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NEWS from the EAST



May 2019

Official Visit is just 2 and half months away!

School of Instruction will be on Aug 3rd at Lodge 4, 10:00 AM. Official Visit is Aug 10th at 2:00 PM. Please plan to attend and join us at the reception afterwards. If you want to participate in the reception planning, contact the Worthy Matron.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: Fredericksburg #29 Receives the Clark Award

We were one of a number of chapters that received the award for 2018-19. I was proud to represent our chapter at Grand Chapter and receive the award in behalf of the members of Fredericksburg #29.

VOLUNTEERS: We are slowly adding hours towards our goal of 1000 volunteer hours for the Chapter by Jan 31st. We need everyone to participate in at least one chapter volunteer event before our deadline. We can do it!!



160 hours

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Our Chapter's star was shining bright on May 27th! Through the efforts of a few bakers, volunteers and

family members we helped raise over \$1,900 at the Memorial Day Concert given by the Rappahannock POPS Orchestra (RPO). The audience was happily eating baked treats and water while listening to the wonderful patriotic music played by the POPS. To quote the Conductor, *"We appreciate everything you all have done. It's such a blessing to be partnered up with you guys."*

<http://rappahannockpops.org/>



FUNDRAISING: We completed two events since the April stated meeting: The Belk Charity Event and our second of five dinner services for Lodge 4.





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Check out the pictures on our website in the Photo Gallery. Thanks to the wonderful cooks and servers who made it possible and to those who volunteered their time at the Belk Store and to those who sold tickets.

<http://www.oesfredericksburg.com/Bulletins.html>

JUNE 17th POTTERY SALE

STARTS! We will be selling the chapter's old pottery and silver plated silverware this summer. Go to the Fundraising page on our website to see pictures of the pottery and to read the instructions for the sale. Information on how the sale will be conducted has been emailed to members for whom we have an email and mailed out to other members. Don't miss your chance to own a piece of historic memorabilia. Cash, check or credit card will be accepted.

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STATED MEETING and POT LUCK DINNER NEWS:

MAY: Our second stated meeting started off with a Cinco De Mayo Mexican Pot Luck Dinner theme. The food was excellent! We were joined by a potential new member, Erica. We also had a presentation by the RPO Board President and the RPO Conductor. They talked about the community involvement of the orchestra and how our Benefit Bake Sales are making a difference for them.

JUNE: The **Blue Star Moms** will be giving a presentation on the Care Package Program they organize to support our soldiers serving away from home. Bring a donation for the care packages to the June stated meeting. A list of suggested items will be emailed separately.

Come in June for the Pot Luck dinner - bring a dish or bring a cash donation! The money goes toward our Chapter's Charity for the year, Semper K9.





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BY LAWS CHANGES COMING:

The By Laws Committee will be meeting early June to review the suggested changes for the Chapter's by laws. A copy can be found in the back of our 2019 directory. You can pick one up at our stated or contact our secretary, Sister Kelly O'Malley to have one sent to you.

SUNSHINE: Please remember to let our Sunshine Committee Chairperson, Sister Lainey Gish, know about any need for prayers, condolences or congratulations. Let us know what good news you have to share - weddings, births, graduations, etc.

TECHNOLOGY: You can tweet with us on Twitter, and share with us on Facebook and Instagram.

ig: oesfredericksburg29
facebook: Oes Fredericksburg
twitter: frederi92903625

WEBSITE: We added a tab for "The Store", go take a look. **THE STORE has** items for sale that help support the chapter. There is information there for aprons, etched glasses and the wooden Lodge 4 House by Cat's Meow. We also have OES Star earrings for sale.

You can send the WP any ideas or comments you have for the website.

FROM THE WM: We have a few significant events, besides Official Visit, coming this fall and we need everyone's support to make them successful:

Puppy Up Canine Walk for Canine Cancer Research Oct 13th;

Yard Sale - we need donations and will take them at anytime during the summer, Oct 13 - 14th;

OES Craft Fair Nov 30th. If you know of a crafter who might be interested in participating, please give the information to Sister Sonja Johnson.

The organizers will be asking for volunteers to help make these events successful, please make plans to volunteer.

It takes many hands to make light work.

Congratulations to Morgan Alvin, of Colonial Beach, for reaching 25 years in the Eastern Star!!