2).



"The Truth" may be intended as a more personal title. Even Pilate's cynical question still echoes in our ears, "What is Truth?" For believers, Jesus' declaration is conclusive and comprehensive: "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." It would seem that John is using, here, Truth as a title of Jesus Christ, just as he so often uses the Logos, the Word. (The recipient of John's letter also was not a latecomer: she was there "from the beginning.") If our suspicion is correct, it would place a unique complexion on the entire letter, and it would also yield a number of other significant insights.

We should not presume that any of us is beyond the need for encouragement or exhortation. Why would Mary - a blessed but human believer - be any exception? Especially during a time when widespread attacks on the deity of Jesus Christ was the topic of the day! Mary was subject to the same frailties as we are: pride, doubts, and a need of frequent encouragement, counsel, and, perhaps, exhortation. A tendency toward pride could certainly have been her most serious challenge: the most blessed of all women who had ever walked the earth! And yet, having to live with the clouds of legitimacy, and other doctrinal issues, over her firstborn. Read through the Second Epistle of John from Mary's perspective, and see what the Spirit confirms to you.

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Dating the Letter

On Paul's return from his third missionary journey, he met with the Ephesian elders at Miletus (some 30 miles south of Ephesus) and delivered to them that touching farewell address in which he warned them of the forthcoming false teachers. It was this subsequent rise of these false doctrines which is the focus of all three of John's later epistles.

It would seem that II John was written to this very community, but at an earlier date than I John (since the false teachers, the "Gnostics," evidently still had access to the church in II John, but had seceded from it in I John). This conjecture concerning the identity of "the Elect Lady" would also imply that II John was written earlier than A.D. 85, since Mary would have been about a century old by then.

By the time that John is subsequently in exile on the isle of Patmos, Ephesus was prominent as the first of the seven churches in Revelation for which Jesus includes a report card. The church at Ephesus, by then, had apparently exercised effective diligence regarding false doctrine, but had "left their first love." The apostle John, according to tradition, spent his final years in Ephesus, where he died and was buried.

The Key Lesson

In any case, John's letters focus on our walking in love, in truth, and in the intimate knowledge of God. They deal with, in a sense, a challenge similar to the indictment by the Prophet Hosea:

"Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land." -Hosea 4:1

The issue in all three letters is that love and truth must be practiced, or "walked." "To walk in the truth" means to obey it. It is easier to study the truth, or even argue about the truth, than it is to obey it. Knowing the truth is more than giving assent to a series of doctrines; it means that the believer's life is controlled by a love for the truth and a desire to magnify the truth.



