

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**General Chair:** Robin and Mike Logan  
1947 Caddington Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275  
langelfan@sbcglobal.net

**Housing Chair:** Katie Nielsen  
P.O. Box 911, Ripon, CA 95366  
gchousing2017@yahoo.com

For those staying in either of our Headquarters Hotels  
(Marriott or Comfort Suites)  
please send your Housing Form to the Housing Chair.  
For all other hotels, reservations should be made  
directly with that hotel.

## REHEARSAL SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017

**Please be in the Grand Chapter Session Room  
at least fifteen minutes before the start of your practice.**

9:00 AM **Emblem Ceremony and Formal Opening** (Grand  
Officers)

10:30 AM **Entrance and Retiring Marches** (Grand Officers,  
Grand Pages, Deputy Grand Matrons, and CA and Visiting Grand  
Representatives)

11:30 AM **Cavalcade of Flags** (CA and Visiting Grand  
Representatives)

1:00 PM **Informal Opening** (Honorary Marshals, Host, General  
Chairmen, Gr. Cond. and AGC, Bible Bearer, Flag Bearer and  
Emblem Bearers)

2:00 PM **Necrology** (Grand Conductress, AGC, Grand Chaplain)  
(Former Grand Treasurers, F. Gr. Ruths and F. Gr. Warders)

3:00 PM **2018 Installation Practice** (All Participants including  
2017 & 018 Grand Officers, 2017 & 2018 DGMs, and CA &  
Visiting Gr. Representatives)

## REGISTRATION

Visalia Convention Center

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Tuesday, October 24,  | 1:00PM - 5:00PM   |
| Wednesday, October 25 | 8:00AM - 12:00 PM |
|                       | 1:30PM - 5:00PM   |
| Thursday, October 26  | 8:00AM - 9:30AM   |
|                       | 1:00PM - 2:30PM   |
| Friday, October 27    | 8:00PM - 9:00AM   |
|                       | 1:00PM - 2:30PM   |
| Saturday, October 28  | 8:00AM - 9:30AM   |

A one-time registration fee of \$37.50 must be paid prior to  
attendance at any session of the Grand Chapter, except Informal  
Opening on Wednesday evening and Installation on Saturday  
evening. If lost, the credential will be replaced only upon payment  
of another \$37.50. A 2017 dues receipt must be presented to pick  
up credentials. A validated credential must be presented for all  
admissions when requested.

Non-members of the Order may attend Informal Opening on  
Wednesday evening, Masonic Honor Session on Saturday  
afternoon, and Installation on Saturday evening.

## COURTESIES TO DIGNITARIES COMMITTEE

Brenda Hansen - Chair  
13875 Jackson Rd., Sloughhouse, CA 95683  
bch2ansen@gmail.com

## SPECIAL COURTESIES COMMITTEE

Martha Peters, PGM - Chair  
2516 Rigdon St., Napa, CA 94558  
martha2015wgm@aol.com

## DISTINGUISHED AND HONORED MEMBERS

**We welcome you to our "Treasures of Freedom" Session!**

For all Distinguished Members, please fill out our Housing Form  
and submit it to the Housing Chair if you wish to stay in one of the  
Headquarters Hotels. All requests for Headquarters Hotel housing  
must be submitted no later than July 7, 2017.

For all visiting Honored Members, please make your hotel  
reservations directly with one of the hotels listed on the Hotel  
Information Sheet.

The Grand Chapter of California is pleased to offer a one night  
hotel courtesy to each elected General Grand Chapter Grand Line  
Officer once in each triennium. Please settle your account with the  
hotel before checking out. Those entitled to a courtesy night  
should submit their paid bill to the Grand Secretary for the  
appropriate reimbursement.

Registration for all Distinguished and Honored Members and their  
escorts will be located in the Credentials Room. Please have your  
dues card with you when you register.

Please visit our Special Courtesies Room at the Convention Center  
to enjoy our hospitality.

