

Muppet (Chapter) News

April Meeting Recap

Our April Stated Meeting was held on April 17th at 7:30 p.m. and much business was conducted due to a short, rescheduled March meeting due to weather. The Installation of Treasurer, Chaplain, Organist, and Sentinel was completed. Only two more to go!

Under old business, we discussed the need for the Trustees (Richard Saunders, Pamela Duhram, and Jill Russell) to meet with the Memorial management regarding some recurring issues at the Memorial such as heat in the North room during the winter months, use of the elevator on meeting nights, and general access to the Memorial for activities.

Under new business, we voted to contribute \$15 toward the creation of a basket that will be auctioned at Grand Chapter with other baskets from other districts. Money raised will go to the WGM's Special Project. We also voted to contribute \$50 toward the Grand Chapter hospitality room again. Lastly, we voted to move our November and December meetings in 2018 to a different date, hopefully November 13th and December 11th respectively, as our regular stated meetings are too close to Thanksgiving and Christmas, resulting in less attendance. The dates will be finalized at the next meeting.

It's the Baby Bottle Battle!

The first Ways and Means project for the Chapter this year is the Baby Bottle Battle, in honor of Mother's Day. All Chapter officers were given a baby bottle at the April meeting and were asked to fill it with their spare change, and if truly ambitious, fill it several times over in the next month. All monies collected will be donated to the Northern Virginia Pregnancy of Alexandria.

Interested in participating? Donations can be sent to the Worthy Matron or Secretary (addresses to the right). Just put in the notes section "Baby Bottle Battle".



Joys & Concerns?

Please contact the Worthy Matron at 610-698-3318 or missasc@hotmail.com

Or

Sister Jill Russell, PM,
Chaplain at 703-780-6510

Announcements?

Please send all announcements to the Worthy Matron

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Or

Stephanie Loverro, PM
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Grand Chapter News

“Jump on the Bandwagon” Grand Chapter Session

Sister Marcia Perry, WGM
Brother Donald Strehle, WGP

Grand Chapter of Virginia,
Order of the Eastern Star

May 21-23, 2018

Doubletree Williamsburg
Williamsburg, VA

For More Information:

<http://easternstar-virginia.org/2018-grand-session-new/>



District 41 Events for May & June

May 2018

May 15th—Martha Washington State Meeting—7:30 p.m.

June 2018

June 15th—“Picnic in the Park” Reception
Honoring Sister Anna L. Taylor, Nellie Custis No. 169,,
Grand Esther (Pending Appointment) - Springfield
Lodge

Social: 5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

June 16th—District 20 & 41 Official Visit - Alexandria Scottish
Rite— 1 p.m. (Lunch prior at 11 a.m.)

June 16th—District Fun Event—Potomac Nationals Game

June 19th—Martha Washington Stated Meeting—7:30 p.m.

May & June Birthdays (Happy Birthday!)

May

Jeannine Hazard 5/01

Shirley Essertier 5/02

Constance Fulk 5/03

Dorothy Levesque 5/05

Richard Rankin 5/08

Donna Winfield 5/10

Evelyn Parks 5/11

Annette Monsour 5/12

M Alva Anstine 5/14

Barbara Tucker 5/15

Peggy Bray 5/17

Rose Kreiser 5/19

Joyce Schmidt 5/23

Lillian Garland 5/26

Gary Levesque 5/26

Karen Seaton 5/30

Betty Griffith 5/31

Peggy Paterson 5/31

Elizabeth Hovatter 6/14

Sara Wallace 6/14

Stephanie Loverro 6/15

Margaret Van Deman 6/16

John Elliott Jr 6/17

John Cornell Sr 6/18

Granville C Canard Jr 6/19

June

Norma Felter 6/01

C Jean McLennan 6/02

Sidney McCauley 6/03

Elizabeth Berger 6/07

Lois Robertson 6/07

Janet Simmons 6/07

James Doran 6/08

Raymond Beahm 6/09

Dianne McCauley 6/09

Joyce Hickey 6/13

Nancy Finn 6/20

Frank Dunaway 6/23

Kathleen Helwig 6/26

Mary Martindale 6/26

Tonya Fox 6/27

Meet Your Worthy Patron and Treasurer (Again!)

These two are familiar faces to most, but I am sure there are still a few facts you don't know about Donald and Stacey Phillips.

Stacey joined Martha Washington in 1991, when Donald became a Master Mason. Donald joined in 1993 when his mother was Worthy Matron of the Chapter. The night of his initiation, Donald's mother was in the East, his older sister Cindy was Ruth, his younger sister Lori was Esther, and Stacey as Electra.

This past year both became members of Occoquan Chapter #59 and of course they convinced Donald to serve as Associate Patron (no rest for the weary!) Stacey is only holding the office of Treasurer in Martha Washington this year, due to the tremendous work duties at her current job with a patent trades annuities company, including the management of 25 people.

Donald, on the other hand, has the great job of assisting their son and daughter-in law with three of their five grandchildren (Super Grandpa!) As much free time as possible for both is dedicated to being with the grandchildren. When they need some "couple" time they take off on their Harley and cruise the backroads, enjoying the peace, with the wind in their faces and open road.

"Eastern Star has always been a way of life for us", Donald says. "The places we have been, the friends we have made, and the people we have met will always carry a special place in our hearts".

Donald's advice to newer members: "Eastern Star has a history and future. For those wishing to live as a member, you must embrace not only the principles of the Order, but the tradition it carries. Visit other Chapters. It's there that you meet and make friendships that last a lifetime."



Donald & Stacey with their 5 Grandchildren: Zak, Cole, Jaxson, Matthew, and Jed

"A Day Spent With You is My Favorite Day. So Today is My New Favorite Day".— Winnie the Pooh



Look Who is 100 Years Young!

Sister Naomi Wine celebrated her 100th Birthday on August 4, 2017.

Want to send her birthday wishes?
Cards can be sent to:

Naomi Z. Wine
P.O. Box 558
Woodstock, VA 22664



Did You Know?

Martha Washington's Charter was granted May 2, 1912 at the 1912 Grand Chapter Session.

When Sister Elizabeth Brooks became WM in 1953, she was the first daughter of a previous WM (Sister Viola Hepburn, 1932) to serve in the East.

Don't Forget Your Dues!

Payment of dues is always in order. Our annual dues for 2018 are \$30.00 and accrue annually from January 1st to December 31st. Dues are payable by all members on or before December 31 of each year. If you have not yet paid your dues, please send to:

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