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## Royal Chapter Proclamation & Newsletter

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**Special Alert!** On-site OES meetings will begin on June 1, 2021. Members are to follow all COVID rules. Members can begin attending and performing burial ceremonies at the grave sites. Regular initiation of members will also begin taking place. Those members that were simply obligated must go through the regular initiation ceremony.

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**Membership Application:** Effective as of the date of this newsletter, the completed interview form must be mailed with the application and fee. The fees have not changed.

**Questions:** Can the membership vote on a person that got out of the chapter, but has petitioned to reinstate? Yes.

Can a demit request be denied? Only if the member is not financial.

Should a chapter vote on an applicant if all fees are not paid?  
No

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### “TOSS THE COIN FUNDRAISER”

Worthy Matrons are to turn money in no later than June 22, 2021. From these funds we give four scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. Scholarships forms are being sent out to Worthy Matrons, District Deputies, & placed on the OES website. These forms are to be distributed to members to give to 2021 graduating seniors and persons already enrolled in college. The scholarships are given in recognition of the Worthy Matron that raised the highest amount of money.

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“God Walks With Women Through Adversity”

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Picture: 136<sup>th</sup> Annual Session, Feb 27, 2021. DGM Barnes conducting the opening ceremony.

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### IMPORTANT NEWS

The Royal Grand Chapter statewide workshop will be held on June 26, 2021. The following officers are required to attend: Worthy Matron, Associate Matron, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Conductress, Associate Conductress, District Deputy Grand Matrons, District Lectures, RGC Elected Officers, and Grand Marshals.

The registration fee is \$5.00 per person and shall be paid in advance. The local chapter shall send in one check for all delegates. The deadline for registration is June 15, 2021. Late and onsite registration is \$10.

**Theme: Profiting from Experience**

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## Deadline for 2021 OES Relief and Building Assessment

All fees must be paid in full by June 30, 2021. This includes local, and state fees.

Financial secretaries and worthy matrons, it is your responsibility to remind members when fees are due and when they are delinquent. Please communicate with your members. If you have home bound members and out of town, you must also communicate with them concerning all chapter activities.



2020 Post-Sear Queen Belinda Covington, #374 W. Helena, District #1

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## More Important News

**A special 2021 St. John's Day and Cornerstone Laying Ceremony Weekend will be held Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13, in West Helena, Arkansas. It will be held by James Alexander and Alpha Lodges. All Royal Grand Chapter members are encouraged to attend this special event. OES formal dress for both days.**

Saturday's event will begin at 3:00 pm at 1362 Phillips 315, West Helena. This will be an outdoor program.

Sunday's events (cornerstone laying and church service) will begin at 3:00 p.m. at the Lodge Hall and First Baptist Church, 125 North Coanza St, in West Helena. The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge will conduct the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony.

Hotel information is available if one is interested in staying overnight for both events: Isles of Capri (662-363-4600); Best Western Inn 870-572-2592; and Delta Inn (870) 572-7915.

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## District Meetings

On-site district meetings will not begin until after the local chapters have begun meetings.

Senior District Deputies are to have a zoom meetings or conference call with all district deputies and worthy matrons to discuss the district program and make plans for upcoming meetings and programs. These district meetings are to occur every other month.

Many senior deputies have already been meeting while others have not.

District officers will remain the same as in 2020. New officers will be elected in January 2022.