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Mountain Splendor Grand Session Recap

Greetings to Colorado Eastern Star;

It is hard to believe that another Grand Chapter Session of the Colorado Eastern Star has come and gone. It took many months of preparation and planning from our General Arrangements Committee Chairman. I would like to especially thank Sister Marcia Carlson, PGM and Brother Bill Carlson, PGP for taking on the responsibilities of the General Arrangements Chairmen. They worked side by side and with their leadership, Marcia and Bill guided all of the GA Committee Chairman. As

with any Grand Chapter Session, we were not without some behind the scene issues, but because of the knowledgeable and experienced chairman on all committees, the issues were resolved quickly and professionally. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you.

At the 2015 Grand Chapter Session, the membership voted to begin our Grand Chapter Session on Thursday morning. So promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 22, we began our 2016 "Mountain Splendor" Session. The morning agenda was jam packed with many activities: the usual formalities and partial reports, the Ritualistic Opening, and Introductions of Distinguished Guests. The morning ses-

sion concluded with the Flag Ceremony, which was presented by Sister Sunny Hewitt, Grand Marshal, which ended with the playing of 'Taps'. Thursday afternoon we witnessed the beautiful Cavalcade of Flags, Introductions of all the Grand Representatives in Colorado and those from other Jurisdictions, several Reports and Legislation. Thursday evening, the Masonic Youth Leaders and their Adult Leaders were introduced. Each Order presented programs regarding the Flags of their Orders, singing of their Flag's song and remarks from Jasmine Carr, Grand Worthy Advisor – International Order of the Rainbow for Girls; Laurah Duff,

Grand Bethel Honored Queen – Job's Daughters International; and Mason Sellars, State Master Councilor – DeMolay International. We were honored to have over 20 Youth join us in the East. After all those who were not members of the Order were excused and the proving of Chapter, the Grand Officers exemplified the Initiation Ceremony. We were proud to initiate 3 new members. The "Soaring Eagle" 2015-2016 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were introduced. They looked so beautiful on the floor, each proudly holding their Chapter banner.

Friday morning we continued with

Committee Reports, Introductions, the

25th Anniversary Celebration of the

"Symphony of Love" Grand Family

and the completion of legislation. Fri-

day afternoon we were honored to intro-

duce the 50 Year Members; and several

residents of the Robert Russell Eastern

Star Masonic Center, along with a few

of the staff - to include Larry Lilo and

Patti Boex .; the Board of Trustees and

members of the House of Delegates.

The Grand Chaplain, Brother Robert

Walker presented the Necrology report.

Memorials were read for our Past Grand

Matrons: Sisters Betty O'Belmito,

Donna Yanz and Helen Pierson: Past

Grand Patrons: Brothers Dallas Lloyd



and Steve Hahn; Grand Lecturer, Stephanie Phillips; Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons: Brothers Lennart Johnson and Ray Osborne; and the Altar was draped in their memory. The Memorial Service was also presented by Brother Robert and a beautiful scenic power point presentation listing all the members of the Chapters who have passed away this year was presented.

Saturday morning began with presentation of the required Committee's final reports, Elections of Officers and Board of Directors, WGM/ WGP Farewells and the closing Badge Ceremony, presented by Sister

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A Prayer	for the	Sea	ason	Betty Benson, W.M.
May the Reason for the Season bring you peace now and this coming year. May you not forget the abundance you can have when living a life of faith for the One who gave you life.				John Harrington, W.P. Colorado #2
May you be content in knowing God desires a relationship with you. Let this truth settle in your heart and give you courage to spread His love.				
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Eastern Editorial



by Jan Schneider

From the Editor . . .

Here we are, on our way into a new term. What a great Grand Session we had in September and a wonderful installation of our new Grand Officers.

As you know, the 4U2 Review has been in a state of transition this past year and we appreciate everyone's willingness to move in new directions in order to make this work for everyone and continue to have a statewide newsletter.

My life is also undergoing some transition, which explains why the Fall Newsletter is so much later this year. As the Fall began, I had every intention to try and get the Fall edition out as soon after Grand Chapter as possible. However, it didn't take long to determine that those original intentions were way too optomistic.

First of, the day after Grand Chapter was over, my husband and I flew off to Italy to celebrate our 40 years of marriage this year. This 2 week trip put the initial crimp into the schedule for completing this issue. Then, shortly after returning from Italy, I started graduate school through an online program at CSU to work toward an MBA degree. I had always wanted to get this and my husband urged me to pursue it once my year as Worthy Matron was done. I had no idea how much time this would actually take, with working full time as well, and it has proved to be challenging to fit everything in. Something had to give. I decided that the Fall issue would have to just wait and the Winter issue that would normally be out in December would have to be done in later in January. Because of this delay for the Winter issue, I will still take articles and updates to articles already submitted unitl January 15.

So, I just finished my final exam for my first class in the MBA program, and then set to work to get this issue out before Christmas. Because we don't need nearly as many funds to run this show now with the online publishing and only mailing a few, I didn't need to make a big push to sell Christmas greeting ads this year, though I did have one, so I wanted to put it in this issue and get it out by Christmas. Please see greeting to the left.

As Fall comes to a close, hope you all had a great Fall Season and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Again, you may still sent articles for the Winter issue for the next couple of weeks, but please try to send by January 15 at the latest.

Jan Schneider, Editor-in-Chief

Grand Session Recap Con't.



Robin Terry, PGM. Congratulations to all the newly elected Officers and Board Member. You have now become the new upcoming leaders of our Order. The "Proud Victorian Star" Installation of Grand Officers was held Saturday evening. The Grand Officers were introduced, and a lovely Musicale' was presented, followed by a beautiful Emblem Ceremony. The Installing Team did a great job. May the "Proud Victorian Star" year be filled with safe travels, new friendships, renewal of old friendships, new adventures and great success.

It is the tradition that the Appointed Grand Officers present or retire the WGMs Bible at every session. This year, as the Officer presented or retired the Bible, their favorite Hymn was played or sung. At each Session, a special musical selection was presented by members of our Order. Thank you all for your participation in our Grand Session and for sharing your musical talents with our membership.

The Presiding Officers of all the Appendant Masonic Bodies were invited to attend the Distinguished Guests Banquet on Thursday evening. We were honored to have 29 Appendant Presiding Officers and members present. Sister Trude Davis, PGM was the Chairman and Hostess of this Banquet. Beautiful coasters with a picture of our Session pin was given as a gift to all in attendance. Remarks were made by Honored Lady, Alice Chapman, Grand Royal Matron of the Grand Court of Amaranth and Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Colorado, Brother Robert Elsloo. Thank you to Sister Trude for making this banquet so very special and enjoyable for all of our Distinguished Guests.