Electa



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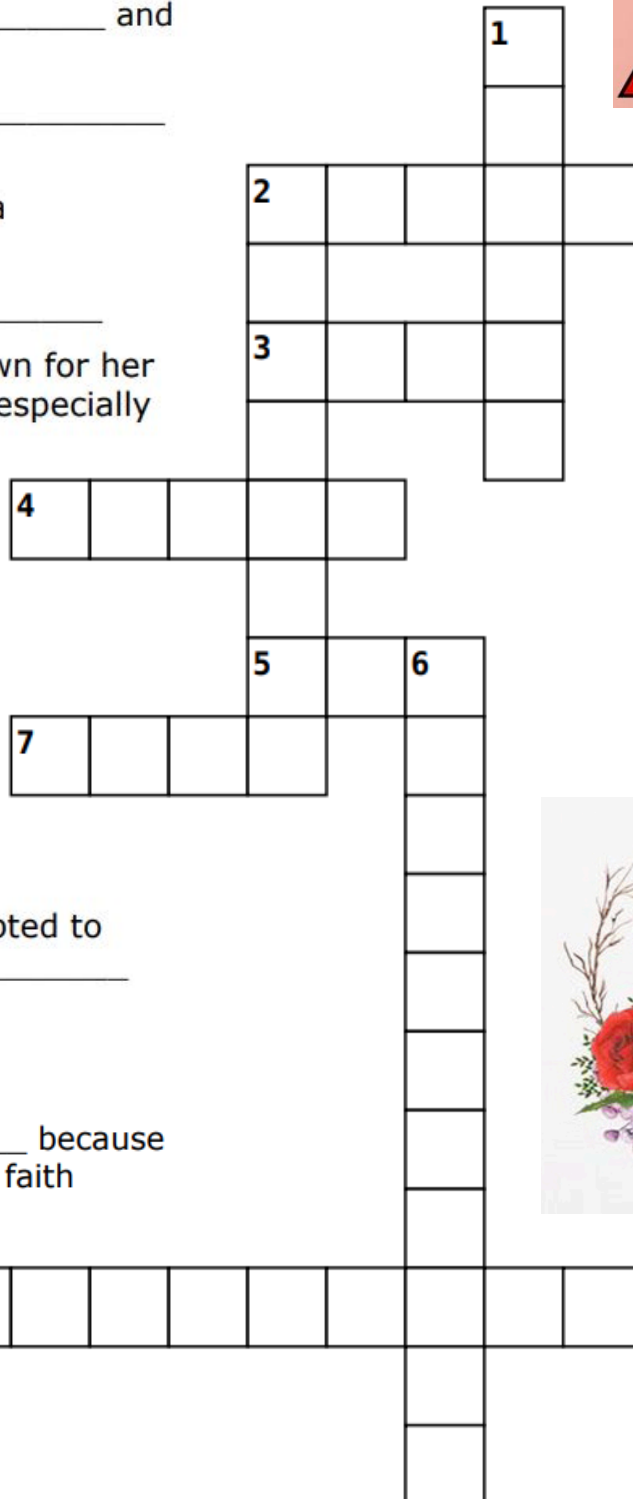


Electa



Across

2. Electa represents the _____ and final point of the star
3. Electa's flower is a red _____
4. Where did Electa live?
5. The emblem of Electa is a _____ or chalice
7. Electa's jewel is the _____
8. in Judea, Electa was known for her _____ to everyone, especially the poor



Down

1. "Electa" is the name adopted to represent the devout _____
2. the color red symbolizes _____
6. Electa faced _____ because she refused to denounce her faith



SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Mary Lathan

What chapter are you a part of?

Elizabeth Chapter #8

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

24 years

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Past Worthy Grand Matron

What is your favorite OES memory?

My favorite OES memory was the celebration of Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter's 50th anniversary. The evening was beautiful as we donned our off-white and gold attire. We celebrated members past and present. The evening was filled with sisterly love! The evening was a testament to what it means to belong to an organization that's dedicated to Love, Faith, and Charity!! I'm looking forward to many celebrations with the members of Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter! The original Bee Hive!!



SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Cassandra James-Jackson



What chapter are you a part of?

Imani Chapter #11

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

22 years

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Past Worthy Matron

What is your favorite OES memory?

My first Grand Session

SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Helena Boyd

What chapter are you a part of?

Dora Chapter #14

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

25+ years

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Past Worthy Matron

What is your favorite OES memory?

Every time I spend time with my Sisters it's always a new favorite memory.



SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Verjeannie Harvey

What chapter are you a part of?

Imani Chapter #11

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

10 months

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Auditing Committee

What is your favorite OES memory?

The Go Red event showed how everyone came out to show love and support to one another.



SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Ashon Harrison

What chapter are you a part of?

Electa Chapter #20

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

16 years

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Past Worthy Past Worthy Matron of Electa Chapter #20, Grand Conductress, Grand Lecture, and Chief Counselor of Naomi Council #1 of Lady Knights

What is your favorite OES memory?

Being named Star of the Year in 2023 is one of my favorite OES memories. And it is one I am most proud of.



SISTER SPOTLIGHT

Sis. Candice Peoples



What chapter are you a part of?

Imani Chapter #11

How long have you been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star?

13 years

What offices/positions have you held as a member?

Secretary, Conductress, Associate Conductress, and Worthy Matron

What is your favorite OES memory?

There are so many, however two stick out the most, the sisterhood vision board event where we as sisters had a chance to grow deeper bonds and discover we are more aligned than we think. Also, a charitable experience where we gave back with something from the heart and soul with sharing with The Sandwich Ministry. A mother was so grateful that she asked for prayers and a circle was formed around her and we prayed over her and her family.

