



# STAR GAZER

## CECELIA DUNLAP GRAND CHAPTER OES OF KENTUCKY INC., PHA



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## From Our Grand Worthy Matron

### Grand Worthy Matron's Corner



Greetings,

A New Year comes with glows of hope in our minds that gives us new confidence and courage for a fresh start! So let us at the first quarter of 2018, begin with a newness that exhibits Galatians 5:22-23 (KJV),” *But the Fruit of the Spirit which is Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, Temperance... ”.*

Congratulations to all newly elected Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. Also, I congratulate all officers of our Subordinate Chapters. You have been entrusted to lead our Chapters, to keep harmony, be strong, but have a gentle disposition. Always pray and ask the Lord for His guidance!

Please remember we will administer the Administrative Degree following the Central District Meeting on Saturday, March 3, 2018. If you are a newly elected Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron

or a Past Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron who plans to participate, please submit your name to your District Deputy Grand Matron, so we can adequately prepare for you.

We are now taking orders for the New Ritual. Orders may be placed with your local Eastern Star Chapter. They are \$20.00 per copy. **The deadline for orders is March 31, 2018.** We encourage all members to purchase a copy as this affords a greater opportunity for all of us to be on the same page with our ritualistic work throughout the Jurisdiction of Kentucky.

Registration for the 2018 Class of the OES Academy is now open. This year, we have expanded to have an advanced course. For more information, please contact Brenda A. Murphy, GAM\Chair, or M. Denise Watt, GL\Co-Chair.

Donald E. Thompson, Sr., GWP, and Sidney Shouse, GAP, have planned a Workshop for all Worthy Patrons, Associate Patrons and any OES Brother who desires to learn more about the Eastern Star. The workshop will be Saturday, June 9, 2018, 11:00 a.m. at the Stokes, Finley, Mahan Memorial Home in Louisville, Kentucky. If your schedule permits, please attend. Please see GWP Thompson or GAP Shouse for detailed information.



## From Our Grand Worthy Matron

### Grand Worthy Matron's Corner continued....

The 2017-2018 Grand Chapter Projects are presently in progress. We ask for each Matron, Patron and District Deputy Grand Matron to work as hard as you can on the projects. We certainly appreciate, recognize and applaud all of your efforts! The deadline for all Grand Chapter Projects is May 30, 2018.

The Grand Worthy Patron and I have been blessed to make official visits to several Chapters this year. We also have attended several of your Chapter events. I have been honored and blessed to be able to attend. Your hospitality has been wonderful! It is our goal to visit a few more Chapters before the 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual Grand Communication. I encourage you to continue with your study sessions, read your Constitution & Bylaws, and continue to strive to become more proficient with your ritualistic work. As we become stronger as individuals, it only makes us stronger as a collective group. Let us continue to Love and show Respect towards one another and, most of all, communicate to ensure positive outcomes. Respect for ourselves guides our morals; respect for others guides our manners.

*“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose”.*

Romans 8:28 (KJV)

Committed in His Service,

*Felecia J. Ballard*

Felecia J. Ballard, Grand Worthy Matron



# *From Our Grand Worthy Patron*

## ***From the Office of the Grand Worthy Patron***



### **WORTHY PATRONS & ASSOCIATE PATRONS WORKSHOP**

Saturday, June 9th, 2018 @ 11:00 a.m.  
Stokes, Finley, Mahan Memorial Home  
4200 West Broadway  
Louisville, Ky.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Patrons, Associate Patrons and Brothers of the Order, so let's commit to coming out and enjoying the work of the order. Please bring your Constitution, By-Laws, Regulations and Code and your New Revised Ritual. You may place an order for the New Ritual through your local OES Chapter. Lunch will be served!

RSVP by May 30, 2018 to:  
Donald E. Thompson, Sr. Grand Worthy Patron 859-986-6075 (Telephone) Cell 859-575-0548 [Don.Thompson@windstream.net](mailto:Don.Thompson@windstream.net) (email)

OR

Sidney C. Shouse, Grand Associate Patron 502-542-2451 (Telephone)  
[mariebardstown@aol.com](mailto:mariebardstown@aol.com) (email)

Looking forward to seeing you all at our District Meetings!



