



Palmetto Star News

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News from the Worthy Grand Matron



Hello Sisters and Brothers I hope you have had as much fun as I have this month. It has been very busy. On August 1 we had Popeye School of Instruction #4, at Dixon chapter. The district that hosted were #1-6-9. Everything was ready for us the school went well. We had 84 members attend this school. I am very happy with the participation this year.

On August 6 there was a Charitable Giving Presentation to Operation Patriots FOB (Forward Operating Base). Sponsored by Lillie Chapter. Those present Don Cool PGP, Grand Lecturer to present the check. Sister Durena Marcum, Jennifer Bailey Gr. Conductress, Judy Boykin Gr. Martha, Milly Cool. Their mission is to help first responders, Active duty, and veterans and family members who suffer from PTSD.

August 7 - We travel down to Charleston to One 80. Sponsored by Loyalty Chapter. Their mission is finding a solution for the unhoused, and to provide food, lodging and safety. They have several areas in Charleston where they can attend people from those area. It is a fantastic facility and a lot of the needs are met daily. Those present myself, Mike Smith WGP, Kaye Rackley PGM Gr. Treasurer, Fred and Anna Armstrong, Josiane Horton Gr Trustee, Lynette Jenkins Gr Trustee, Don Owens Gr. Sentinel, Angie Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Susan Brady, Valerie Weeks, Beth Gibbs.

August 8 - Milkyway School of Instruction #5 at CCMA Districts 13-15. Great school. We had 81 members in attendance. However the districts out did themselves with that dessert table WOW. No one walked away hungry. Such a great day with my sisters and brothers. We also announced the Grand Trip which I will tell you about at the end.

August 12 - Another Charitable giving presentation was given to Hope Mission of the Upstate in Anderson. Sponsored by Anderson. They serve breakfast 6 days a week to anyone with warm coffee available, and warm conversations as well, they also provide some medical help when needed and opens their doors as a warming center in the winter when the temperature drops so they have some place to go. There is a picture of the presentation in this new paper.

August 14 - We traveled to Spartanburg in the morning to P.S. I Love you sponsored by Roebuck Chapter. This charity supports the needs of Foster Children and the Family's who care for them. They provide clothes, personal needs and give them a feeling of self worth during the most difficult time in their short lives. Great operation, very organized. Those present were myself, Mike Smith WGP, Anita Dixon AGM, Mark O'Shield AGP, Kaye Rackley PGM, Gr. Treasurer, Lynette Jenkins Gr. Trustee, Josiane Horton Gr. Trustee, Kim DesRosiers AGC, Ann and Randy McKendrick, Linda Hoover, Barbara Sanford, Julie Bowker.

After a great lunch we made our way over to Greenville for another Great Charitable Giving Presentation to Service Dogs For Veterans, sponsored by Dentsville Chapter. Here the service dog and the veteran trains together and build a bond and rely on each other. It helps the veteran to cope with day to day activity. And the dog helps the veteran when the nightmares and, loneliness and bad memories return.

Those present for the check presentation were. Myself, Mike Smith WGP, Anita Dixon AGM, Kaye Rackley, PGM Gr. Treasurer, Kim Desrosiers AGC, Fred Armstrong PGP, Ch. Gr. Trustee, Lynette Jenkins Gr. Trustee, Josiane Horton, Gr. Trustee, Julie Bowker. There were 4 Veterans with their partners. They gave us a demonstration. It was a great day all around.

August 21 - We travelled down to Aiken for a presentation to The Children's Place Inc. Sponsored by Golden Glow Chapter. Their mission is to protect, heal and strengthen children from the impacts of trauma in their lives. This Charity serves 5 counties. Through education, mental and physical treatments and prevention services. Helping, loving, and caring for their needs. Those present were myself, Kaye Rackley PGM Gr. Treasurer, Lynette Jenkins Gr. Trustee, Judy Justice, Robert Justice, Debbie Kenny, Christen Greenway, Jeff Greenway, Maggie Kilby.

August 22 - The Grand Officers were asked to perform an initiation for 9 members of Lyman Chapter and 3 members for Greer Chapter. We were so proud to do it. And now we have 12 new sisters and brothers. We performed the ceremony twice with 6 members each. And after it was over we all enjoyed a great lunch provided by the Chapters. It was an Epic day. We had 64 members present some from the chapters who gained new members, the Grand Officers. And members from around the state to witness event. So Proud.

