

Hay Market Happenings Hay Market Chapter No. 123, Order of the Eastern Star Haymarket, VA 2018/19 Volume 4, January 2019



We were honored to celebrate Sister Jean Robinson's life with her family and the Masons of Hay Market Lodge #313 before our January stated meeting. Excerpts from Sister Jean's Obituary;

Our beloved Jean was called to the Celestial Heaven November 11, 2018. She was born Betty Jean Crowl on February 22, 1933 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Her friends and family called her "Jean" when she moved to Virginia. She was 85 years young.

Beloved daughter of Howard and Agatha Crowl of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Betty Jean grew up in Ft. Wayne. Upon graduating from high school, Betty Jean left for Chicago, Illinois where she worked as a secretary at Penn Central Rail Road (today's Amtrak) for 15 years. In 1971 she met and married William Croft Robinson of Hinsdale and Chicago, Illinois. That year the couple moved to Gaithersburg, Maryland, where they lived for two years and had two daughters, and then on to Haymarket, Virginia.

Jean's older sister Catherine "Kay" Shelton and her two sons, Jerry and Patrick Shelton, are deceased. Another brother, Harold died in infancy. She is survived by her husband, daughters Jeannie C. Robinson (Mrs. Lambi Coroneos) and her husband of Warrenton, VA, Martha Kay Robinson (Mrs. Benjamin Dever) and her husband and a granddaughter, Fiona Dever.

Mrs. Robinson was a member of the Bull Run Republican Women's Club, GFWC, Haymarket Women's Club, Evergreen Country Club, and Haymarket Chapter No. 123, Order of the Eastern Star. She was initiated into the Order of Eastern Star on January 10, 1991. Jean served as Adah and Sentinel. Her hobbies were making dolls and paper dolls. She enjoyed painting, knitting and doing crossword puzzles. Jean was a prolific reader of books, magazines, retail catalogues, British Royalty and fashion magazines. Above all, she loved fashion. Jean and her husband Bill were married for 47 years and were the perfect match - a fairy tale marriage according to Bill. She is a Christian who belonged to Catholic and Protestant churches. She never complained nor spoke evil of another person. She was forgiving: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do" was a way of life to her. As a faithful wife and a wonderful mother, she gave them her unconditional love. R.I.P. Jean Robinson who lived a lovely, gracious and glamorous life: 1933-2018. She will be greatly missed.

-Upcoming Events: -Saturday, January 12, 10 am – 1 pm- Join us for our Annual Rama Elegant Wear Dress Sale – just in time to spruce up your dress wardrobe for the March Installations! Have a hot bowl of home-made soup and shop with your Eastern Star friends. At Hay Market Chapter No. 123, 6713 Jefferson St., Haymarket, VA.

- -Thursday February 7th, following our Stated Meeting, Bonnie Kraut will be presented with her 50-year pin. She joined our Order in Maryland 50 years ago.
 -Saturday, February 9, 5:30 7 pm, GOOD FOOD, FABULOUS FRIENDS Please join us for a DELICIOUS dinner at Hay Market Chapter No. 123, 6713 Jefferson Street, Haymarket, VA 20169. All-You-Can Eat for \$12.00 per person. MENU includes; Tossed Green Salad with Dressing, Beef Stroganoff, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls; with Butter and Desserts, Gluten-free options available. RSVP: Gail Lee 703-994-1276 or Mary Alice Baird 703-470-7740 or just come!
- -Sister Cindy is planning next year's term-Please see her for how you can help next year as an officer or committee member.
- -Fun Activities Our first Annual Chili Cookoff and Game night on November 17th, was a great success. We had 7 pots of Chili, shared by 26 taste testers. The chilis were as delicious as they were diverse. Honorable Mention went to Gerry Dana, Second Place to Sue Kidwell and Best Chili to John McDowall! We honored our Veterans and were treated to a ceremony of light by the DeMolay. Donations helped this effort become one of the best FUNdraisers in recent years. Stay tuned for the Second Annual Chile Competition next Fall.
- -The Grand Chapter Scavenger Hunt turned out to be lots of fun; several members of our chapter and chapters close by participated. We will hear more about the competition at Grand Chapter from May 20-22nd in Hampton VA.
- **-Our chapter growth** We welcome Robin and Scott Johnson, new members initiated on 29 November. Two new Star Points made a beautiful impression with their work. So far for this term we have Six members new to our chapter!
- -Suggestions Welcome! We welcome suggestions for events, fund raisers, and overall ideas to bring us together, meet new members, have family fun, or provide community service. Members and friends are welcome each month on the last Sunday at 2:30 pm, to attend our Social and Planning Meetings at the Lodge. Suggestions in action: Phase II of the Name Badge project is under way and will submitted in January. Rada Cutlery On-line orders closed December 1st;
- -Sisters Beverly continues to order customized OES shirts with OES emblem, your name and chapter. These shirts look great as we proudly wear them to events. Several people have taken fabric to sew pillowcases for the Claire Parker Foundation. Please start returning the finished pillowcases so we will be ready before Grand Chapter.