Sister Pat, WGM; Brother David, WGP; enjoy your year. It goes fast. Travel as much as you can. You may have some trials, but the rewards you reap this year will be memories that will last you a life time. Congratulations.

Again, on behalf of the "Mountain Splendor" Grand Family, we want to thank everyone who assisted in the "Mountain Splendor" 2016 Grand Chapter Session; whether you sang, read scripture, Invocation, Benediction, did the Call to Order, was on a Committee, pro-temed something, was a Page or Guard, helped with Riser setup and tear down, or anything else. And especially, Thank You for all of your support throughout the year. Colorado Eastern Star is ALIVE because of all of its members. It's because of your love of this beautiful Order that we will celebrate 125 years.

Mountain Splendor Blessings to you all, CherylAnn Craven-Lindblad, JPGM Byron Walker, JPGP

My Life as a StarCatcher

I want to share with you the wonderful and amazing things that I hear or see in the tent of the StarCatchers at various festivals

around Colorado. First of all, as a fairly new member of the Eastern Star, I was thrilled at the chance to meet and chat with other StarCatchers who were almost all well established members. Many being Past Matrons and Patrons; all involved,



accomplished brothers and sisters. Most recently at Cider Days in Lakewood, this attractive lady in her early 60's rushed into the tent exclaiming in wonder, "I haven't seen these symbols in a long



time." So many are surprised to see that the Eastern Star and Masonic Lodge are alive and doing well. That is the purpose of the StarCatchers, to announce the renaissance of our endeared organizations.

Another striking conversation that I witnessed last year at the People's Fair in Denver was that of a young woman of about 20 who wanted to show us a 6" tatoo of the square and compass of the Masonic Lodge on her upper back. She said that it was her family crest and she wondered what it meant. I hear so many people proudly say, "My grandmother was in the Eastern Star; she loved it. I had no idea that it still exists." One young lady took 10-15 minutes to pull up a photo of her grandfather in masonic garb on

her cell phone. For me, The highlight of our outreach efforts was at Boom Days in Leadville. My Star sister Marlene and I were able to stay in the home of a masonic

the home of a masonic family for the weekend. What a pleasant surprise that they are part of the Grand family. It



reminded me of the days in our church's youth group when we stayed in the homes of parishiners of different churches when visiting. We had a delightful time meeting them, visiting the Chapter and the masonic lodge open to the public during the festival. I saw Leadville brothers come and lovingly hug Brother Byron with no words: profoundly glad to see him. I heard said. "We used to do this sort of thing all of the time years ago." And I ask, "Why don't we do things like this today?" It was an exhilerating experience getting to make friends with others who have the same love for the Star. As we explore the re-



sults of dwindling membership in both the Star and the Masonic Lodge, perhaps we need to review some of the wonderful practices of former generations.

Would you join us next year as a StarCatcher? Respectfully submitted by, Jane Rivette, Loyalty Chapter #145.



Colorado Chapter No. 2 – Leadville

Robert C. Trezise, Reporter

Colorado 2's newest member is Sr Leslie Kilborn. She is a

member of the Alpine Chorale and her voice is a strong support for the odes and other vocal numbers. At the second meeting in May PGP C.T. Elliott presented the goals for his General Grand Chapter appointment. He was accompanied by his wife, Marge,



as well as PGM Rita Buchholz and McCollum, WP



Colorado #2 Past Matrons and Past Patrons

her husband Harvey. Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Colorado 2 were introduced and honored for their service.

At the same meeting AGM Pat Mammenga and AGP David Ramsey announced the appointment of Sr Loretta McIlhinney, who will serve as Grand Esther for the Proud Victorian Star Year. Her is her Grand Escort.



husband, Jim Evans, L-R: Loretta McIlhinney; Pat Mammenga; David Ramsey; Jim Evans



L-R: Bob Trezise; Myrna Salberg L-R: Esther Mellott, WM; Reta Lou Heinricy; George McCollum, WP



L-R: Bob Roeder; Joelyn Linn; Marilyn Wadsworth McCollum

During the spring months those Colorado 2 officers recognized for their contributions were Bob Trezise, Organist; Reta Lou Heinricy, Treasurer; Joelyn Linn and Bob Roeder, Marshal and Marshal pro-tem; Marilyn Wadsworth, Chaplain; Myrna Salberg,



L-R: John Harrington; Bob Roeder; George Benson; George McCollum; Bob Trezise

were presented gifts and recognized for their many years of service.

Sr Betty Benson presented the Dessie Powell Scholarship to Jonah Osborn, a Lake County High School graduate on Class Day. This \$500 scholarship is L-R: 50 yr. members - Bob Trezise; Joelyn Linn; Reta Lou Heinricy; Ella Burnett

Conductress; Pat McCollum, Associate Conductress pro-tem.

The men of Colorado 2 were honored at the Father's Day meeting. At the last June meeting 50 year members of Colorado 2



renewable for three years. A Dessie Powell Scholarship recipient, William Mundo, graduated with honors from Denver University and will pursue a medical career.

Colorado 2 members gave the funeral service for Sr Dorothy Pierce in Buena Vista and for Sr Marjorie Seawalt at a graveside memorial in Eagle. Sr Marjorie's granddaughter has submitted a petition for membership in Colorado 2 and will probably be initiated at the first meeting in September. Sr Reta Lou Heinricy has carried on the Chemo Cap project and donated 100 caps which she knitted throughout the winter. 25 were given to Valley View Hospital in Glenwood Spring; 75 were presented to the Shaw Cancer Center in Edwards, CO.

Sr Betty Benson and Br John Harrington were elected to serve Colorado 2 as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron for 2016-2017. The last summer activity was hosting a school off instruction on July 23. 13 members of Colorado 2 were in attendance.

The new carpet has been installed in the chapter room, vestibule, coat room, and preparation room in Leadville. Last year's fundraiser which totaled \$12,550 made this possible. Everyone is enjoying the new floor covering.

Sr Betty Benson and Br John Harrington were installed September 18 by Marian Edwards, PGM and Duane Weyers. All officers were installed and the 50 guests and members enjoyed a dinner of comfort food. A lot of second helpings were enjoyed!

At Grand Chapter the following week Br Bob Trezise was Installing Grand Organist, Loretta McIlhenny was Installing Grand Esther, and Sr Sandra Mark was a Grand Emblem Bearer. This year Br George McCollum is District Lecturer for #2 and #61.

At WM Betty Benson's first meeting two new members were initiated. They are Stacie Kent and Dora Seawalt. Sr Stacie is the wife of Lake County Coroner Shannon Kent, and Dora is the great granddaughter of John Caddy, who was a Past Patron of Colorado 2 in the 30's.

