

PROCLAMATION No. 1

Deborah Grand Chapter

Order of Eastern Star

Prince Hall Affiliation, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



**Lenora Morgan-Alston, No. 99*

Grand Worthy Matron

Janice C. Harvey, No. 83

Grand Associate Matron

Orlando E. Tuell, No. 56

Grand Worthy Patron

Honorable Leonard A. Heard, No. 149

Most Worshipful Grand Master

Decreed

Our Theme:

A-Accountability N-Nurturing C-Commitment H-Humility O-Opportunity R-Responsible

Our Motto:

“In order to realize the worth of the anchor, one needs to feel the stress of the storm.”

Our Colors:

Red and Blue with a touch of White

- ◆ *From the brightest of Red to the deepest of Burgundy*
- ◆ *From the lightest of Blue to the darkest of Navy*

Our Flower:

Red Rose “Love” and White Rose “Purity”

Our Songs:

Grand Worthy Patron: “I Won’t Complain”

****Grand Worthy Matron: “My Soul Has Been Anchored In The Lord”***

Our Scriptures:

Grand Worthy Patron

Romans 12: 3-5 King James Version

“For I say, through the grace given unto me, To every man that is among you, no to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man, the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office. So we, being many, are one, in Christ, and every one member, one of another.”

**Grand Worthy Matron*

Hebrews 6:18-19 New Living Translation

“So God has given both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls...”

Our Symbol:

‘The Anchor’



To the Present and Past Grand Chapter Officers, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Associate Matrons, Associate Patrons, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of Deborah Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

Greetings:

Be it known that copies of this Proclamation will be provided to the following:

All Elected Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Worthy Matrons, Past Grand Worthy Patrons, Grand Chairpersons, District Deputy Grand Matrons, District Lecturers, Worthy Matrons, Chapter Secretaries, CC of FC, and to all members of Deborah Grand Chapter via Deborah Grand Chapter's website. A copy will be provided to the Honorable Leonard A. Heard, the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

All Directives in this Proclamation are to be read in their entirety in each Chapter. It is not necessary to read it in OES School of Instructions or District Meetings.

We, the Grand Associate Matron and Grand Worthy Patron, do hereby proclaim the following and require adherence thereto by all members of Deborah Grand Chapter.

Directives from the Grand Associate Matron

*The goal for this Administration is to continue to build a better Deborah Grand Chapter. We expect to accomplish this task in several ways both internally and externally:

Internally, we want to reclaim, retain and sustain membership. We encourage Chapters in the Jurisdiction to reach out to members, who for various reasons, have decided not to return to our fraternity and strive to reclaim them back into our midst. Chapters should also retain and sustain members by keeping members active and involved and make them feel like they have a sense of belonging.

This Administration will abide by the Constitution & By-laws of Deborah Grand Chapter with reference to Regalia of the Order, Article XXXIV, Section 1, on page 73, which states, "For all public and Grand Chapter occasions, except for funerals, the Female members shall wear: White dresses, white gloves, white stockings, and white shoes."

(a) The dress shall be white with sleeves below the elbow; no plunging necklines, back or front, no hemline above the knee." Also, the dress should not be tight-fitting.

We challenge each of our members to take a good look into the mirror and reflect upon the attitudes that we project toward each other and ourselves. We want each of us to take stock in the Covenant of Adoption which was rehearsed for each of us when we first entered our various Chapters. Remember, that we pledged to cheerfully obey the Constitution and all the rules and regulations of Deborah Grand Chapter and the bylaws of the Chapter in which we became a member. We also pledged, so far as in our power, to liberally dispense to our Sisters and Brothers advice in their troubles, sympathy in their sorrows, and aid in their misfortunes.

Finally, we pledged to cautiously avoid speaking evil to our Sisters and Brothers or performing any acts of injustice or unkindness toward them. We would like each Chapter to recite this Covenant at least **twice a year** at their Chapter meetings.

Externally, we expect for us to come out from behind the four walls of our meeting rooms into our various communities. We would like our communities to see that one of the reasons we were

established is to aid and assist our communities. Two areas that we would like to focus on is Breast Cancer and Diabetes Awareness. Breast Cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in African American women. African American women under the age of 50 are 77 percent more likely to die from the disease than white women of all ages. African American adults are twice as likely as white adults to have been diagnosed with diabetes. One in four African-American women older than 55 years of age has diabetes. Diabetes has affected 3.7 million African-Americans. Two groups that the Grand Worthy Matron wanted to work with were the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation and the American Diabetes Association.

This Administration will also support our Senior Citizens by re-dedicating our efforts to our Department of Aging. Also, we will be continuing the fine work we are doing with our Ruth Mitchell Tucker Girls Youth Department. We will be initiating a "Caring and Sharing" program in which we will assist in mentoring and developing our female youth throughout the Jurisdictions.