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Grand Chapter of California  
Order of the Eastern Star

We extend to you fraternal greetings  
and invite you to attend our

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOURTH  
"TREASURES OF FREEDOM"  
ANNUAL SESSION



October 25-28, 2017  
Visalia Convention Center  
303 E. Acequia Avenue  
Visalia, California

**Linda Hooser**  
**Worthy Grand Matron**

**William "Bill" Prentiss**  
**Worthy Grand Patron**

Tammy Kinzy  
Grand Secretary  
16850 Bastanchury Road  
Yorba Linda, CA 92886

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

You will receive the complete program at Grand Chapter.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2017

1:00 pm Credentials opens

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
5:00 pm Distinguished Members Dinner  
7:00 pm Informal Opening

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
9:00 am Call to Order  
Formal Opening  
Annual Reports  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Grand Secretary  
Grand Treasurer  
Controller  
Business, Legislation and Reports  
12:00 pm Dist. Guests and Grand Representatives Luncheon  
2:00 pm Call to Order  
Annual Reports and Presentation of Budgets  
Finance Committee  
Board of Trustees - Eastern Star Homes  
Board of Trustees - Foundation  
Business, Legislation and Reports  
6:00 pm Fun Night Dinner/Social

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
8:45 am Call to Order  
9:00 am Necrology Service  
10:00 am Elections - Grand Officers and Trustees of Eastern Star Homes  
Business, Legislation and Reports  
2:00 pm Call to Order  
Senior Living Community Executive Director's Report  
Business, Legislation and Reports  
6:00 pm State Dinners/Socials

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
9:00 am Call to Order  
Business, Legislation, and Reports  
Presentation of Past Grand Jewels  
Farewell Tribute  
Closing  
1:30 pm Masonic Youth Session - Charter Oak Ballroom  
7:00 pm Installation of 2018 Grand Officers

## SOCIAL EVENTS

Please make reservations with the Reservation Chairman.  
Please include checks in U. S. Funds.

The deadline for all reservations is September 18, 2017.

### DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS DINNER

Wednesday, October 25, 2017, at 5:00 pm  
Visalia Marriott/Convention Center  
Attire: Formal  
Menu and Price: TBD  
Information: James Chormicle, PGP  
chormicle@aol.com

Reservations to Janet Robinson, PGM  
959 Cooper Court, Ripon, CA 95366  
janet03wgm@aol.com  
Checks Payable to Past Grands Association

### DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AND GRAND REPRESENTATIVES' LUNCHEON

Thursday, October 26, 2017, at Noon  
Visalia Marriott/Convention Center  
Menu and Price: TBD  
Reservations to: Donna Berry  
8600 N. West Lane #133, Stockton, CA 95210-2210  
dberrynotary@gmail.com  
Checks Payable to Gr. Representatives Assoc. of No. CA

### FUN NIGHT DINNER *OES State Fair*

Thursday, October 26, 2017  
6:00 pm Social; 7:00 pm Dinner  
Attire: 1940s Country Fair  
Visalia Marriott/Convention Center  
Menu and Price: TBD

Reservations to Jerry Broaker  
429 La Mancha Ct., Ridgecrest, CA 93555  
tickingsnail@aol.com  
Checks Payable to Grand Chapter of California  
Memo - Fun Night

## STATE DINNERS

Friday, October 27, 2017

### 2017

*Treasure Discovered*  
7:00 pm  
Attire: Formal  
Menu and Price: TBD

Reservations to Kari Graham  
8687 Chili Hill Road, Newcastle, CA 95658  
grahamk@sbcglobal.net  
Checks Payable to: Linda Hoesser Superior Assoc.

### 2018

Social 6:00 pm; Dinner 6:30 pm  
Attire: TBD  
Menu and Price: TBD

Reservations to: TBD

Checks Payable to: TBD

### 2019

*Join Us At the OK Corral*

Social 6:00 pm; Dinner 6:30 pm  
Attire: Western

Menu: Texas BBQ Buffet or Pasta Primavera  
Price: \$40

Reservations to Cathy Solem  
3649 Rio Pacifica Way, Sacramento, CA 95834  
csolem092@gmail.com

Checks Payable to Cathy Solem

### 2020

*Dinner at the Beach*

Social 6:00 pm; Dinner 6:30 pm  
Attire: Resort Wear

Menu: Tri-Tip or Chicken Cordon Bleu or Vegetarian  
Price: \$40

Reservations to Alice Raymond  
2036 Swan Drive, Costa Mesa CA 92626  
araymond@displayworks.com  
Checks Payable to Team 2020