Official Visit was October 11. The Christmas wreath and garland sale is fast progressing.



Garden City Chapter No. 3 – Greeley

Amethyst Brown – Reporter

Garden City Chapter #3 has had a wonderful end of one term and a start to a new term. As we saw the end of the 2015 - 2016term come to a close we found another great venture in elections and the approach of Grand Chapter. On September 17, we said farewell to Junior Past Worth Matron Pam Thurow and Junior Past

Worthy Patron Larry Moody and welcomed in Worthy Matron Zanna Thurow and Worthy Patron Jerry Park to reside for the 2016 - 2017 term with their officers for the



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year. As it came time for Grand Chapter, Garden City Chapter #3 was very well represented and had the pleasure of being able to celebrate the last week of now Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron Cheryl Ann Craven-Lindblad, Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron Byron Walker, and the Mountain Splendor Grand Families year. The end of this past year is bittersweet as it was such a wonderful year but it is definitely a great joy to welcome home Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron Cheryl Ann Craven-Lindblad back to the Garden City Chapter #3 floor.

This year looks to be a fun filled year with a lot of activities planned and many more activities to be planned to come. As always, there are some very delicious dinners to be served with more information to come. There is also a new event planned to take place on December 10, 2016 at 9am at Century Lodge for our 1st Annual Cookie Walk that is looking to be an amazing get together for fellowship and delicious cookies! Please do make plans to come to our events as well as if you are in the neighborhood please do stop by for one of our meetings, we meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7:30 pm at Century Lodge.



Pueblo Chapter No. 7 – Pueblo

Andrea Smith, PM – Reporter

Happy Fall

It's Installation time again. The fresh crisp air brings a fresh new core of officers to Pueblo 7 and around the state.

Congratulations to our new Love and Friendship Worthy Matron Bridgette Paseka and our new Worthy Patron Joseph Paseka.

The officers and members of Pueblo 7 want to wish all the newly installed officers around the state a fabulous year.

We look forward to visiting as many chapters around the state as we can this year.

We had a great time designing and stitching our banner. It was very nice to see all of the chapter banners in the hallway during Grand Chapter. We look forward to proudly displaying our banner at all chapter functions.

The best things in life are the people we love, the places we've been and the memories we've made along the way. Happy trails to



you until we meet again along the eastern star road.

The members of Pueblo 7 recently had a membership dinner complete with a fashion show that included the latest fall fashions. We

had a tea dress (a dress covered in tea bags), bell bottoms pants (pants with bells in the bottoms) and a few others. Everyone was entertained and left with a full belly.

At our Grand Visit we had the pleasure of receiving another Grand Representative... our own Worthy Matron Bridgette Paseka. She is now the Grand Representative to South Dakota. Congratulations to our Worthy Matron.





As Thanksgiving approaches always remember that we as an organization have so much to be thankful for.

Star love and blessings



Waunita Chapter No. 37 – Gunnison

Kathy Ashwood, PM - Reporter

Our chapter members, along with our Masonic brothers put together a BBQ for not only our members, but also new prospects on August 14th. It was well attended, and we encouraged several attendees to consider joining. We may have a few thinking about doing just that. And since our Scholarship Dinner in May, we have been visiting with many of those parents & encouraging them to consider joining also.

In the beginning of September, we had our regular meeting and installation. Several members from Silver Star #40 in Montrose attended & installed our officers. It was a great time.

Then we had many members attend Grand Chapter, and our WM, Kathy Ashwood & WP, Ken Ashwood became this year's Grand Adah & her Grand Escort. They will be travelling quite a bit this year. And our very own Melissa (Ashwood) Robinson was Grand Adah's Emblem Bearer at Installation. She did a very nice job.

Our next meeting is our Official Visit on October 13th. We are having one of those wonderful dinners that Ken cooks, before our meeting. Hope we have a good turnout. It should be a fun time for all.

Then the next activity we will be looking forward to, is selling pies for Thanksgiving & Christmas. That is one of our biggest fundraisers for our scholarships.

We hope everyone has a great Autumn, and a successful hunting season. Many of our members are looking forward to that too!

Respectfully submitted,



Garnet Chapter No. 39 – Delta

Suzanne Teague, PM - Reporter

WM Mary Avara Grosshans and WP Roy Young, Pro-tem did a fabulous job of welcoming the *Mountain Splendor* Grand Family for our Grand Visit. We were sad that the Colorado weather managed to keep many of the Grand Family from attending as well as many other visitors. It is called "Springtime in the Rockies"! Brother Lee Casto was forced to miss the event although he is home from the rehab center and recovering from his pinched nerve at home. Unfortunately, the strain on Nita is pretty severe. We need to keep them both in our prayers. We are encouraged that he is some better but he still cannot walk on his own. He has now been fitted with a brace that assists his mobility as he gains strength.

Sister Donna Ames passed away on April 2nd and Garnet Chapter assisted with her Memorial Service. She is greatly missed. We also lost Sister Phyllis King Knorr in early July.

Sister Chris Van Verth was presented a Grand Representative appointment at our GV – San Paulo, Brazil. Interestingly enough, Margie Arnold, a former member of Sunshine Chapter #53 in Grand Junction and now a member of Idaho Chapter #2 who has pluraled her membership with Garnet #39, shares the same appointment in Idaho. Margie now lives in Cedaredge and joins us regularly.

Sister Carlene Dougan had hernia surgery just after our GV and then ended up back in the hospital for a bowel issue. We are glad that she is home now and slowly recuperating. At the same time, Gwen Cannon's husband and Chris Van Verth's dad, spent time in the hospital with a similar issue. He had the necessary surgery and he is now home recuperating.

The Delta Masonic Lodge recognized two of their 45 year members: Bill Harris and Lee Casto. Both of these were long past due. Lee Casto has now been presented with his 50 year Masonic membership pin and we are so proud of him. Along with Garnet Chapter, the Lodge also honored the ROTC members from the area high schools. Garnet also honored two seniors from Cedaredge High School with \$200 scholarships and one Hotchkiss senior with a similar scholarship.

We were pleased to have PGP and GGCCM C.T. Elliott join us at our May 2nd meeting to honor our local First Responders. He brought with him his wife Margaret and PGM Rita Bucholtz and her husband Harvey. We were pleased to have them all join us and participate in our meeting. Peggy Kelsay from Gillette, WY has also visited us several times when she was in town visiting relatives. Lee and Suzanne Teague joined AGM Patricia and Richard Mammenga represented Colorado at the Five State Extravaganza in Ogden, UT. The remainder of the Colorado Delegation was detained by the crazy Colorado weather! It was a fun get together and well attended by 7 Jurisdictions! They know how to have fun in UTAH!

