

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Members of the Grand Chapter of Oregon Order of Eastern Star,

This has been a trying time for our Order of Eastern Star. Not being able to have our meetings and receptions and just being able to see each other. I have missed the time I normally got to spend with each of you.

It is still my desire, with a great deal of confidence and pride, that I submit my letter of intent for the Office of Associate Grand Conductress for the year of 2021-2022. I have the support of both of my chapters, Esther Chapter #11 and Hope Chapter #13, my family and my husband Marc Strong, PGP.

I was initiated into the order in 1978 to Deborah Chapter #43 in Prairie City, Oregon. Our chapter consolidated with Esther Chapter #11 in 2006. During my 42 years in Eastern Star, I have been Worthy Matron 8 times and have held all offices in chapter except Treasurer, Associate Patron and Worthy Patron. I have served on several Grand Committees including twice on the three-year term for the Leslie S Parker Scholarship, Cancer Research, Charitable Giving and others. I have been Grand Representative to Oklahoma and Georgia. Unable to attend Oklahoma's Grand Chapter because of the bombing but was able to attend the Grand Chapter of Georgia and represent our jurisdiction, which was a great honor. I have enjoyed being a Grand Page for several years and Page Captain during the Pathfinder year. I was Grand Chaplain during the Starduster year for Darlene Wanker and Brent Dart from 2001-2002. In 2019 we traveled to Florida for General Grand Chapter and I was asked to help with the unregistered attendees. This was an honor and great fun to meet people from other countries.

My Masonic background came from my Grandfather. I started as a Rainbow Girl and my Grandmother, Great Aunt, and Mother were also members of the Order of Eastern Star.

During my working career I worked for Old West Federal Credit Union and retired after 31 years of service to them. During my time at Old West, I worked as a teller, loan officer, real estate loan officer, assistant branch manager, and operations manager. My supervisory roles have prepared me for this up and coming journey. Working with the public brings experiences of dealing with different personalities. It taught me patience, organizational skills, financial record keeping, budgeting and scheduling. I learned to help not only members of our Credit Union but the employees in their needs.

I am excited to begin this journey in Eastern Star and look forward to serving the members of Oregon Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star. I will work hard to help our order grow.

Star Love,

Lanni Strong

Esther Chapter #11 and Hope Chapter #13

