

**RULES AND REGULATIONS
MISS IDAHO JOB'S DAUGHTER PAGEANT
JUNIOR MISS IDAHO JOB'S DAUGHTER PAGEANT
JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL**

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Rational:

The Miss Idaho Job's Daughter should be knowledgeable about ALL of the Order.

Submitted by Mary Jane Muncy

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Section 1. General

- (a) Miss Idaho Job's Daughter and Junior Miss Idaho Job's Daughter shall be selected by competition at a Miss Idaho Job's Daughter Pageant to be held in conjunction with the Annual Session of the Grand Bethel of Idaho.
- (b) The newly selected Miss Idaho Job's Daughter and Junior Miss Idaho Job's Daughter shall assume their official duties at the conclusion of the Pageant. Miss Idaho Job's Daughter shall be allowed to compete for Miss International Job's Daughter at the Annual Session of the SGC immediately following the Idaho Grand Session.
- (c) The administration, production, and direction of the pageant is the responsibility of the Miss Idaho Job's Daughter Pageant Committee.
- (d) Pageant judges shall be designated for each of the requirements listed in Pageant; ART VI Section 2.
- (e) In the event of a tie, it shall be broken by referring to the combined written test and the recitation scores for the tied contestants. The contestant with the highest score shall be declared the winner

Add to read:

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- (b) Semi-Finalist Test
 - (1) Test #2 will consist of a written examination based on knowledge of the Ritual, Music Ritual, and the Pageant Rules and Regulations regarding the Junior Miss Idaho Job's Daughter.
- (c) Ritual Recitation
 - (1) The Recitation will be given in a white Bethel robe with a white cord.
 - (2) Contestants will recite from the Ritual as selected by the Pageant Committee. Judging will be on accuracy and presentation.
 - (3) Bethel Robe with a white cord and official regalia as specified in Supreme SOP-Bethel-11 will be inspected for conformity to rules and regulations.
- (d) Interview
 - (1) Contestants will have a five (5) minute private interview with a panel of pageant judges.
 - (2) Judges will have received a fact sheet on each contestant giving age, education, training, interests, ambitions and Job's Daughters achievements.
 - (3) Contestants will be judged on personality, diction, sincerity, manners, adaptability to the end situation and the general impression she makes.
- (e) Stage Appearance
 - (1) The dress shall be an evening gown.
 - (2) Judging will encompass the total picture the contestant presents, considering her personality, posture, poise, grace of movement, appropriate (for her) hair style, and personal grooming.
 - (3) Contestants will be judged not only on the response to a question, but on the overall impression the contestant makes as she responds

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R&R Grand Bethel
ARTICLE IX FINANCES

NOW READS:

Section 3. Disbursements

- (g) The Grand Bethel Junior Princess shall be allowed expenses for table favors and decorations for the Grand Bethel banquet at the Annual Session of the GGC not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00).

CHANGE TO READ:

- (g) The Grand Bethel Junior Princess shall be allowed expenses for table favors and decorations for the Grand Bethel banquet at the Annual Session of the GGC not to exceed **seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)**.

RATIONAL: The cost of table favors decorations have increased and it is difficult for the Grand Bethel Junior Princess to provide table favors and decorations for the Grand Bethel Banquet without exceeding \$50.

Submitted by

Mary Jane Muncy, PGG

Melody Small, PGG

NOW READS:

2018

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**ID SOP-BETHEL-4
ELECTION**

(a)-(c) (See Supreme SOP-Bethel-4)

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NOW READS:

2016

Bylaws- GGC

Article IV
Committees

(d) Educational Awards Committee composed of three (3) members. Duties:

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RATIONAL: Our Daughters' education is ever evolving with new and better opportunities. Our scholarships should evolve along with them.

