Welcome Ladies!

We are excited about the 2024 Missouri Grand York Rite Grand Session!



We hope each of you will attend and participate in this year's Ladies Program. We will be meeting in the University Plaza Hotel in Springfield, Missouri from Thursday, June 6, 2024, through Sunday, June 9, 2024. We have planned several events that we hope you will enjoy.

THURSDAY JUNE 6, 2024

On Thursday, June 6, 2024, the Ladies have planned an outing to nearby Ozark, Missouri. We will enjoy lunch at **Lambert's Café**, the home of the "throwed rolls". They serve country-style home cooking.



After lunch we will be touring the **Smallin Civil War Cave**. There is a one-hour guided tour of the cave on paved concrete paths with no stairs. This is a beautiful cave rich in natural beauty. It hosts several endangered species — none of which are dangerous. It has been used by Native American Indians, hunters, explorers, and Civil War soldiers. Wear comfortable shoes and bring a sweater or a light jacket to enjoy a bit of history.







Thursday evening, we will all enjoy a **Family Fiesta Fun Night** with a special welcome from The Three Amigos. We will enjoy a Tex-Mex Buffet with flour and corn tortillas, seasoned ground beef, Chicken Fajitas with peppers and onions, Baracoa Beef, Refried Beans, and all the fixings. For dessert we will have a choice of two types of cheesecake. Dress is casual Mexican Fiesta wear. So, bring your cowboy boots, sombreros, and ponchos. There will be a pinata and we will play a trivia game: Marvel versus DC Comics.

FRIDAY JUNE 7, 2024



On Friday, June 7, 2024, the Ladies Luncheon will be held in the hotel. We will all enjoy a soup and salad bar featuring chicken and rice soup and chicken salad sandwiches. Our Grand Ladies have planned for a special speaker. Ms. Winnie Tuckness, Regional Lower Midwest Area Coordinator, will tell us about the mission of Operation Christmas Child. This group travels around the world bringing the story of Jesus Christ to families and

giving special Christmas Shoeboxes to children. This may be a program that your church or community group might want to support.

Friday evening will be the **Distinguished Guests Banquet**. The theme is Mardi Gras so bring your **most glamorous** masks and party dresses. Beads will be available at the door. We will enjoy Mardi Gras style music before and during dinner. After the Introduction of our Distinguished Guests, we will enjoy "Ignite the Night" and DJ Jacob Deck for Karaoke. We will have a dance floor so you can party all night long! (Or at least until the hotel turns out the lights!)



SATURDAY JUNE 8, 2024



On Saturday, June 8, 2024, get together with a few of the ladies and plan a trip to the many eclectic shops on Historic C Street. Springfield offers many unique restaurants where you can grab a bite for lunch. You might want to check out the Springfield Art Museum, the History Museum on the Square, or the Dickerson Park Zoo.

Saturday evening the **Grand York Rite Awards Banquet** will feature a Land and Sea Buffet with a Cash Bar. Dress is Masonic Black-Tie Formal so bring your favorite formal gown or pant suit. We will be entertained by the Springfield Symphony String Quartet. Please plan to join us for this gala event featuring special presentations and awards. The winners of the Special Raffles will also be announced.

On Sunday, June 9, 2024, please join us for a Religious Worship Service at 8:00 am followed by the Grand Officers' Breakfast at 9:00 am. Open to all.

We hope that each of you will be able to help in the Hospitality Room which will be in the Lake of the Ozarks Room across from the meeting rooms. We will also have tables for the Raffle Items in the Lobby area. Please sign up to help at both the Hospitality Room and the Raffle Tables.



Please register in the Hospitality Room and pick up your Ladies Gift!

Our Hospitality Room will provide an assortment of sodas and water. Please bring items for snacks like chips, pretzels, nuts, and fruits. You may want to include some fun-size candy bars for the chocoholics among us. "Little Debbie" style treats are always welcome. Homemade goodies never disappoint.

If you are not able to bring items for the Hospitality Room, please consider making a small donation to help cover the cost of the drinks and goodies.

We look forward to seeing each of YOU in Springfield in June!

Lady Sherrie Daniels, Lady Chris Yunick, and Ladies Tina Woolsey and Tara Ornsbey