August 28 - We travelled to Myrtle Beach. To the Helping Hands of Myrtle Beach Inc. Sponsored by Myrtle Beach #180. The mission of this charity is to support basic needs of the community to provide and assist with rent, utilities, transportation and provide 5 days worth of emergency food to fill a short term need.

August 29 - North Star School of instruction #6 District 20 @ Loris chapter. This is the last school of the year. We had 64 members attend this school. Bro Don Cool, PGP Grand Lecturer has led us and schooled us all summer long. Our officers and Deputy Grand Marshall's did a super job for this school and We were honored to let them shine. District 20 and sister Debra Caesar did a beautiful job hosting they were great at remembering to recycle, reuse and repurpose, all things. My thanks to that great effort.

After we finished the school the grand officers honored our Grand Lecturer with a roast of all we had learned from him. Brother Don Cool, PGP I want to thank him for his dedication to this task. Each week was different, and he adjusted to the changing sencerios . I am so happy you agreed to be our Grand lecturer.

As August comes to an end. I look for ward to September. We will be starting our official vistsis. Our inspecting Grand Officers are so excited to come and visit you and get to know each and every one of you.

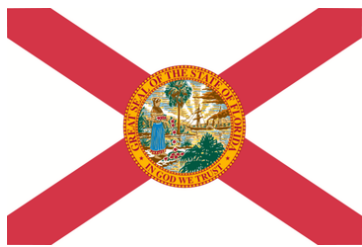


We shall see you on the road very soon. May God Bless on your travels.

Remember to show G.R.A.C.E. Grand Respect and Compassion to Everyone. We cannot possible know what someone that is close to us is going through. But if we give GRACE and understanding without judgement, there is love behind our reasons. May God Bless you and yours.

Judy M. Krummich WGM

Mike and I have decided about the Grand Trip. It is the SC O.E.S. Looking for the Fountain of Youth. We are going to Amelia Island, St. Augustine, and Jacksonville. We have flyers and reservations are being handled by Barbara Collins. March 1-4 2027 . There will be a Bus to take us there and a lot of laughter and great memories along the way. See Flyer for this event. And contact Barbara Collins with your reservations.



Grand Representatives

Dot Rivers
Florida

Carolyn Bradford
Missouri



News from the Worthy Grand Patron



Greetings to all my sisters and brothers. Schools are finished and Official Visits have started. We had the first one at Talulah Chapter in Spartanburg on September 4, and it was a good start to the OV's. Parking was a bit of a challenge, but everyone managed to find a place and made inside for a

great meeting. You have just read all the information on the completion of the schools and the check presentations from the WGM, and I will add how much I enjoyed traveling to make these presentations and see the work they do. Speaking of the schools. A big shout out goes to Bro Don Cool, PGP for all the work he put into them to make it a success. Thank you Don. Check your itinerary to see what is happening when and where, and come join us on the road. If you don't have one, see your DD and they will get you one. Our trip to Jacksonville and St. Augustine is coming along great. We have 1 full bus already and a waiting list for another bus. I was told Sunday, Sept 20 we needed 14 to get another bus. This is looking to be a great trip, so get signed up and join us on this trip. There is a flyer attached with the information. Be safe on the road and in your travels.

Mike Smith WGP



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Day 3: Today, after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, your journey begins with a GUIDED TROLLEY TOUR OF ST. AUGUSTINE, which offers a fascinating glimpse into the city's past and its stunning architectural marvels. The tour also includes admission to the St. Augustine History Museum, providing further insight into this historic location. Following the 90-minute TROLLEY tour, enjoy the flexibility of Hop-On/Hop-Off privileges on the TROLLEY for the rest of the day, allowing you to explore all of St. Augustine at your own pace. You can choose to stop at numerous historic landmarks including, but not limited to, the Old Jail, Potters Wax Museum, City Gates, St. George Street, Churches, Lightner Museum, St. Augustine Distillery, San Sebastian Winery, Plaza de la Constitution, The Oldest House, The Marina, Ripley's Believe It Or Not, and the Fountain of Youth. (Please note the admission to these additional museums and attractions along the trolley route is on your own.) Tonight, you'll relax and enjoy Dinner at a local area restaurant.

Day 4: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll depart for a NARRATED CRUISE on the ST. JOHN'S RIVER. Later, you'll depart for home... a perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen and where your next group trip will take you!

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UPDATE

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UPDATE

Official Visit of Newberry Chapter has been rescheduled to November 7, 2026.
Official Visit of Azalea Chapter #192 has been rescheduled to January 23, 2027.
Official Visit of Lillie Chapter #27 has been rescheduled to February 15, 2027.