Our Friendship Night which had to be cancelled due to inclement weather is now planned to be a Friendship Picnic. We hope that many can attend. Watch for an invitation as it will be a fun event. And hopefully no bad weather!

WM Mary Avara Grosshans and WP Roy Young, pro-tem, finished off our "Amazing Colorado" year with the election of new officers. Unfortunately, there was only one of the first-four required officers elected. Brother Lee Casto sent his letter of acceptance and willingness to serve as worthy patron if elected. Although we have members attending every meeting and have never lacked for a quorum, no one is able or willing to lead our chapter. Therefore, the chapter voted to invite a member of Jurisprudence and Chapters Committees to attend our Labor Day meeting to help us explore our alternatives. It was a very sad meeting.

When our Labor Day meeting rolled around, no one had come forth to fill the Worthy Matron's position for Garnet Chapter. Jurisprudence and Charters had been asked to join us and explain the process of Affiliation.

This process is in place and we are proceeding with the steps necessary to make this happen. It is so very sad and those of us who have worked for the good of the order for so many years, have experienced a true sadness at the dissolution of one of the most vibrant and active chapters in Colorado.

We celebrate with you all the joy of being members of this wonderful organization. Remember, you get out of it what you put into it! It is well worth our time and efforts.

Star Love,



Silver Star Chapter No. 40 - Montrose

Suzanne Teague, PM - Reporter

WM Connie Pittenger and WP Jack Ward finished off our year with a wonderful potluck followed by the election of a full slate of officers. Sister Shelley and Brother Keith Hoey will lead us in 2016-2017 following Installation of Officers on September 15, 2016. We know it will be a wonderful year.

Prior to the first June meeting, Shayne Hoey, Keith and Shelly's granddaughter, demonstrated her archery abilities in the parking lot. She and her brother, Nate, attended the National Archery Competition in Louisville, Kentucky in April with Olathe High School Archery Team and placed VERY high in a field of 14,000 shooters! They placed 372nd and 425th! These are RE-ALLY high scores considering the huge numbers of shooters! Following the demonstration, she also gave us her Creed Speech for FFA. She is a very talented young lady. Silver Star Chapter was pleased to contribute to the team efforts to make the National trip possible.

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The following week, grandson Nate, completed an 8 second bull ride in Carbondale and was promptly stepped on by the animal! He spent 36 hours in ICU with a lacerated spleen and a torn kidney. He is recovering but has had to be a lot less active than he would like to be. He spent the summer recuperating and will be heading for Redmond, Oregon to compete in a National Invitational Rodeo on the Colorado Team.

Our dear Lila Williams is now residing in the Commons in Grand Junction, Room #366 as she has been unable to return to her home.

We were saddened to learn that our dear Janice VanSell, PM of Bethany Chapter passed away in Durango. We heartily thank LaPlata Chapter, with help from Aztec Chapter in New Mexico, for helping with the traditional OES service.

Our 'Happy News' included a new great granddaughter for Jack and Nadine Ward; a granddaughter's wedding in St. Louis in October for Karen Hinton; and a wedding for Bonnie Lou Lamb's granddaughter in Ohio in July; and finally, a celebration of 15 years cancer-free for Pat Mroczek-VanAllen.

Annual Reports were given and Tammy Oldson was announced as our DL for the 2016-2017 year. Members were reminded of the Masons/OES Temple clean-up on July 16th and the Annual Beacon Club Picnic at Cerise Park on August 14th at 1 pm.

At our first meeting in September, we were pleased to present



50 year pins to both Jack and Nadine Ward. Jack also received his 50 year membership pin in Masons. He said he joined when he was 10!

We are looking forward to the next year and celebrate this last year. Our

chapter has been able to provide generous assistance to several local charities, the WGM & WGP projects, Grand Chapter and another \$300 was donated to Sharing Ministries by WM Connie and

WP Jack.

Our Installation of officers was held on September 15 and it was a treat to have PGM Genie Wilcox and PGP Jim Jarvis install our members assisted by Alberta Liimatta, PM, Bridgett,



PM and Lloyd Hannah, PGP and David Wilcox, PGP. It was a GRAND evening.

We send love to all and remind you that where there is great love, there are great miracles!

Star Love,



Sierra Blanca Chapter No. 43 – Alamosa

Erin Macgillivray Smith, PM - Reporter OES officers installed at Alamosa:



Top Row, L-R: Helen Lester, Evelyn Carr and Ron Hughes. Front Row, L-R: John Foster Carr, Courtney Furukawa, Dorothy Ziegler, Sharon Furukawa, John Seymour and Erin Macgillivray Smith

ALAMOSA – The officers for Sierra Blanca Chapter #43, Order of the Eastern Star, were installed at the Masonic Lodge on Sept. 11.

Installing matron was Mary Kae Jarvis; installing patron was Past Grand Patron Jim Jarvis, both of Centennial Chapter #58, Colorado Springs. Other installing officers were Shannon Hinkley, installing marshal. Bethlehem Chapter # 56, Monte Vista; Tina Giles, installing chaplain, Minnehaha Chapter #48; and Evelyn Buss, installing organist, also of Bethlehem Chapter #56.

Sharon Furukawa was installed worthy matron; John Seymour was installed worthy patron. Other officers installed at the open installation were Erin Macgillivray Smith, associate matron; Dorothy Ziegler, treasurer; Evelyn Carr, conductress; Courtney Furukawa, associate conductress; Helen Lester, chaplain; Ron Hughes, marshal; and John Foster Carr, sentinel.

Carol Milton and Dorothy Croft weren't present for the installation and were installed in their offices of warder and organist, respectively, at a regular meeting on Sept. 19.

Remaining to be installed are Stuart Robins, associate patron; Virginia Widhalm, secretary; Marylou Scott, Martha; and Fran Hull, Electa.



Minnehaha Chapter No. 48 – Saguache

Tina Giles, WM – Reporter

Throughout the year the officers and Star Points were honored for their service and presented gifts by the Worthy Matron, Tina Giles.

Birthdays and anniversaries are honored every month and presented a booklet "Encouraging reflections for every day of the month".

A Thanksgiving dinner was held in November, a cookies exchange in December. Our Official Visit was held in February with a dinner before the meeting. All went very well. We honored the Masons in May with a pot-luck dinner. We held a crazy hat competition after the meeting.