# From Our Elected Grand Officers

## OES ACADEMY



Greetings!

Welcome to all new and advanced members of Cecelia Dunlap Grand Chapter OES Academy! We are truly happy that you have taken it upon yourselves, to become participants of this years' classes. Congratulations, on the first step of enlightening yourselves on the basic rules, regulations and procedures of our Order. You are on the road to becoming the future leaders of tomorrow and you should be proud!

Participants will be required to attend all district meetings, unless otherwise, excused. An OES Academy Registration Sheet will be available for all participates to sign at the beginning of each district meeting to obtain materials. Opportunities for testing will be available upon completion of the Academy, with time and place to be determined. All training will take place during our district meetings. Instructions will be the same for the regular and advanced classes however; testing will be more in depth for all advanced participates.

Each graduate will be recognized and receive a certificate from the Grand Worthy Matron upon completion of the Academy! Remember that growth requires knowledge and we are excited about the chance to grow together with you! Can't wait to see you at graduation!

Humbly Submitted!

Brenda A. Murphy, GAM/Chairperson     Denise Watts, GL/Co-Chair

### **Academy Committee Members:**

Felecia J. Ballard, GWM

Sidney Shouse, GAP

Carla D. Thomas, GAC

Carolyn S. Walker, DDGM/Eastern

Sharon Bowen, DDGM/South-Central

Donald Thompson, GWP

Marva A. Harris, GC

Darlene Croom, DDGM/Central

Deny Gonzalez, DDGM/Far-Western

Alitta Leachman, DDGM/Western

We commend you for taking the initiative to excel.



## From Our DDGMS

### GREETINGS FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT

*"And we know that all things work together  
For good to them that love god, to them who are  
Called according to his purpose".  
Romans 8:28*



*TAKE SOME MORNING SUNSHINE  
ADD A SMILE  
SOME KIND WORDS TOO,  
SPRINKLE SOME HAPPY HOUR  
IT'S NOT HARD TO DO.*

*ADD A LITTLE THOUGHTFULNESS  
STIR JUST ENOUGH TO BLEND  
SERVE IT WITH WARM LOVING HANDS  
IT'S THE MAKING OF A FRIEND.*

#### CHAPTERS:

*ALLEN CHAPTER NO. 18  
PHYLLIS WHEATLEY CHAPTER NO. 39  
KENTON CHAPTER NO. 40  
NEWPORT CHAPTER NO. 105*

#### WORTHY MATRONS:

*Sis. CAROLYN J. HAMPTON  
SIS. GLADYS T. MILLER  
SIS. SYLVIA R. DAVIS  
SIS. TONYA L. MILLER*

*CAROLYN S. WALKER-DDGM  
EASTERN DISTRICT*





## From Our Chapters

**Queen Esther No. 4 – Prince Hall Day 2017...**

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### **Psalm 116:19**

**In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.  
Praise ye the Lord.**

**Greetings:**

**Queen Esther Chapter No. 4 Order of the Eastern Star celebrates  
Prince Hall Day, Sunday, September 10, 2017 at Mt. Moriah Missionary  
Baptist Church, Paducah, KY.**



From L-R: Mattie Bryant, Rosa Scott, Barbara Townsley, Corine Harbor, Stephanie Wells, Leesa Wilson, Deny Gonzales, Belinda Lawrence, April Taylor, Henry Glore, Barbara Jones, Linda Bell, Amelia Hollowell, Donna Hawkins, Jean Fitzgerald.



## From Our Chapters

### Rebecca No. 7 – Greetings...

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Hello!

We greet our brothers and sisters in peace and love:

It has been a while since we reported on our community involvement and fundraisers. As we often state Rebecca Chapter No. 7 is a small chapter but we are big at heart.

We have had a very busy fall and winter season. Several members attended the Grand Master's Organizational Meeting and CDGC OES Workshop at the Grand East. Because of the rapid spread of Alzheimer's our chapter sponsored a local team, Team Velma, in a walk to help cure Alzheimer's.

For a fall fundraiser we had a successful spaghetti dinner at lunch time. Yummy 😊 we captured the hearts and stomachs of the

people at many local businesses and factories.

