

Ladybug Chatter



President's Corner by Nancy Levi

My how fast a year flies by. This will be my last chatter. It's been a great year, one I'll never forget. You have all helped make it what it has been. A GREAT BIG THANKS, to you all! We had a great time in Jefferson City. If you missed it, you missed a good time. Thanks, Carla for all you did to make it that way and thanks to Mary Ann and Marge, you always come up with all the fun things to do. We had great response on our baskets and eggs we gave away at Jefferson City. Thanks to Heartland Club for their donations from their basket drawings, as well as the support from the other local grand representative clubs.

Grand Chapter is less than a month away so plan to be there. We will give away our quilt at the meeting on Monday. If you haven't bought your tickets, you need to as someone will be the lucky one.

Thanks to all my committees, you have all done a great job. I couldn't have done it without you. Some of you still have a lot to do at Grand Chapter, but I know you will do great. Vivian, Good luck on your year. We're looking forward to know what you are going to have for next year.

I'll close with this "Send me an angel to help me

along. Each day may I journey to sweet angel songs. Yes send me an angel I pray evermore, a blessed dear angel to guard my front door".

Nancy Levi
2010 President,
Show-Me-State
Grand Representative
Club

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Courtesy for Sister Lois

Past Grand Representatives

We Need YOU!

Do YOU want to Help?

Check out page 5 for details.

"The City of Regret" A Chat with Mary Ann

Grand Chapter is almost here and I am looking forward to this Session. I have wondered if I would make it this far, but finally I have reached the long awaited time when I will receive my fifty year pin. Quite often I think back to that night when I entered the Chapter room for the first time. In my little world, I had never seen a room like that or one with that many people. I had heard the guys talk

about initiations and that only made me more nervous because I was terrified, wondering what was going to happen. But it was a wonderful evening that I will never forget. I have never regretted taking that first step.

So many wonderful things have happened through the years but I guess the ones I love the best were working with Sister Lois on her journey to the General

Grand East. Each year one of Lois' appointments sent out a newsletter to all the officers and appointments. We were able to keep in touch with all those who served with Lois and Ed.

Sister Ellen Balko, PGM was in charge of sending the letter. I am sharing with you part of one of the newsletters. Please read it carefully. A lovely, talented lady and I thank her for the following.
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Special Dates of Interest for 2010

- ♦ 10/11 GR Breakfast
- ♦ 10/11 Meeting Gr. Chapter

“A Season of Service” by Marge

It is time to let go of the last days of summer and embrace the color and vibrancy of fall. The seasons come and go, but fall in Missouri has a magic all its own.

Our Chapters will be starting back up and it is time to think of the new Chapter year. It is a time to renew our enthusiasm and dedication to the Order. Our current leaders have completed their tasks and can look back with a sense of satisfaction on their accomplishments. Our new leaders are looking forward to the future with a sense of hope and wonder.

As members of the Eastern Star we have the opportunity to support and help our leaders achieve the goals set before them. Webster’s dictionary contains many possible definitions for the word *service*. Let us define service as something that we do out of the goodness of our heart, because we wish to make our Order a better place.

Whatever small tasks we do for another might brighten their day. If we can make one person smile, lighten someone’s burden or help another person, then we will have done our part. When you do for others it comes

back to you more than you will ever realize.

Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, “It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.” Service is something one does with no motivation other than a desire to change the world for the better.

As members of the Missouri Show Me State Grand Representatives Club we can continue to provide service to others as we show our support of the Order and our Grand Chapter. By working together we will be able to accomplish great things.

Soon it will be time to pack our bags and make the journey to Joplin for our Grand Chapter session. It will be a time to celebrate the success of this past year and plan for the future. Many plans have been made for our enjoyment and I hope you will be there to enjoy them. See you soon!

Star Love,

*Marge Carney, Grand Marshal &
Past Secretary/Treasurer of U.G.R.A.*

VP Greetings

Our Saturday night in Jefferson City was a wonderful time. Lots of fun with the games that Marge planned for us. We had a great group on Sunday for the Brunch and meeting.

