

Stardust

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Special dates of interest:

- Emerald Star OCPN, May 1st
- Starbright Meeting, May 2nd
- Lodge Stated Meeting, Star Serving, 6:30pm, May 7th
- Stated Meeting, May 9th
- Seaside Chapter OCPN, May 16th
- District 32 DGM Reception, May 19th
- Memorial Meeting, May 23rd

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Puff is having some fun!

by Cheryl LeFever,
Worthy Matron

What a great time we had in April! Congratulations to our newest member, Sister Jayme Specker who joined our chapter on April 11th in an evening paying tribute to the beauty beyond the rain; the rainbow, and to Sister Courtney Pedersen who threw one heck of a party night for Scepter that brought us to the country of croissants and mustaches! Sister Mamie Wilson, PM, put on a great dollar a dip and dance which had a large selection of food to dip into. If you missed the dipping this year, not to worry, I have a feeling this one will be coming back for another dance soon!

The official visit to Rainbow for Scepter has also taken place as we shared it with our Masonic Brothers of Orange Grove Lodge. It was a great time with LOTS of laughter and playful shadowing. The Scepter ladies filled the bow stations and some Rainbow majority members helped fill some additional stations. I think if you ask anyone that was there if they had fun, you'll be answered with a big smile on their faces.

May brings us warmer days and blossoms of plenty, which lends to a time of celebration. We will put on the colors of Mexico for our Cinco de Mayo meeting, and then enjoy 'an evening at the opera' with our most gracious Deputy Grand Matron, Sister Robin Reeves, at her reception filled with song. Of course it is also a time to remember as we pay tribute to our members who have passed at our Memorial meeting at

the end of the month.

Be sure to check the Dates to Remember on page 3 of the Stardust so you won't miss any of the fun!



Magical words from Poof in the East

by Michael Martinsen, Worthy Patron

Hello Sisters and Brothers -

I hope that the year has been treating you wonderfully. It's so hard to believe that we're already in May, and getting ready for another beautiful California summer, which means at some point, you're going to start hearing about Scepter's 2nd Annual Star-B-Q-Barbeque! (An exciting event that is sure to create memories of a lifetime.)

When you come to the Barbeque, it will give you a chance to get to know our amazing corp of officers a little better. We are blessed to have such a youthful, dedicated and inspiring set of people who continually impress visitors and guests with their ritual and heartfelt loyalty to the purposes of Eastern Star. Watching a team of people pull together, plan events, support each other and witness their "refreshment of success" bring happiness to those around them and is one of the greatest joys I have had the pleasure to experience. The friendships that are born through Eastern Star are amazing; being surrounded by such positive people is what builds that extended



Our newest member
Jayme Specker
initiated on 4/11/13

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family that keeps me be passionate about all the good we can do.

As a mid-year report, I can say that we have the foundation built for an incredible future. Your Worthy Matron has “eased into the saddle”, and is inspiring everyone around her with her continual encouragement and leadership. It is humbling to see my lovely wife develop into her own greatness.

So, come out, join us and be a part of building the blocks of our destiny.



Greetings from the Grand Family

By Bill Prentiss, 2013 Grand Warder

In April we had the historic opportunity to Institute a new Eastern Star chapter in Turlock. (Turlock is located pretty much in the center of California off Hwy 99, just south of Modesto.) The Turlock Lodge was an amazing location for an “Institution” with a large Lodge/Chapter room for the entire Grand Family to exemplify their work. With a capacity crowd of over 220 in attendance, we opened a Special Session of the Grand Chapter of California with Brother Art Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron presiding. We then proceeded to Initiate 11 new members and after a short break installed a full core of officers in the new “Wistaria Chapter”.

According to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sarahann Shapiro: “We had some of the members in attendance in tears at the poignant stories told by our Grand Star Point officers, which is pretty amazing when you consider how many times they have heard these stories before, but perhaps never with such meaning and feeling.”

A little closer to home, we had such a wonderful initiation of Jayme Specker, even though the Chaplain is not Outside the Door. After all that practice and I still have a “Brain Fade.” We are all so happy to have Sister Jayme in our Eastern Star Family now. Welcome.

All of that being said, we are still having a FABULOUS time traveling up and down the State visiting all our Sisters and Brothers and making new friends along the way. Thank you for your support this year and always.



Could this be our Grand Warder ?



