Let your Inner Star Brightly Shine.
Become an Eastern Star Member Today!

If you wish to learn even more about the Order of the Eastern Star and make a difference in the world, ask someone whom you know is a member, or contact the Grand Secretary who will be happy to assist in locating a Chapter closest to the area of your interest.

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Dispelling some popular Misconceptions concerning the Order of the Eastern Star

The Order of the Eastern Star is NOT a “secret society”, religion or cult. Secret societies are underground and hard to find. We are easily found within the community, but it does NOT pretend to take the place of a religion nor serve as a substitute for religious beliefs of its members. Only members are allowed in a closed meeting.

Members of all religions may belong in the Order of the Eastern Star. We only require a belief in a supreme being.

Can you afford membership in the Order of the Eastern Star? Financial position is not considered in the Order. There is only a small initiatory/membership fee and nominal yearly dues. Members come from all walks of life.

There is no “required” obligation of time. After your initiation into our Order, you may attend as your time permits. However, the more time you participate and become involved, the more you will receive from our Order.

Is Eastern Star Membership For You?

Read this Brochure to find the answers.
Why Should I join the Order of the Eastern Star?
We encourage others to join us because we love our beautiful Order and want to see it continue to grow through the years to come. Some reasons why both men and women join the Order of the Eastern Star:
- To Share Friendship and Fellowship
- Help those in need in our community or around the world
- Patriotism
- Generosity of time, spirit and energy
- Strong Values
- A consistent arena for having fun and fellowship with like minded people in your area, your state, your world
- Make the world a better place
- A non-threatening environment in which to hone your speaking, communication and organizational skills. If you wish to do so.

Youth Groups
The order has youth groups associated with it that teach young people to be leaders, to live by the Golden Rule, to respect and help others, to speak before gatherings and in general to be a good citizen in their journey through life. This is done through Rainbow for girls and DeMolay for boys.

What is the Order of the Eastern Star?
The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world whose members are both women and men. It is an organization whose members have high moral standards based on charity, truth and loving kindness. Belonging to the Order gives me an extended family with members in every part of the world who will treat me as family and aid me if I am ever in need of assistance. Our teachings are based on the Bible, however, the Order of the Eastern Star is not a religion and is neither secret nor political. Business meetings are conducted with an open Bible on the altar and the flag of our country displayed.

In these days of troubled times and moral conflict, Eastern Star provides us with an avenue of compassion and concern, not only for our fellow Sisters and Brothers in the Order of Eastern Star, but for ourselves, our Country, and our faith.

Most importantly, the Order of the Eastern Star takes good citizens and makes them even better.

Initiation
A new member partakes in a solemn process in which five lectures of the Order are conferred. This solemn process is an enlightening and interesting experience for the candidate, with no embarrassing moments. The Eastern Star ritual dramatizes its philosophy of the importance of living a moral life. It uses the symbolism of Biblical characters to exemplify the moral quality of character that members should strive to possess.

Meetings and Activities
You will be able to attend functions locally, statewide, and across the country where you will feel safe and welcome. These functions will be in the form of business meetings held once or twice a month, and social activities such as dinners, fun programs and fundraisers where money is raised for our many charitable activities.

Should a Mason join the Order of the Eastern Star?
The Answer is “YES.” By joining the Order of Eastern Star, a Mason can share the benefits of being a member of a worthwhile organization dedicated to Charity, Truth and Loving-Kindness.