

TO BE READ AT A BETHEL MEETING



## 2012 “Be a Superstar” Ritual Contest

Dear Daughters & Bethel Guardian Council Members:

The 2012 Statewide Ritual Contest will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2012, at Freemasons Hall, 525 N Illinois Street, Indianapolis.

Report to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor to check in. There will be signs posted directing Daughters where to go to change.

Bethel Guardians, please share the enclosed rules and category information with your Daughters, and make sure each Daughter is eligible to compete in a particular category.

Please return the enclosed entry form to Tara Disbrow no later than March 26, 2012. Late entries will not be accepted. Ritual competition times will be mailed to you no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you require additional space, please copy the form as needed. Also, please print or type the entry forms so that we will not misspell a Daughter’s name.

Every Daughter is encouraged to enter at least one category.

Awards will be presented on May 19, 2012. Details on the event will be given later in the term.

There will be a social area offered where Daughters can relax during their free time throughout the day. Lunch will be offered by Grand Bethel at the cost of \$5. Please indicate on your registration form how many individuals plan to stay for lunch so that we can give them a tentative count.

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## General Instructions and Information

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## OFFICIAL REGALIA

Daughters will be judged only ONE time, regardless of the number of categories in which she participates. Daughters should wear the official regalia of their current Bethel office. For example, an HQ, SP, or JP should be in her cape and crown, regardless of what categories she is entering.

Daughters will be judged on the official regalia of the Order as prescribed in the Supreme Bylaws for Bethels. Reference: Supreme Constitution & Bylaws, Bylaws – Bethel, Article VI, Sections 1 & 2, pages B-Bethel 5 and B-Bethel 6 and Ritual page 11.

The Daughter will be allowed to make adjustments to her robe prior to judging. Once she is comfortable with her appearance, she will tell the judges she is ready. Once the judging begins, no additional adjustments may be made. White, full length pantyhose or white knee-hi hose will be acceptable. A white half slip and camisole will be considered as a full slip. The younger and small build Daughters may wear a half slip and a white knit tank top (undershirt type) in place of a camisole.

Daughters participating solely in the written test category or on a Bethel set-up team will not be judged on official regalia. Daughters participating on a Bethel set-up team should wear Job’s appropriate slacks or dresses. Please no jeans or shorts.

## PROMPTING

The prompter will instruct the contestant(s) she/he will NOT prompt them unless the contestant LOOKS at the prompter to request a prompt. When a prompt is requested, the prompter will give the contestant ONE word. If the contestant is unable to continue, the prompter will then give the original word plus one additional word. This process continues until the contestant can continue with her presentation.

## **RITUAL JUDGING**

The contestant(s) will be introduced to the judges upon entering the Bethel room. The contestant(s) will then take their station (or position) for their presentation. The spokesperson for the judges will then instruct the contestant(s) and answer any questions the contestant(s) may have. The contestant(s) will be asked to advise the judges when she/they are ready to begin. Scoring will then begin. Scoring will end when the contestant(s) returns to her/their station and is seated or leaves, as the case may be. One (1) point will be deducted for each word added, repeated, prompted, omitted and wrong.

## **PRESENTATION JUDGING**

Scoring will be based on the following categories: phraseology, expression, sincerity, delivery, posture, general appearance, and floor work. Daughters should be familiar with **all** instructions written in the ritual as pertain to their office.

## **AWARDS**

Awards will be given on Saturday, May 19, 2012. Further information on this will be given later. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards will be offered in each category. For noted categories, awards will given for each of two age categories, divided 10-14 and 15-19. Please be sure to list each Daughter's age as of April 14, 2012, on the registration form.

If you need additional information, or have any questions, please contact either:

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## CLASS A CATEGORIES – These categories are open to any Daughter (note exceptions).

### **A-1 Story of Job**

The Daughter will relate the story of Job as told by the five messengers with the omission of instructions to the Guide and Marshal. She will begin at the 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger's station, and exemplify the 5<sup>th</sup> messenger's initiatory floorwork, returning to that station at the conclusion of the story.

### **A-2 Proficiency Test **\*\*open only to those Daughters initiated since the last Ritual Contest. There will not be age divisions for this category\*\*****

The Daughter will present the work as per Ritual, the prompter will read the instructions given by other Bethel officers. She will begin at the 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger's station, and exemplify the 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger's initiatory floorwork, returning to that station at the conclusion of the proficiency test.

### **A-3 Written Test over the Ritual **\*\*open to Daughters and Adults\*\*****

This test will include multiple choice, true/false, and fill in the blank questions, covering any information found in the new 2012 printing of the Ritual.