Eastern Star coins were ordered to honor firemen, EMT's and police. And several members gave them to friends and family. WM Tina Giles and Lois Martinez, Chaplain presented 8 coins to sheriff deputies, firemen and EMT's for saving the life of a Buena Vista man who was in cardiac arrest.

The Charter was draped for 4 beloved Stars this year.

Minnehaha gave 5 scholarships for a total of \$4000 this year to a brother and sister from Moffat, a girl from Salida and 2 girls from Buena Vista. It is so heartwarming to see such dedicated students-it is hard to pick the winners. Junior boys and girls were also honored. We are giving \$50 each to 5 schools to help students in need of supplies.

June was election of officers for the coming year.

A picnic is being held at WM Tina's on August 7th for Minnehaha members and guests.

Respectfully submitted,



Centennial Chapter No. 58 - Colorado Springs Barbara Ballheim, PM-Reporter

All should be aware that the Flamingos are flocking in Colorado Springs. For many unsuspecting victims this mysterious event can be very surprising. The joy of removal is heightened by sending them forward to another unspecting victim. It is much fun for all and we thank the Rainbow Girls for bringing adventure and laughter into our lives.

"Ho'okipa" meaning hospitality is the theme for MaryKae and Jim Jarvis as they take us to the lovely land of Hawaii. We had a social get together in August where we all made leis under MaryKae's supervision. Some had to have special tutoring to be able to finish the project, but they are lovely with the Hawaiian outfits that were selected for this term.

Service to the community is going to have emphasis this year starting with special attention given to our first responders having treats and attention with blue coloring on our houses to show sup-

port. We will continue with Christmas provided for a family selected by Greccio Housing a local non-profit group helping families in need find affordable housing. We are already planning flowers and a design for the community sponsored flower bed at the corner of Cascade and Willamette for next year. As the other projects develop spearheaded by Cindy Richmeier and Janet Adams I will report the events.

The installation was beautiful and refreshing with a tropical feeling in the air. The 2016-2017 officers are MaryKae Jarvis, PM (Worthy Matron); Jim Jarvis, Jr., PGP (Worthy Patron); Rebecca Walker (Associate Matron); David Eckman, PP (Associate Patron); Sharon Law, PM (Secretary); Hassel Taylor, PP (Treasurer); Kerry Ferguson (Conductress); Janet Adams, PM and Kelly Baines, PM (Assoc. Conductress Pro-tems); Les Bailey, PGP (Chaplain); Mayah Bennett (Marshal); Marcia Carlson, PGM (Organist); Chris Peloso (Adah); Debra Millhone (Ruth); Jackie Olson (Esther); Lauren Hanson, PM (Martha); Dawn Chaplin (Electa); Janet Kramer, PM (Warder); Ron Smith (Sentinel); and Kittie Frankenberg, PM (Prompter).

The aim ("Hoa Pili Ohana"-Making friends family); the motto ("Aloha Kakou"-May there be love between us); Principals of the Order (Charity, Truth, Loving Kindness); Watch Words (Service and Hospitality and Help Somebody Today); Honoring (New Members); Scripture ("Whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith." Galatians 6:10 (NRSV)); Prayer ("O God, help us learn to see others through your eyes. Teach us to see them for the wonderful people you are molding them-and us-to be. - Ruth Anne Burrell). "Aloha 'oe" from Centennial #58 till we meet again.



Manzanita Chapter No. 85 - Littleton

Mary Robyn, PM - Reporter

Have you visited Manzanita Chapter #85 OES's page on Facebook? There you can find photos and videos of what has been happening at Manzanita. I do hope it's not too trite to say "Like us on Facebook." Okay, so just yesterday I learned that Manzanita had a Facebook page. This could be news to you also. Included on our Facebook page are many photos from our September 11th installation. They're arranged in a video and you'll see many old and new friends. Please check it out.

The installation was done very nicely. Our newly installed Worthy Matron is Pamela Bottolfson. Our Worthy Patron is Tony Kary, PP. Tony, as you may remember, is famous for his Elvis impersonations and renditions of "Edelweiss." Our installation had some added poignancy from the loss of our member PGP Dallas Lloyd. Included in the installation was the bear that Dallas had bought when Pam and he were planning this term. Of course, all of the ritualistic open installation was performed. After the exchange of Bible Markers, the Job's Daughters of Bethel 33 beautifully performed the Closing Cross. Pam has a close connection to the Bethel as both her daughters were members and now her granddaughter is a member. Pam is a Past Bethel Guardian and

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has worked with the Bethel for the past 15 years in various ways.

The benevolent projects Manzanita will be focusing on this year are:

Collecting nonperishable food and items

for the South Fellowship Church food bank. We will continue to make 'Wiggies'-those are caps that help keep the heads of cancer patients warm and covered, and are donated to hospitals or other centers that have the need. We will continue to collect new or slightly used stuffed animals to be given to the police, fire departments or those that would need to comfort a child in distress. And lead by Jane Wullbrandt, PGM, Manzanita members will continue to create beautiful quilts for the Veterans who in their moments, gave us the freedoms we enjoy every day.

For the next year, Manzanita members will be "Cherishing the Moments", which makes all of us better people and able to help others once we reflect and learn from the moments in our own lives.

I have included an excerpt from Sister Pam's address at installation. It really points out how perseverance pays off in attracting new members, "I was reflecting on my years in Manzanita, and the first moment that I always remember is the one that happened before I even joined this organization. Many times, various ladies of this chapter asked me to be a part of this wonderful organization. I would say "I am busy with the youth group, Job's Daughters and my children's endeavors." Then for a reason I still do not know why to this day, I distinctly remember at one of the Weston Lodge's monthly breakfasts, Jane, Sharon, Donna and Rene' walked over to me as if on a mission to ask one more time if I would like to join Manzanita. "Sure", was the response of which not only I was surprised I had said this, but then I come to find out that just moments before, the ladies had approached my husband asking him the same thing. Knowing I had said "no" many times and feeling confident that my response would be the same, said to the ladies, "if my wife signs a petition, I will too." Well, we all know how that started new moments and ten years later, here I am, in another Moment." Isn't that a fun recollection. Many thanks to Jane, Sharon, Donna and Rene' from the members of Manzanita as we prepare for a fun

year with our new Worthy Matron, Sister Pam.

Pam's sister Kim Jones was the official photographer for installation. Kim is also a member of Manzanita. Please be sure and check out all those photos on Facebook.



Close on the heels of all those installations comes Grand Chapter. You really couldn't go for more than a few seconds before you'd run into a member of Manzanita #85 at Grand Chapter. I would list all the various jobs the members had but if I missed one, I'd feel very bad. Just know that Manzanita #85 was wellrepresented and members worked hard at Grand Chapter. We also had a great time at Grand Chapter. We couldn't be prouder of our Grand Chapter officers for the "Mountain Splendor" year: Grand Secretary , Rene' Ballinger and Grand Escort and Friend Kathy Sullivan; and, Grand Esther Kim Carr and Grand Escort and Husband Herb.