Details about this program will follow. Finally, we plan to intensify our efforts in support of the Children and Youth Festivals which are sponsored by the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

**(Directives from our Grand Worthy Matron, the late Lenora Morgan-Alston, No. 99)*

Reinstatements

Under this Administration, please refer to Article XXII – Reinstatements of the Constitution & By-laws of Deborah Grand Chapter, on page 64. Once all fees/assessments are paid to the Chapter and the reinstatement is granted, a copy of the completed New Member/Reinstatement Worksheet must be forwarded to Deborah Grand Chapter, Office of the Grand Secretary within (10) days of the reinstatement date. The form should indicate the date of reinstatement and any updated donee information.

Membership “Donee” Cards

Each member of a subordinate chapter of Deborah Grand Chapter must have on file at Deborah Grand Chapter a current “donee” form. Completion of this document states who will receive the financial donation from Deborah Grand Chapter at your demise. Please note: if this form is not completely filled-in, Deborah Grand Chapter will not be able to contact the recipient; therefore, we are unable to disburse the funds.

Subordinate Chapter Charters

Each subordinate chapter of Deborah Grand Chapter is required to send a copy of its Charter to the Grand Chairperson of the Charters and Dispensations committee, Bro. LeRoy C. Patience, Jr., No. 84, PGWP (lcpat1@verizon.net). The copy will be stored in the archives and used to replace a Chapter’s Charter upon request. Have your charter scanned and either email the electric copy or send your copy on a CD/flash drive. If additional information is needed on this matter, please contact the committee chairperson.

Dispensations

This is a reminder that all affairs where admission is charged and the affair is in the Chapter's name, require a **\$3.00** dispensation fee to be submitted with the Request for Dispensation Form. Dispensation(s) should be requested as far as possible in advance of the date of the affair. All copies of the form are to be submitted to the District Deputy Grand Matrons.

Directives from the Grand Worthy Patron

Degree Work

1. All Chapters are required to perform their own degree work. If unable to do so, please contact your District Lecturer for guidance, assistance and directions.
2. A Dispensation is required to take candidates from one Chapter to another, for the purpose of conferring degrees.
3. District Lecturers shall be notified at least thirty (30) days in advance of any degree work to be performed.

Balloting Process

Strict adherence must be given to Deborah Grand Chapter's Constitution & By-laws for balloting. Please reference Article XIII, Sections 1, 2 and 3, on page 58 and 59. Also reference the Ritual, pages 79 thru 83.

Female Lecturers

All Female Lecturers may perform the Opening and Closing of Subordinate Chapters by Declaration.

Burial Team

All Subordinate Chapters should have a Burial Team. Those Chapters not able to form their own team may join in with another Chapter. Always contact your District Lecturer for guidance and assistance.

School of Instruction

1. The District Lecturer is the Supervisor of the School. The Supervisor is responsible for all Ritualistic work, instructions and demonstrations.
2. The date or location of the School cannot be changed or will not be changed unless a Dispensation is received from the District Lecturer, submitted to the Grand Worthy Patron and then approved by the Grand Worthy Patron.
3. The District Lecturers are required to attend every School of Instruction except in a case of an emergency.
4. No person shall be allowed to sit in the East unless properly regaled.

Instructions from the Most Worshipful Grand Master

Below are instructions given by our Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Honorable Leonard A. Heard, No. 149. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

1. No social event will be held during any festive day (Masonic or Eastern Star).
2. No activity is to take place during Holy Week.
3. Esther Day will be celebrated on May 6, 2012.
4. Chapter of Sorrow will be held on March 18, 2012.
5. No Chapter should hold a fund raiser on the same day the District is holding their fund raiser.

Given under our hand and the Great Seal of Deborah Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this the 15th Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.



Janice C. Harvey, No. 83
Grand Associate Matron



Orlando E. Tuell, No. 56
Grand Worthy Patron



Attest:



Michele L. Taylor, No. 83
Grand Secretary



ELECTED GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

***Lenora Morgan-Alston, No. 99**

Orlando E. Tuell, No. 56

Janice C. Harvey, No. 83

Joseph H. Lee, No. 53

Wanda Pryor-Jones, No. 57

Wm. Rocky Brown, III, No. 27

Marva Linda Montgomery, No. 84

Charles E. Washington, No. 93

Ruth C. Knox, No. 60

Michele L. Taylor, No. 83

Gwendolyn Sizemore, No. 38

Iris J. Lewis, No. 53

James C. Harris, No. 19

V. Mary Morrison, No. 83

Phyllis A. Jackson, No. 9

Geraldine DeBerry, No. 57

E. Estelle Johnson, No. 103

Iralee B. Yarbrough, No. 9

***Armetha B. Hinton, No. 1**

Grand Worthy Matron

Grand Worthy Patron

Grand Associate Matron

Grand Associate Patron

Grand Conductress

Grand Lecturer

Grand Associate Conductress

Grand Warder

Grand Treasurer

Grand Secretary

Grand Assistant Treasurer

Grand Assistant Secretary

Grand Trustee – East (Chairperson)

