



Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star of New Jersey

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Dear Sisters and Brothers:

It is with a great deal of sadness that we announce that the 150th Grand Session at Caesar's Casino and Hotel has been cancelled for this year. **We are required to obey** the NJ State guidelines, which currently restricts indoor gatherings to 25 or less people. Below is the official mandate from the Governor which can be found on the New Jersey State website:

Indoor Gatherings

Face coverings are required [in indoor public spaces](#) and in outdoor public spaces when social distancing is difficult to maintain. **General indoor gatherings** must be limited to 25 people. All attendees at indoor gatherings must wear face coverings and stay six feet apart. *Last Updated: 03/18/2021*

https://covid19.nj.gov/search.html?utm_campaign=20201024_nwsltr_b&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery&query=can+organizations+reopen+and+meet+again%3F

After much consideration and discussion, the Elected Line has voted that there will be an annual communication held on May 26th, to conduct only necessary business and officially elect and install Elected Line Officers, so that the business of Grand Chapter may continue. Only those required to be present will be notified and allowed to attend.

We wish Sister Daria and Brother Bruce the absolute best as they assume the authority of leading our beautiful Order into the future. It is important that we remind you that our year does not end until May 26th, when they are installed. Until that time, we respectfully remind you to please continue to consult and work with the Worthy District Deputies and Worthy Grand Officers of 2019-2021 and to adhere to their instructions.

The continued health and safety of our membership remains our priority. Should you have any questions, please contact your Worthy District Deputy, who has been given more detailed instructions from the Most Worthy Grand Matron.

It is extremely important that you share this information with the members of your chapter. It is vital that they are kept informed of the determinations made by our Elected Line and the direction our Order is heading in during these unsettling times. In the meantime, we must **ASK** God for guidance and **BELIEVE** that He will send His Blessings for us to **RECEIVE**.

Fraternally,

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Attest:

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