Remember as our Worthy Matron said at installation, "Cherish each and every moment and your lives will be full."



Dawn Chapter No. 125 - Aurora

Cheryl Williams, Reporter

Dawn #125's WM Kay Finnerty, PM and WP Bill Young, PGP and their "Ignite Hope" officers were installed on September 10, 2016, at 2pm. And with that we began a very busy and exciting year. The Chapter was honored to have Janet Malara, PGM, Bill Carlson, PGP, Genie Wilcox, PGM, Less Bailey, PGP and Marcia Carlson, PGM as the installing team.

The year has started off with lots of activity, including our meal (prepared by Susan Franzen) on the first meeting of each month; Red Book reading, practices for inspections, Friendship night with Loyalty #145, fundraiser casino trip to Black Hawk, Bingo at the Fitzsimons SVNH, and on November 15th we will initiate our newest member. We also enjoy our "social club" dinners which are on the 4th Tuesday of the month. We go to different restaurants and have a great evening of fellowship and laughter.

Hard to realize that the Holidays are upon us. Dawn sends wishes for all to enjoy the Season of faith, family, friends and good health. May this season be a "blessing" to each of you.



2017

Fraternal Events at Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Community

January 27 th	Metro Chapter Meeting
Feb 11 th	Mt Evans Lodge Widows Dinner Mary Barry Dining Room 6:30pm
Feb 12 th	Unity Chapter #97 2pm Ice Cream Social
Feb 14 th	Royal Arch Dinner and Meeting
March 1 st	Unity Chapter #97 Dinner and Meeting
March 14 th	AARP Drivers Safe Class Fraternal room 9am-1pm
March 18 th	House of Delegates Meeting 10am
April 4 th	Dawn Chapter #125 Dinner & Meeting
April 15 th	Easter Egg Hunt Jobs Daughters
April 20 th	Loyalty Chapter Ice Cream Social for Residents 7:00pm
May 6 th	Shred a thon with IORG 10am-noon
May 20th	Senior Prom 2pm-4pm- Tropical Theme
June 16 th	Annual Golf Tournament
August 19 th	Fraternal Family Community Picnic 11am-2pm
September 20 th	Annual Meeting
December 16 th	House of Delegates Meeting 10am

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Mt. Zion Chapter No. 133 - Golden

Sharla Pierce, Reporter

The elected officers for the 2016-2017 Star Year for Mt. Zion No. 133 are Worthy Matron – Jan Cromwell; Worthy Patron – John Warren; Associate Matron – Carolynn Baxter; Associate Patron – Scott Cromwell; Secretary – Barbara Fritz; Treasurer – Cyndie House; Conductress – Kaeleen Buckingham; and Associate Conductress – Roberta Park. A beautiful open Installation of Officers and reception were held September 18 with many friends and family attending.

During the Grand Chapter Session, we are proud that Mt. Zion had two members installed for 2016-2017 – Grand Chaplain - John Warren (Escort - Barbara Fritz); and Grand Lecturer – Imogene

Musso (Escort - Gina Musso).

We continue to actively support our Chapter projects:

Lawrence Elementary School – several boxes of school supplies were collected and delivered for the start of the 2016 school year.

Golden Christian Action Guild Food Bank – "Buy One – Give One" – bags of non-perishable food items were donated for the food bank and delivered when meetings started again in the fall.

Excelsior House – members had started making hats for the Christmas party. However, since the party has been cancelled, the hats were donated to the Rocky Mountain Cancer Center as chemo caps.

The Lunch Bunch meets at 11:30 a.m. on the third Thursday of the month at Ruby Tuesday for a fun social get together, and all members are invited.

Our fund raiser Pancake Breakfasts are held on the fourth Sunday of every month, and we had good attendance throughout the summer and into the fall.

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Loyalty Chapter No. 145 – Westminster Jan Schneider, Reporter

Fall is almost over and the Holidays are upon us.

One of our last events for the summer was serving Strawberry Shortcake at the Eastern Star Masonic R etirement Campus. Af-



ter visiting with several of the residents who attended the event, our members gathered around for an extended chat with our own member Bill Sawyer, who was a resident at ESMRC at the time.

On September 10, we held our installation of officers. New officers for the ensuing term (installed and Pro Tem) are: WM, Jodi Muser; WP Pro Tem, Bob Weidler; AM, Marlene Doyle; AP Pro Tem, Terry Hudson; Secretary, Krista Shaner; Treasurer, Sunny Hewitt; Conductress, Jan Schneider; Associate Conductress, Nancy Cayer; Chaplain, Florence Christian; Marshal, Bette Leck; Organist Pro Tem, Jeff Brothers; Adah, Diane Christian; Ruth, Tamara Pierce; Esther, Teressa Hudson; Martha, Jane Rivette; Electa, Mary Ann Knowski; Warder, Thresa Arney; Sentinel, Dan Sorensen; Prompter, Lynn Brown-Jones.

WM Jodi's theme this year is "Wild, Wonderful and Fun Loving" and her emblems are Wild African Animals. Her colors are jungle prints. It looks like we are going to have a wild and fun year!

Our golden chain was broken by the passing of long time member Louise Hooper at the end of August. Services were held just a few days following Jodi's installation with Loyalty Chapter performing the Eastern Star funeral ceremony and also providing

the lunch after. She will be missed.

Then it was off to Grand Chapter and a marvelous Mountain Splendor session. It was fun to see all the banners lining the hallway just outside the Grand Chapter room. Several of Loyalty's members

stopped to pose for the camera in front of our banner.

At our last meeting in October, we celebrated Halloween. Members were asked to bring masks and a contest for best masks was held. We were also graced with a surprise visit from Metro Chapter. A large contingent showed up in Halloween costumes. It all made for a very fun night.

In November, we held initiation with a real candidate. We all look forward to getting to know Sister Kari Hilverding.

Also, in November, we held our annual Thanksgiving Dinner fundraiser. We had a great turnout and the turkey was delicious!

We will continue to have our casino bus trips in 2017 on the 2nd Saturdays. Just contact Sunny or Flo if you are interested in joining us. We have a lot of fun!

Please come and join us at Loyalty Chapter on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.



Fountain Valley Chapter No. 155 – Fountain

Margaret Elliott, PM - Reporter

On September 1, 2016 Fountain Valley Chapter #155 met for their last meeting of the year with 28 members and visitors present. Thank you Shirley Day, Bill Carlson, and Elva Kochis for filling the stations of Associate Conductress, Chaplain, and Martha. We can always count on you to help where needed.

