

The Order of the Eastern Star



An International, Fraternal Organisation for
Women and Men

Be inspired, belong to a group of
likeminded friends



Give back to the
community and
enrich the lives of
others.

Donation to John Curtin School of Medical Research
Fraser Chapter

Open Day – November 2017



The OES & Masonicare team up for Charity

Monday, September 25 2017

Capital Chapter No 52 celebrated their 1st Birthday with a wonderful donation to HeartKids. The members had been working hard all year towards this great cause and not only donated \$\$\$\$, but also lots of hand made goods.

Capital Chapter teamed up with Masonicare who matched \$ for \$. Together, \$6,000 was totalled, but an additional cheque was given on the day from Capital (the members just didn't stop!). A total of \$7,575.00 was presented to Ms Jenny Azzopardi from HeartKids. Brother Stephen Coote attended on behalf of Masonicare.





The Order of the Eastern Star Australia is
part of the wider masonic family



We believe there is a
higher purpose for all
of us
For all humanity



We are a friendly, welcoming and positive organisation and most importantly, we love having fun!



Christmas in the Capital?

Sunday, July 30 2017

Capital Chapter and Goulburn Chapter teamed together to host 'Christmas in July'. Complete with the Christmas Trees, baubles, tinsle, carols, turkey and puddin', and even a visit from that big fella in the red suit! We were entertained by the Queanbeyan Pipes and Drums — a little loud for the small room we were in — but thoroughly enjoyable.

Members travelled from afar to join us for a wonderful day. A generous donation had been made of Careflight Care Bears which were auctioned on the day, ably directed by our Auctioneer Extraordinaire Brother Eric Hunt. Brother George Dobbin and Pianist Extraordinaire Sister Judith Knight led us in song.

Many many thanks to those that worked in the Kitchen and on the preparations before hand. A magnificent day of friendship and over \$1,600 was raised for our Charities.



We enrich our lives by helping the community and each other.



Our Tasmanian members serving lunch to the members of the 'Choir of High Hopes'



Capital Cruising

December 2016

Brother Gary Sweeney, Sister Margaret Kestenbaum (Worthy Matron), Sister Barbara Lang and Sister Ella Ross from Capital Chapter, recently went on a Cruise organised for the Most Worshipful Grand Master of NSW & ACT MW Bro Jamie Melville, as an end of year thank you and get together for those members and their families who have supported him during the last two years of his term.

There were 129 masons, wives/partners and family members on board. A wonderful time was had by all including the cocktail party, masonic photo session and parade through the mall on board the ship.



Our core values include trust, respect, commitment, kindness, charity and support.



Donation to Prostate Cancer Research
Box Hill Chapter

We live and breathe these values in all of our activities and encourage all members to do the same.



A new Chapter is born!

November 2016

After 2 years of hard work by our members, Canberra Chapter No 52 and Fraser Chapter No 192 amalgamated to become Capital Chapter No 52 on 26th November 2016.

It was a wonderful day attended by distinguished members of The United Grand Chapter of Australia, the Grand Chapter of NSW & ACT, the Grand Chapter of Victoria, the Sydney District Grand Committee and the Parramatta District Grand Committee. Members from the local masonic fraternity were also warmly welcomed. In all, 141 were in our Chapter Room including members from more than 15 other Chapters.



Capital's Harvest Auction.

March 2017

Much fun was had following our meeting on Saturday 25th March 2017. Our Brother Eric Hunt — Auctioneer Extraordinaire, kept us very entertained as he worked through our offerings in celebration of the Harvest season. In total, \$103.00 was raised...mind you, I think there will be some very expensive soups on the boil over the weekend! But all goes to a worthy cause; HeartKids — who provide local support for families of children with heart disease, as well as raising awareness about Childhood Heart Disease.



We are committed to sharing, learning and
community service.



Donation to Ostomy NSW Ltd
Grand Chapter of NSW & ACT



An Amazing Effort - \$937,241.00 given!