Lillie Chapter #27 has changed their meeting time - new time is 6:15 p.m. for dinner and 7 p.m. for meeting. We will still meet on the 3rd Monday.

Newberry Chapter #226 Grand Organist has been moved to Nov. 7

Seneca #5

Seneca #5 had their regular stated meeting on September 15, 2026. We enjoyed a delicious meal and wonderful fellowship. We have been busy this year. We have supported First Light, Foothills assisted living, service dogs, Bennett, the Seneca police department and the Richard Campbell veterans home. I'm so proud of my chapter and it's accomplishments. The members of this chapter have really stepped up to the plate. I appreciate and love them all. Well the schools are over and the official visits have begun. Let's all get out there and visit as many chapters as possible. They need our support.

We are raffling off a beautiful throw that sister Dallas made and donated. The tickets are \$10 each and the drawing will be at our January meeting. The throw is beautiful and it's a American flag. We are also selling the COFFEE shirts. If anyone would like one, contact me or sister Vickie Graham. Please keep praying for our country and we have so many sick throughout the state. Safe travels to all and God bless you.

Star love, Patty Alger PSN reporter



Carolina 25

Hi Everyone, hope your summer break was a good one. We here in the 15 District are coming back, after being in the dark for 2 months. It was a busy two months though. We were going to Schools of Instruction, helping prepare and serving, at our school of instruction and visiting other chapters. Plus getting some things completed, around the chapter that needed to be done.

We would like to invite your Official Visit, October 26, 2026, 6:00 PM, Highway 165, Ravenel, SC. On November 23, 2026 we have a special celebration that evening, for our Worthy Matron, sister Erma Burke, for her over 54 years, of service, in the O.E.S. and 92nd birthday. Please let Carolyn Snelson know (email clsnelson44gmail.com) if you plan to attend so we may be prepared. If you can't attend, you may send cards, etc to me at 9345 Blue House Road, Apt 10102, Ladson, SC 29456.



We are looking forward to a great time, in the months to come. We would love to see and fellowship with each of you. The Welcome Mat is always out, and the light is on. So come on down and spend an evening with us!!!!

Carolyn Snelson, PSN Carolina #25 May God bless each of you and give safe travels ❤️

PAGO Reminder

Reminder to all PAGOs (Past Appointed Grand Officers) and their guests.

We will meet this Sunday, **October 4, 2026**, at **3 p.m. at Grecian Gardens Restaurant.**

Address: 2312 Sunset Blvd, West Columbia, SC 29169.

Phone number to restaurant (803) 794-7552. Please join us for fellowship and great food!

If you haven't paid your dues for the 2026-2027 you may do so at this meeting. We will begin making plans for our luncheon at the "Looking to the Stars" 2026-2027 Grand Chapter Session.

Star Love, Dawn Blizzard, Club Secretary

In Memoriam

Please keep the family and friends of the following Stars in your prayers:

Gene Brown, Lexington 176
Bill Schneider, Golden Glow



You're Invited!



OFFICIAL VISIT

Loris Chapter

Monday, October 12, 2026

Mrs. Judy Krummich, WGM

Mr. Mike Smith, WGP

Meal at 6 p.m.

Deborah Hartleroad, WM

Franklin Strickland, WP

You're Invited!



OFFICIAL VISIT

Anderson Chapter #130

Tuesday, October 13, 2026

Hiram Masonic Lodge
118 E. Benson St., Anderson, SC 29624

Inspecting Officer
Mrs. Judy Krummich, WGM

Mr. Mike Smith, WGP
Mrs. Tammy Rigsby, WM
Mr. Mike Smith, WGP, WP, PT

Meal @ 6:00 p.m.
Courtesies @ 6:45 p.m.
Pictures @ 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Circle @ 7:15 p.m.
Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

You're Invited!



OFFICIAL VISIT

Berkeley Chapter #112

Saturday October 17, 2026

Berkeley Masonic Lodge
301 California Ave.,
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Inspecting Officer
Mrs. Judy Krummich, WGM

Brother Mike Smith, WGP

Banquet at 12 p.m.
Courtesy, Photos and
Meeting to follow

Nancy Svagerko, Dist. Deputy, Dist. 18
Barbara Collins DGM to DD

You're Invited!