LIYA CHAPTER #2

"I can do all things through Christ who STRENGTHENS ME."

- Philippians 4:13

Liya Chapter #2 served purses filled with goodies and surprises to the seniors calling it "Sister Got a Brand New Bag." We also participated in breast cancer walks. We had an awesome Cancer event featuring one of our own sisters Tangie Averett Crittenden. We had a great time at the block party School of Instruction.

Lastly, we fed a homemade meal to a seniors facility and provided a raffle where seniors are allowed to receive a full turkey and all of the trimmings. We concluded with a "Sistersgiving" where we had sandwiches, salad, lattes, and lots of love. We ask that God continue to bless us and give additional knowledge and more wisdom so that we can benefit others in the years coming ahead. To God be the glory.

Sincerely,
Worthy Matron Smith-Lee



TRINITY CHAPTER #3

Trinity Chapter #3 participated in the following activities during the 4th Quarter:

- Chapter Retreat
- Pretty N' Pink @ the Rink
- Pacific Garden Mission

Our Pillar of Sisterhood award winners are:

- Sis. Mercedes Byrd
- Sis. Jeannine Carter
- Sis. Kimberly Jones



KAREN CHAPTER #4

Karen Chapter #4 had a busy 4th Quarter:

- We went pink for October in support of breast cancer month.
- Sis. Jamara Rogers received her Amaranth Degree.
- We did the Ronald McDonald House for Charity
- Chapter members traveled to St. Louis
- We had a Prayer Board Party.

Here are the ensuing officers for the 2025 year:

- Sis. Amanda Pates: Matron
- Sis. Nicole Brown: Associate Matron
- Sis. Priscilla Lee: Secretary
- Sis. Ebony Grisby-Terry: Treasurer
- Sis. Java Rogers: Conductress
- Sis. Eva Sturgies: Associate Conductress
- Sis. Tracey Price: Trustee



MORNING STAR CHAPTER #5

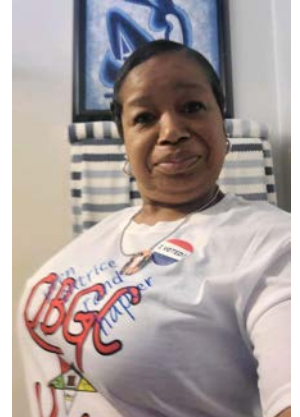
Morning Star Chapter #5 finished the year by serving our seniors and those in need. In November, there was a successful night of Senior Bingo at Montclare Senior Home. We also served the men at the Ewing Hotel Annex on Thanksgiving. Morning Star Chapter #5 has served over 50 hours and spent approximately \$1700.00 to serve our community.



ESTHER CHAPTER #7

Esther Chapter #7 finished the year strong! Activities included:

- Feed My Starving Children Charity
- Ties and Toiletries Men's Shelter Giveaway
- Mt. Calvary Lodge # 2 Party
- St. James Grand Lodge Anniversary
- Chapter of Sorrow Ceremony
- School of Instruction & End-of-the-Year Block Party
- Surprise birthday celebration for Sis. Celeste McCarty at Labas
- Esther Chapter #7 at the polls
- Cooper's Hawk outing
- Turning The Black Cat Pink Sisterhood outing



ELIZABETH CHAPTER #8



RUTH CHAPTER #9



HANNAH CHAPTER #10: PG 1

WORTHY MATRON - SISTER RHONDA GLOVER
ASSOCIATE MATRON - SISTER DEIDRA MCCRAY
WORTHY PATRON - BROTHER KELVIN MCGAHEE

Salutations, Queens!

Hannah #10 has made a commitment to volunteer once a month. This year we delivered essential items, hosted a senior luncheon, participated in the Chicago Lupus Walk, and so much more!

In April, Hannah #10 delivered water and healthy snacks to Ronald McDonald House in Oak Lawn, helping the organization to keep providing resources to the families of pediatric patients. Hannah #10 also attended the Family and Friends Picnic.

