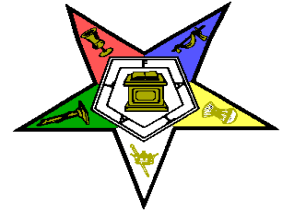




**Hay Market Happenings**  
**Hay Market Chapter No. 123,**  
**Order of the Eastern Star**  
**Haymarket, VA**  
**Spring 2017**



Welcome, the year is off to a great start! Hay Market Chapter #123 had a beautiful open Installation of Officers with a theme of Love and a focus on community. We started this term with many friends and visitors in attendance, including several members of Hay Market Lodge #313 and many OES brothers and sisters. As our chapter grows this year, we welcome our OES brothers and sisters to all meetings and activities and all friends and neighbors to our social events, including pot luck dinners before our stated meetings.

***Installation of 2017 – 2018 Officers***

<i>Worthy Matron</i>	<i>Vallery Morgan, PM</i>
<i>Worthy Patron</i>	<i>Tim Groves, PP</i>
<i>Associate Matron</i>	<i>Jo Jett, PM</i>
<i>Associate Patron</i>	<i>Bill Robinson, PM</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Sue Kidwell, PM</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Beverly Soutter</i>
<i>Conductress</i>	<i>Mary Alice Baird, PM</i>
<i>Associate Conductress</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>Ruth Ann Campagna, PM*</i>
<i>Marshal</i>	<i>Charlie Kidwell, PP</i>
<i>Organist</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
<i>Adah</i>	<i>Donna Widell</i>
<i>Ruth</i>	<i>Bridget Baumbach</i>
<i>Esther</i>	<i>Janice McNulty, PM</i>
<i>Martha</i>	<i>Pauline Orr, PM</i>
<i>Electa</i>	<i>Cindy Weakland, PM</i>
<i>Warder</i>	<i>Tracy Groves, PM</i>
<i>Sentinel</i>	<i>Jean Robinson*</i>
<i>Prompter</i>	<i>Peggy Goldsmith, PM*</i>

*\*To be installed at a later date*

***With a special Thank you to our Installing Officers, The ceremony was beautifully performed by:***

*Installing Grand Officer, Donna McIlwee, Past Grand Matron, McKinley Chapter #19, Spurmont Chapter #64*

*Installing Grand Chaplain, Donald Phillips, Past Grand Patron, Martha Washington Chapter #42*

*Installing Grand Marshal, Anne Moore, GGCCM, Registration, Hay Market Chapter #123, Waynesboro Chapter #105*

*Installing Organist, Karen Feely, Past Matron, Herndon Chapter #55,*

*Flower Talk, Stacey Phillips, Past Matron, Martha Washington, Chapter #42*

*Flower Song, Janice Clark, Nellie Custis, Chapter #169*

*Programs: International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Ashburn Assembly #11*

*Chair removal: Prince William County DeMolay*

*Very Special thanks to Pauline Orr, PM, Hay Market Chapter #123, Assistant Lecturer District 23*

*Love One Another*  
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. JOHN 13:34

*Big Congratulations to the other District 23 2017-2018 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons  
Calvin A Lloyd # 81, Martha Shelby, PM and James Strait, PP  
Occoquan #59, Frances Childers, PM and Harold Leo Powell, PP  
Wimodausis #106, Tammy Swihart and Christopher Swihart*

#### **2017-2018 Committees**

1. Cares and Concerns – Sue Kidwell
2. Accent on Youth - Mary Alice/Tracy
3. Communication - Vallery
4. Masonic Liaison - Bill/Tim
5. Refreshments – Beverly/Donna
6. Scholarship – Janice/Tracy/Peggy
7. Ways and Means - Jo/All
8. Friendship/Fun - Cindy/Tracy/Tim
9. Community Outreach - Vallery/Donna, All
10. Official Visit - Line Officers, Vallery, Jo, Mary Alice
11. Audit – Tracy and others
12. Mentoring – Past WM/WP

#### **Happenings:**

The Grand Master of Virginia is scheduled to visit Hay Market Lodge #313 on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Worshipful Master, Tim Goolsby, has requested our help with serving a full house for dinner that evening. For those that can help, please wear OES aprons, shirts or badges to give the chapter visibility with the Masons.

Herndon Chapter #55 is hosting a membership seminar on April 29th at the Herndon Lodge. This seminar will be run by Brother Ed and Sister Paula Swansey, our Membership Committee chairmen. The workshop will be held from 9:30am to 1pm, and lunch will be available with a small donation. For more information and to RSVP, contact Sister Janae Cook at [703-505-2797](tel:703-505-2797) or [janae@cooksafari.com](mailto:janae@cooksafari.com)

May 21-24, Grand Chapter in Williamsburg VA is coming up quickly if you plan to attend please register and reserve your room early <http://easternstar-virginia.org/>

Wimodausis Chapter #106 has invited us to several activities at Manasseh Lodge

- Sat, Apr 8 – 5:30 PM Southern Fried Dinner for Rainbow Charity
- Sat, Apr 15 – 1:00-4:00 PM Annual Lodge Easter Egg Hunt, with fun, games, candy and food contact Tom Costis [costistw@gmail.com](mailto:costistw@gmail.com) or Worshipful Master Christopher Swihart [CSWIHART.cs@gmail.com](mailto:CSWIHART.cs@gmail.com)
- Tues, Apr 18 – 7:30 PM WIMODAUSIS Stated Meeting honoring Past Matrons and Past Patrons
- Tues, May 2 – 7:30 PM WIMODAUSIS honoring Veterans

#### **Items in planning for 2017 –**

Visit to Grand Chapter OES In DC, Annual Hay Market Chapter picnic, Annual Spaghetti Dinner and our fun activities at our December meeting and more. Other fun events that will bring our communities closer such as paint night, cooking party, YOUR ideas welcome!