OFFICIAL VISIT

Roebuck Chapter #216

Monday, October 19, 2026

At Roebuck Masonic Lodge
4001 S Church St. Ext.
Roebuck, SC 29376

Inspecting Officer
Mrs. Judy Krummich, WGM

Joining her is Mr. Mike Smith, WGP
Mrs. Linda Hoover, WM
Mr. Randy McKendrick, WP

Meal @ 6:00 p.m.
Pictures @ 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Circle @ 7:15 p.m.
Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

Talullah 16

We were honored to have AWM Anita Dixon as Inspecting Officer and AGP Mark O'Shields her escorts for Talullah 16 Official Visit on September 4.

Our banquet was delicious and enjoyed by our distinguished Grand Officers and visitors @ 6 p.m. Our meeting opened in long ritualistic form to a full house-appx. 38 members. We were also honored to have our WGM Judy Krummich and our WGP Mike Smith! They presented the Rob Morris Award to Elke Lester, Pat Alloy, Barbara Sanford and Sarah King.

WM Elke Lester presented our WGM and WGP and AGM Honorary Membership to Talullah 16. Sister Anita Dixon, AGM, presented certificate to WM for our Official Visit - she was very pleased with our efforts and hard work!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO OUR VISITORS EACH MONTH AT TALLULAH 16! STAR LOVE ❤️⭐️❤️⭐️
Barbara Sanford, Secretary



Mary Pinckney Outz 1

Mary Pinckney Outz #1 delivered Grand Chapter's \$4,000 Charitable Giving donation to Meg's House on August 10, 2026. We were honored to speak with executive director Alicia Hodges about the impact Meg's House has on our community and how much we appreciate the important work they do for survivors of domestic violence.



This year, Haley Wallace has selected Beyond Abuse for her special project as Worthy Matron. Beyond Abuse works to assist children facing abuse in receiving emergent care, legal aid, therapy services, and more. As of our September meeting, we have been able to collect and donate the following totals of essential supplies: 38 shirts, 17 rolls of paper towels, 44 rolls of toilet tissue, 200 13 gallon trash bags, 186 30 gallon trash bags, 12 boxes of Kleenex, 11 bottles of hand soap, 8 containers of disinfecting wipes, 6 bottles of hand sanitizer, 18 pairs of sweatpants, and 16 sweatshirts!

You're Invited!

Mary Pinckney Outz #1
Order of the Eastern Star
Official Visit
November 16, 2026
Greenwood Masonic Temple
121 Bailey Circle
Greenwood, SC 29646

Pictures and Courtesies
6 PM

Meal
6:30 PM

Meeting
7:30 PM

The Chapter will be holding a Dessert Auction during the meal to benefit SCIORG Color Club in honor of member Dedra Hart, Supreme Worthy Advisor of IORG, as she prepares for Supreme Assembly 2028!

Inspecting Grand Officers
Judy Krummich, Worthy Grand Matron
Mike Smith, Worthy Grand Patron

Haley Wallace, Worthy Matron
Jesse Wallace, Jr., Worthy Patron
Luanne McClellan, District Deputy
Wanda Spence, DGM to District Deputy
Home Chapter of
Shirley Loftis, PGM

Charitable Giving Presentation

On Wednesday, September 2, 2026, Clover Chapter #138 had the honor to present to our nominated charity “Bethel Shelters” a check for \$4,000.00 on behalf of Grand Chapter of SC. Bethel Shelters was most appreciative to have been chosen. We were given a tour of the facilities and information about what they do and why they do it. They just want to help those in need. They told us about some of their success stories and how it changed their lives, and how some of them have come back to volunteer their time and have become donors to the Shelter.

Bethel Shelters is at Bethel United Methodist Church and has been in operation since 2009, and is the only emergency shelter in York, Chester, and Lancaster counties. They operate a community day shelter that offers services such as shower and restroom facilities and laundry services. They also provide on-site social services to help with housing, education, and have a workforce development program.

They also operate 36 bed men’s night shelter that offers shower and restroom facilities, emergency clothing, hygiene products, a meal is served each night, sponsored by various groups and businesses, as well as on-site case workers. They also have another 60+ cots for overflow that can be used at other churches in the area. They feed anywhere from 50-100 on any given day, with the winter months seeing the greatest need.

They do amazing work and we are proud that we could help with this monetary gift. If you would like to know more about them or would like to donate, go to their website: bethelshelters.org or follow them on Facebook.