I hope to see everyone at the Hospitality room at Grand Chapter and the Grand Representative Breakfast on Monday morning. Be sure and make your reservations for Grand Chapter. You don’t want to miss this time with your sisters and brothers. A time to make new friends and renew old friendships.

*Fraternally,
Vivian Price
Vice President*



New Grand Representative Appointments

<i>Name</i>	<i>District</i>	<i>Jurisdiction</i>
<i>Billie Montgomery</i>	<i>9th</i>	<i>Louisiana</i>
<i>Janet Lang</i>	<i>46th</i>	<i>Alabama</i>



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Representative Club**

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MO 63031-6535**

Chat with Mary Ann continued

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“Most everyone by now has either just returned from a vacation or is looking forward to one. However, have you ever heard of the “CITY OF REGRET”? Well, let me tell you about it.

“I had not really planned to take a trip this year, yet I found myself packing anyway. And off I went, dreading it. I was on another guilt trip. I booked my reservation on “Wish I Had” airlines. I didn’t check my bags...everyone carries their own baggage on this airline. I had to drag my bags for what seemed like miles in the Regret City Airport. And I could see that people from all over the world were there with me, limping along under the weight of their bags. I caught a cab to the Last Resort Hotel, the driver taking the whole trip backward, looking over my shoulder.

And there I found the ballroom where my event would be held: The Annual Pity Party. As I checked in, I saw that all my old colleagues were on the guest list: there was the Done Family-Woulda, Coulda, and Shoulda Done. Both of the members of the

Opportunity Family were there—Missed and Lost. All the Yesterdays were there too—there were too many to count, but all would have sad stores to share. Shattered Dreams and Broken Promises would be there too, along with their friends, don’t Blame Me and Couldn’t Help It. “And, of course, hours and hours of entertainment would be provided by that renowned storyteller, “It’s Their Fault.”

“THE CITY OF REGRET”
Have you been there?

I am sure that each of you has been there at one time or another. We know all of these people; however it is up to you and me to make this a better world. “Let it begin with us.”

Smiling is infectious: you can catch it just like the flu. A single smile, just like mine could travel around the earth. So, if you feel a smile begin, don’t leave it undetected. Let’s start an epidemic and get the whole world infected! Everyone needs a smile.

I hope to see each one of you with a smile on your face in Joplin,

Missouri at our Grand Chapter Session in October.

*As always,
Your Special Friend,
Mary Ann Browning
Past President, I.G.R.A.*

Cute Items On Sale at Grand Chapter!!

Looking forward to Grand Chapter.

We will be having some sale items, also. I can’t thank each one of you enough for all the support and helping with sales, etc. This year has been fantastic and I have enjoyed serving as your Project Chairman.

*Wanda Reno
Project Chairman*

REMEMBER TO NOTIFY CHEER CHAIRMEN OF THOSE NEEDING CARDS!

Area	Cheer Chairman	Phone Number	Districts
East	Judy Schlereth	(314) 631-7072	30-32-40-60
West	Thelma Pease	(816) 741-2850	11-21-22-23-34-36-37-59
Central	Lois McDonald	(573) 392-5836	18-24-26-27-31
Northeast	Ruth Ann Dixon	(573) 588-7556	1-2-14-15-29
Northwest	Betty Guthrie	(816) 261-7910	4-9-7-10-12-13
Southeast	Martha Bell	(573) 471-1224	48-49-50-51-52
Southwest	Delores Amos	(417) 623-0650	33-41-44-45-54-55
South Central	Meredith Wilson	(573) 793-6171	38-39-46-47-53

Don't forget to have cards sent to those who need them.

Breakfast

2010

Grand Chapter will be here soon and all of the plans are falling in place as they should. Thank you to the current and past grand representatives who will serve as table host/hostess. Remember to arrive at 6:00 AM to set up your table. Don't forget your table gifts/favors. You will serve as hostess for the table number on your breakfast ticket. Thank you to the past grand representatives that have offered to help but have not yet received official table assignments. We will contact you and send out instruction letters after September 20 when we receive the final reservations information.