# California Grand Chapter 2017

## "Treasures of Freedom" Session

October 25 – 28, 2017

Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia, Visalia, California

### ***PRE-REGISTRATION FOR OUT-OF-STATE MEMBERS***

Pre-registration Deadline – **October 13, 2017**

Registration Fee: \$37.50

Mail this entire form, together with your check, payable to Grand Chapter of California, for \$37.50 per person, to:

Grand Chapter of California  
16850 Bastanchury Road  
Yorba Linda, CA 92886-1608  
(714) 986-2380

As a convenience for all of our out-of-state members, your credentials will be available at a special line in the Credentials area where we will be pleased to register you. You will be required to show a 2017 dues card in order to pick up your credential.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel staying in: \_\_\_\_\_ **Transp. contacts:** Rory Richardson (310) 592-2699 or George Cronin (310)324-2020 Need transportation assistance: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No (if yes, PLEASE include a cell phone number)

#### **Additional Guest:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are requesting more than two registrations, please use additional forms. This form may be copied as needed.

**Please do not write in the area below. Thank you.**

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#### **FOR GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA USE ONLY:**

Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of Check: \_\_\_\_\_

Credential Prepared: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Registered: \_\_\_\_\_



March 2017

**Housing Chairman**

Katie Nielsen  
P.O. Box 911  
Ripon, CA 95366  
(209) 599-9530  
gchousing2017@yahoo.com

**Grand Chapter of California  
Order of the Eastern Star  
Grand Chapter Week  
October 25-28, 2017  
Visalia, California**

**General Chairmen**

Mike & Robin Logan  
1947 Caddington Drive  
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275  
Cell - (310) 502-3648  
1angelfan@sbcglobal.net

You are most cordially invited to attend the "Treasures of Freedom" Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of California. This letter explains your housing options for our Session. Please refer to our Trifold schedule for the dates and times of specific activities and meal events.

It is very important that you reserve your room by use of our Housing Form if you are staying at one of the Headquarter Hotels, or that you use our group code for your preferred hotel choice from our Participating OES Hotels. Every room booked in one of these two ways gives us credit against the costs charged for our Grand Chapter Session. **If you have a hotel "rewards" card, you will receive credit for your room nights, however please DO NOT use your credits toward your reservation. We will not receive credit against our session costs for any room nights for which you use credits.**

The Visalia Marriott at the Convention Center and Comfort Suites Downtown are the Headquarter Hotels. **Distinguished Members, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, California Grand Officers (2017 & 2018), Grand Pages, Deputy Grand Matrons, Designated Grand Chapter Week Chairmen/Committee Members, Special Dignitaries, and Guests of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron shall be allowed to book rooms in the Headquarters Hotels.** If you fall in one of these categories and wish to stay at a Headquarters Hotel, you **must** complete the Housing Form and submit it, via email or mail, to Katie Nielsen (Housing Chair). A hotel confirmation letter will be emailed directly to you. If you do not have an email address, a confirmation letter will be mailed to the address you provided. The Marriott and Comfort Suites Downtown **are not available for online booking**. Please submit your Housing Form no later than July 7, 2017, to ensure your reservation at one of these hotels. If you are unsure if you qualify for a Headquarters Hotel, please contact the Housing Chairman to check before you send in a Housing Form..

If you are not on the list of those entitled to rooms at the Headquarters Hotels or do not wish to stay at one of the Headquarters Hotels, there are five lovely hotels from which you can choose. Any time after Monday, March 20, 2017, you can book your room through the participating hotels directly, using the group codes and contact information on the "Participating OES Hotels" flyer, available on our web site on the same page as this letter. Please note that cancellation policies vary by hotel. The deadline for reservations at any of the Participating OES Hotels is September 10, 2017.

Any member not otherwise allowed a room at one of the Headquarters Hotels who wishes to request a room there due to medical reasons **MUST** submit a doctor's letter explaining their condition and medical needs along with a completed Housing Form to the Housing Chairman for consideration. Please specify if you need a disabled access room and clearly explain what accommodations you need. (i.e. accessible/roll-in shower, open space under sink, etc.) Please contact the Housing Chairman for further details or questions. Rooms are very limited.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me.

