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Dear Sisters and Brothers of Connecticut Eastern Star,

Brother Rick and I humbly thank you for the confidence you have placed in us to lead this amazing organization for the ensuing year. Thank you also for the honor you have bestowed upon our Chapter Azalia #2.

It was such a pleasure to see you all at Grand Chapter. As members we look forward to celebrating the accomplishments of our previous year and hearing about all of the exciting plans for our upcoming year. We hope that you all have the opportunity to rekindle old friendships and make a few new ones. It's always a joy to meet new members from around the world.

Our aim this year is to Love One Another by remembering our obligation. We will join with our other Masonic bodies in spreading our Masonic message of unity, love, and service. Please join with us in making our Eastern Star family united and strong.

Our Associate Grand Patron and Grand Sentinel will be selling pocket calendars in place of the visitation books this year, these calendars will contain all of the same information as the visitation book. Term information, visitation schedule, committee contact information, trips, special events at some of our chapters and Grand Chapter dates of our sister jurisdictions. We encourage you to purchase the calendar to have the information close at hand.

There will be two group discussions, the first on Sunday, May 4th at Good Intent Chapter #17 in South Glastonbury at 2pm. The second will be on Sunday, June 22nd at Mystic Chapter #20 in Cheshire at 2pm. Mystic Chapter is offering a light lunch prior to the group discussion. Flyer is enclosed. We encourage all members to attend at least one. Be sure to invite your new members to come with you. All projects will be announced at the group discussions.

I ask permission to use my traveling gavel and other paraphernalia at the Official Visitations. The Bountiful Blessings Grand Family is looking forward to visiting each of your chapters and getting to know you all better. Please plan on the receptions of the Appointed Grand Officers to be held on the night of their chapter's official visitation. We encourage you all to join us as we honor these Grand Family members.

We will be holding two Official Visitations in June, Ephraim Kirby Chapter #75 on Monday, June 2nd at 7:30pm and Lucia Chapter #25 on Thursday, June 12th at 7:30pm

We are looking forward to bringing back the Heart Walk. Our first one will be at the Derby Greenway on Saturday May 24th at 10am. On Saturday, July 19th come with us to see the Hartford Yard Goats beat the Somerset Patriots at 6pm. Please see WGP Richard for tickets. Our Mystery Trip run by Past Grand Matron, Janet S. Berry will be held on Saturday, July 26th, we are looking forward to the surprise adventure. On Sunday, August 24th we would love for you to join us at Tanglewood to enjoy a concert. The day also includes dinner and a visit to the Norman Rockwell Museum.

Our summer will be full of travel to our sister jurisdictions, we encourage you to visit other Grand Chapters. It is so amazing to be able to represent our state as a Grand Representative, I know you will all shine and carry the Connecticut spirit with you throughout your travels. It is a wonderful way to make new friends and visit old ones, building bridges and making relationships that will last a lifetime. We hope to share this exciting opportunity with you.

The Four Seasons Traveling Boutique will be open at the Group Discussions and Official Visitations with flyers, pins, and other items for sale. Events and Flyers can be found on the OES website: www.ctoes.org. Please subscribe to Star Matters where you can also find all updated information.

We are looking forward to seeing each of you during our travels, we have planned many activities, there is something for everyone. Please join us.

Always remember you are Loved.

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