Submitted by Mary Jane Muncy Melody Small

Proposed new Title

ID SOP-GGC -11

Meritorious Member

SOP-SGC-20 Meritorious Member

1. Each member in good standing under the age of twenty (20) years of age who transitions to male shall become Meritorious Member.
2. A Majority Member who transitions to male shall become a Meritorious Member.
3. The member shall be entitled to receive the Meritorious Ceremony at such time as may be convenient. The Ceremony may be conferred at a regular or special meeting of the Bethel. A special meeting called for this purpose may be an open meeting and may be conducted without formal opening or closing
4. The member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a member except voting and holding office and protesting.
5. The member may enter the Messenger's semicircle, give honors and assume the Attitude of Prayer. The member will rise and sing the Bethel Flag song.
6. The member shall be exempt from further payment of dues.
7. The member shall keep the Bethel informed of any change in name or address.
8. A Meritorious Member is privileged to serve as an installing officer except in the position of THE installing officer.

Submitted by

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Kathy Kinney, PGG

CEREMONIES FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS MERITORIOUS MEMBER CEREMONY

Meritorious Member Ceremony may be given:

1. At a regular meeting instead of Initiation. Only persons eligible to attend a Bethel Meeting may attend.
2. At an Open Meeting without ritualistic opening. Meeting opened by Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian. Bethel Officers and Bethel Choir march in. Honored Queen proceeds with the meeting. Flag presented, and Special Dispensation read, then Meritorious Member Ceremony is given.
3. As an exemplification for persons eligible to attend a Bethel Meeting with Opening, Escort, Introductions and Honors, Meritorious Member Ceremony, and Closing.

PREPARATION:

1. Director of Music and Honored Queen may plan appropriate music for ceremony.
2. Flowers and fern should be in the East. One of each for each Meritorious Member receiving the Ceremony. Fern and Meritorious Member Certificate at Queen's station, forget-me-not at Senior Princess' station and daffodil (**new beginnings**) at Junior Princess' station.
3. Meritorious Members may be presented with boutonnieres before meeting.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In an Open Meeting, Outer Guard is seated inside the Bethel Room near the Preparation Room Door.
2. In a Closed Meeting, members taking their Meritorious Member Ceremony may sit in the Bethel Room and retire to Preparation Room just prior to the Ceremony, or they may remain in the Preparation Room until escorted in.
3. In an Open Meeting, the members receiving the Ceremony remain in the Preparation Room until escorted in for the Meritorious Member Ceremony.

HONORED QUEEN: Reading of Special Dispensation. Recorder, you will read the Special Dispensation. Recorder: Rises, reads Dispensation, and is seated.

HONORED QUEEN: Members and friends of Bethel No. ____, we have assembled here to wish strength and peace to the member(s) who is/are to become Meritorious Member(s), by virtue of the fact that they are beginning a new journey in life. Guide and Marshal, you will retire and escort the member(s) who is/are to receive their Meritorious Member degree into the Bethel Room.

Guide and Marshal retire and line up members according to height, Guide leading, Marshal last in line. Enter from Preparation Room door to West Line, across West Line to South Marching Line, east on South Marching Line to East Line, turn north and stand on East Line, facing East. (Diagram 42) If there are more than eight, form two or more lines.

GUIDE: Faces Honored Queen. Honored Queen, I have the pleasure to present _____ (introduces all members) who are entitled to receive their Meritorious Member Ceremony.

HONORED QUEEN: You have had active membership in our Order, whose cornerstone is truth and whose keystone is love. You have reached an important milestone on your journey through life. This hour has been set apart in order that we may confer this Meritorious Member Ceremony as a parting gift of friendship, and we hope, that as you go forth to assume your various obligations you will be guided by the teachings you received during your sojourn in Job's Daughters. Before the Altar you took a solemn obligation and received your first lesson in our beautiful Order. You will now be

escorted to the Altar to receive our final blessings, after which the officers will present you gifts of lasting memories.

Choir sings "He Leadeth Me" while the members are walking from East Line to west of Altar. Guide turns left, marches to North Marching Line, turns left, marches on North Marching Line to Altar Line, turns south on Altar Line to point between Chaplain's chair and Altar, marches to line west of Altar, facing East.

