

REGISTRATION

All Grand Chapter Members and Visitors, not members of this Grand Chapter, **MUST** present a 2017 receipt for dues signed and sealed by the Secretary of their respective Primary Chapter and pay a registration fee of \$10.00. We encourage all to pre-register.

All members of Rhode Island who do not pre-register for the Grand Chapter Session will be assessed an additional \$5.00 for a total registration of \$15.00.

The Registration Committee will be available Friday, October 13, 2017, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and Saturday, October 14, 2017, 7:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at the Crowne Plaza Inn at the Crossing, 801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island.

Pre-registration forms are enclosed to pre-register. Please send your pre-registration form and check made payable to Grand Chapter of Rhode Island, O.E.S. to:

Kathryn A. Newman, P.G.M.
65 Ethan Street, Warwick, RI 02888
knewman58@cox.net; 401-228-8499

If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact:
Frank or Beverly Allen at
rioesreg@cox.net; 401-785-4224

NOTE: REGISTRATION AND ALL MEAL RESERVATIONS MAY BE PAID USING ONE CHECK AND ARE ALL MADE PAYABLE TO THE GRAND CHAPTER OF RHODE ISLAND.

HOUSING

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 801 Greenwich, Ave. Warwick, Rhode Island 02886. Telephone: (401) 732-6000. Cost is \$124.00 plus 13% tax per night per room (**minimum stay of two (2) nights**) or cost for a one night stay is \$248.00 plus taxes. **Please note the cost of rooms if only staying one night.**

Reservations are to be made directly with the Crowne Plaza.

The email address is:
reservations@providenceri.crowneplaza.com
Reservation code is OES (Order of the Eastern Star).

If you have any questions regarding housing or are unable to reserve a room at the Crowne Plaza, please contact:
Frank or Beverly Allen at
rioesreg@cox.net; 401-785-4224

DEADLINE FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS IS SEPTEMBER 13, 2017.

REHEARSAL
AUGUST 27, 2017, 3:30 P.M.
Signet Chapter/Scottish Rite, Cranston, RI for Grand Officers, Pages, Assistants, Flag Bearers
PLEASE BE PROMPT.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2017
Past Grand Matrons/Patrons
Chelo's Restaurant
1275 Reservoir Avenue, Cranston, RI
6:00 P.M. Buffet; \$25.00 per person

Reservations payable to Past Grands Association and sent to:
Claudia A. Horton, P.G.M.
16 Smith St., Bristol, RI 02809; 401-253-6524
Deadline September 22, 2017

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF RHODE ISLAND ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR



Extends Fraternal Greetings
and
A Cordial Invitation to Attend the

**“On the Wings of an Eagle”
Grand Chapter Session**

Fun Night
6:00 P.M. Thursday, October 12, 2017

Informal Opening
1:30 P.M.
Friday, October 13, 2017

Formal Opening
Business Session
9:00 A.M.
Saturday, October 14, 2017

Crowne Plaza Inn at the Crossings
801 Greenwich Avenue
Warwick, RI 02886
(401) 732-6000

Mary Jannarelli
Worthy Grand Matron

William H. Lacross, GGCCM
Worthy Grand Patron

Kathryn A. Newman, P.G.M.
Grand Secretary

REGULATIONS

Attention is directed to the following clause in the Constitution:

ARTICLE IV, SECTION 1: During the election of Grand Officers, it shall be the duty of all members of this Grand Chapter attending the Grand Chapter Session to cast their ballot for the person they believe will best represent our Grand Chapter. Each member will be entitled to one vote whether or not she/he holds dual membership.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All reports and speeches must be typed on 8 ½ x 11 paper and e-mailed to the Grand Secretary **BEFORE** the beginning of the Grand Chapter Session. **Email: knewman58@cox.net.**

Any proposed amendments and/or recommendations to be presented by Committees or Members of the Grand Chapter at this Session must be submitted in proper form to the Worthy Grand Matron **ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2017**. All motions must be submitted to the Worthy Grand Matron **BEFORE** the start of the Session (copy to the Grand Secretary).

PROPOSED CHANGES TO CONSTITUTION

Art. VI, Sec. 1, Now reads: The election of Grand Officers shall be held at each Annual Session of the Grand Chapter on the second Saturday in October of each year at 3:00 P.M. **Change to read:** The election of Grand Officers shall be held...at 11:00 A.M.

Art. VI, Sec. 3, Now reads: All candidates for elected offices, with the exception of those currently serving as elected line officers or as Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, will be required to speak to the Grand Chapter for a duration not to exceed three (3) minutes stating her/his credentials for said office. Said requirement shall be exercised at the Grand Chapter Session on the second Saturday in October beginning at 2:30 P.M.

Change to read: ...Said requirement shall be exercised...immediately following the nominations for elective Grand Officers.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017
6:00 P.M.

“COWBOY FUN OES STYLE”
ROTUNDA
Dinner and Entertainment

Open to all members, family, and friends.

GRAND CHAPTER SESSION
BRISTOL ROOM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2013
10:00 A.M.
Registration opens

11:00 A.M.
Session Photographs—Grand Officers, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of Rhode Island, Grand Representatives of this and other Jurisdictions, and Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of Rhode Island.

“EAGLE WINGS” BUFFET LUNCH
12:00 P.M., ROTUNDA

INFORMAL OPENING
1:30 P.M.
Flag Ceremonies; Charitable Presentations; Introduction and Reception of Masonic Leaders, Civic Leaders, and Eastern Star Distinguished Guests.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES’
BANQUET
ROTUNDA
6:30 P.M. Social Hour,
7:00 P.M. Buffet Dinner
Entertainment to follow Dinner

Open to all members, family, and friends.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017
7:30 A.M.
Registration Opens

8:30 A.M.
Bible and Emblem Ceremony

FORMAL OPENING
9:00 A.M.

Introduction and Reception of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced and all business to come before this Grand Chapter.

“LADYBUGS AND RAINBOW” LUNCH
12:00 P.M. ROTUNDA
Distinguished Guests and
50 Year Members Recognition Luncheon

1:00 P.M.
Fifty-Year Member Ceremony

1:30 P.M.
Afternoon Session

3:30 P.M.
Installation of 2017-2018 Grand Officers

“ANCHORS AWEIGH” BUFFET BANQUET
6:30 P.M. ROTUNDA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2017
KICK OFF BREAKFAST BUFFET
8:00 A.M. BRISTOL A ROOM

HOSPITALITY ROOM
WICKFORD ROOM
Friday, October 13, 2017
8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
Saturday, October 14, 2017
7:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
1:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Continental breakfast, snacks, goodies, drinks, etc. will be available for members and visitors.

A form for all meals is enclosed for your convenience.