

To All Members of the Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Brother Brian and I would like take this opportunity to invite you to the 107th, “**Sea Sky and Scotland**” Grand Chapter Session to be held May 28-30 at the Nanaimo Conference Centre, Gordon Street Nanaimo

Don't be afraid to SPARKLE a little brighter!
Jo-Anne Finley, Worthy Grand Matron
Brian Masters, Worthy Grand Patron

CHURCH SERVICE

Sunday, May 27th 2018 at 1:30 pm
St Paul's Anglican Church

We extend a very warm invitation to all members, family, friends and visitors to join us
100 Chapel Street, Nanaimo. The offering will be given to ESTARL.

CANCER DRESSING CONFERENCE

Monday May 28, 2018 at 9:00 am
Vancouver Island Conference Centre
All members are invited to attend the Annual Conference under the direction of Sister Margaret Caswell, Director of Cancer Activities.

ATTENTION DELEGATES

You are expected to attend all sessions to exercise the privilege and responsibility of representing your Chapter.

CHAPTER SECRETARIES

Please read this invitation to your members to this point only and make copies available to members as required.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2018

12:30 pm Introduction of 2017-18 Grand Officers
12:45 pm Emblem ceremony
1:00 pm Processional
Formal Opening
2:00 pm Nominations Open
Presentation of Concordant Bodies
and Civic Leaders
7:00 pm Processional
8:00 pm Nominations Close
Presentation of Distinguished Guests
Presentation of Grand Representatives

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018

8:30 am Processional
9:00 am Cavalcade of Flags
9:30 am Presentation of Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Associate Matrons, Associate Patrons, Secretaries and Treasurers
Presentation of our Golden Stars and new members
Tea to follow
Business of Session & reports will begin in the morning
1:00 pm Registration Closes
1:30 pm Call to Order
Business of Session & Reports
Registration & Credentials – Interim Report
2:00 pm Election of Officers
Reports of Committees
Business of the Session once elections are completed
7:00 pm Memorial Service

WEDNESDAY, May 30, 2018

9:00 am Processional
Business of Session & Reports
1:30 pm Processional
Registration & Credentials – Final Report
Business of Session & Reports
Farewell of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron
Retiring of 2017-2018 Grand Officers
7:00 pm Installation of 2018-2019 Grand Officers

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

All members are required to pay a registration fee of \$40.00 CDN, and present a current dues card. **PLEASE PRE-REGISTER.** If you do not, you must produce credentials, signed and sealed by your Chapter Secretary. **These are not available at Grand Chapter.**

EXCEPTION

Golden Stars (50 Years and over members) who attend only the Tuesday morning session to be presented, must register but **do not pay** a registration fee.

REGISTRATION TIMES

The Registration/Credential Committee will be on duty in the Vancouver Island Conference Centre (VICC) during the following hours:

Saturday	May 26, 2018	noon – 4 pm (at Morpeth Hall, 620 Morpeth Ave, Nanaimo)
Sunday	May 27, 2018	9am – noon
Monday	May 28, 2018	8 am – noon 1 pm – 8 pm
Tuesday	May 29, 2018	8 am – noon
Wednesday	May 30, 2018	on call at VICC

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Pre-Registration is required for all Distinguished Guests.

All Registration & Banquet forms can be obtained from the British Columbia and Yukon Grand Chapter website at: www.bcgrandchapter.com

1. Hotel reservations should be made directly with the hotel of your choice.
2. Tickets for all banquets, meals or receptions can be purchased using the Ticket Form only, to be returned by the stated due date. **No Tickets** will be available for sale at the door.

ATTENTION: THOSE GIVING REPORTS, WELCOMES, RESPONSES OR TRIBUTES:

Please file with the Grand Secretary a typewritten, double-spaced copy or labeled computer disk, floppy, or flash drive of your report; welcome; response, or tribute prior to or immediately after it has been given or e-mail the Grand Secretary before Grand Chapter or within one week after at grsecbcy@telus.net. Please do not use abbreviations.

GIFTS

There will be no formal presentations of gifts.
No deliveries will be done during session.

SOCIAL EVENTS

All banquets will be held at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre. See banquet form for details of venues, times, tickets (where applicable).

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018

5:00 pm Meet & Greet Beverage & Burger
Morpeth Hall
620 Morpeth Ave, Nanaimo

5:30 pm 2017-2018 Grand Officers
Banquet
(By Invitation Only
at the Grand Hotel)

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

10:00 am Rusty Keys Breakfast
10:00 am Foster Secretary Breakfast

5:30 pm Snowflakes and Sparkles
Masquerade Ball
costumes not required but encouraged

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2018

6:00 pm Past Grand Association

"Open to ALL Past Grand's and guest(s)"

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018

7:00 am Rob Morris Breakfast
11:30 am PAGO luncheon

WEDNESDAY, May 30, 2018

7:00 am 2018-2019 Grand Officers
Breakfast
(By Invitation Only)
11:30 am Grand Representatives Luncheon
5:30 pm Top 4 & Jr. Past Matrons & Jr. Past
Patrons Banquet

REHEARSALS

All rehearsals will be held at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre.

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

10:00 am Grand Officers – Processional
10:30 am Emblem Laying Ceremony
11:00 am Flag presentation ceremony
NOT CAVALCADE OF FLAGS

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2018

8:30 am Grand Officers, Grand Pages,
Grand Ushers, Grand Guards
9:30 am Cavalcade of Flags
10:30 am Flag Presentation for Opening

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2018

Immediately following close of morning session
Retiring 2017-2018 Grand Officers &
Escorts
Installation 2018-2019 Grand Officers &
Escorts

Please be on time for all practices as our time is limited. Also bring a bag lunch or have someone bring you lunch if you are involved in Wednesday practices.

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

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THE GRAND CHAPTER OF
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ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

INVITES YOU TO

"SEA SKY AND SCOTLAND "

107th ANNUAL SESSION OF GRAND CHAPTER

May 28-30th

Vancouver Island Conference Centre

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