

# *Grand Chapter of West Virginia Order of the Eastern Star*



Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The days are wrapped in autumn color, the air so crisp and clear, with breezes shaking the leaves from the trees to lie on the ground in different shades of red and gold. Fall has arrived and we should have attended Grand Chapter this past October and a new journey should have been started. But here we are staying at home to be safe, boredom setting in, putting on weight and wondering when we will be able to return to what we love - Eastern Star.

Steve and I would like to thank all the subordinate chapters that we had officially visited this past year, for all the courtesies that were extended to us and all the Honorary Memberships and love gifts that we will always cherish. To the nineteen chapters that we still owe a visit to, we are looking forward to being with you sometime this spring. I will be in contact with these chapters soon.

We were enjoying traveling and visiting with our sisters and brothers this past year, then it happened, a new terrible outbreak called Coronavirus or COVID-19. We were hoping this would be a short epidemic, but it is stronger now than when we were shut down. I would like to applaud the chapters that have been meeting and following the guidelines that were set up for those meetings. I also know that there are chapters that have not met since this Coronavirus entered our state, due to not having a quorum or other reasons. I am going to ask that all chapter's reach out to their members by a phone call or a card. Let them know that they are being thought about and if they have any needs to let the chapter know.

I am pleased to inform you that I have signed a new contract with Embassy Suites in Charleston, for Tuesday September 28 through October 2, 2021. This will be a week earlier than what should have been our regular scheduled time. The hotel had already signed a contract with another group for October 8-9, 2021. You will be hearing more about Grand Chapter from the committee chairman's, probably after the first of the year.

I have enjoyed hearing from the Worthy Matrons and other members in the chapters on how well they liked our instruction on how to open the chapter meetings and how to keep safe by social distancing, wearing masks and other protocols put in place for their protection.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with your family.

Linda Fowler, WGM

Steve Chapman, WGP

Life's Treasures Grand Family