

The purpose of this award is to recognize Chapters who purposely plan and accomplish tasks that will help them become a stronger and healthier Eastern Star Chapter. The program will begin on **October 18th, 2011** **and conclude on September 1st, 2012.** Earn a minimum of 100 points and the Chapter will receive the "Spirit Award" and be recognized at the 2012 Grand Chapter session. Chapters who go beyond the minimum will receive extra recognition. Points will be logged on the enclosed form. The Honor System will be in effect. Please COMPLETELY fill out the form at the bottom of the Award Log, including the seal of the Chapter. An e-mail message will be sent to confirm that the form was received. Consequently, an e-mail address is a must. If you need additional log-in spots, feel free to copy the one included in this packet. Indicate on the sheet that there are 2 or 3 or 4 sheets involved!!!

MEMBERSHIP

1. Maintain total number of members from July 2011 to July 2012 4 points
(Death of a member does not count. The Chapter has no control.)
2. Increase in total number of members from July 2011 to July 2012 6 points
3. Each petitioner initiated or affiliated 1 point

OUTREACH

1. Hold an Open Meeting 1 point each
2. Participate in or sponsor a community event as a Chapter 1 point each
3. Plan and participate in the Community Service Day 1 point
4. Plan/Work/Assist an event with a Masonic Lodge 1 point each time

COMMUNICATION

1. Distribute a Chapter newsletter (snail or e-mail)
 - a. Monthly 4 points (once only)
 - b. Quarterly 3 points (once only)
 - c. Semi-annually 2 points (once only)
 - d. Annually 1 point (once only)
2. Set-up and execute a 'member contact' committee with regular contacts 1 point each
(visit, telephone call, card/note)
3. Set-up and execute a plan to offer rides to events for non-driving members 1 point each time
4. Create and maintain a current Chapter website 1 point only
5. Create and maintain a Chapter electronic group (Facebook, e-mail) 1 point only
6. Release news of Chapter events to the media (TV, radio, newspaper) 1 point each time
(put media and dates on log)
7. Submit an article to the Eastern Star Journal 1 point each time (put dates on log)

YOUTH GROUPS

1. Attend a Masonic Youth meeting representing the Chapter 1 point each time (group, date on log)

2. Plan and hold a Chapter-sponsored event for a Youth group 1 point each event
(Masonic or community) (group name and dates on log)
3. Member responsible for a youth petitioning a Masonic Youth organization 1 point each

TRAVEL

1. Visit another Chapter's meeting 1 point each time (name of Chapter, date on the log)
2. Attend Masonic Lodge Installation 1 point each time (Lodge, date on log)
3. Attend installation of a Masonic affiliate 1 point each time (name, date on log)
4. Attend Grand Chapter (ours and others!) 5 points each time (names, dates on log)

OUR OWN CHAPTER

1. Attend Leadership Training/All Member Instructional 1 point each time (place, date on log)
2. Plan and hold a Proficiency study event 1 point
3. Plan and hold a practice specifically to study the Ritual. 1 point
4. All Officers earn Proficiency Card within two months of Installation 5 points
5. Regular members earn Proficiency Cards 9 members=2 points 18 members = 5 points
6. Members participating in Ritual Contest 1 point each officer (Office and date in log)
7. All installed Officers present, in their seats at a meeting 1 point each time (date on log)
8. Hold an event to support one of the WGM, WGP or CA Grand Chapter projects 1 point each
(name, date on log)
9. Hold an event in support of a General Grand Chapter project 1 point each time
(name, date on log)
10. Chapter subscribes to Eastern Star Journal, offered for check out 1 point
11. Monthly report at Chapter on progress toward earning Chapter Spirit Award 1 point each time
(date on log)
12. Annual report in to Grand Secretary's office before due date 1 point

This Spirit Award project will require Chapter members to come together, talk and share to make sure nothing that has been accomplished is left off the log. The Chapter chairman should pool members BEFORE each meeting so the report given each month is complete and correct.

Completed, stamped, forms must be received by Chairman Nellis Johnson, 2000 Wesley Court, Bakersfield CA. 93309, no later than September 1st, 2012. If you can FAX, call Nellis at 661-833-0827 to turn on the machine! The committee is insanely excited about this project...don't disappoint them.....the results will be really, really bad. Chairman Nellis Johnson Bakersfield #125/Caledonia #391 assisted by; Rosie Hooton Caledonia Chapter #391/Security #426 Dixie Kolhoff Security Chapter #426 Margaret Wolford Manzanita #432 Mary Jackson Elk Grove Onisbo #109 Wanda Preuss La Poloma Star # 96