From Our 2013 DGM

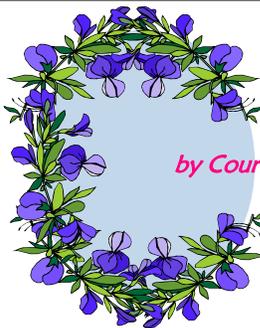
*by Robin Reeves,
Deputy Grand Matron, District 32*

Bon jour! What a great time we have been having in Scepter Chapter! This Deputy is proud of all of the hard work in preparing and planning for your recent Initiation. It was impressive and the floor work and Ritual work was beautifully performed. Sister Jayme Specker looked lovely and her family members and many friends enjoyed the evening, as well. Do come out to meet this beautiful new Sister!

The Orange County Party Night was *tres magnifique!* Paris is very pretty in Spring and the fashions, food, and fun had by all were *fabuleux*, indeed! This Deputy felt transported to another land and had such fun! It is nice to see many people attend these fun nights! Congratulations on a job well done!

Keep up the good work, Officers! Continue to study the lessons of our Beautiful Order found in the Ritual and take to heart all the teachings found therein and find a way to apply them to your everyday life. By so doing – the quality of our lives and those around us will improve. Well, thanks again, for all the effort, Scepter Chapter! This Deputy is very proud of all of you!

Au revoir!



Circle of Concern

by Courtney Pedersen, Associate Matron

Brother Ruben Gallegos, PP had pneumonia, but is now feeling good and recovered.

Sister Miriam Moser's son and **Sister Sharon Jazwiecki's** brother passed away on March 29th. Please keep them in your prayers during this difficult time.

Sister Rebecaa Majoros fell at work and sprained her wrist and shoulder. She also ended up with a hairline fracture in her finger.

Sister Toni Gardner's partner has been very ill with a rare virus and has been in the hospital struggling to recover.

Sister Elaine Campbell's brother had bypass surgery in St. Louis and Elaine is there helping to care for him.

Brother Art Paris, PP was in the hospital with pneumonia and is now at Town and Country recovering.

Sister Courtney Pedersen's mom has been very ill and her dad is having heart problems.

Please keep all of our ill Sisters and Brothers in your prayers. Don't hesitate to call or drop me an email if you know of a Sister or Brother in need of a call, card, or warm thought.

Star Dates to Remember

All events are held at the [Orange Masonic Center](#) unless otherwise noted. For the most up-to-date calendar go to: <http://www.scepter163.org/calendar>



MAY

- 1 Emerald Star OCPN, "Knights of the Round Table", 7:30pm, [Norwalk Masonic Center](#), Attire: Medieval, [Scepter Courtesy Officers: Conductress, Marshal, Esther](#)
- 2 [Starbright Meeting, 6:30pm](#)
- 4 San Diego Medieval Ball, 6pm, [Camp Pendleton](#)
- 7 [Lodge Stated Mtg Dinner, Star Serving, "Cinco de Mayo", 6:30pm, Chairman: Rebecca Majoros](#)
- 9 [Stated Meeting, "Cinco de Mayo", 7:30pm, Attire: Dressy Casual, Colors: Red, White, and Green, Dining Room Chairman: Sherry Branson](#)
- 12 *Mother's Day*
- 15 [June/July Stardust Newsletter Article Deadline](#)
- 16 Seaside Chapter OCPN, "Surf's Up at Seaside", 8pm, [HB MC](#), Attire: Beach Theme, no bathing suits/tank tops; Serving Officers: Eastern Star appropriate. Sideliners: pants, beach combers, jeans. [Courtesy Officers: AP, Chaplain, Adah, Warder](#)
- 18 Line Officers Assoc Breakfast, 9:30am - 11:30am, [Brea MC](#) Chaplains to Attend
- 18 Lodge Community Appreciation Night, 5pm
- 19 [District 32 DGM, Robin Reeves, Reception, 2pm, YL MC](#)
- 20 [Dining Out Fundraiser, 11am - 11pm, Chili's in Orange, 1411 W. Katella Ave, Bring Flyer with you](#)
- 21 Lodge Graduates Recognition Night, 6:30pm
- 23 [Stated Meeting, "Memorial Night", 7:30pm, Attire: Ladies - White Formals, Men - Tux, Dining Room Chairman: Cheryl Griffin](#)
- 25 Rainbow Installation, 7pm
- 27 *Memorial Day*

- 31 [WGM/WGP OV Practice & Set Up, 7pm, DeMolay Center, Anaheim](#)

