

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**General Chair:** Ruth & Bill Sereni  
(510) 259-8677 2023gcw@gmail.com

**Housing Chair:** Nancy Throne  
(707) 373-2724 oesgchousingca@gmail.com

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

### REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023

*Please be quietly seated in the Grand Chapter Session Room at least fifteen minutes before the start of your practice. Only those participating in the practices at the designated times will be admitted into the Grand Chapter Session Room.*

- 8:00 am Emblem Ceremony and Formal Opening**  
(Grand Officers, Grand Pages, participants in emblem ceremony)
- 9:00 am Ritualistic Opening** (Grand Officers and Grand Pages)
- 10:00 am Entrance and Retiring Marches**  
(Grand Officers, Grand Pages, Deputy Grand Matrons, CA and Visiting Grand Representatives)
- 11:00 am Informal Opening** (Honorary Marshals, Hostess and Host, General Chairmen, Grand Conductress, AGC, Bible Bearer and Escorts, and Emblem Bearers)
- 12:30 pm Flag Presentation** (Grand Marshal, Flag Bearers)
- 1:00 pm Cavalcade of Flags** (CA & Visiting Grand Representatives)
- 1:30 pm Friday Morning Emblem Ceremony** (Emblem Bearers, Honorary Marshal, Narrator)
- 2:00 pm Necrology** (Grand Conductress, AGC, Grand Chaplain, Former Grand Esthers and Former Grand Sentinels)
- 3:00 pm 2024 Installation Practice** (All Participants including 2023 and 2024 Grand Officers, 2023 and 2024 DGMs, CA and visiting Grand Representatives)

#### REGISTRATION

Visalia Convention Center

Tuesday	October 17	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	October 18	8:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Thursday	October 19	8:00 am - 9:30 am 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Friday	October 20	8:00 am - 9:00 am 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Saturday	October 21	8:00 am - 9:30 am

A one-time registration fee of \$37.50 must be paid prior to attendance at any session of the Grand Chapter, except Informal Opening, Masonic Youth Session, and Installation. If lost, the credential will be replaced for an additional \$37.50. A 2023 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 Youth Session on Saturday afternoon, and Installation on Saturday evening. *(no credential required for guests)*

#### COURTESIES TO DIGNITARIES COMMITTEE

Kat Farris - Chair  
(714) 767-2336 grandqueen2011@gmail.com

#### SPECIAL COURTESIES COMMITTEE

Debbie Maiman, PGM  
(818) 634-9609 debbiewgm2014@gmail.com  
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(707) 845-5432 csmkd@yahoo.com  
Donna Herring, PGM  
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#### DISTINGUISHED AND HONORED MEMBERS

**Welcome to 2023 "Having Fun in the Southwestern Sun"**  
Distinguished Members (*WGMs, WGPps, PGMs, PGPps*) please refer to the Housing letter, complete the 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 August 1, 2023.  
Honored Members, please make your hotel reservations directly with one of the hotels listed on the Hotel Information Sheet.

Meals may be ordered and paid for online or download a meal request form and mail it with a check to the Grand Secretary. <http://oescal.org> The meal events will be available online approximately July 1.

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.

1873 – 2023

## Grand Chapter of California Order of the Eastern Star

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

### One Hundred Forty-Seventh 2023

**"Having Fun in the Southwestern Sun"**

#### Annual Session



**October 18-21, 2023**

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

**Kimberlie Kruse**  
**Worthy Grand**  
**Matron**

**Gary Dunham**  
**Worthy Grand**  
**Patron**

**Tammy Kinzy**  
**Grand Secretary**

16960 Bastanchury Rd. Suite C  
Yorba Linda, CA 92886  
gsecretary@oescal.org (714) 986-2380

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

*You will receive the complete program at Grand Chapter*

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023

1:00 pm Credentials open

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
8:00 am – 4:00 pm Rehearsals (see schedule)  
4:30 pm Distinguished Members Dinner  
7:00 pm Informal Opening (formal attire)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2023

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
9:00 am Call to Order (business attire)  
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  
Foundation  
Necrology  
7:00 pm Fun Night Kick-Off Party! (casual attire)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
9:00 am Call to Order (business attire)  
Business, Legislation and Reports  
10:00 am Elections - Grand Officers and Trustees of OES 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 (attire as per event flyer)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023

8:00 am Credentials and Vendors open  
9:00 am Call to Order (business attire)  
Business, Legislation, and Reports  
Closing  
Farewell Address and Recessional of 2023 GOs  
1:30 pm Masonic Youth Session  
7:00 pm Installation of 2024 Grand Officers (formal attire)  
Presentation of Past Grand Jewels

## SOCIAL EVENTS

All Meal Event Reservations will be made with the  
**Meal Reservation Form,**  
**oescal.org/Annual Session/Meal Events**

**Deadline for all meal events: SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

Payment may be made via credit card, PayPal, or checks  
in US funds to: **Grand Chapter of California**

### PAST GRANDS & DIGNITARY DINNER

*(WGMs, WGP, PGMs, PGP)*

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

**Wednesday, October 18, 2023**

4:15 pm Social 4:45 pm Dinner

Attire: Formal

**Contact Person: Don Snyder, PGP**

tenorplus@aol.com

Distinguished Members to receive additional  
information via email/US mail

### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES LUNCHEON

***"Come And Enjoy Our Fun In The Sun"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

**Thursday, October 19, 2023**

Noon

Attire: Session

**Contact Person: Barbara Johnson**

bjjbrj@yahoo.com

### FUN NIGHT KICK-OFF PARTY!

***"Jumanji:***

***The Search for the Amethyst Elephant"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

**Thursday, October 19, 2023**

6:00 pm

Attire: Jungle theme or Casual

**Contact Person: Julie Duty**

roadkillsup@gmail.com

## STATE DINNERS

**Friday, October 20, 2023**

**Meal Reservation Forms online for all State Dinners**  
**oescal.org/Annual Session/Meal Events**

**2023**

***"Night at the Oasis"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

5:30 pm Social 6:30 pm Dinner

Attire: Casual for a Texas BBQ Buffet

**Contact Person: Gina Vickerman**

grvickerman@gmail.com

**2024**

***"Holly Jolly Holiday"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Dinner

Attire: Edwardian

**Contact person: Judy Bradley**

chassociationsj@gmail.com

**2025**

***"It's a Gift to Ride in 25"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Dinner

Attire: Garden Dress-Business Casual

**Contact Person: Peggy LeClert**

pegsway@aol.com

**2026**

***"Here Comes the Sun"***

*See event flyer online for menu and cost-oescal.org*

6:00 pm Social 6:30 pm Dinner

Attire: Garden Party Chic

**Contact Person: Sorrell Williams**

sorrellewilliams@gmail.com