



# Shenandoah Valley Chapter No. 76 Order of the Eastern Star

Martin Eagleson, PP  
Secretary

Dawn Neil, PM  
Worthy Matron

Christopher Neil  
Worthy Patron

## STARLIGHT NEWS SPRING 2026

*"The world's favorite season is the spring.  
All things seem possible in May." - Edwin Way Teale*

### DATE CHANGE – MAY STATED MEETING

**Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM:** At the April stated meeting, the Chapter voted to request a dispensation (received) to move the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, due to multiple scheduling conflicts. It is at the regular time, 7:00pm with a meal & fellowship at 6:15pm. Thank you Sister Sandra C. for providing the meal. See you on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

### 2026-2027 SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHAPTER YEAR

Congratulations to Worthy Matron, Sister Dawn Neil, PM and Worthy Patron, Brother Chris Neil. This is Dawn's third time serving in the East; however, Chris is a first-time Worthy Patron. Her theme is "Carry the Light", emblems are Lanterns & Leaves and colors are Greens, Blues and White. The officers are listed below. Best wishes to them and the Chapter for a successful year.

Worthy Matron	Dawn Neil, PM	Marshal	Vacant
Worthy Patron	Christopher Neil	Organist	Sandra Clatterbuck, PM
Associate Matron	Becky Eagleson, PM	Adah	Gloria Miller, PM
Associate Patron	Brian Bosley, PP	Ruth	Vacant
Secretary	Marty Eagleson, PP	Esther	Vacant
Treasurer	Maria Miller, PM	Martha	Vacant
Conductress	Suzanne Shifflett, PM	Electa	Jan Lambert
Assoc. Conductress	Shirley Bosley, PM	Warder	Jill Cunningham, PM
Chaplain	Karen Short, PM	Sentinel	Eric Cunningham

\*Prompter: Tracey Pence, PM

### SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHAPTER STATED MEETINGS

Come join your Sisters and Brothers for our Stated Meetings on the First Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm, with a meal and fellowship at 6:15pm. Rockingham Union Lodge – 114 S. Main Street, Harrisonburg 22801.

\*Note the May meeting is on Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

### SECRETARY'S DESK

If you have questions or need help with chapter business, contact our Secretary, Brother Marty Eagleson, PP, by phone, text, email or postal mail.

### CAPTER MEMBERSHIP

In April we welcomed Sister Judy Shockey, PM as a plural member of Shenandoah Valley Chapter No. 76. Two petitions were also read, one for the Degrees and one for dual membership.

## MEMBER JOYS

Sister Keile passed her tests and qualifications and hopes to become a Commissioned Officer in the U.S. Air Force. Brother Brian will be installed as Grand Chaplain at Grand Chapter on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The Chapter will have a new digital piano soon, come listen to our very talented Organist, Sister Sandra "tickle the ivories".

## CARES AND CONCERNS

Please keep all of our Sisters and Brothers in your thoughts and prayers. We extend our prayers for comfort and healing are extended to the sick, and heartfelt sympathy to the grieving. If you know of someone in need of uplifting, contact Sister Shirley, Chair of Joys and Concerns, Sister Dawn, WM or Brother Marty, Secy.

## PHILANTHROPIC

The Chapter made monetary donations of over \$900.00 to various charities and those in need last year. SVC also donated food to Our Community Place, items for Valley Open Doors, the Blue Ridge Food Bank and cookies to EMU students during exam week. We will continue to support our community this year.

## CHAPTER FUNDRAISERS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Thursday, May 14 at 6:00PM:** Weyers Cave Ruritans dinner, at Weyers Cave Community Center. Sign up by email or at our May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting to provide a dish or paper products. Contact Sister Maria.

**Thursday, Friday & Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>:** Again, this year we're manning the food booth during the Virginia Trappers Association Rendezvous at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds. We will serve breakfast and lunch. We need as many helping hands as possible. If you have questions, or you would like to sign up for a shift or donate please contact Sister Dawn, or a planning committee member.

## CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

In April the chapter hosted the Grand Officer Orientation and the Grand Conductresses Page Orientation, serving lunch for both.

On Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> join members, family and friends of Milnes, Page & Shenandoah Valley for a lunch social at 11:30am, at *Southern Kitchen* Restaurant in New Market. See you there!

May also brings the 121<sup>st</sup> "Fall for the Star" Annual Grand Chapter Session, May 18-20 at the Richmond Hilton Hotel & Spa Short Pump. Visit the Grand Chapter website for more information at [www.easternstar-virginia.org](http://www.easternstar-virginia.org) or contact our Secretary, Br. Marty.

In July, Shenandoah Valley will host this year's District 18 Official Visit. We'll welcome (anticipated) Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Branda Kellogg and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Roy Kendrick on **Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**. It will be at Rockingham Union Lodge - 114 S Main St. Harrisonburg, VA 22801. We have Opening, Milnes Chapter No. 3 has Introductions and Page Chapter No. 24 has Closing. A reception will follow honoring the District 18 Grand Officers. Sisters Vickie Shifflett, Grand Lecturer, Kathleen McComick, Grand Martha and our own Brother Brian Bosley, Grand Chaplain. We look forward to seeing our Sisters and Brothers there.

## IMPORTANT STATED MEETING CHANGES – OES DISTRICT !8

**Milnes Chapter No. 3:** The April 28<sup>th</sup> stated meeting of Milnes Chapter is canceled.

Milnes Chapter No. 3, Shenandoah has changed their regular stated meeting night to the Fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. Ashlar Lodge, 210 Virginia Avenue, Shenandoah, VA 22849. Karen Short, WM and Jonny King, WP.

**Page Chapter No. 24:** Page Chapter will have an initiation on May 4<sup>th</sup>. If you can help them fill offices please contact Worthy Matron, Sister Joyce Hulse.

Page Chapter No. 24, Luray has changed their regular stated meeting night to the First Monday of each month at 7:00PM. Lafayette Lodge, 629 W. Main Street, Luray, VA 22835. Joyce Hulse, WM and Jason Barrow, WP.

**ROCKINGHAM UNION LODGE NO. 27 A.F.&A.M.**

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM, the Masons will have a Lodge Clean-up Day. Contact Sister Dawn or Brother Chris (Lodge Secretary) for more information.

Contact Worshipful Master, Matt Phillippi, if you have any questions, concerns or need help with the lodge.

Starlight News,

Becky Eagleson, PM