Kathy Wallace, Clover Chapter 138



L-R: Steve Jackson, Jr. PGP, Sheila Jackson, Jr. PGM, Kim Desrosiers, AGC, Brooke Leaverett, Program Director, Richard Murr, Operations Director, Alicia Cohen, Executive Director, Kathy Wallace, Clover Chapter, David Wallace, Clover Chapter, Samantha Griffith & Rowen, Clover Chapter



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August 26, 2026

Order of the Eastern Star
Attn: Kaye Rackley/Grand Chapter of SC
145 Shadowood Court
Seneca, SC 29678

Dear Kaye and the Grand Chapter of South Carolina,

On behalf of Children's Place, please accept our deepest thanks for your extraordinarily generous gift of \$13,000! We are beyond grateful for your support and your belief in our mission to help children and families in our community strengthen, heal, and thrive. Your vote of confidence in our work means the world to us!

Your generosity helps us continue providing therapeutic and behavioral health services to children and families who have experienced trauma and adversity, ensuring they receive the care, stability, and hope needed for healing. Every contribution plays an important role in helping us meet the needs of the families we serve, and we couldn't do this work without you.

Children's Place, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and this gift (Check No. 7344 dated 8/07/26) is tax-deductible. Our Federal Tax ID number is 57-0407808. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution.

Thank you for helping us make a positive impact in our community, and for coming to visit us in Aiken. Your generosity has truly blown us away. We are honored to have you as a partner in the work we do, and we are truly grateful to count you as a friend of Children's Place!

With sincere gratitude,

Peggy Ford
Executive Director

*Thank you so much -
and for making the
trip to Aiken. P.*

155 Prosperity Lane NE
Aiken, SC 29801

TEL: (803) 641-4144
(803) 641-4145

FAX: (803) 641-4147

childrensplaceinc.org





Eastern Star - Grand Chapter of SC
145 Shadowood Court
Seneca, SC 29678

Hi Eastern Star - Grand Chapter of SC,

Please accept our sincere thanks for your generous donation.

Date	Amount	Fund
8/28/2026	\$13,000.00	Unrestricted

As we celebrate 55 years of serving our community, we have seen a growing number of families and individuals seeking help with essentials such as food, rent, utilities, hygiene items, prescriptions, and transportation. With rising costs and inflation, keeping our pantry and shelves stocked has become increasingly challenging. Your donation helps us meet these challenges head-on and continue our mission of providing help and hope to those who need it most.

In 2024 we assisted 16,644 clients, and in 2025, that number jumped 38% to 22,959 including 2,398 new clients; a clear reflection of the need in our community. Thanks to the incredible generosity of donors like you, we are able to provide crucial services to those in our community. There are no words to fully express our gratitude—or the gratitude of those we serve.

As a nonprofit organization, Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach relies on the support and generosity of area churches, United Way of Horry County, foundations, community groups, businesses, and individuals. Together, we are making a positive impact in the lives of many.

Thank you again for your compassion and commitment to our mission. For the latest updates on our work, please visit our Facebook page or subscribe to our newsletter.

Tracy Cynthia Cindy Deb Sam



Helping Hand Staff

Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach, Inc., is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization (Tax ID #57-0627993). No goods or services were rendered to the donor in return for the contribution.

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Suzzy

Thank you
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- Janice

Thank you
Janice

Thank you
so much
Bonnie

8-26-26

dear SC Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern
Star,

Thank you for your continued support
of SD4V Graduating our 221st Service Dog
Team last week was made possible due to
support from donors like you. Thank
you. - Cathy

Thanks so much for
your support!
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August 18, 2026

Grand Chapter of SC Order of Eastern Star
Kay Rackley, Grand Treasurer
145 Shadowood Court
Seneca, SC 29678

Dear Friend(s),

It is through the generous time, prayers and gifts of others that we are able to serve children in need. Thank you for your donation: \$2,000 check #7356 to support our efforts in making a positive difference in children's lives. We could not meet the needs of the children in our care without the support of our community and partners. We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity in support of our mission to serve children in need

We have served approximately 75 boys and girls this year, and your caring donation makes a tremendous impact on each child.

By helping to provide a safe and nurturing environment for the children today, we greatly improve their chances of becoming positive contributors to society in the future. Your donation goes a long way toward giving them every opportunity to have a happy, safe and healthy life

We greatly appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annette H. Deese".

Annette H. Deese
Executive Director
(803) 286-5277
www.lancasterchildrenshome.com

No goods or services were received in exchange for donation.

TAX ID #: 57-0549954



08/10/2026

Grand Chapter of South Carolina

The Order of the Eastern Star

Ms. Kaye Rackley, PGM

145 Shadowwood Court

Seneca, SC 29678

Ms. Rackley,

On behalf of everyone at Meg's House, I would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star, for your generous \$4,000 donation.

