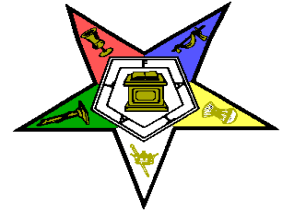




Hay Market Happenings
Hay Market Chapter No. 123,
Order of the Eastern Star
Haymarket, VA
Volume 2, 2017



It has already started off as a great Spring, we have several petitions in process held a beautiful initiation on May 11th. Our new members are Sharyl Mayhew, Thomas (Tim) Goolsby and Timothy Delaney. Charles (Buddy) Wagner has joined our chapter through affiliation. Sister Tarren Smarr will be joining us soon as a dual member. We still have other petitions in process so stay tuned!

The Virginia Grand Master of Masons visited Hay Market Lodge #313 in April. Many thanks to Worshipful Master, Tim Goolsby for inviting our chapter to assist Brother Mike Barham in serving the meal he beautifully prepared. Sisters Cindy, Mary Alice, Sue, Tracy and Vallery were available and cheerfully assisted in set up, serving and cleanup, approximately 80 people were served. The Grand Master's meeting was preceded by a program from Jobs Daughters, Bethel 55. The program depicted what the girls (adorned with mustaches) believe the Masons do in their meeting to include an initiation of two candidates. The program was fun and created much laughter! Brother Mike Barham sent a very nice thank you for our assistance and hopes to attend chapter with us once his wife retires this summer.

The 2017-18 corps of officers has been fully installed. Sisters Ruth Ann Campagna as Chaplain, Jean Robinson as Sentinel and Peggy Goldsmith as Prompter were installed as of our April 6th stated meeting.

Member's Joys & Concerns: Sister Sue has kept cards flowing to members in need of a little boost from the chapter, recently Brother Gerry Dana received a card after an auto accident, a card was sent to Sister Vallery's mother after spending time in the hospital and rehab center accident. Cards were sent to members in Florida and many others.

Accent on Youth:

- The young ladies of Manassas Assembly #13 IORG, put on a beautiful Frank Sinatra influenced steak dinner at Manasseh Lodge. Members of Hay Market Chapter attended and a fun time was had by all. Manassas Assembly will hold their installation of Officers on July 23rd at 2 pm, Manasseh Lodge, 9810 Cockrell Rd, Manassas Va. They meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at Manasseh Lodge.
- Ashburn Assembly #11, IORG, will hold their installation of officers on June 24th at Olive Branch Lodge, 108 Cornwall Street NE, Leesburg Ashburn Assembly meets on the first and third Sundays each Month at 4 pm.
- Bethel 52, JDI, will hold their installation of Officers on June 24th at 6 pm at Herndon Lodge, 820 Elden St, Herndon VA.
- Bethel 55, JDI, will hold their installation of Officers on June 11th at 2 pm, Manasseh Lodge, 9810 Cockrell Rd, Manassas
- On Saturday, June 3, 2017, Virginia DeMolays met in Luray, Virginia to conduct business, induct new members and compete in ritual contests. It is my pleasure to announce the winners of those competitions, who will represent Virginia DeMolay at the 2017 Mid-Atlantic Tournament of Champions in September of this year: Shield Talk - Austin Wills (Woodlawn), Flower Talk - Noah Fox (Westhampton), DeMolay Degree Fourth Section - Robbie Hicks, Tyler Mutter & Ethan Moro (Westhampton), Magnificent Seven - Billy Erner (Petersburg), Galloping Gavel - A. Douglas Smith, Jr

These competitions are never possible without the assistance of a dedicated group of individuals who volunteer their time and expertise to evaluate our competitors. We thank the following advisors for doing so this weekend: Mom Diane Jackson, Dad John Stallings, Dad Mike Morehouse

The names of these and all past winning competitors are posted on the Virginia DeMolay web site (<http://www.vademolay.org>) under the "CompNET" button. Also on this site are rules and schedules for all upcoming competitions.

