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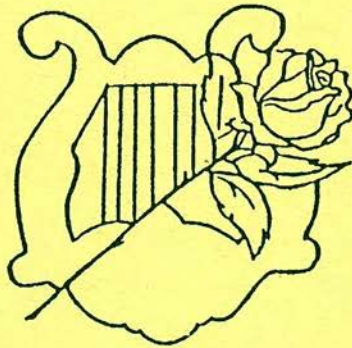
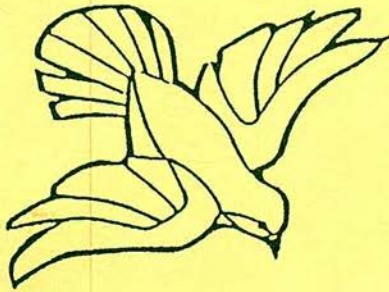
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Webmaster Grand Chapter of Texas O.E.S.

*“Living in Peace and Harmony”*

SESSION

October 24, 25, 26, 1996  
Beaumont, Texas



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

# The Grand Chapter of Texas Order Of The Eastern Star

Extends Fraternal Greetings and  
Cordially Invites You to Attend the  
114th Annual Session



October 24, 25, 26, 1996  
Montagne Center  
Campus of Lamar University  
Beaumont, Texas

***"LIVING IN PEACE AND HARMONY"***  
**SESSION**



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

**DEDICATION OF 114TH SESSION  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS  
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

This 114th Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas is lovingly dedicated to two very special and **grand ladies**.

Mrs. Cynthia May Watts  
Past Grand Matron (1943-44)  
Pine Crest Retirement Home  
1302 Tom Temple Drive, Apt. 118  
Lufkin, Texas 75901



Sister Cynthia May has been a great inspiration to the heart of your Worthy Grand Matron as she encouraged me to walk quietly and to "rise" above the daily trials of life. She told me to be fair in my dealings, work hard, believe that the Divine Plan of the Father God would unfold in my life, and serve in **peace**. Sister Cynthia May presided over the 62nd Annual Session of Grand Chapter, her theme was **peace**, and she resides in the home section (District 4, Section 1) of your Worthy Grand Matron.

Mrs. Sally Matranga  
Past Grand Matron (1969-70)  
Turner Geriatric Center, Room 128  
2228 Seawall Blvd.  
Galveston, Texas 77550



Sister Sally Matranga was Worthy Grand Matron when I became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and her God-given talent on the harp and piano, touched my life deeply. She has a quiet manner about her with a twinkle in her eye for fun and laughter. She taught me to be patient and wait, but to work hard, and keep dreaming my dream to serve. It was her plan to play at this Grand Chapter, and your Worthy Grand Matron can actually hear in my heart, Sally's music. Sister Sally presided over the 88th Grand Chapter Session with a theme of **harmony**, and lives in the home district (District 4) of your Worthy Grand Matron.

*"I shall pass this way but once. Therefore any good that I can do and any kindness I can show to anyone, let me do it now. Let me not delay or neglect it for I shall not pass this way again."*

These two beautiful **grand ladies** offered goodness and kindness as they served, so may we never forget, and continue to serve in **peace and harmony**.

## THEME

May we live in peace and harmony  
so that we may allow each other to be the best possible  
for our Heavenly Father.

## SCRIPTURES

*"Do not quarrel among yourselves, but as much as is possible within you, live at **peace** with one another."*

Romans 12:18

*"May God who gives patience, steadiness, and encouragement help you to live in complete **harmony** with each other – each with the attitude of Christ toward the other."*

Romans 15:5

## EMBLEMS

The descending <b>Dove</b> :	Representing the <b>Peace</b> of Christ within our hearts.
The <b>Lyre</b> :	The instrument of King David, and a symbol of living in <b>Harmony</b> with one another.
The <b>Peace Rose</b> :	The unfolding of its petals represents the stages of our lives, and the delicate fragrance which it leaves is like the memories we leave behind for others.

## COLORS

<b>Yellow</b>	Representing soft sunshine and happiness
<b>Green</b>	Representing everlasting life and the beauty of the Pine Tree from the home area of your Worthy Grand Matron
<b>White</b>	Representing the purity of the heart within our inward spirit
<b>Shades of Pink &amp; Peach</b>	Representing the tips of the petals of the deep yellow Peace Rose.

## THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

Our lives have been **divinely designed by God**, so each of us is unfolding just as the Rose; therefore, may our fragrances be of loving kindness, gentleness, patience, understanding, tolerance, and held together with a **positive attitude** for living life. **May we walk in peace!**

## SPECIAL APPRECIATION

It is with a quiet and **peaceful** feeling within my heart that I attempt, very inadequately, to express my **appreciation** to this wonderful membership of Texas for your love, support and prayers as I have attempted to serve each of you in a manner pleasing to my Heavenly Father and a credit to our great Order.

First may I state that my fine Husband, Russell, has been by my side for 26 years, and all during these times he has stayed **constant and supportive** of my endeavors. Many times he has been left unattended, and yet he has lovingly continued the efforts to maintain our home and the many tasks that should have required my attention. **Thank you, Russ, my trusted friend.** I shall be glad to return home to my responsibilities.

