

October 15th – (Brighton) Order of Eastern Star Disbands and Makes Final Donation to CCN

A fraternal institution in the Brighton area for 97 years, the Order of the Eastern Star has moved to Warkworth and disburses its final donations to Community Care Northumberland.

Originating about 1850 in the USA, it is now the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women may belong. It is not part of the Masonic group of organizations but is related by close family ties, and a Masonic affiliation is required for membership.

The Colborne Chapter #82, Order of the Eastern Star, began in Colborne in 1921 and moved to hold their meetings in Brighton in 1937, initially in various locations. Following the construction of the Masonic Hall at 132 Main Street, the Chapter has held their meetings there up until May 2018.



“Always having been an energetic and strong Chapter, it was difficult this Spring to realize that with an aging and dwindling membership, it would not be feasible to continue,” said Carole Anderson. “Plans were completed to join with Warkworth Chapter #279, which welcomed our members, and we will continue to serve our Order together.”

“Community Care has always been on the list of recipients,”

said Anderson. “Eastern Star members have volunteered with this local organization, and their members have benefitted from its programs, making it an excellent choice for our final donation this year, with \$1,000 going to each of Brighton, Colborne and Trenton Community Cares.”

Eastern Star has always been a philanthropic organization; raising funds through catering, bazaars, teas and most recently monthly roast beef dinners (in partnership with the Masonic

Lodge). These funds have in large part been donated back to charitable organizations.

New members are always welcome. Individuals are invited to call (613) 475-2206 or (613) 394-1838 for information.

“Thank you to The Colborne Chapter #82, Order of the Eastern Star for your dedication to raising dollars in our communities and helping to maintain services in both the Brighton and Colborne area that benefit seniors and adults with disabilities so that they can remain in their own homes longer,” said Leiann Peart, CCN’s Program Coordinator in Brighton and Colborne.”

Pictured above (l-r) Carole Anderson and Leiann Peart.

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