To those who are escorting, plan to meet Donna Settles at 6:45 AM in the hallway outside the breakfast room for instructions. We may not need all of you this year, but we thank you in advance for being there and offering to help in this way.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon as we "Rise N' Shine" with our Sisters and Brothers.

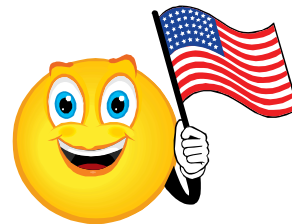
Paula Howell

Breakfast Chairman

Sharon Madison Elected as Treasurer of Missouri Show Me State Club

I want to thank the members of the MSMSGRC for the vote of confidence shown to me at the election for Treasurer at our summer meeting in Jefferson City. It was a most humbling experience. I will do the work expected of me for the next four years to the best of my ability. I think this is a most meaningful organization. I will need the help and support of all members, and the guidance of God. Again, Thank you.

Sharon Madison



Peace in Our Hearts Journey September & October 2010

Fri Sep 17, 2010	30th DDGM Reception Where: Warrenton, MO
Sat Sep 18, 2010	Fenton Chapter's 100th Birthday Where: St. Louis, MO
Thu Sep 23, 2010	Linda Shivers, GR of New Mexico Reception Where: Richland, MO
Fri Sep 24, 2010	Linda Monken, GR of Ontario Reception Where: St. Louis, MO
Sat Sep 25, 2010	Homer Stude, GR of Pennsylvania Reception Where: Warrenton, MO
Thu Sep 30, 2010	Albert Hays GR of Wyoming Reception Where: Nevada, MO
Sat Oct 3, 2010	Pat Hendren, GR of Quebec Reception Where: Bethany, MO



COURTESY FOR SISTER LOIS

For those of you who do not have E-Mail, the former Grand Representatives will be presenting the flags to honor Sister Lois and Brother Ed during Introductions on Monday evening.

It would be nice if you served in some capacity during the years we were working for Sister Lois to show your support by participating in this courtesy.

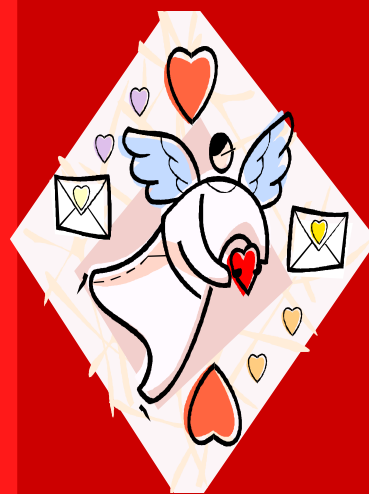
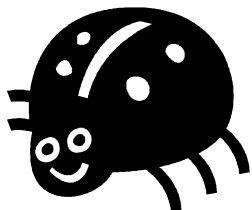
However that is not necessary if you wish to join in this courtesy.

We will practice on Monday morning at Memorial Hall.

Please E-Mail me at bro3515@comcast.net

Or

my phone is 816-254-7634 so I can add your name to the list.



LADYBUG BOUTIQUE

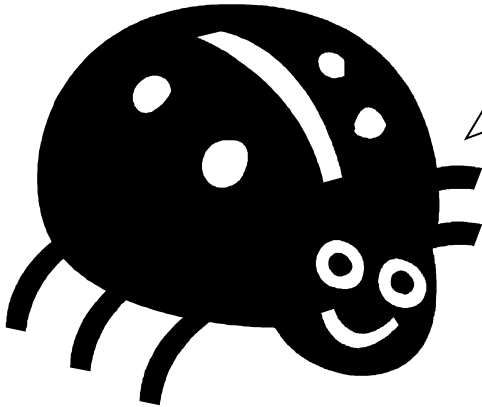
Remember to be making and saving your items for the boutique at Grand Chapter. We need help from everyone. Contact Christine Crane with any questions at (417) 882-8694

Share your news by emailing it to: Moladybug@yahoogroups.com

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU KEEP YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATED WITH THE CLUB TO ENSURE YOU REMAIN INFORMED!

See you at
Grand Chapter In Joplin.

Don't Miss the Our Breakfast
and Our meeting on Monday!!



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