



From the Grand Guardian:

Well, I survived the holidays...again. Hope you did too.

Mr. Meyer and I are in the stretch run of our leadership of Arizona Job's Daughters. In the prior 7 months we have seen a growth in membership, changes happening to our by-laws, a campout cancelled because of snow (that's a first for me), and many volunteers trained to work with the Daughters.

It is unfortunate that we had to close Bethel 2 but we hope another location will soon offer to house Job's Daughters.

Please take time to look through this newsletter as there are many items of interest included. We will see you all soon.



From the Associate Grand Guardian:

No Article

From the Supreme Deputy:

No Article

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Congratulations to the adults that were trained to be certified adult volunteers. Your commitment by enduring this training shows your desire to assist our great Order. The Daughters of Arizona should be proud of your desire to guide them on their journey to adulthood.

Remember, you **MUST** be certified by May 2010 in order to assist the bethel on council or as a

chaperone. It is the hope of the GGC that another training could be in place by May 2010 to accommodate those desiring to work for Job's Daughters in the next year.



****CAMPOUT****

From campout director, Hannes Meyer, AGG

Everyone,

Thank you for taking all the action on re-scheduling campout.

Looking over all the responses to the thread, I can summarize that there were only positive votes.

Bethels have put the decision to a vote and came up with the best scenario there is to have for the alternate date.

I take this as an official vote that we will have campout March 5-7, 2010.

We will send in new registrations. We will keep the deposits from the first registration and calculate the differences to the new registration and then either request additional payment or issue refunds.

I would like to set the new due date for the registration to February 20th, 2010 with the hope that we won't have any changes after that. That's the date I will need to submit the final count to the camp. Please send your registration as early as you can and don't wait for the due date. It will make things much easier on my end.

Here is another piece of good news. I talked with the camp today. They are sending a new contract and they are willing to reduce the minimum number to 80.

Thank you all Jobies. I see again that you all have risen to the occasion and have made this possible. Campout is one of the events in the year that unifies Arizona Job's Daughters. Let's have a great campout with all the fun activities that are planned for it.



It's that time again to prepare for:

Group & Individual Ritual Competitions!

The date of Ritual Competition this year is
Saturday, March 27th

And will be held at Oriental Lodge (same as last year).

We hope you have been studying your Ritual and look forward to seeing clean and ironed regalia.

Remember there is a change in ritual competition this year. Room set up has been eliminated and Choir competition will take its place. Each Bethel will compete for choir competition before walking in for Ritual competition. Bethels will not be judged on singing during the ceremony. Each Bethel will be required to sing Open the Gates of the Bethel and either I Would Be True or How Great Thou Art. A musician will be provided for this part if needed. (Indicate on form)

Included you will find the competition schedule. If your Bethel is not able to compete at the assigned time please contact us immediately!

The registration form is due to Mrs. Iverson by **February 23rd**. This form is required to compete and assists the committee in planning for your Bethel's needs (pro-tems, etc).

If you have any questions you can contact:

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Group Ritual Competition Schedule March 27th, 2009

(Tentative)

TIME	BETHEL # AND DUTY (RC = Robe Check)
8:30	Judges Meeting and breakfast
8:30	Bethel 13 Choir Competition
9:00	Bethel 13 Start
9:30	Bethel 13 RC & Bethel 21 Choir Competition
9:45	Bethel 21 Start
10:15	Bethel 21 RC & Bethel 25 Choir Competition
10:30	Bethel 25 Start



11:00	Bethel 25 RC
11:15	Judges Lunch
11:30	Bethel 22 Choir Competition
11:45	Bethel 22 Start
12:15	Bethel 22 RC & Bethel 19 Choir Competition
12:30	Bethel 19 Start
1:00	Bethel 19 RC & Bethel 11 Choir Competition
1:15	Bethel 11 Start
1:45	Bethel 11 RC
2:00	Clean Up

Registration for Individual Ritual Competition

March 27, 2009

There will be three different entry levels. Daughters are encouraged, but not required, to participate in all three. The three levels are:

- **Silver** – Proficiency Part (everything on the secret card)
- **White** – 3rd Messenger's initiation part, not including the directions for Guide and Marshal.
- **Purple** – Story of Job. Participants will recite all messenger initiation parts, put together, without the instructions for Guide and Marshal.

A part of every daughter's total score will include her Robe Check Score.