JUNE

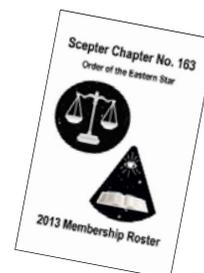
- 1 [WGM/WGP Official Visit, District 32, 7:30pm, DeMolay Center, Anaheim](#)
- 1 Job's Daughters Installation, 7pm
- 6 [Starbright Meeting, 6:30pm](#)
- 7 Festival Setup, 1:00pm, [SLC](#)
- 8 [Festival "Our Home is our Castle", SLC, YL, 9am - 4pm, Dinner 5pm](#)
- 9 Masonic Family Picnic, 12pm, [Masonic Home, Covina](#)
- 13 [Stated Meeting, "Brother's Night", 7:30pm, Chairman: Ruben Gallegos](#)
- 15 Line Officers Assoc Breakfast, 9:30am - 11:30am, [Orange MC](#)
- 16 *Father's Day*
- 17 San Clemente/Saddleback OCPN, 7:30pm, [Laguna MC](#), [Courtesy Officers: WP, AC, Ruth, Sentinel](#)
- 22 Janice Mullard, Grand Esther's Reception, 1:30pm, [DeMolay Center, Anaheim](#)
- 22 Virginia Fischer, Grand Electa's Reception, 7:30pm
- 23 Lodge Annual Family Picnic
- 26 [Grand Warder's Reception Practice, 7:30pm](#)
- 27 [Stated Meeting/DGM OV, "Summer Fun", 7:30pm, Attire: Dressy Casual, Flip flops, and sunglasses, Dining Room Chairman: Mamie Wilson](#)
- 28 [Setup for Grand Warder's Reception, OMC](#)
- 29 Mike Logan, Grand Sentinel's Reception, 1:30pm, [Downey MC](#)
- 29 [Bill Prentiss, Grand Warder's Reception, 7:30pm, OMC](#)

JULY

- 4 *Independence Day*

2013 Membership Roster Updates

Not Available for Public View





From Hope and Joy in the West

by Courtney Pedersen, Associate Matron

We had

our party night at Scepter on April 25, 2013. It was a wonderful night with everyone present. There were beautiful flowers everywhere with Eiffel towers! Thank you to all those that helped me out that night.

Our next two party nights are as follow: Emerald Star "Knights at the Round Table" On May 1, 2013 at 7:30 pm. Seaside "80's Themed" on May 16, 2013. I look forward in seeing everyone there! We are going to have a blast.

La saison préférée du monde est le printemps. Toutes les choses semblent possibles au mois de mai. ("The world's favorite season is the spring. All things seem possible in May." - Edwin Way Teale)



A Word from our Associate Patron in the West

by Ruben Gallegos, Associate Patron

Hello my
Sisters and Brothers,

I hope this letter finds all of you in the best of health and good spirits. April was a very busy month and now May looks like it's going to be the same. There are many activities coming up, so keep an eye on your calendars.

We have some fun Party nights coming up and would certainly love to see many of you in attendance. We also have a very special date on May 19th that we hope to see most of you there. This is the Reception for our district Deputy Grand Matron, Robin Reeves. This will be at Yorba Linda Chapter at 2:00 P.M. I do hope to see you all there.

Now I would like to give you a report on our fundraiser on April 13th, the Dollar-A-Dip dinner and dance. First a great big Thanks to Mamie Wilson, for putting this all together with the help of her committee. For those who were unable to make it, let me tell you that it was fun and the food was delicious. The dance after our meal had plenty of great music by our DJ Brother Brandon Messenger. Thank You for the fantastic music. The dancers really enjoyed it. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets ahead and at the door, we were especially happy to see our Sisters and Brothers from our district who joined us in our fun night. Thank You.

An added note, on June 1st will be the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's official visit. It will be held at the DeMolay center in Anaheim and the time will be at 7:30 P.M. I do hope to see you all there.



A Word from Speedy in the South

*by Hollie Mann, Conductress
and Starbright President*



April is gone and we've had some showers and now I am looking forward to the flowers! What a great month April was. We had our first initiation and everyone did a great job.

We have changed the time of our Starbright meetings to 6:30pm. We are still meeting on the first Thursday of the month, just an hour earlier. Everyone is welcome and we would love to have some fresh faces at our meetings.

The dollar a dip and dance, brought to you by Mamie Wilson was a huge success. The food was delicious and the entertainment exciting. I even learned a line dance routine from Jeani Scott.

Speaking of Jeani, I hope you all got to take a look at the adorable Easter baskets, that she made for our Easter fundraiser.