Communications:

- Thanks to the Masons of Hay Market Lodge, number 313, we have a website. Please visit <http://haymarket313.org/order-of-the-eastern-star/> for more information.
- Hay Market Chapter is on Facebook! Please visit our Hay Market Chapter Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Haymarketoes/> for upcoming events and pictures of Chapter activities.
- The Chapter directory has been updated and includes new members. Copies were mailed to all members following the June 1st stated meeting. Updates are being made to the electronic copy and it will be emailed to include input from those contacted by postal mail. Please email Valleryjean612@gmail.com with your proper contact information to have the directory updated and you will be added to chapter communications as they become available.
- If you are not signed up to receive announcements from Virginia Order of the Eastern Star via email.... here are the instructions. This is very helpful for those officers in line. The Town Crier 2.0 is 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 message to towncrier-vaoes+subscribe@gmail.com, and be sure to include your name and chapter in the subject line of the email. Announcements for the Town Crier should be sent to gcofva.oes@gmail.com. The Town Crier is managed by Sister Anna Taylor, PM, of Nellie Custis No. 169

Community Outreach and Scholarship

- The Sadie O. Embrey Memorial Scholarship information was sent to several schools in the area. A student from Patriot High School, Angel Acuff, has been awarded the scholarship during the Pot Luck dinner prior to our June Meeting. Sadie O. Embrey was a local school teacher that traveled throughout the area to teach. In addition to teaching, she often provided clothing and money from her own pocket to provide medical or dental care for her students. The \$500.00 Sadie O. Embrey Memorial Scholarship Award is based on Scholastic achievement, extracurricular activities in the school and community, economic need.
- For Community service projects we are currently supporting the local food pantry, Sister Jo will collect and deliver food.
- We have added the "The Barn" transitional housing on Linton Hall Rd, started by the Benedictine Sisters as a community project, Sister Vallery will collect and deliver new and gently used items. Please contact via email at Valleryjean612@gmail.com if you have items to contribute.

They urgently need:

- **Large outdoor drawstring trash bags** – for sorting donations and yard work. (Drawstring preferred).
- Non perishable food – Cereal, pasta and pasta sauces
- Gas and Grocery Gift Cards (all types are welcome but Safeway and Wawa and Sheetz are the closest to BARN)
- Walmart or Target Gift Cards (used for specific items needed by families)
- Cars – BARN is always in need of donated cars in good running condition for our moms to have safe and reliable transportation to go to work which is required of them in this program. It is unfortunate when we have families that need housing but do not have transportation. Cars donated to BARN go directly to the families for their use.

Used items in new like condition:

- **Clothing** - New and Used clothing for children, women, and men
- **Household Items** - pictures and frames, lamps, decorative items, vases
- **Kitchen Items** – pots, pans, cooking and baking items, utensils, silverware, plates, glasses, bowls – all sizes
- **SMALL Furniture** - Chairs – NOT upholstered, Dressers, Tables
- **Toys** - Toys and games (with all pieces), Bikes, scooters, Sports equipment, Movies

Ways and Means: Sister Jo announced that we will continue with the familiar fund raising activities, such as our Elegant Wear dress sale, jewelry sale and lunch, gift auction and famous recipe spaghetti dinner. Two new members are interested in being involved with new community activities starting soon.

Travel and visitation:

- Several members of the chapter traveled to the "A Road Traveled Together" Grand Chapter Session, May 22-24, 2017 in Williamsburg, Virginia. Sister Mary Alice wrapped up her year as Grand Organist while performing with Right Worthy Grand Organist, Charlie Chandler. Sister Pauline was installed as Grand Martha, she will be traveling across the state in the upcoming year.

- Official visits started on 3 June with districts 41 and 20, both held at the Scottish Rite in Alexandria. The ceremonies were beautifully performed and a delicious meal was served between the afternoon and evening sessions.
- With sadness it was reported that Brother James (Jim) Strait, Calvin A. Lloyd's Worthy Patron, passed away on April 16th. Jim's Funeral Service was held at Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, in the Masonic Temple, 803 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg VA 22401 at 2:30pm on Saturday, June 3 (Jim's Birthday). Brother Jim received Military, Masonic and Eastern Star honors. A reception followed the service. Calvin A Lloyd No. 81 lead the OES Memorial, assisted by the officers and/or members of Fredericksburg No. 29, Brother Jim's home chapter.

Membership and Fellowship - Herndon Chapter #55 hosted a membership seminar on April 29th at the Herndon Lodge, run our Grand Chapter Membership Committee. Two members of Hay Market Chapter attended, and have obtained more New Member handbooks to use in our mentoring efforts. Many thanks to Sister Janae Cook for organizing the event and serving delicious lunch. Handbooks and mentors have been provided for our new members.

A flyer was provided as a sample handout that can be used to share information about the order. It was discussed that many new Masons are unaware of our order or that they can join. 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. This pamphlet could be used to explain the Order of the Eastern Star to anyone that is interested in having more information about us.