Our Worthy Matron, Sharon Heintzen and Worthy Patron, Bill Heintzen hosted a picnic at their home on Sunday afternoon, August 21st starting at 3 p.m. A good time was had by all! New officers have been elected and will be installed on Sunday, September 11, 2016 at 2 p.m. The Grand Chapter will be meeting September 21st through September 24th. Sharon has encouraged all to attend Grand Chapter. It really is a fun time to be in Eastern Star.

Prior to the start of our meeting, all who had turtles filled with coins emptied them into a large jar to be counted later. This money will be donated to the Worthy Matron's and Worthy Patron's Philanthropy Project, Special Olympics Colorado. This will go toward helping pay the costs for Natalie and her Team to go to the Special Olympics competitions here in Colorado.

Worthy Matron, Sharon read the Obituary prepared by the Grand Chaplain, Robert Walker for Stephen F. Hahn. The altar was draped by the Associate Conductress, Shirley Day and Conductress, Valerie Evans in memory of Past Grand Patron, Stephen F. Hahn who passed away recently. He was a Worthy Grand Patron in 2001-2002. The altar will remain draped for thirty days in Memory of Stephen Hahn.

All introductions were completed as this will be the last time for some to be recognized. Our current Grand officers serving Grand Chapter include Shirley Day, Grand Conductress; Les Saylor, Grand Sentinel; and Bob Harper, Grand Warder. All of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons for Fountain Valley were asked to introduce themselves and give the years they served. General Grand Chapter Committee Members introduced included C.T. Elliott and Valerie Evans. Past Grand Matrons Rita Bucholtz and Marsha Carlson and Past Grand Patron Bill Carlson were introduced.

Two of our members were unable to attend the meeting due to illness. Please keep Dorothy McClyment and Fumiko Fox in your thoughts and prayers. David Kochis reported that two members from Pueblo Chapter had passed away: Lois Stuart who was ninety years old and Ronda Henderson.

Sarah Day is our newest plural member to join Fountain Valley Chapter #155. WELCOME SARA!!! We all look forward to having you as a member of our CHAPTER.



Our Secretary, David Kochis reported that Fountain Valley Chapter has earned 23 out of 25 Ribbons according to Worthy Grand Patron, Byron Walker. This is exciting news and means that we have met the criteria for the Banner Streamer Program. The Program is to recognize Chapters for their work in promoting the welfare and prosperity of our Order.

Trudi Davis, PGM is in charge of the Silent Auction at Grand Chapter and is asking for Baskets. It is reported that five new



L-R: Bill McKee, Past Master of Fountain Valley Lodge #191 and member of Fountain Valley #155 OES and Sharon Heintzen, WM Fountain Valley #155 OES

members will be initiated at Grand Chapter. This is exciting news for all of us.

Gloria Jaeger noted that she and David Kochis will be working at a table at the golf games that will take place this Labor Day Weekend at Fort Carson.

Written reports regarding the current year were given by Daisy Saylor and our Worthy Matron Sharon Heintzen. Sharon and Bill's report was very thorough. They have had a very good year and should be proud of all the accomplishments.

Barbara Emmons, who is a member of Centennial Chapter #58, has presented our Chapter and the Fountain Lodge #191 with a beautiful and textured Lithograph picture of George Washington as he was praying beside his horse before going into the Battle. It is a gift that will last for many generations after we are gone. Thank you Barbara for you generosity.

Installation for newly elected and appointed officers for Fountain Valley #155 is scheduled for September 11th at 2 P.M. at the Fountain Valley Lodge.

On Sunday, September 11, 2016 at 2 PM Fountain Valley Chapter #155 held their Installation of Officers for the 2016-2017 year. The following officers were installed: Worthy Matron, Gloria Jaeger, Past Matron; Worthy Patron, Russ Smith; Associate Matron, Valerie Evans, Past Grand Matron; C.T. Elliott, Associate Patron, Past Grand Patron; Secretary David Kochis, Past Pa-

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tron; Treasurer, Daisy Saylor, Past Matron; Conductress, Christal Bricker; Associate Conductress, Shelly Anderson; Chaplain, Jim Brehm; Marshal, Bill McKee; Adah, Tish Neagles, Past Matron; Ruth, Elva Kochis, Past Matron; Esther, Rita Bucholtz, Past Grand Matron; Martha, Margaret Elliott, Past Matron; Electa, Nita Brehm; Sentinel, Harvey Bucholtz, Past Patron.

The Installing Team included the following members: Barbara Harrington, Past Grand Matron; John Harrington, Past Patron; Millie Ramsay, Past Matron; Les Saylor, Past Patron; Shirley Day, Past Matron; and Missy Willis who provided the music. Thank you for the time that all of you devote to Eastern Star.



Four members of the Installing Officers from L-R: Shirley Day, Barbara Harrington, John Harrington and Millie Ramsay

Gloria and Russ are dedicating this year to Kris Smith. She had started up the line in Fountain Chapter but was called home to heaven before she was able to complete her journey. Kris was Grand Worthy Advisor of Rainbow for Girls in California prior to relocating with Russ in Colorado. She and Russ affiliated with Fountain Valley #155 from a Washington State Chapter of the OES. Gloria and Russ will complete the journey for her.

Gloria and Russ have the following Motto: Friendship is Every Night and does not enter or Exit at the Chapter Room Door. Their Fun Emblems are Butterflies, Model T's, Wolves and Fairies. Colors are Turquoise, Coral and Earth Tones. Scripture: First Corinthians 13:13: And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Appointed Youth Liaisons are as follows: DeMolay-John Reinking;

Rainbow-Rita Bucholtz, PGM; and Jobs Daughters-Gloria Jaeger, PM.

September 15th was our first scheduled meeting for the New Year. Twenty four members and visitors were present. Robert Harper filled in for the absent Warder. Thank you Bob!

Our assigned District Lecturers are Hassel Taylor and Kittie Frankenberg who were both present for our first meeting. We look forward to learning about any new changes.

Marsha Carlson was installed as organist at our meeting as she was unable to be present at the installation.

Following closing of the Chapter, all retired to enjoy some snacks and to play cards and other games. The 124th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Colorado, Order of the Eastern Star is scheduled for September 22, 23, and 24th at the Double Tree Hotel in Denver, Colorado. Our next regular meeting will be on October 6, 2016. Hope to see you there!