Don't forget that Barbara Klungrseter is still selling Red T-shirts that are to be worn on Fridays to show support for our troops. She is determined to get all of us in one.

We are still receiving donations to our tea fund raiser. I know our chairman Rhea must be pleased by the wonderful participation of our chapter.

Ladies, remember the festival is just around the corner and the Conductress's are collecting gently used formals to sell at our booth. You may bring them to any Star meeting and give them to me or bring them to any lodge function and leave them for me in the room behind the stage with a note with my name on it. Thanks for all the donations I know will be rolling in.

Have a happy May everyone. I hope you get to enjoy lots of flowers.



Dollar A Dip and Dance Fundraiser a Success!



A Word from our Dolphin in the North

by Madeline Gallegos, Associate Conductress

Hi all!

This month was a lot of fun with the City of Orange's 125th anniversary and our Dollar-A-Dip Dinner & Dance on Saturday, April 6th. The City's Anniversary was wonderful. Food, drinks, and several things to see. They had a stage for presentations. They presented the oldest person who lives in Orange, the person who has lived in Orange the longest, and the oldest building in Orange (which was the Masonic Center). Our Dollar-A-Dip Dinner & Dance fundraiser was fantastic! Lots of people came and joined us to eat and catch up with one another. The Dance part was not as active, only a few people were out there dancing and having fun doing all of their crazy moves. Our very first initiation was on April 11th. We all did brilliantly. It was a bit nerve racking, being our first, but it came out excellent. We had lots of sideliners and the cake with ice cream after was divine. Thank You Barbara and John.

The DeMolay installation was on the 13th. I was unable to attend, but was told it was really nice. Way to go Boys, I mean, Young Men!

Our official visit to the Rainbow Girls on April 15th was, as always, a lot of great fun! Shadow night is always amusing. All the adults, running around trying to keep up with the girls, who seem to be running at times, in their marching, it was quite hilarious. Good exercise.

Scepter's Orange County Party Night, on the 25th, was really sensational. From hanging flamingos to Eiffel towers and buffalos, to French...WOW! Phenomenal! Our serving officers did beautiful work. It made me proud; as I'm sure it did all of you as well. Thank You Courtney, beautifully done.

Our next get-together will be Norwalk's Emerald Star Party Night, on the first of May. We hope to see all of you there.

Please Note

At the April 4th, 2013 Starbright Meeting it was voted to change the Starbright meetings to 6:30pm.

Upon the vote passing unanimously a change to the Starbright Standing Rules of Scepter Chapter was made, changing Article IV, Sec. 1 to read as follows:

Regular meetings of this Club shall be held at 6:30p.m. on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Orange Masonic Center.



Scepter Chapter and Orange Grove Lodge visit our Orange Rainbow Assembly for a successful Shadow night.

Yorba Linda Chapter No. 347
cordially invites you to
A Night at the Opera
Reception Honoring
Robin Reeves'
Deputy Grand Matron, District 32



at
2:00 PM
on

Sunday, May 19, 2013

at the

Yorba Linda Masonic Building
4847 Main St.
Yorba Linda, California

Formal attire please

Reservations may be made to:
Judy Payne



*A Reception honoring
Bill Prentiss, Grand Warder
of the Grand Chapter of California
and the Warder's of California
will be held on
Saturday, June 29, 2013 at 7:30pm
Orange Masonic Center*

**The Members of Scepter Chapter send Special
May Happy Birthday Wishes to:**

MAY

- 2 Nancy Lyons
- 4 Jerry Baker
- 4 Pat Davis
- 6 Beatrice Fraser
- 6 Jeannie Nordland
- 8 Celeste Griffin
- 8 Kathy Thompson
- 9 Alice Raymond
- 10 Norma Branchaud
- 10 Amanda Whatley

- 13 Eva Beirma
- 13 Deloris McInnes
- 14 Virginia Simmons
- 16 Virginia Wade
- 17 Norma Palmer
- 19 Janet Carson
- 20 Bertha Pakaski
- 21 Sharon Horn
- 21 Roberta Knauer
- 23 Jerome Heyl
- 24 Tara Fowlie

- 24 Carol Reynolds
- 26 Karley Sue Price
- 28 Danica Allen
- 28 Virginia Morrison
- 28 Donna Yeaw
- 29 Barbara Halliwell
- 31 Robin Barnes
- 31 Donna Voorhies



**Springtime in Paris
Scepter Chapter OCPN**

