



Heartland Grand Bethel Letter of Intent

To: Bethel Guardians and Current Honored Queens & Past Honored Queens
From: Cindy Sparks, Secretary of the Grand Bethel Board

Letter of Intent: In compliance with the Grand Bethel Bylaws, please find attached a copy of the Grand Bethel Letter of Intent. All current Honored Queens and Past Honored Queens who are in good standing with their Bethel, unmarried Majority Members without children who have not reached their twenty-second (22) birthday on the day of selection, are eligible to submit a Grand Bethel Letter of Intent. The letter of intent indicates your willingness to serve the Grand Bethel as a line officer. Those daughters submitting Letters of Intent, who will be in attendance, at the Annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council and the Grand Bethel will be given preference in the Drawing for the Grand Bethel officers. Please see the Grand Bethel Bylaws for the selection procedures. Those Majority Members, age twenty (20) or older, must be a Certified Adult Volunteer (CAV) at the time of selection.

As we are following our new Heartland Bylaws, the Daughter chosen as GB Senior Princes this June (2026) will be advanced to the office of GB Honored Queen in June of (2027). There will be no GBHQ chosen starting in June of 2027, only Senior Princess, Junior Princess, Guide and Marshal will be chosen.

The Grand Bethel Letter of Intent may be mailed certified mail, Return receipt requested, or by email by the daughter submitting the forms to the address listed below. All forms must be postmarked or email time/date stamped no later than May 1, 2026. When mailing, you have the option to ask for an electronic return receipt request. If you don't choose the electronic option, be sure to ask for a "return signature card". This card will be mailed back to you certifying the forms were received. When emailing, request a read receipt. Please keep the receipt (either email or paper) and bring it with you to Grand Session. This is your proof the forms were submitted on time.

Requirements for GB line officer position: Each GB line officer candidate, in addition to submitting a Letter of Intent must take a written ritual test designed specifically for the line officer candidates. Candidates will also be required to compete in a ritual competition. All work will be memorized and given in proper order. The ceremony used in the competition will be the Membership Ceremony found in the 2024 Ritual.

Release Forms: There are two release forms. If you are 18 years of age or older, the appropriate form must be signed by you. If you are under 18 years of age, the appropriate form must be signed by one of your parents or guardians. In either case, the form must be notarized and included with your Letter of Intent. Failure to turn in the signed release form or failure to have it notarized will void your Letter of Intent.

Code of Ethics: There are three copies of the Code of Ethics for Grand Bethel Line Officers enclosed. You and your parents should sign all three copies and return two copies with your Letter of Intent. Please keep the copies of the Duties of the Grand Bethel Line Officers and your signed copy of the Code of Ethics in a safe place as a reference, if necessary.

Transportation and Travel Permission Slip and Medical Release: Please fill out this form, have it notarized and include it with your Letter of Intent.

Media Release: Please fill out this form and return it.

If you have any questions regarding any of these forms please contact me as soon as possible. My phone number is (913) 683-3086 or my email is jobiesparks@yahoo.com.

Bethel Guardians, please see that your current Honored Queen and all Past Honored Queens receive this information as soon as possible. Please encourage these daughters to submit their letter of intent. We ask you to make sure these forms are properly filled out and mailed/emailed following the instructions. Please note that the BGC Evaluation form is NO longer required. However, the council input is always welcomed and could be of assistance. A form for Council evaluation is included for your use if you wish to submit it.

Return by USPS postmarked no later than May 1, 2026 to:

Cindy Sparks
1812 Grand Ave
Leavenworth, KS 66048

Return by email no later than May 1, 2025 to, read receipt requested:
jobiesparks@yahoo.com

Make sure to include the following signed (*and notarized) forms:

- Letter of Intent & Questionnaire - completed
- Consent & Release Form
- Personal Health Form
- Transportation Form
- Media Release

The May 1, 2026 deadline is absolute. Any forms postmarked after May 1st will not be accepted.

Sincerely,
Cindy Sparks
Secretary of the Grand Bethel Board, 2025-2026