This year every Bethel is required to donate a council member as a judge for the entire day. There are 2 goals associated with this:

1. Bethels will gain a greater understanding of how Ritual Competition is judged and how the day is conducted.
2. The committee will have judges that are currently involved and working with the daughters. Judges will have realistic expectations and

(Reminder, BG & ABG are part of the ceremony and cannot judge.)

Once we have all entries, Bethels and/or daughters will be contacted to arrange their Individual Ritual Competition times. Daughters will be expected to arrive earlier than their Bethel's competition times or stay after their Bethel's Competition times to compete.



Extra Information for Bethels

Here are some reminders and helpful hints. Please feel free to call or e-mail with any questions you have.

- The big day is Saturday, March 27, 2009.
- Have daughters clean and press all robes. Daughters need robes, clean white slippers (no bows or ornaments), clean white hose/knee highs/socks, a clean slip of proper length, proper colored undergarments, and no jewelry except what the bylaws allow. Remember, hair clips have to blend with the daughter's hair and should not be distracting.
- We will have a pianist for any Bethel that does not have someone to play during Choir Competition. No CDs will be allowed for Choir Competition.
- **Bethels must supply their own music during the ceremony.**
- All paraphernalia will be supplied. This includes: dove, urn of incense, American flag, Bethel flag, 2 pedestals for the east, altar, lily of the valley, horn of plenty, gavel, 2 flag stands, 2 Bibles (One large, one small), one Bethel charter, and one kneeling bench. This does NOT include daughter regalia, capes or crowns.
- Prompting will be given by a designated adult in the room.

Daughters will not be permitted to have Rituals on the floor. If the Bethel does not have an adult prompter ready then one of the judges will prompt for the Bethel if needed. Prompting

Guidelines:

- o The daughter **MUST** look at the adult to receive a prompt.
- o The daughter will only be given one word at a time.
- o For every word given and every word repeated one point is deducted.
- HQs and princesses **SHALL NOT** be double corded unless special circumstances have been pre-approved.
- The Purging Ceremony and Pledge of Secrecy for Adults will be judged. If your Bethel does not have any choir members then you will need to designate another daughter to walk through Purging.
- HQs will need to call all offices as per Ritual. Only installed officers will say their charge.
- During Robe Judging all daughters will need to present current Dues cards. All installed daughters will need to present current Proficiency Cards.
- Councils and parents are welcome to sit in and watch their Bethel perform if they are dressed appropriately. The audience will not participate in



- the ceremony though, i.e. do not stand or sing the National Anthem or say the Pledge of Allegiance.
- The **Location** of Ritual Competition will be Oriental Lodge #20, 726 N Center St., Mesa, Arizona. North West corner of N. Center and 7th St. This is their web site which has a link to the map of their location:
<http://www.oriental20.com/index.html>. From Tucson I suggest you take the I-10 to the 202 Loop (just south of Phoenix) to the 101 North. From the 101 North exit University. Turn right (East) on University to Center Street. Turn left (North) onto Center St. Look for the Lodge on your left (West) side of the street.

Remember, when practicing for Ritual Competition, refer to the Ritual for every question you have. The judging sheets reflect what is stated in the Ritual, not what was "always done." Daughters will be judged upon **Opening Ceremony, Mothers', Fathers', and Guardians' Prayer and Song, and Closing Ceremony**. Judging ends once every Daughter has exited the room. Lights will not be dimmed during any part of the competition.

Before leaving, please assign one daughter and one adult to scan all areas of the Lodge for personal belongings. The committee would appreciate not having to pick up used

socks and undergarments when the day is done.

The **Dress Code** will be enforced. All adults observing Bethel ceremonies will be expected to be in business casual attire. Men, that means that nice slacks and a polo style shirt are appropriate. Please no jeans, tee-shirts, tennis shoes, or flip-flops. Women, that means a nice dress OR nice slacks and a dress shirt are appropriate. Please no jeans, tee-shirts, tennis shoes, or flip-flops. Thanks for your understanding. The daughters work very hard for this day and the committee feels we honor them by dressing for their performance.

Thank you so much for your hard work. We look forward to seeing you on March 27th!

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H.I.K.E.

I would like to send a **SINCERE THANK YOU** to all of you who donated to the H.I.K.E. Fund. Here is a list of all the Masonic bodies that donated:



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We collected \$1,185.00 for the H.I.K.E. A very big "Thank you" to all.

Due to this outpouring of support the committee has decided to cancel the dinner/degree scheduled for February 20th.

Jobie Love,
Dawn Steffe,
H.I.K.E. Chair