Your support means far more than a financial contribution—it is a meaningful investment in our mission and in the individuals and families we serve. Because of compassionate partners like you, Meg's House can continue providing hope, safety, and healing to those fleeing domestic violence.

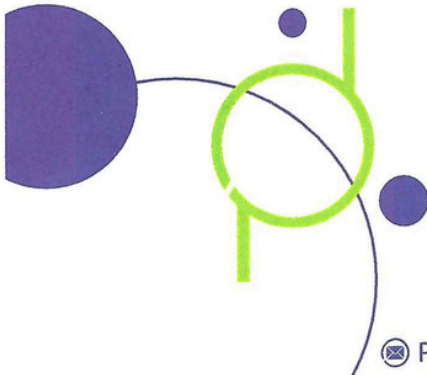
We are especially grateful for your willingness to stand alongside us in this important work. Your generosity reflects a shared belief in the importance of our mission and the positive difference we can make together in the lives of survivors and their families.

Thank you for your confidence in Meg's House and for your commitment to our community. We are honored to have your support and look forward to continuing this meaningful partnership for years to come.

With heartfelt appreciation,

With sincere appreciation,

Alice Hodges, Ph.D.
Executive Director



**BEGIN AGAIN**

August 11, 2026

Ms. Kaye Rackley
Grand Chapter of SC
Order of the Eastern Star
145 Shadowood Ct
Seneca, SC 29678

Dear Ms. Rackley,

You are truly changing lives.

Thank you so much for your recent gift of \$13,000.00 to One80 Place received on 08/10/2026. Your support reflects your deep commitment to ending and preventing homelessness in our community, and we are incredibly grateful for your partnership.

For 40 years, One80 Place has worked diligently to create lasting solutions that offer shelter, support, and pathways to stability for individuals and families facing homelessness. Your gift empowers us to continue this mission, allowing us to provide both immediate necessities—shelter, meals, medical care, and legal assistance — and long-term programs that foster self-sufficiency and lasting change.

Because of donors like you, One80 Place makes a meaningful impact every day. Whether it's a veteran regaining stability, a family finding a safe home, or a single mother and her children being able to stay in theirs, your generosity is at the heart of each success story. You are helping us create brighter futures, and we cannot thank you enough.

Once again, thank you for your incredible support. We look forward to keeping you updated on the progress and impact of your investment in One80 Place's mission. Together, we are making a difference—ending and preventing homelessness and building a community where everyone has the opportunity to begin again, living with dignity, security, and hope.

With gratitude,


Stacey W. Denaux
Chief Executive Officer


Christine Beddia
Chief Development Officer

*It was a pleasure to
host your group - thank
you!*

One-Eighty Place is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowable by law. This letter serves as your receipt and documentation that no goods or services were provided in return for this contribution.

ONE80PLACE.ORG

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Columbia | 803.726.6348 | 3710 Landmark Drive, Suite 301 | Columbia, SC 29204



135 Metro Drive | Spartanburg, SC 29303

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 162242 | Boiling Springs, SC 29316

KAY KIRBY, Executive Director

864.621.6131

kay@psiloveyouministries.org

August 2026

Grand Chapter of SC, OES
145 Shadowood Ct
Seneca, SC 29678

Dear Friends and Supporters,

What an incredible month of meeting practical needs as students and families prepared for the new school year. At our annual Back To School shoe event, 156 children received a new pair of shoes and a backpack full of supplies. THANK YOU for giving and helping make all of this organization and coordination happen.

Please be in prayer for all of our kiddos as school routines are developed, new teachers and classmates are met, and supplies are utilized as they start a new school year.

Several police officers joined us at our event, wanting to help the children shop and pick out shoes. One had been in foster care herself as a child, and knew exactly what she was called to do... step into their life and walk with them. Simply being there in the moment. That's what you do when you support PS I Love You... you are also walking alongside precious children in their time of need.

With deepest gratitude,

Kay Kirby,
Executive Director



Thank you for the huge and generous donation to support foster children! We are completely overwhelmed by the donation! Wow, what a sweet blessing from above! So many foster children will be enormously blessed!

All donations are fully tax deductible. No goods or services were received in return of this donation. Our Tax ID number is 45-3777027

From car seats, shoes, diapers, beds, equipment. We will be able to purchase so much! Thank you!