Grand Trustee – Central

Grand Trustee – West

Grand Treasurer Emeritus

Grand Trustee Emeritus (East)

Grand Trustee Emeritus (West)

Grand Trustee Emeritus (Central)

*Deceased

A-C-C-O-U-N-T-A-B-I-L-I-T-Y
N-U-R-T-U-R-I-N-G
C-O-M-M-I-T-M-E-N-T
H-U-M-I-L-I-T-Y
O-P-P-O-R-T-U-N-I-T-Y
R-E-S-P-O-N-S-I-B-L-E

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS



District

No. 1	Yvonne Montague-Mason, No. 19
No. 1	Ruth Gaskins, No. 84
No. 1	Deborah Peoples, No. 36
No. 2	Dianne Outland, No. 27
No. 3	Patricia J. Thompson, No. 12
No. 4	Karen Washington, No. 85
No. 5	Barbara A. Dixon, No. 56
No. 6	Sondria H. Jackson, No. 58
No. 7	Joyce Bethune, No. 45
No. 7	Eleanor J. Coles, No. 25
No. 8	Charlotte Somerset, No. 47
No. 9	Kelly A. Arrington, No. 64

DISTRICT LECTURERS



District

No. 1	Theodore E. Mosley, Jr., No. 60
No. 1	Vera E. Burgess, No. 60
No. 1	F. Steve Comer, No. 103
No. 2	Lawrence Bradley, No. 95
No. 3	William H. Chapman, No. 80
No. 4	Harriet Jackson-Horton, No. 85
No. 5	Cynthia B. Byers, No. 56
No. 6	James Jackson, No. 58
No. 7	Arthur S. Young, Jr., No. 5
No. 7	Kara E. Whitfield, No. 25
No. 8	Dorothy A. Smith-Frazier, No. 21
No. 9	J.D. Watson, No. 104



Appointed Grand Chapter Officers

Rosemarie S. McGlone, No. 37
Brenda Wilson-Parker, No. 32

Administrative Assistant to GAM
Administrative Assistant to GWP

Carolyn Dees Williams, No. 99, PGWM

CC of FC

Mae D. Wyatt, No. 99
Doris Bennett-Haselrig, No. 55
Sharyn A. Tuell, No. 56
Jaunice M. Gantt, No. 37
Brenda Patience, No. 84
Gloria J. Watson, No. 86
Nancy Talley, No. 32
Carolyn J. Roberts, No. 47
Agnes V. Murphy, No. 9
Teresa L. Baylor, No. 20
Cheree M. Brown, No. 93
Jo-Anne M. Young, No. 36
Jacqueline Goodbar-Beamon, No. 68
Kathy Battles, No. 37
Cheryl L. Morris, No. 103
Donna V. Mims, No. 76
Esther M. Green, No. 27
Trudy Jones, No. 68
Cynthia A. Guinyard, No. 85
Richard R. Dixon, No. 56
Percitia L. Gibbons, No. 49
Bernice V. Palmer, No. 93
Lena W. Smith, No. 25

Grand Adah
Grand Ruth
Grand Esther
Grand Martha
Grand Electa
Grand Chaplain
Grand Assistant Chaplain
Grand Assistant Chaplain
Grand Assistant Chaplain
Grand Marshal
Grand Marshal---East
Grand Marshal---West
Grand Assistant Marshal
Grand Assistant Marshal
Grand Assistant Marshal
Grand Musician
Grand Assistant Musician
Grand Soloist---East
Grand Soloist---Central
Grand Sentinel
Grand Christian Flag Bearer
Grand US Flag Bearer
Grand OES Flag Bearer

PAST GRAND WORTHY MATRONS & PAST GRAND WORTHY PATRONS

Deborah Grand Chapter

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION-COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