Meritorious Members kneel. (Diagram 43)

HONORED QUEEN: Chaplain, you will attend at the Altar. Three raps of gavel (***) . Altar music.

CHAPLAIN: Opens Bible, if not already open. **Our Heavenly Father, we ask Your blessing upon our Bethel and those assembled here. We especially ask that love and acceptance may be given to the members who are leaving our midst to enter upon a new field. May they practice in their daily lives the lessons they have learned in our beautiful Order. Bless our members and give us strength to continue in every good work so that we may grow and prosper. Amen.** Chaplain returns to station. One rap of gavel (*). Guide leads members around to east side of Altar, going between Altar and Treasurer's chair to position on east side of Altar, facing Messengers. (Diagram 44) Messengers use Initiation floor plan.

GUIDE: First Messenger, have you a gift to offer these members?

FIRST MESSENGER: The gift that I would offer is priceless and time only enhances its value. It is the gift of Friendship. To make new friends, we must possess virtues which others admire, and the quality of our friends will be measured by the standard of our own character. The higher our own ideals, the more excellent will be the virtues of our friends. May friendship contribute to your happiness and may you walk down through the years comforted and blessed with friends.

GUIDE: Second Messenger, have you a word for these members?

SECOND MESSENGER: The word that I would give you is Courage. You are entering a new epoch in your own life. During this time, you may face trials and tribulations as Job did, but with courage by your side you will come through triumphant.

GUIDE: Third Messenger, what gift do you have to offer these members?

THIRD MESSENGER: The gift I would give you is support. We took a vow to be a true and loyal friend to all members of the order. We will forever be your sisters, and now, we have gained a brother.

GUIDE: Fourth Messenger, you will give these members your message.

FOURTH MESSENGER: My message to you is one which enriches our lives. It is the spirit of happiness. You are moving on to a happier time in your life where you can be true to yourself. With this transition we hope that you will be guided by the lessons and memories you made in Job's Daughters.

GUIDE: Fifth Messenger, what is your farewell gift to these members?

FIFTH MESSENGER: With all the other gifts bestowed upon you, you would not be happy without the gift I have to offer. I give you the gift of Love. Love is a requirement of every human heart. We learn that love is the perpetual melody of humanity. Through doubt and despair, through delusion and wandering, we come at last to know that God is love. I would wish you love. May it enrich your life and broaden your vision until everyone with whom you come in contact will be blessed by knowing you. Guide, you will escort this/these member(s) to the East Line. Guide turns right, marches to North Marching Line, turns east, marches to East Line, turns south on East Line to center of room, facing East. (Diagram 45)

GUIDE: Recorder, what have you to say?

RECORDER: According to my book, you have a good record in our Bethel book, showing that you have been in good standing during the time you have had membership in our Bethel, and we are pleased to place your name on our Meritorious Member list.

GUIDE: Junior Custodian, the jewel in the Junior Princess' crown is white. Will you remind the member(s) of its message?

JUNIOR CUSTODIAN: White in all ages has been deemed an emblem of purity and a symbol of Joy. We wish you the joy of all good things and finally the greatest joy of all, that of being true to oneself.

GUIDE: Senior Custodian, the jewel in the Senior Princess' crown is purple. Will you remind the member(s) of its message?

SENIOR CUSTODIAN: Purple is the emblematical color of our Order. It is the symbol of royalty. True royalty is founded in nobility of character, made up of virtuous habits and thoughts. Kindness, patience, thoughtfulness, willingness and many other little virtues are essential to noble character. May your character always merit the cloak of royal purple. After Senior Custodian speaks, Marshal steps out in front of members, opposite the Flag and gives her tribute to Flag.

MARSHAL: In the East stands our Country's Flag. Never falter in your allegiance, never waiver in your duty as a citizen; but by your loyalty, devotion and your staunch support, may it ever be unfurled to the breeze, the most beautiful flag the sun ever shone upon. On the word "flag", turn slightly, and with arm outstretched points to the flag.