Supporting children in foster care and the families who serve them

www.psiloveyouministries.com



7 Venture Dr, Ste 104-PMB 266
Bluffton, SC 29910

Grand Chapter of SC Order of the Eastern Star
145 Shadwowood Court
Seneca, SC 29678

August 14, 2026

Dear Grand Chapter of SC Order of the Eastern Star,

Thank you for your contribution of \$13,000.00 on 8/11/2026.

Because of you, hope is within reach.

Your gift to OPFOB is more than generosity—it's a lifeline. It powers our mission to prevent veteran and first responder suicide, expands access to healing programs, and helps us create spaces where recovery is possible and community is strong.

With your support, we're launching transformative initiatives like the Wellness and Resource Center and our Service Dog program—each designed to restore purpose, connection, and resilience. You are turning vision into reality, and lives are being changed because of it.

We are profoundly grateful for your belief in this mission. Together, we are building a future where those who've served are never left behind.

With deepest thanks,

JR & Stephanie Brown, Co-Founders

Note our new address: 7 Venture Drive Ste 104-266 Bluffton SC 29910

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08/14/2026

Kaye Rackley
145 Shadowood Court
Seneca, SC 29678

Dear SC Grand Chapter of Order of the Eastern Star,

Because of your kindness, a veteran is reclaiming their independence.

Thank you for your generous gift of \$13,000.00 received on August 14, 2026. At Service Dogs for Veterans (SD4V), we see firsthand how a highly trained canine companion can turn isolation into hope. Your support provides the essential training, supplies, and lifelong resources our teams need to thrive.

As our recent graduate, Mel, said after graduating with her Service Dog, Cassian:



"I come home from a stressful shift as a nurse in the ER, and he just knows and comes right to me."

That's the kind of difference you're making. Your trust is important to us, and we are genuinely grateful for your support. SD4V is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code: EIN: 47-5163605. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your contribution. This letter serves as your receipt for tax purposes.

With deepest gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cy Burgess'.

Cy Burgess
Executive Director

The Friendship Rose Club

The Friendship Rose Club met at the September 20, 2026, Line Officers Meeting with 23 in attendance. We had an abundance of Fall Baskets and Arrangements that sold, Spider Plant Puppies, and other crafts and home baked goods. Our table sales have been going well. Sister Lynetter Jenkins gave a preliminary report on our Pecan Sales and our Club surpassed the amount we sold last year, so Sister Judy and Brother Mike were well pleased.

The Club sang “Happy Birthday” Backwards to our Brother Mike Smith, Worthy Grand Patron. Many had not experienced a “Happy Birthday” sung backwards so it was a learning experience and fun for all.

Discussion was held in making plans for our Grand Chapter session which “will be here before you know it”. Sister Judy will announce to those that need to be there when the hotel planning meeting will be in November. We hope to have 300-350 in attendance again this year. Sister Judy reminded all that in November we will be having a Thanksgiving Feast for all in attendance and the different Line Officers Clubs of the items they need to provide. Brother Robert Kamphaus has agreed to help in cooking the Turkey and Ham for our Club.

Many names were lifted for our Sick and Distress. The meeting was closed with all reciting the Mizpah Benediction.

Respectfully Submitted, Sister Dawn Blizzard, Club PSN Reporter



Message from Grand Chapter Medical Team



As many know that we just had Ovarian Cancer Awareness in September. Several of our members have had this disease. Unfortunately, there is nothing that can be done to prevent it and diagnosis comes after many symptoms are present which means the cancer is advanced. If any females have bloating, constipation, decreased appetite, unplanned weight loss/gain or lower abdominal pain, please don't ignore it and get checked out. If it is cancer, treatment can begin before it is too late.

This month (October) is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Think Pink. This cancer hits home to many of our Sisters and Brothers in Easter Star. Many men are not aware that they can also get Breast Cancer and it can be genetics that can be the cause. As your Medical Team, we are encouraging everyone to perform self exams and if you notice a lump, hardened area, or discharge from your breast or even a small lump under your arm to get it checked out before it is too late.

There are many types of Breast Cancer and not everyone's acts the same. The good news is that not all Breast Cancers require IV Chemotherapy. Some may be treated with surgery, oral medications, or radiation. Breast Cancer is no longer a life sentence for many who have it as research and treatment have come a long way. In addition to self exams, many insurance companies will now pay for annual mammograms if you are under 40 and have a predisposition to Breast Cancer.

If you have any health questions, please reach out to either Sister Susan Kirby, Sister Judy Boykin or myself and we will try to answer them or direct you to the right person.