1909-1915	Hattie M. Grant No. 1*	1909-1923	Phillip H. Edwards, No. 3*
1915-1923	Prudence Penn, No. 2*	1923-1925	Williams W. Winston, No. 1*
1923-1925	Agnes E. Goldston, No. 6*	1925-1927	Theodore Morrison, No. 2*
1925-1927	Blanche P. Nottingham, No. 15*	1927-1929	R. Desales Grey, No. 18*
1927-1929	Margaret J. Kittrell, No. 21*	1929-1931	N. W. Tribune*
1929-1931	Elizabeth W. Cross, No. 18*	1931-1934	A.P.T. Stevenson, No. 38*
1931-1934	Fannie E. Lee, No. 32*	1934-1936	Clarence C. Kittrell, No. 21*
1934-1937	Minnetta Dobson, No. 36*	1936-1939	Melville Welsch, No. 36*
1937-1939	Gertrude Wellman, No. 18*	1939-1941	Harry P. Smith, No. 32*
1939-1941	Dorothy W. Williams, No. 1*	1941-1944	Charles P. Allen, No. 38*
1941-1944	R. Anna Washington, No. 18*	1944-1946	Charles A. Jones, No. 25*
1944-1946	M. Susie Hill, No. 15*	1946-1948	Edmund A. Scottie, No. 2*
1946-1948	Mary L. Segwich, No. 55*	1948-1950	William T. Richardson, No. 49*
1948-1950	Mabel M. Keys, No. 1*	1950-1952	Samuel A. Jennings, No. 14*
1950-1952	Lela O. Sykes, No. 38*	1952-1954	John W. Burton, No. 60*
1952-1954	Cora M. Finch, No. 6*	1954-1956	John W. Benn, No. 12*
1954-1956	Anna G. Gray, No. 18*	1956-1958	Walter C. Beckett, No. 51*
1956-1958	Carrie F. Parker, No. 80*	1958-1960	Russell M. Moulton, No. 6*
1958-1960	Mary C. Johnson, No. 1*	1960-1962	Ambrose J. Hopkins, No. 56*
1960-1962	Ruth M. Tucker, No. 25*	1962-1964	Harold E. Coslow, No. 49*
1962-1964	S. Grace Smith, No. 60*	1964-1965	Thomas H. Lee, No. 25*
1964-1965	Ethel L. Calhoun, No. 2*	1965-1967	Ervin W. Lewis, No. 90*
1965-1967	Pattie J. Miller, No. 74*	1967-1969	A. William Hill, Jr., No. 36*
1967-1969	Iduma Redder, No. 55*	1969-1971	William C. Jaynes, No. 37*
1969-1971	Ella Mae Phillips, No. 9*	1971-1973	Arcelius D. Lyle, Sr., No. 29*
1971-1973	Edith J. Strothers, No. 46*	1973-1975	Robert L. Smith, No. 95
1973-1975	Sara D. Austin, No. 47*	1975-1977	Charles E. Watson, No. 60*
1975-1977	Thelma C. Taylor, No. 53*	1977-1979	Stonewall J. Lett, No. 16*
1977-1979	Theora F. Harper, No. 1*	1979-1981	Walter A. Carter, No. 76*
1979-1981	Mozelle A. McKay, No. 36*	1981-1983	Howard A. Accoe, Jr., No. 66*
1981-1983	Loretta J. Manus, No. 34*	1983-1985	William J. Patton, No. 36
1983-1985	Naomi Y. Taswell, No. 38*	1985-1987	William E. Satchell, No. 49
1985-1987	Carolyn D. Williams, No. 99	1987-1989	Julian B.P. Brereton, No. 36*
1987-1989	Lorrayne G. Grimes, No. 26	1989-1991	Ruben Collins, No. 65
1989-1991	Maude I. H. Small, No. 103*	1991-1992	Peter Brown, No. 57*
1991-1993	Nellie M. Cathie, No. 9*	1992-1993	Rudolph Culberson, No. 25
1993-1995	Betty C. Valentine, No. 83*	1993-1995	Ottis T. Jones, Sr., No. 76
1995-1997	Pearlethia Lowery, No. 68	1995-1997	Robert Washington, No. 2
1997-1999	Ethel L.J. Edwards, No. 24	1997-1999	Emmett G. Gallashaw, No. 93
1999-2001	Marlene K. Capers, No. 20*	1999-2001	Lawrence L. Valentine, No. 95
2001-2002	Edna M. Rice, No. 39*	2001-2002	LeRoy C. Patience, Jr., No. 84
2002-2003	Carolyn D. Williams, No. 99	2002-2003	LeRoy C. Patience, Jr., No. 84
2003-2005	Judith A. Abel Henry, No. 46	2003-2005	Jack O. Evans, Jr., No. 52*
2005-2007	Geraldine Robinson-Ervin, No. 15	2005-2007	Leon A. Hayes, No. 93
2007-2009	Charlene H. Duff, No. 36	2007-2009	James Q. Gray, No. 3
2009-2011	Elsie L. Caldwell, No. 32	2009-2011	Thomas K. Vaughan, Sr., No. 84

***Deceased**



A-C C O U N T A B I L I T Y
N-U R T U R I N G
C-O M M I T M E N T
H-U M I L I T Y
O-P P O R T U N I T Y
R-E S P O N S I B L E