Hannah continues to remain active both in our Chapter and in our personal lives. Which includes new jobs, promotions, and entrepreneurial endeavors.

Hannah #10 has kept up their charity activities in the community. Hannah #10 raised money and participated in our annual lupus walk in September to celebrate our sister, Sis. Smith. Our chapter set up a table for walkers to stop for water or whatever else they might require.

Several Hannah members traveled to Tampa, Florida this year for the 102nd Biennial Supreme Session. Our ladies had a great time, learned a lot, and represented Hannah well!



HANNAH CHAPTER #10 - PG 2

This year Hannah #10 sponsored Brandon Wallace for the MWSJ/QBCC Trunk Party, and we were able to provide him with the items on his wish list. Congratulations on beginning this new chapter at Northeastern!

In effort to fellowship with one another, our chapter went on our first retreat. We had a great time, enjoyed our bonding time, and learned a lot of new things about one another.

Our chapter continues to thrive and will continue our dedication to service. October we dropped off household items to Vital Bridges and November we returned to the Brainerd Senior Center to provide a Seniors Bingo Luncheon to our seniors we love so much.

Hannah #10 has been adopting a family in December for Christmas for a number of years, and we will continue that tradition this year.

"One Don't Fall Without the Other" is our motto. Therefore, we catch them before they can fall."



IMANI CHAPTER #11

"Faith makes things possible, not easy!"

Imani Chapter #11 finished the year in great fashion! We hosted our final event for the year, *Unarmed, Still Dangerous* with Sensei Steven Smith of Unlimited Martial Arts Academy in Lansing, Illinois. We had a large crowd of people ready to learn self-defense techniques. Our event was also featured on ABC7 Chicago with news anchor Samantha Chatman.

We also held our annual paint & sip. Additionally, we won awards at the End-of-Year School of Instruction for increased chapter participation, attendance, and contributions for this year. We also made a donation of over 500 books to the Sandwich Ministry and Thornridge High School. We look forward to what the new year will bring with new leadership. Our officers for the ensuing year of 2025 are:

- Worthy Matron - Sis. Jeanna Brown
- Associate Matron - Sis. Latonya Miles
- Secretary - Sis. Verjeannie Harvey
- Treasurer - Sis. Nicole Coleman, PWM
- Conductress - Sis. Tasha Staples
- Associate Conductress - Sis. Gennifer Branch

We look forward to having an awesome year in 2025!



DORA CHAPTER #14



POOLE CHAPTER #18

Poole Chapter #18 is finishing the year with charity! They are having a Coat Drive on December 13th. They will also Repack the book bags with school supplies on December 13th. All items can be dropped off at St. James Grand Lodge. Contact WM Jones at 773-750-3802 or any member of Poole Chapter #18. Poole Chapter #18 celebrated its anniversary at PassionEats Soul Food Restaurant on November 23rd.

The incoming elected officers for 2025 are:

- Worthy Matron Sis. Mary Ann Harris Patterson
- Associate Matron Sis. Linda Shells
- Secretary Sis. Katherine Hall
- Treasurer Sis. Barbara Harvey
- Conductress Sis. Donna Coppage



Sis. Shells and Sis. Hall at Jesse Brown Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center



Poole Chapter #18 at the Chapter of Sorrow Ceremony honoring Sis. Lovie Threadgill, PGWM