### **A-4 Open 3<sup>rd</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of this office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

### **A-5 Past Honored Queen – Honored Queen Initiatory **\*\*open only to Past Honored Queens. There will not be age divisions for this category\*\*****

The Daughter will present the entire Honored Queen's part of the Initiation Ceremony including instructions to Bethel Officers with appropriate gavel raps.

### **A-6 Grand Ritualist**

The Daughter will present the entire Initiation Ceremony including instructions to Bethel Officers and appropriate gavel raps from the Honored Queen's station.

## CLASS B CATEGORIES – Stations in the Bethel, initiatory parts. These categories are open to any Daughter who has been installed as this office during the 11-12 GGC year.

### **B-1 1<sup>st</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of her office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

### **B-2 2<sup>nd</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of her office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

### **B-3 3<sup>rd</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of her office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

### **B-4 4<sup>th</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of her office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

### **B-5 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger**

This Daughter must present the initiatory part of her office, beginning with rising from her station, all floorwork, and returning to her station and being seated.

**B-6 Chaplain**

This part varies from the ritual. The Daughter begins seated at her station, rises, approaches the Altar, opens the Bible, backs to a point halfway between the Altar and the East and recites the Pledge of Secrecy for Adults, then returns to her station and is seated. Then the Daughter will rise, approach the Altar, address the Pilgrim, recite the Obligation and return to her station. Finally, she will rise, approach the Altar, recite the initiatory prayer, close the Bible and return to her station and be seated.

**B-7 Honored Queen**

The Daughter will present the entire Honored Queen's part of the Initiation Ceremony including instructions to Bethel Officers with appropriate gavel raps.

**B-8 Senior Princess**

The Daughter will do the entire Initiatory part including all motions and instructions to necessary officers.

**B-9 Junior Princess**

The Daughter will do the entire Initiatory part including all motions and instructions to necessary officers.

**B-10 Guide**

The Daughter will begin at the Preparation room door, proceed to the position where she addresses the Pilgrim and proceeds to instruct the Pilgrim. She then proceeds to conduct the Pilgrim through the Ceremony of Initiation giving instructions to both the Pilgrim and the officers until she finishes by taking her station in the West.

**CLASS C CATEGORIES – Team Competition. These categories are open to any Daughter. Daughters may compete on no more than 2 teams, and may not do the same Messenger part on both teams.**

**C-1 Bethel Messenger Team**

This team is made up of Daughters from a single Bethel. Daughters will present their individual messenger parts without instructions from the Guide, but will include instructions to the Guide and Marshal. Parts will be given in succession.

**C-2 Open Messenger Team**

This team is made up of Daughters from multiple Bethels. Daughters will present their individual messenger parts without instructions from the Guide, but will include instructions to the Guide and Marshal. Parts will be given in succession.

**C-3 Bethel Set-up Team**

This team may be made up of Daughters from multiple Bethels. Three Daughters will set up the entire Bethel per the Ritual. The team will be judged on time and accuracy.

## CLASS D CATEGORIES – For Majority Members

### **D-1 Story of Job**

The Majority Member will relate the story of Job as told by the five messengers with the omission of instructions to the Guide and Marshal. She will begin at the 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger's station, and exemplify the 5<sup>th</sup> Messenger's initiatory floorwork, returning to that station at the conclusion of the story.

### **D-2 Majority Member Messenger Team**

Any majority member of Job's Daughters may participate on a Majority Member Messenger Team. They do not need to be Majority Members of the same Bethel. Team members will present their individual messenger parts without instructions from the Guide, but will include instructions to the Guide and Marshal. Parts will be given in succession. A Majority Member may compete on 2 teams, but may not do the same messenger part for both teams. During competition, Majority Members must be attired in apparel suitable for attendance at a Bethel meeting.

**Daughters and eligible adults are invited to be spectators during the competition of Majority Member messenger teams.** Appropriate behavior is expected but all are invited to witness the talent of the adult ladies of our Order.

## CLASS E CATEGORIES – For Jobie To Bees

### **E-1 Jobie to Bee**

Jobie to Bees can participate in Ritual contest by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer as per our ritual, along with the Jobie to Bee Promise. Bees should be attired in apparel suitable for attending a Bethel meeting (dress or skirt). Bees may wear any special "bee" attire appropriate to their Bethel (sash, vest, etc.).

# **New Ritual!!!**

The new rituals are due out this month and by May all Bethels must make the transition to utilizing this version. Because of that, we have decided that this year's "Be a Superstar" Ritual Contest will use the new version of the ritual. Since it is not yet available, we were not able to include page numbers in the category information at this time, but we will revise it and post on the website as soon as possible.