-Chapter Birthdays: Congratulations to the following for their November Chapter Birthdays, E. Carroll Devine, Deloris Frazier, Peggy Goldsmith, Janet Goolsby, Robin and Scott Johnson, Sue Kidwell, Dabney and David Schneider, Lorraine Simms, Hollie Soutter, Tarren Thornton, Bertha White. Celebrating December Chapter Birthdays, Kathy E. Craft, Terry L. Grant, Tracy and Tim Groves, Tammy Kerr, Janice McNulty, Amy Snoots, A'ndrea Van Schoick. For January, Leslie Carter, Emily L. Daniels, Vickie L. Grant, Doreen Houston, Brooke McDowall, John McDowall, Pauline R. Orr, Eleanor S. Wilcox, and for February Chapter Birthdays, Jennifer Adan, Mary Alice Baird, Dannielle Dana Phillips, Ruth Dowden, Walter Robert Jamieson, Robert Jake S. Knupp, Norma Moles, Anne J. Moore, Georgia Putzer, Beverly Soutter, M. Jane Starkey, Peggy and Gary J. Tanner, and Amanda Johnson Toris, celebrate Chapter Birthdays. These members average almost 25 years, the longest member, Ruth Dowden has been a member for 62 years, she came to us through the merge of Baracca Chapter #12 in 1998. The Johnsons, the most recent members were initiated into our chapter on November 29th, 2018. We celebrate all that each of you bring to our chapter!

-Members' Joys & Concerns: Our beloved Sentinel, Sister Jean Robinson passed away unexpectedly after a brief hospital stay. Please keep Brother Bill in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Sister Tracy has been under the weather and Sister Pauline is still experiencing issues resulting from her fall in 2017. Please continue to keep these members in your thoughts and prayers. -We were so pleased to welcome The Darley's to our December Meeting; it was a pleasure to see them especially since they spend winters in Florida. The last big renovation to the lodge building was made when Brother Darley was Worshipful Master. He was pleased with the new upgrades and Sister Darley gave us Star Point Sashes and pins. We have already adopted the sashes!

Sister Delores Frasier and her daughter attended Sister Jean's celebration of Life. We have been so happy to see our members that don't get to visit often.

- -Sister Jo Jett, in behalf of the Grand Worthy Matron, presented Vallery Morgan with an appointment as Grand Representative to Bolivia, it was a total surprise!
- -The Sadie O Embrey Scholarship: Our Scholarship was recently reviewed and although no changes were necessary, the chapter supports sending the scholarship information to schools in Loudoun County as well as Fauquier and Prince William Counties as we have done in the past. This supports our members that merged with us from Baracca and Olive Branch Chapters.
- -Community service projects. Our donation board has been active with several cards drawn for donations to the BARN. We will have a drawing at the end of the

term for contributors. The BARN is unfortunately closing it's doors as the last residents relocated by year end.