GUIDE: Honored Queen, this/these member(s) have heard the good words and wishes of our Messengers and Officers, and I now present them to you.

HONORED QUEEN: Junior Princess, have you a word of greeting for this/these member(s)?

JUNIOR PRINCESS: We hope you always remember the lessons taught in Job's Daughters. May love and steadfastness remain faithful to your every thought, word and act. I give you the daffodil, a symbol of new beginnings. Descends dais and gives each a daffodil and returns to station.

HONORED QUEEN: Senior Princess, what do you have to offer our member(s) as a parting gift?

SENIOR PRINCESS: May the emblem of this epoch which represents prayer, be a constant reminder of Job's great faith in God. I present you the forget-me-not, though your time as a Job's Daughter may be over, may you always remember the love given to you by our members. Descends dais and gives forget-me-not and returns to station.

HONORED QUEEN: As Honored Queen, I represent Keren Happuch, the third daughter of Job. The emblem of the Third Epoch means plenty or abundance. After Job's tribulations, God rewarded him with great riches and a long life of happiness. May you share abundantly in life's richest blessings. This ceremony marks a new epoch in your life. May the gifts of Friendship, Courage, Support, Happiness, and Love, be the watchwords of your lives and the lessons and experiences in Job's Daughters render you valuable service. Your obligation does not cease with your activities in the Bethel but should be observed forever. We hope that your interest in the Bethel will continue and it will be a pleasure to have you with us as often as opportunity will permit. This sprig of green represents immortality and signifies that the pledge between us is everlasting. Once parting, we may never meet again, but let us have forever more one watchword: "Mizpah, may the Lord keep watch between me and thee, while we are absent, one from the other." Descend dais and gives the sprig of fern. I now present you with your Meritorious Member Certificate, which we hope you will cherish among your treasures. Reads name and hands each one a certificate.

You will face west. Honored Queen returns to station and requests all to give them a hearty welcome.

HONORED QUEEN: Guide and Marshal, you will escort the member(s) to their reserved seats. ~~for them.~~ If seated on south side of room, Guide and Marshal return to stations together. (Diagram 46) Choir may sing any appropriate number. Suggested songs:

"Through the Years" - Vincent Youmans - Miller Publishers, N.Y.

"Friend of Mine" - Weatherby

"Memories" - Openshaw

"Bless Be the Tie That Binds" - Hymn

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again" - Hymn

Honored Queen may call upon one of the Meritorious Members for remarks. Ask someone beforehand to say a few words on behalf of the class, so they can be prepared.

If an exemplification, call on presiding officer of the Order, and if at a Bethel Meeting, call on the Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian for remarks. Make any necessary arrangements.

HONORED QUEEN: Closing. Chaplain, you will attend at the Altar. Three raps of gavel (***)

Altar music. Use Closing Ceremony as per Ritual. For Open Meeting use the following Prayer:

CHAPLAIN: Oh, Lord, be Thou our guardian on high, be there to counsel us, to keep us free from fear. Be with us as we part on our various ways. Guide and protect each one here assembled. Help us to help each other and, may we practice in our daily lives the trustful faith of Job. Bless our leaders,

our parents and those near and dear to us. In Your name, Amen. Chaplain closes Bible, returns to station.

HONORED QUEEN: All present, except the Officers, Bethel Choir, Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian will please be seated until the Officers and Bethel Choir have retired.

Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian ascend dais as per Ritual. If Meritorious Members are invited to witness the Closing Formation, the Bethel Guardian ascends the dais. As soon as the Officers have left the East Line, the Associate Bethel Guardian conducts the Majority Members to a position one step east of the East Line to view the Closing Formation.

BETHEL GUARDIAN: This concludes our Meritorious Member Ceremony. One rap of gavel (*). Officers follow same procedure for greeting new members, following an Initiation meeting.

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