At Christmas our chapter collected approximately 75 personal items for a local Women's Addiction Recovery Manor (WARM). Monetary donations were given to Riverview School of Special Needs Children as well as Goodfellows Santa Club. We were able to give another \$100 donation to Riverview School of Special Needs thanks to a donation from the Tiger Foundation. We closed the year with our annual Christmas Party donating 2 nice baskets filled with goodies to lucky winners.

As you can see in this field it calls for service. It gives us great pleasure to help others. We are eagerly looking forward to our annual pork chop dinner fundraiser in February.

Hope to see you at the Western District Meeting in Bowling Green. Praying everyone stays healthy as we welcome more sunshine and warmer days! Come on SPRING!!



Regina O'Neal reporting for Rebecca Chapter No. 7 Henderson, KY





## From Our Chapters

### **Phyllis Wheatley No. 39** – Important Dates...

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#### ***From Phyllis Wheatley No. 39***

During the weekend of April 13-15, 2018, Phyllis Wheatley Chapter No. 39 will be hosting a Testimonial Banquet Honoring Grand Worthy Matron, Felecia J. Ballard.

April 13, 2018, starting at 8:00 P.M., Hospitality at the Best Western Hotel, 100 Eastern By-Pass Richmond, KY 40475 859-623-9220

April 14, 2018, the Banquet starts at 7:00 P.M., at the Stratton Building, Eastern Kentucky University Campus, Richmond, KY 40475. Banquet Tickets are \$50.00. Deadline for Ticket Purchases, Hotel Reservations and Ads is March 24, 2018.

We are looking forward to an enjoyable and memorable fellowship during this special time.

Thank you,

Phyllis Wheatley Chapter No. 39.





## From Our Chapters

### Amaranth No. 46 – Valentine's Day Giveaway...

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#### *Amaranth Chapter #46*

We held our annual Valentine's Day Giveaway.



The basket contained a \$100 spa massage, Bath & Body Works and more.



Worthy Matron Renee Wright and winner shown.  
Pic. by Sis Lynn Darnes



## From Our Chapters

**Progressive No. 63** – And let us not be weary in well doing ...

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### From the Officers & Members of Progressive Chapter #63 Pembroke Kentucky



**SEATED L to R:** AP Brandon McGowan, WP Michael Wright, WM Tanya Edmond, AM Likishia Young  
**STANDING L to R:** Sis. Ruby Covington, Sis. Keyanna Jones, Sis. Martine Polite, Sis. Laverne Woods, WM Tylene Baker, Sis. Valecia Largin, Sis. Kimberly Mosley, Sis. Eelece Pearson  
Members not pictured: Sis. Antuan Cornelius, Sis. Erica Benjamin; Sis. Russhele Croney, Sis. Jacqueline Hollis, Sis. Arielle Lewis, Sis. Barbara Whitlock-Moore, Sis. Kelcee Vernon

#### Galatians 6:4

And let us not be weary in well doing: For in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. The beginning of another year for Progressive Chapter #63. We are true to our name Progressive for we are still moving on and have great plans and projects planned. We accomplished all our goals last year and are off to a great start this year. We have a new first time Matron, W.M. Tanya Edmond she is right on point and a force to reckon with. Our Associate Matron, Likishia Young, Patron Michael Wright, Associate Patron Brandon McGowan.



## From Our Chapters

### Progressive No. 63 – cont ...

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We started this year with a donation of \$100.00 to Ms. Saday Jackson on behalf of the Tiger Foundation.

We will also have a T.V raffle in progress. Tickets are \$5 or 4 for \$20.

We also would like to welcome Sis. Martine Polite and our Associate Patron Brandon McGowan to Progressive Chapter 63.

Also this year Progressive Chapter 63 will be hosting Far Western District Meeting. There will be more information to follow. We intend to keep walking in the light, striving to always be a Blessing in Someone's Life.

Humbly Submitted

P.W.M.Tylene Baker  
On behalf of Progressive Chapter #63  
Be Blessed





## From Our Chapters

### Rising Star No. 102 – Greetings...



#### Rising Star Chapter No.102 Order of the Eastern Star Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701



*“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” – Romans 8:28*

Greetings from the officers and members of Rising Star!