- -Ways and Means: -Our first Annual Chili Cookoff and Game night yielded donations exceeding \$300. -Sister Cindy wrapped up our successful Rada knife company catalog party, the total exceeds \$200 for this endeavor! *-Our annual Holiday Gift Auction was fun and brought in almost \$200. -Mark* your Calendars for our Rama Dress Sale on January 12th and a Beef Stroganoff dinner on February 9th. Gluten Free options will be available. Masonic Connection: The Lodge has expanded the kitchen to include a double oven, professional gas range, with hood, increased workspace and improved electrical service to support all of our crock pots! Many thanks to the Masons for a wonderful meal honoring Sister Jean Robinson prior to our January meeting. -Worshipful Master, Buddy Wagner turned over the reins to a new Worshipful Master on December 15th, Worshipful Master Clyde Ashley had a wonderful installation and Brothers Scott Johnson and Bill Robinson are in his corps of officers. The Chapter showed great support with 14 members attending. -Mount Carmel's installation was well attended by our chapter with Brother John McDowall serving in the West. Worshipful Master Tim Sennott is planning a **Ladies Night on February 26th** and has asked if we would attend and give a presentation about our beautiful order to the ladies of the lodge. Accent on Youth: -You are cordially invited to attend Ashburn Rainbow Assembly No. 11, International Order of Rainbow for Girls Installation of Officers on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at 1:00 PM. at Ashburn - Sterling Lodge, 43881 Waxpool Rd. Ashburn Rd. 20146, Worthy Advisor Elect: Basma Naib -Manassas Assembly No 13, IORG cordially invites you to their Installation of Officers on January 12, 2019, at 2:00 PM at Manasseh Lodge #182, 9810 Cockrell Rd, Manassas, VA
- -Ashburn Assembly #11 meets on the first and third Sundays each Month, 4 pm, currently meeting at Hamilton Thompson Lodge, Purcellville, for the next few months while renovations are being completed at Olive Branch Lodge.
- -Did you know that Eastern Star and Masons qualify to attend Rainbow meetings and initiations? If you have never attended one, it is beautiful and very tied into our order. More youth group activities are included in the Town Crier.
- **-Communications**: -Please visit http://haymarket313.org/order-of-the-eastern-star/ for general information about our chapter and Hay Market Happenings newsletters.
- -Hay Market Chapter's Facebook page is https://www.facebook.com/Haymarketoes/

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- The Chapter directory continues to be updated. Please continue to email <u>Valleryjean612@gmail.com</u> with changes to your contact information. Newly updated directories will be available in print after our March Installation. For an electronic copy (in Publisher) please request via the same email.
- Stay connected with the Virginia Order of the Eastern Star through Town Crier 2.0, the official email newsletter of the Grand Chapter of Virginia, Order of the Eastern Star. To sign up for the newsletter, send a blank email to "gcofva.oes@gmail.com" with your name and chapter in the email subject line.

 Trifold flyer The Virginia Grand Chapter now has an editable template to explain our order and membership requirements. Hay Market Chapter's version of the flyer is located on our website, http://haymarket313.org/order-of-the-eastern-star/. Virginia membership petitions can be found on http://easternstar-virginia.org/.
- **-Chapter History:** We are still collecting photos and programs from past terms at our chapter as well as chapter birthdays (when you joined us). Please provide any information you have to Sister Vallery or emailed to <u>Valleryjean612@gmail.com</u>.

















Calendar of Events:

Mar. 9

Jan. 12	Rama Dress Sale, 10 am - 1 pm, Soup lunch served, Hay Market Lodge- weather backup Jan 19
Jan. 12	Manassas Assembly #13 Rainbow, Installation, 2 pm, Manasseh Lodge
Jan. 14	Grand Master Visit to Hay Market Lodge; dinner at 6 pm
Jan. 26	Celebration of Life Service, Jean Robinson, 2:30 pm Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
	Reception at Evergreen Country Club, 15900 Berkeley Dr., Haymarket, VA 20169
Jan. 27	Social and Planning Meeting, Hay Market Lodge, 2:30 pm
Feb. 2	Ashburn Assembly #11 Rainbow Installation, 1 pm, Ashburn Lodge, 43881 Waxpool Rd., Ashburn
Feb. 7	Stated Meeting/Valentine's Day/Pot Luck Dinner, 6 pm
	Presentation of 50-year pin to Bonnie Kraut after the meeting
Feb. 9	Beef Stroganoff Dinner fundraiser, Hay Market Lodge; 5:30 – 7 pm
Feb 24	Social and Planning Meeting, Hay Market Lodge, 2:30 pm
Feb 26	Mt Carmel Ladies Night, dinner and Hay Market Chapter Presentation 6 pm
Mar. 7	Stated Meeting – Elections
Mar. 8	School of Instruction for Installation of Officers, 7:30 pm

Installation of Officers, 6 pm followed by Dinner