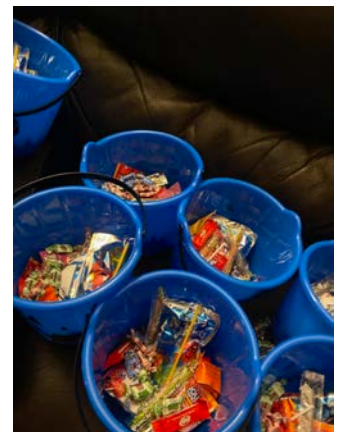
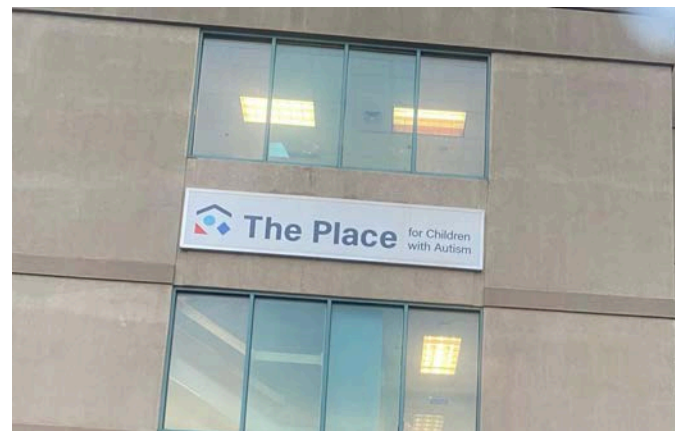
Poole Chapter #18 serving Turkey Chili to Food Pantry ESCHURCH Volunteers

HADASSAH CHAPTER #19



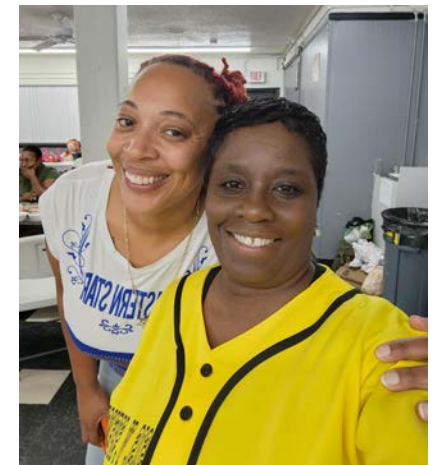
ELECTA CHAPTER #20

This quarter, Electa Chapter #20 made Halloween donations to the Place for Children with Autism. They also held a baby shower for Worthy Matron Sis. Latasha Williams. Welcome Baby London!



SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

We had an AMAZING year of learning! The School of Instruction Committee would like to thank you for dedication and commitment to increasing your knowledge in the Order. We hope that you had as much fun and learned as much as we did. Can't wait to see you all in 2025!



EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Education & Scholarship Committee would like to extend a sincere "THANK YOU" to the Grand Body for their support and encouragement this year. Because of this support, we awarded \$9,000 to deserving young men and women in college! This year our fundraising efforts included basket raffles, All the Queen's Men Auction for Charity, The 'Apple Scholars' donated \$3,250 from NBA Squares, our annual Halloween skate party, and a shoe drive. Allstate Insurance Company also donated \$1,000 to the committee for scholarships.

The recipient of the Fred Daniels Scholarship exemplifies excellence in academics and community service. We are proud to announce that the recipient of the Fred Daniels Scholarship will receive \$2000 towards their higher education expenses as she has maintained at least a 3.0 G.P.A. after her freshman year in college. The Fred Daniels Scholarship recipient for the second year (2024) is Jayla Smith (3.69 GPA).

Additionally, we also awarded 4 Scholarships (\$1000 each) to the following scholars:

- Margaret Padilla (3.03 GPA)
- Marques Whiteurst (3.5 GPA)
- Mark Rodriguez (3.03 GPA)
- Saliyah As-Salaam (3.43 GPA)

In addition to supporting students across the state of Illinois, we were also fortunate enough to support the families of our members by awarding academic grants. The following scholars received a \$1,000 grant:

- Reginald Bell (3.6 GPA)
- Philip Johnson Jr. (3.30 GPA)
- Aliyah DeShazer (4.0 GPA)



FRED DANIELS
SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENT
JAYLA SMITH



SCHOLARSHIP
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SALIYAH AS-SALAAM



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MARQUES WHITEURST



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MARGARET PADILLA



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JOINT CHARITY COMMITTEE

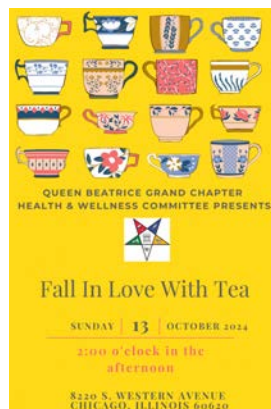
During the 4th quarter, we hosted a Halloween Party on October 26, 2024. The Joint Charity Committee also volunteered at the Olive Branch Mission. 30 families were blessed with Thanksgiving meals. On Friday, December 6, 2024, the committee and Sisters and Brothers from different jurisdictions will participate with Feed My Starving Children, an organization that hand-packs meals, which are sent to FMSC food partners around the world. Charity is what we DO!



HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

The Health & Wellness Committee hosted the following events during the 4th Quarter:

- September 25, 2024 - Men's Health & The Importance of Caregiving
- October 13, 2024 - Fall in Love with Tea, which was hosted at the lodge.
- November 11, 2024 - Planning for Peace - Estate Planning and Navigating Grief.



GRAND WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." ~ 2nd Corinthians 5:7

The Ways and Means Committee continues to step beyond the familiar, encouraging one another through challenges and trusting in faith to achieve.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our members, families, and friends for their unwavering support of our 2024 fundraisers and events, which aids in making our December Grand Session a success. Wishing you abundant blessings and joyous holidays!

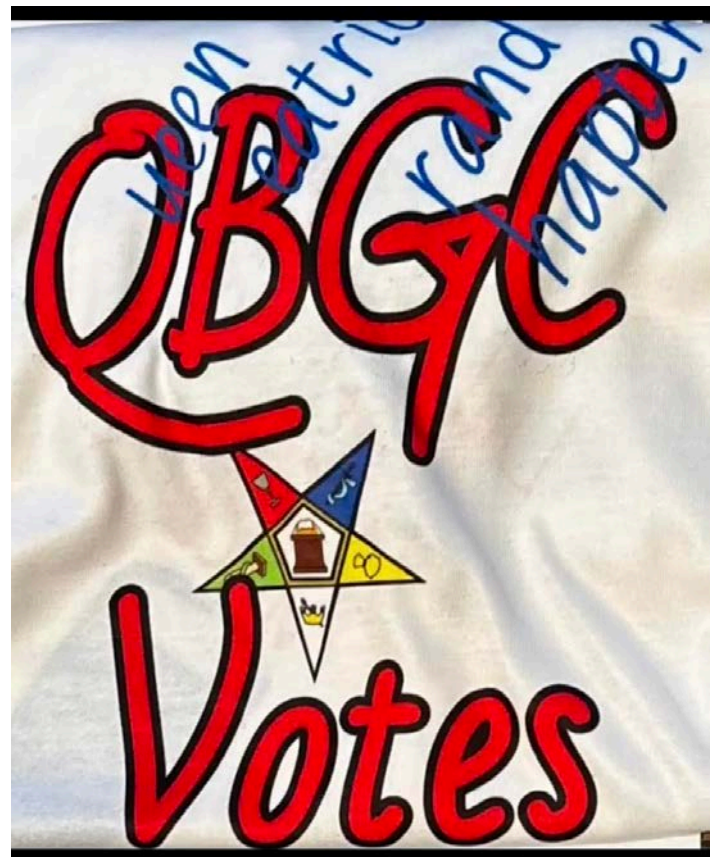


SOCIAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

The first year of the Social Awareness Committee has been working to bring awareness to the needs of our community. Per our Grand Worthy Matron, our main focus was to bring awareness to the 2024 Election. We answered the call by doing the following:

- created infographics detailing Project 2025 to increase awareness and voting tips to educate voters.
- collaborated with the Grand Charity Committee to host a Debate Watch Party on September 10, 2024.
- hosted a Voting Informational online via Zoom on October 14, 2024. Sis. Ashley Williams provided valuable information.

Sisters also purchased Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter voting t-shirts from Sis. DeSheila Smith, a sister from the state of Mississippi, to show support when we went to the polls. Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter should be proud of becoming more informed AND active throughout this election year.



Queen Beatrice Grand Chapter
Order of the Eastern Star



In the same way,
LET YOUR LIGHT
SHINE
BEFORE OTHERS

THAT THEY MAY SEE
YOUR GOOD DEEDS
and glorify
YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.
Matthew 5:16