

THE UNITED GRAND CHAPTER OF AUSTRALIA Order of the Eastern Star

HAVING JURISDICTION WITHIN THE STATES AND TERRITORIES OF AUSTRALIA AND ITS DEPENDENCIES

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To Grand Secretaries : District Grand Secretaries : Chapter Secretaries

Dear Sisters and Brothers

Chapter History

An initiative under the Strategic Plan was to work out the best way to preserve the History of the Order of the Eastern Star in Australia. The Strategic Working Party has therefore been looking at a number of options and it has been agreed that the best method at this time is to place Chapter history on our Website. This will provide a searchable function, not only for our Members but the wider community who regularly contact our Website asking for details of past members and Chapters researching their family tree.

The United Grand Chapter of Australia is therefore asking all Chapters to provide what they can in the way of a history and timeline describing the journey of their Chapter. Details for dormant Chapters are also requested if members have that in hand. Many Chapters have done a history book for major birthday events and this is a start of what is required.

Attached are details of the information required and a link to an example page already available on the Website. Should you have any queries relating to your Chapter History information, please consult with our Webmaster Sister Angela Sweeney (webmaster@oesaustralia.org.au) who will be very pleased to assist you.

Please support this initiative and help us to preserve the history of our beloved Order in Australia. Your co-operation in this matter will be very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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