On October 3rd, Fountain Valley #155 met for a practice as there have been several changes in officers for the New Year and some minor changes in how our work is done. Our District Lecturers, Kitty Frankenburg and Hassel Taylor are sharing their appointment and were both present to present the changes. We do welcome both of you and hope you have a successful year in your new appointments. Both Kitty and Hassel are members of Centennial #58.

On October 6th, Fountain Valley #155 met for a regular meeting. Worthy Matron, Gloria Jaeger conducted the meeting. Stephanie Fossinger filled in for the Associate Conductress and Sharon Heintzen for the Conductress. Bob Harper filled in as the Warder. In addition to the eighteen officers present, there were thirteen sideliners for a total of thirty one members and visitors present.

Barbara Emmons a member of Centennial #58 was present with a friend that is moving back to Colorado. Barbara is the one who presented our Chapter with a beautiful textured Lithograph picture of George Washington as he was praying beside his horse before going into the Battle.

She had come to see where it was hanging. Again, thank you Barbara for such a beautiful gift.

Tomi Moneymaker is in a Rehabilitation Center and is hoping to go home soon. Fumiko Fox is also having medical problems. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

Bob Harper was voted to be a member on the Colorado Grand Chapter Board of Directors. The five member board will be meeting in our Lodge Hall on October 15, November 19, and February 2017.

Worthy Matron, Gloria has asked if some members would be willing to make bags that fit on a wheelchair. Several were interested. She does have a pattern and will have more information later.

Following the meeting, all retired to the lower level to have brownies, ice cream and other snacks. Our next meeting will be on October 20th. Hope to see you then.

On October 20, 2016 Fountain Valley Chapter #155 Order of the Eastern Star met for their second meeting of the month. Worthy Matron, Gloria Jaeger had prepared a special meal of Chili Cheese Dogs with several sides and drinks. The meal was served at 6:15 p.m. prior to our regular meeting that is at 7:30 p.m. The tables were decorated and had a festive appearance. A special thank you to Gloria!!

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Eighteen officers and eleven sideliners were present for a fun meeting. Vernetta Cook escorted by Les Saylor, Associate Grand Patron carried in the Bible prior to the entrance of the officers. Thank you Vernetta! Hope to see you again soon.

Our Secretary, David Kochis read a Memorial prepared by

John Warren, Grand Chaplain for William Parrish, Past Grand Patron 1982-1983. Our altar was draped and will remain draped for thirty days in his memory. Brother Parrish served with Worthy Grand Matron, Betty Walker in 1982-1983.

Tomi Moneymaker and Fumiko Fox continue to need our prayers. They would both appreciate having cards and visits.

C. T. Elliott, Past Grand Chief, David Giradin



C.T. Elliott presenting a "Support Our First Responders Coin" to the Security Fire Chief, David Giradin

Patron of Colorado is a General Grand Chapter Committee Member serving on the "Support our First Responders" Committee. He was appointed by the current Most Worthy Grand Matron, Helen Westmoreland and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Robert Penoyer who are currently serving in their capacity from November 2015 through November 2018. Sharon Heintzen, our Worthy Matron from September 2015 to September 2016 invited the first responders to join us for our annual spaghetti dinner in January 2016. Nine members from the Fountain Fire Department attended the dinner. Gloria Jaeger is our current Worthy Matron and has wanted to continue our efforts to show our appreciation for the fire fighters. At our October 6th meeting the Chapter voted to provide the Fire Departments in Security and Fountain with Ice Cream bars or cookies to eat with their meals in the evening. On October 11th a group of fourteen made a visit to the Security Station and presented them with many boxes of different kinds of ice cream bars. Our Worthy Matron, Gloria Jaeger spoke to them about possible future needs. On October 12th we made a visit to the Fountain Fire Station and delivered the ice cream bars. They were having a graduation ceremony so we did not have the opportunity to talk to the group. We look forward to our continued relationship with the local fire stations. We are lucky to have Jennifer and Matthew Langley in our Chapter. They did the planning for our visits to the Fire Stations. Thank you Jennifer and Matt!

Following the meeting we all met to enjoy refreshments of cake and punch. Our next scheduled meeting will be on November 3, 2016.



Metro Chapter No. 157 - Denver Bruce Wilkie, WP – Reporter

Greetings from Metro 157!

Metro 157 enjoyed an excellent "Twinstallation" on Saturday, September 10th. What's a Twinstallation? It's when 2 chapters combine to make each ones installation even better!

Areme 124 started the day with their installation at 10:30. After a delicious lunch for both chapters, it was Metro's turn. Thanks to Worthy Matron-elect Jill, who did an excellent job organizing the festivities. And thanks to our installing officers:

Matron: Ima C. Dunn; Patron: Tony Kary; Secretary: Colleen Lloyd; Organist: Rene Ballinger; Chaplain: Larry Wullbrandt;

Marshall: Jane Wullbrandt; and Hostesses: Gladine Dracon, JD Cohen, and Jan Blankenship. Job well done!

Metro 157 now begins the 2016-2017 "How Sweet It Is" Eastern Star term. We have many fun meetings planned, including a Halloween



party on October 28th, a performance by the Denver Civil War Band, Festival of Light on December 23rd. And there's much more to follow in 2017!



We also sang Happy Birthday to our Treasurer, Eleanor Norden, who is celebrating her 95th year!

We want to wish every Eastern Star member a happy and healthy 2016-2017. Until next time...

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Sports Humor

She's new to football A guy took his girlfriend to her first football game. Afterward he asked her how she liked the game. "I liked it, but I couldn't understand why they were killing each other for 25 cents," she said. "What do you mean?" he asked. "Well, everyone kept yelling, 'Get the quarter back!'"

Heaven playing sports

St. Peter and Satan were having an argument one day about baseball. Satan proposed a game to be played on neutral grounds between a select team from the heavenly host and his own hand-picked boys. "Very well," said the gatekeeper of Heaven. "But you realize, I hope, that we've got all the good players and the best coaches." "I know, and that's all right," Satan answered unperturbed. "We've got all the umpires." An extremely loyal fan There was a Packers fan with a really crappy seat at Lambeau. Looking with his binoculars, he spotted an empty seat on the 50-yard line. Thinking to himself "what a waste" he made his way down to the empty seat. When he arrived at the seat, he asked the man sitting next to it, "Is this seat taken?" The man replied, "This was my wife's seat. She passed away. She was a big Packers fan." The other man replied, "I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. May I ask why you didn't give the ticket to a friend or a relative?" The man replied, "They're all at the funeral."

Play as James Bond

Egotistical Harry was always reminding people that he played semi-pro baseball. "I was the James Bond type of player," he told his friends. "I had all sorts of tricks to confuse the opposition." "Batted .007," his wife added.