Australia Wide Charity Donations – 1 Jan 2015 to 20 Dec 2016

Deserted Women's & Children's Missions	\$ 413,505.00
Children's Hospitals / Cancer Research	\$ 112,715.00
Chapter Assistance	\$ 71,324.00
Hospital Auxiliary	\$ 41,400.00
Youths off the Streets	\$ 31,181.00
Hospice / Palliative Care	\$ 30,089.00
UGCA Disaster Relief Fund	\$ 21,531.00
Local Charities	\$ 21,830.00
Hospitals – Australia Wide	\$ 20,778.00
Radio for the Blind	\$ 18,500.00
Flying Doctors, Flight Care, Ambulance	\$ 17,037.00
Aged Care/Homes	\$ 15,232.00
Schools – State and Special	\$ 13,647.00
Medical Research	\$ 11,400.00
Cancer Research	\$ 11,961.00
Guide Dogs	\$ 11,210.00
SES/Fire Services	\$ 10,849.00
Masonic Orders	\$ 9,400.00
Acquired Brain Injury	\$ 7,975.00
Children's Charities	\$ 7,494.00
Motor Neurone Disease/Multiple Sclerosis	\$ 6,600.00
Manna Inc	\$ 4,500.00
Lifeline	\$ 3,918.00
Diabetes, Autism, Alzheimer's, Epilepsy, Heart Disease, Huntington's, Kidney, Cerebral Palsy	\$ 19,165.00
Steve Waugh Foundation	\$ 4,000.00
	\$ 937,241.00

June 2017

All the members of the Order of the Eastern Star should be extremely proud of the results of the Charity Report tabled at the recent 16th Biennial Sessions. A grand total of \$937,241.00 was raised in the two year period 1 January 2015 through to 20 December 2016.



Capital Chapter – learning how to save lives.

June 2017

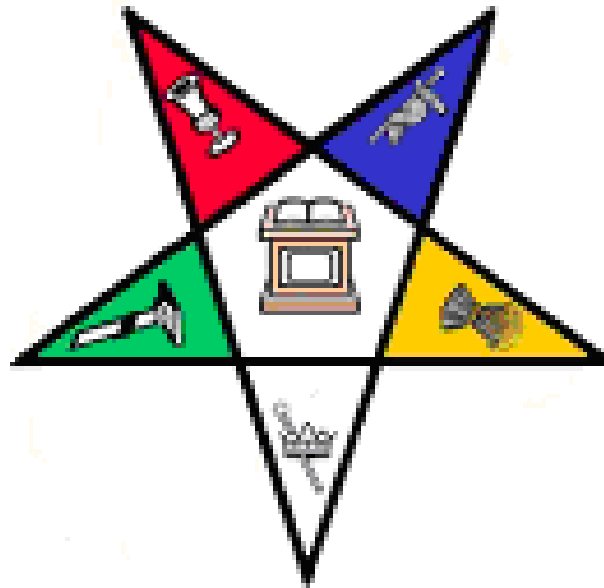
Capital Chapter recently arranged for St John's Ambulance ACT to deliver a free training session to our members on what to do if you need to attend to someone in medical distress.

Members were shown how to identify someone having a Stroke or a Heart Attack, what to do while the Ambulance is on its way, how to perform CPR and how to operate a Defibrillator. It was fun and informative!

Our Chapter also now has a new First Aid Kit and are looking at the cost of a mobile Defibrillator. This training is provided under the *Project Resilience* program in the ACT.



Each point of our star reflects a particular colour and story, representing 1 of 5 virtues that each member can aspire to.

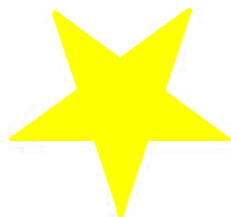


ADAH ★

Adah represents the proper respect you should have to any obligation and its binding force.



RUTH



Ruth illustrates devotion and loyalty to loved ones.

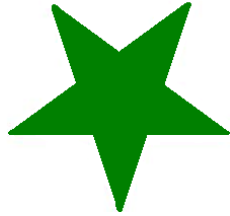


ESTHER

Esther reminds us of the importance of duty and responsibility to our friends and family and that sometimes we will be asked to make sacrifices for others.



MARTHA



Martha reminds members to have a trustful faith and a hope of immortal life. It also reminds us that human life can be cut short and all too early. With faith and hope, we can remain optimistic and confident in times of distress and despair



ELECTA



Electa reminds us that we must be brave and true to what we believe in. We must devote ourselves to the giving of those in poverty or distress and regardless of any persecution we may receive, we should always hold out the cup of charity, and we should always, Love one another.