Fraternally,  
Katie Nielsen, 2017 Housing Chairman

**“Treasures of Freedom”  
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star  
2017 Grand Chapter Session**

**HOTEL INFORMATION**

Events are held at the Convention Center — 303 E. Acequia Ave, Visalia

| <b>PROPERTY NAME</b>  | <b>RATE</b>           | <b>DISTANCE TO CONV. CTR</b> | <b>BREAKFAST</b>  |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| <b>HAMPTON INN</b><br>4747 W. Noble Avenue  | \$115.00 + <i>tax</i> | Approx. 2.7 Mile             | Yes<br>(Continental)  |
| <b>LAMP LITER INN</b><br>3300 W. Mineral King Avenue  | \$106.00 + <i>tax</i> | Approx. 3.5 Mile             | Yes (Continental)   |
| <b>FAIRFIELD INN BY MARRIOTT</b><br>140 S. Akers Street   | \$115.00 + <i>tax</i> | Approx. 4.3 Miles            | Yes<br>(Continental)  |
| <b>VISALIA SEQUOIA GATEWAY INN<br/>by BEST WESTERN</b><br>9300 W. Airport Drive   | \$82.00 + <i>tax</i>  | Approx. 6.4 Miles            | Yes<br>(Continental)  |
| <b>HOLIDAY INN HOTEL &amp;<br/>CONFERENCE CENTER</b><br>9000 W. Airport Drive   | \$104.00 + <i>tax</i> | Approx. 6.4 Miles            | (2) \$5 off breakfast<br>Coupons for on site<br>Restaurant. |
| <b>The following hotels are for<br/>Distinguished and Honored members<br/>and must be booked through the<br/>housing chair:</b> |                       |                              |   |
| <b>MARRIOTT HOTEL**</b><br>300 S. Court Street  | \$125.00 + <i>tax</i> | Attached                     | No<br>(Restaurant on site)                                  |
| <b>COMFORT SUITES DOWNTOWN**</b><br>210 E. Acequia Avenue   | \$110.00 + <i>tax</i> | Across the Street            | Yes<br>(Continental)  |

**\*\*Please see the Housing Letter on details about who is to stay at the Headquarter Hotel, and you MUST complete the attached housing form for your room to be reserved.**

**To obtain tourist information on the Visalia area, please visit the following website: <http://www.visitvisalia.org>**

**2017 "Treasures of Freedom" California Grand Chapter Session Housing Form**

This form is only to be used for those who are entitled to stay in a Headquarters Hotel.  
The list of eligible persons is set forth in the Housing Letter.  
For all other hotels, please make your reservations directly with that hotel.

Deadline for reservations using this form - July 7, 2017  
Cancellations are subject to each individual Hotel's cancellation policy.

Mail or email this form to:       Katie Nielsen, Housing Chair  
  P.O. Box 911                               (209) 599-9530  
  Ripon, CA 95366                        Email: [gchousing2017@yahoo.com](mailto:gchousing2017@yahoo.com)

I/We will attend the 144th Session of the Grand Chapter of California, October 25-28, 2017, in Visalia:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone/Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Name & Number or Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Which of the two Headquarters Hotels to do you prefer? \_\_\_\_\_

If we are unable to book you into your selected hotel, we will book you into the other Headquarters Hotel. If for any reason we are unable to get you into either Headquarters Hotel, we will let you know.

Accommodation request: Single King Bed \_\_\_\_\_ Two Beds \_\_\_\_\_

Check In Date: October \_\_\_\_\_, 2017                      Check Out Date: October \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

Names of those sharing the room:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Medical request for Marriott or Comfort Suites. A letter from your doctor must accompany this form. Please be specific as to what you need.**

Other special requests \_\_\_\_\_

Your credit card information is required to hold your reservation. **PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY.**

Name of Card Holder \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address (if different than above) \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Phone Number (if different than above) \_\_\_\_\_

**Room confirmations:**

If you provided an e-mail address - Confirmation will be emailed to you

If you did not provide an e-mail address - Confirmation will be mailed to you thru the U.S. Postal Service