The presenters sent this quick summary of the program:

- Chapter Mood/Environment** –Set the tone for how we are to live our lives and operate your Chapter – Be Happy, Enjoy our Eastern Star Life – Learn How.
- Organization Management** – Learn how to manage your chapter for success and sustainability. A lot of good ideas are lost because we do not take the steps necessary to sustain, maintain and improve. Get everyone pointed in the same direction and learn what our organization is about. “Stop herding cats”. Begin the experience of working for internal rewards and pride in the Eastern Star and our membership in it.
- Healthy Chapter** – Get ideas on how to plan interesting meetings that keep our members interested, educated and involved. Learn the importance of “Peace and Harmony”. Get new ideas on fundraising. Focus on who we are – as defined in our ritual and by our purpose.
- Member Orientation, Enthusiasm and Involvement** – Get your new members involved right away to set the stage for a long and rewarding Eastern Star Career. Use the defined curriculum from the seminar and “**New Member Guidebook**”. Revitalize your inactive members so that they build the chapter's strengths. New member orientation is the most important first step in building membership – care about them and they will care about the Eastern Star.
- Recruitment** – Work with our other Masonic Bodies to build membership. Learn the “Elevator Talk” so that you can knowledgeably engage prospects about the Eastern Star and entice them to become members.
- The ritual and guidebook** contain all the things necessary to be a successful organization. **The Membership Seminar** puts it into a plan.

Member Updates

- **From Darlene Hawkins** 23 April, 2017 - I left Virginia eleven years ago to move to Fort Wayne, Indiana (my husband's birth place) so we could be close to his parents. In 2011 we moved to Angola, Indiana (a little farming town 5 miles south of Michigan and 9 miles west of Ohio). We love it. I spend most of my time sewing, quilting, knitting & doing all other types of crafts. I've joined two other "quilting sisters" and together we are in six craft fairs each fall. I need knee replacement surgery - first on my right - while will be May 25th and later on the left. Other then a TIA back in 2015 (with no lasting results) I'm doing GREAT. Darlene Hawkins

- **A Memorial was read for Sister Mary Lynn Walker, a member of Hay Market Chapter.** Mary Lynn was remembered by many in our chapter as a very nice lady, she was active in the Warrenton area government. The following was taken from her obituary; Mary was born on June 2, 1937 and passed away on Monday, April 3, 2017. Mary was a resident of Georgia at the time of passing. Mary was married to Robert Harold Walker. A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 8th at Parrott Funeral Home.

Hay Market Chapter 123 Calendar of Events 2017-18

- June 25 School of Instruction from Grand Chapter 3 pm, OV meeting 1 pm
- August 12 Hay Market Chapter Cookout/picnic at Northern Fauquier Park, 4155 Monroe Parkway, Marshall, VA from 12-3pm, Family and friends are welcomed. This is a lovely park with a lake and fun activities
- September 14* Stated Meeting-Rob Morris Obligation Night (Sept 7th is a great time to visit to Calvin A Lloyd)
- September 17 District 23 Official Visit School of instruction – Manasseh Lodge
- September 23 Reception Brunch for Pauline Orr and Anne Moore – Hay Market Lodge
- September 23 District 23 Official Visit – Manasseh Lodge
- October 5 Stated Meeting-Chapter Birthday/Pot Luck Dinner
- October 28th Faith Chapter Bus Trip to OES International Headquarters, see information below to register
- 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 1 Stated Meeting/Valentine’s Day/Potluck Dinner
- March 1 Stated Meeting-Elections

*Pending Dispensation

- Hay Market Chapter and others in our district may be interested to join this trip planned by Kathie Kerns, PM, Faith Chapter #177, Annandale to the OES Headquarters for Oct 28, 2017. We will be boarding a bus from Elmer Timberman Lodge in Annandale, VA by 8 o'clock with a return time about 2 o'clock. We will be stopping for lunch on the way back. The cost of this trip will be \$15 for tour and \$20 for the bus. We had to change the bus company so it will be a little more. Please RSVP to Kathie Kerns, PM at either Kathiek24@aol.com or 571-501-3768 by no later than Oct 7, 2017. Please leave me your phone number when you make your reservation.

- September 26th Faith Chapter #177 we will have dinner before their stated meeting. All you can eat for \$10.00 Beef Stroganoff dinner, dessert: Pineapple Up-Side-Down cake, Chocolate Cake and Cookies, etc.



2017 Hay Market Chapter Officers at Installation



Grand Chapter, Pauline Orr as Grand Martha



WM Goolsby, Grand Master & Buddy Wagner



Mary Alice Baird as Grand Organist



Sadie O. Embrey Award winner