Respectfully Submitted, Sister Dawn Blizzard, Grand Chapter Medical Team

Charleston Chapter #56

Charleston Chapter had the honor of presenting our Charitable Giving Check to Beyond Our Walls which is next door to our lodge. This is a ministry that was started to help families in meeting the needs of after school care as well as helping form our youth to become respectful citizens. We shared with them what our organization does and how we chose them to be honored. We also found out that our virtues of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness are values that they instill in their youth. We also let them know that we strongly support our youth as they are our future. We were able to meet many of the children that are served as well as receive hugs. This program not only supervises the children for after school, but assists them in reading and math as well as teach them music instruction and computer lessons in the afternoon. Many of these kids come from broken homes and are so appreciative of the love and support that BOW provides. We also shared with them how we can continue to be of service to them and look forward to our continued relationship with them in the future.

Our chapter had a first meeting since Grand Chapter and had a good crowd with hot dogs and sides for dinner, and a delicious Chantilly Cake that Sister Janet provided.

We received a petition for reinstatement and this Sister plans to be making the meetings as well as holding an office for our Official Visit in January. So are excited!

Respectfully Submitted, Sister Dawn Blizzard, Secretary PSN Reporter



Easley #200

We had a busy, but good month at Easley OES. We met for our monthly fellowship meal at Silverbay in Easley and enjoyed some good food while we shared some laughter and fellowship.

We were honored to be asked to participate in the 150 year rededication of Bates Masonic Lodge. I just can't say enough about how much we appreciate our Masons! We provided dessert for the event and those of us that could, attended the ceremony.

We just completed our Official Visit for 2026. We had a great time and appreciate all of those that came out to visit and participate.

We meet the second Monday of every month, and have a monthly fellowship meal on the 4th Tuesday of each month. We would love for you to come join us anytime!



Pictures from SC OES Members



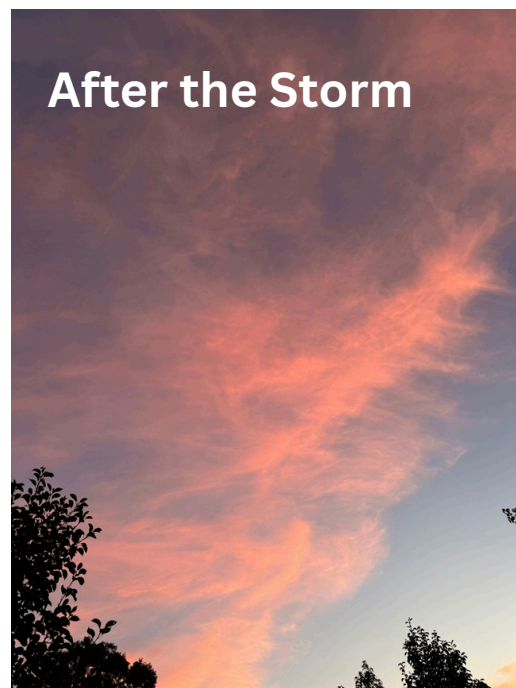
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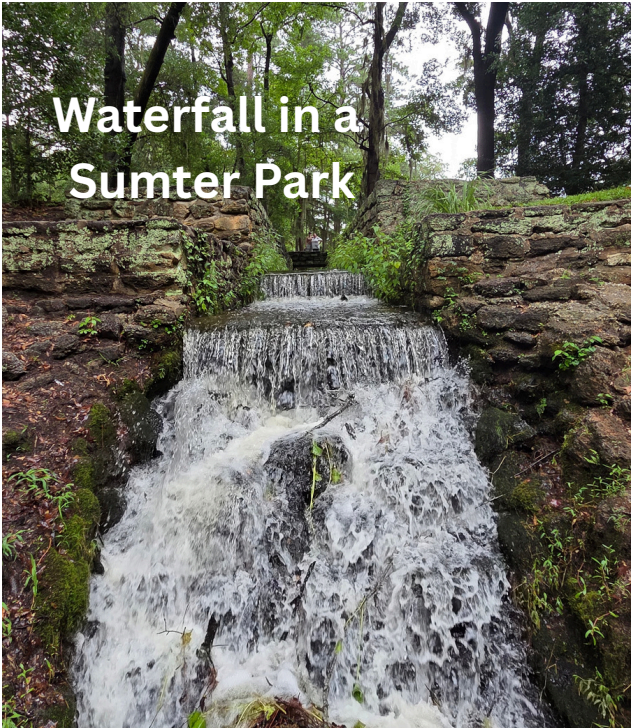
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After the Storm



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