Initiation planning – We have two dates earmarked for initiation of new members (pending due process of petitions), the possible dates are included in the calendar below. If you are a chapter officer and will be unable to attend or need a protem for your station, please let the WM know at [Valleryjean612@gmail.com](mailto:Valleryjean612@gmail.com). Officers will be advised of the actual date once it has been determined.

**Member's Joys & Concerns:** Sister Bridget will be spending the summer with family in Michigan where she plans to focus on getting healthy. With the love and care of Sister Cindy, Brother Leonard has been doing well overall, but has still some difficulty with balance. Several of our sisters and brothers have experienced seasonal illnesses this winter; respiratory issues have hit hard this year with the drastic changes in weather. Please keep our brothers and sisters in your thoughts and prayers.

**Accent on Youth:** The young ladies of Ashburn Assembly invited the chapter to a Lady's Tea where they introduced themselves and told us about The International Order of Rainbow for Girls and their Assembly. Sister Pauline prepared a presentation that we read for the Assembly. Afterward, the chapter and assembly members went to their respective stations. The tea was delightful and the experience led to a better understanding of the similarities of the orders.

**Communications:** The Chapter Newsletter has been reinstated and will be sent via email to all members where possible and friends of the chapter. Information from committee reports will be included as well as items submitted by members. It has been suggested that we mail paper copies to members without email. Since the chapter directory was last updated in 2015, a review of current members and valid addresses will need to be addressed. Volunteers needed to update the directory and help with mailing.

If you have not already, please sign up for Virginia OES email of the TOWNCRIER, important information happening around the state, by contacting GRAND CHAPTER OF VIRGINIA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR at [gcofva.oes@gmail.com](mailto:gcofva.oes@gmail.com) Anna Taylor & J.D. Walker are TownCrier 2.0 Managers. The VA Grand Chapter website can be reached at <http://easternstar-virginia.org/>.

The invalid email address for our chapter on the sign in front of the Lodge has been removed. Our chapter does have a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Hay-Market-Chapter-Order-of-the-Eastern-Star-Haymarket-Virginia-116372775139520/> which has been updated with photos of our Installation of 2017-18 Officers.

**Community Outreach and Scholarship:** It is that time of the year, the Sadie O. Embrey scholarship information was sent to several schools in the area. Students typically send their applications at the last possible date, the applications must be post marked by April 1, 2017. A committee will be convened soon to review and award the scholarship, before our June meeting and pot luck dinner in honor of the recipient.

**Ways and Means:** The Associate Matron, Sister Jo is the chair for Ways and Means this term but all members are welcome to plan and carry out activities throughout the year. We have activities that have been held annually such as our Elegant Wear dress sale, jewelry sale and lunch and famous recipe spaghetti dinner. I encourage additional activities that will be fun and fundraising to support our scholarship, the Grand Matron's and Grand Patron's charities and possibly a special interest for the person that suggests and organizes an event. This would be a great way to support the local community! Please consider planning an event this year! For ongoing activities, please coordinate with Sister Jo and new ideas with Sister Vallery.

**Travel and visitation:** Several members of the chapter traveled throughout the area for installations and many served as installing officers. Sister Mary Alice is wrapping up her year as Grand Organist and has traveled throughout the state during this grand year. Sister Pauline will be traveling across the state as Grand Martha in the year following the "A Road Traveled Together" Grand Chapter Session, May 22-24, 2017 in Williamsburg, Virginia.

**Membership and Fellowship:** Our chapter is growing! Several of the people that attended Hay Market Chapter's Installation of Officers and other recent activities have expressed interest in joining our chapter. Petitions are taking their due course and our new members will be addressed when the processes are complete! Remember, share the love of your chapter and invite others to our events, this is the best way to let others know how special this organization is! Five members of the Hay Market Lodge attended installation and were included a group photo. Many other Master Masons were also in attendance. Our relationship with our lodge members is crucial to our growth, many Master

Mason's do not realize that the order is open to males and females. Hopefully we can provide information to our lodge brothers to bridge this gap. If you know of a lodge that would welcome information on our order, please contact Sister Vallery at [Valleryjean612@gmail.com](mailto:Valleryjean612@gmail.com).

### **Hay Market Chapter 123 Calendar of Events 2017-18**

April 5 School of Instruction  
April 6 Stated Meeting  
May 4 Stated Meeting-Honoring Mothers  
*May 11 Possible initiation (School of instruction prior date)*  
May 22-24 Grand Chapter Session  
June 1 Stated Meeting/Scholarship/Pot Luck Dinner  
*June 8 Possible initiation (School of instruction prior date)*  
*Summertime fun activities*  
September 14\* Stated Meeting-Rob Morris Obligation Night (Sept 7th is a great time to visit to Calvin A Lloyd)  
September 23 District 23 Official Visit (District School of instruction at prior date)  
October 5 Stated Meeting-Chapter Birthday/Pot Luck Dinner  
November 2 Stated Meeting Honoring Veterans/Thanksgiving  
December 7 Stated Meeting- Line & Star Point Night, Christmas, Pot Luck Dinner/Gift Auction  
January 4 Stated Meeting  
February 5 Stated Meeting/Valentine's Day/Potluck Dinner  
March 5 Stated Meeting-Elections

\*Pending Dispensation

Additional activities and events will be added throughout the year.