We pray that all of our Sisters and Brothers are blessed and highly favored. Our chapter spent 2017 shining our light throughout the community and helping all that we encountered and we plan to continue that work in 2018.

Rising Star had another successful Annual Senior Thanksgiving Dinner on November 20<sup>th</sup>. We served all that came through the doors of First Baptist Church that evening a full Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings. We played games and gave out prizes. A joyous time was had by all who attended.

Our awesome Worthy Patron, Leon Faulk, that won WP of the year for 2017, was blessed to see his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and we were all there to help him celebrate it.



Our next upcoming event will be June 2, 2018 when we will be hosting our Past Matron/Patron Banquet at Pritchard Community Center in Elizabethtown, KY.

We are continuing with the community projects that are near and dear to our chapter. We still donate much needed supplies to the Community

Health Clinic for Hardin and Larue Counties on a quarterly basis and coordinate from time to time with Springhaven Women's Shelter, providing them with supplies as they need them. We will also continue to volunteer with Feeding America every last Tuesday of the month. In January our



chapter was joined by some nobles from Al-Nahda Temple #247. We are truly get great joy knowing that the work we do provides others with the opportunity to have a meal when they otherwise may not have.

We are sending prayers and strength to everyone under the eyes of this publication.

Sister Schelequia Davis, Worthy Matron  
Brother Leon Faulk, Worthy Patron

Humbly Submitted,

PM Defriece Williams,  
Star Gazer Reporter





## From Our Chapters

**Fairest No. 104** – Salutes Sister Ruby Mason...

### **FAIREST #104 SALUTES SISTER RUBY MASON**



The New Year is off to a brilliant start for AM Ruby Mason. On January 4, 2018 she was nominated for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2018 Leadership Award. Her Certificate of Recognition was presented by Lt. Gov. Jenean Hampton and Commissioner of Education, Dr. Stephen L. Pruitt. Sis. Ruby, supported by family, was recognized for her service in continuing the work of Dr. King. (See photo top left)

On January 11 the Lexington-Bluegrass Association of Realtors presented Sis. Ruby with her 20 Year Service Pin (See photo bottom right) recognizing 20 years of exemplary service to LBAR. They also awarded her the Good Neighbor Award which recognizes realtors who are improving the lives of others through their volunteer work in the community. (See photo bottom left) To her surprise her family was invited there to witness and share in this wonderful recognition. (See photo top right). Her work in the Order is only a part of what she contributes. Truly our Sister is F.A.T.A.L., and the Brothers and Sisters of Fairest #104 salute her. May she continue her work for Him, and may we be challenged to do likewise.



## From Our Chapters

**Lily White No. 132** – Breast Cancer Awareness Walk...

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### *Greetings from Lily White Chapter No. 132*



RECENTLY, LILY WHITE # 132 AND THOMAS A SIMS, Jr, No.170 met at Valor Hall Park for the BREAST CANCER AWARENESS WALK. Though the cold weather may have turned some of the walkers away, Sis Dion, who is a member of Lily White No. 132 and an army veteran, drove down from Chicago, eager to participate in the walk with other members of the Chapter.

ONE NEVER KNOWS WHEN, OR IF IT MAY BE THEIR TIME. SOME NEVER FORGET. SOME NEVER REMEMBER. LILY WHITE APPRECIATES THE PARTICIPANTS WHO STOPPED BY. I PERSONALLY LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS WHO STOPPED BY.

Bobbie Jackson Lily Whites' Star Gazer Reporter 2017



# *Matron and Patron of the Year*

## *District Deputy Grand Matron of the Year*



**Sister  
Deny Gonzalez**

## *Matron and Patron of the Year*



**Sister Patricia Goulsby  
Lily White #132**



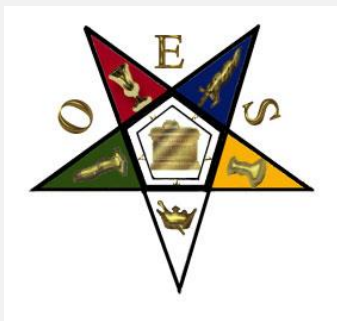
**Brother Leon Faulk  
Rising Star #102**



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