Second, to my dedicated and supportive Chapter, **Burke No. 1098**, for believing in me and standing by my side for the past 27 years in making this climb from initiation until this time. I am ready to come home and go back to work.

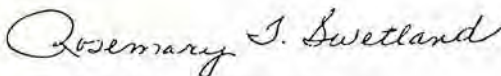
Third, to my home area, **District 4 Section 1**, for all you have done to make my dream come true. You have been most generous and kind to Russ and me, and I will always be grateful.

Fourth, to the **Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas**, but more especially my home **District 4**, thank you for standing with me as I have served. Your support, wisdom and prayers have sustained me through my endeavors.

Fifth, to my **Peace Roses and Caretakers**, who have truly served in **peace**, and made my walk much easier as I traveled into your respective areas.

Finally, to **each member** of this great Fraternity for believing in my hopes and dreams, in supporting me with my projects, and praying for me as I have served on your behalf. You are truly my joy, and I shall hold you close in my heart.

In closing, I will reiterate, that there is no real way of saying **thank you**, and showing to you my **appreciation**; however, I can pray for you and ask my Heavenly Father to grant to each of you your heart's desire, and He will hear, and He will answer. May **HIS PEACE** abide in your hearts now and forever.



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron 1995-96

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON**



**ROSEMARY T. SWETLAND**  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star

## APPRECIATION

My years of service to the Order of the Eastern Star is dedicated to God, my family, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the entire Masonic family.

To God for giving me the strength to do and to go as much as I could. To my family for sharing me with the Order. To the entire membership for allowing me to be Worthy Grand Patron.

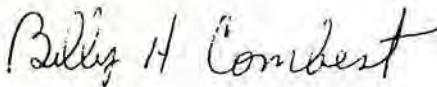
To two Special Ladies. My wife, Freda, for being with me all the time and to Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron for selecting me to serve by her side. To Russell Swetland for accepting me into his family and for being my friend and brother.

To Princeton Chapter No. 1126 for their love and support.

If space would allow me I would individually thank the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards, each District Deputy Grand Matron, every Deputy Grand Matron, all the Committees of Grand Chapter and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron, and most of all every member of our Order.

Since we certainly are limited by time and space, let me leave you with this blessing that God has given me to share with you:

*May our Heavenly Father lead you beside still waters,  
May His strength be the joy you find there,  
May His power be the victory you live in,  
And until we meet again, May He hold you safely,  
In the Palm of His Almighty Hand.*



Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron



**WORTHY GRAND PATRON**



**BILLY H. COMBEST**  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star

## **DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

**PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRONS  
PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRONS**

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**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS  
AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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**WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND WORTHY GRAND PATRONS  
OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

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**PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS  
OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

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**TEXAS' OWN PAST GRAND MATRONS AND  
PAST GRAND PATRONS**

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**INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS AND OFFICERS OF  
GRAND CHAPTERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF  
OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN TEXAS**

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**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER  
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF TEXAS  
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
AND**

**DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF ALL APPENDANT BODIES**

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**PRESIDING OFFICERS OF APPENDANT BODIES**

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**DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE  
ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS**

**SPECIAL GUEST**



RENNIE OFTON  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee  
General Grand Chapter  
and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas

**SPECIAL HONOR GUESTS**  
**TEXAS' OWN GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER APPOINTMENTS**



**EFFIE MAE DAVIS**  
Chairman  
Grievance and Appeals  
and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas

**SHERRILL R. CAIN**  
Scottish Rite Childhood  
Language Disorders  
and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas



**MARY BROWN**  
Ambassador of the  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
to New York  
and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas



## INSTALLED GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS



**MRS. ALMA CARTER**  
Associate Grand Matron



**MR. RICHARD OCHS**  
Associate Grand Patron



**MRS. FRANCES BURBANK**  
Grand Secretary



**MRS. PATSY WILSON**  
Grand Treasurer



**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD**  
Grand Conductress



**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE**  
Associate  
Grand Conductress



**MRS. BETTY WARLICK**  
Grand Chaplain



**MRS. DORIS WAGNER**  
Grand Marshal

## INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS AND FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT



**MRS. KATHLEEN YANCEY**  
Grand Organist



**MISS KIMI KIDD**  
Grand Adah



**MRS. MAURINE CREECH**  
Grand Ruth



**MRS. FREDA COMBEST**  
Grand Esther



**MRS. BILLIE GEORGE**  
Grand Martha



**MRS. CORINNE POPE**  
Grand Electa



**MRS. CHARLENE  
LITTLEWOOD**  
Grand Warder



**MR. ROBERT HICKS**  
Grand Sentinel



**MRS. JUANITA  
BOLSTER**  
Fraternal Correspondent

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES



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District Three



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O.E.S. Home



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**MRS. JIMMIE LEE  
McMAHON**  
Grand Examiner at Large

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER  
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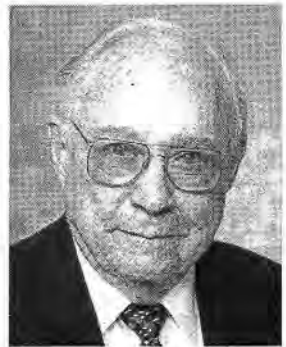
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Secretary



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Treasurer



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Legal Advisor

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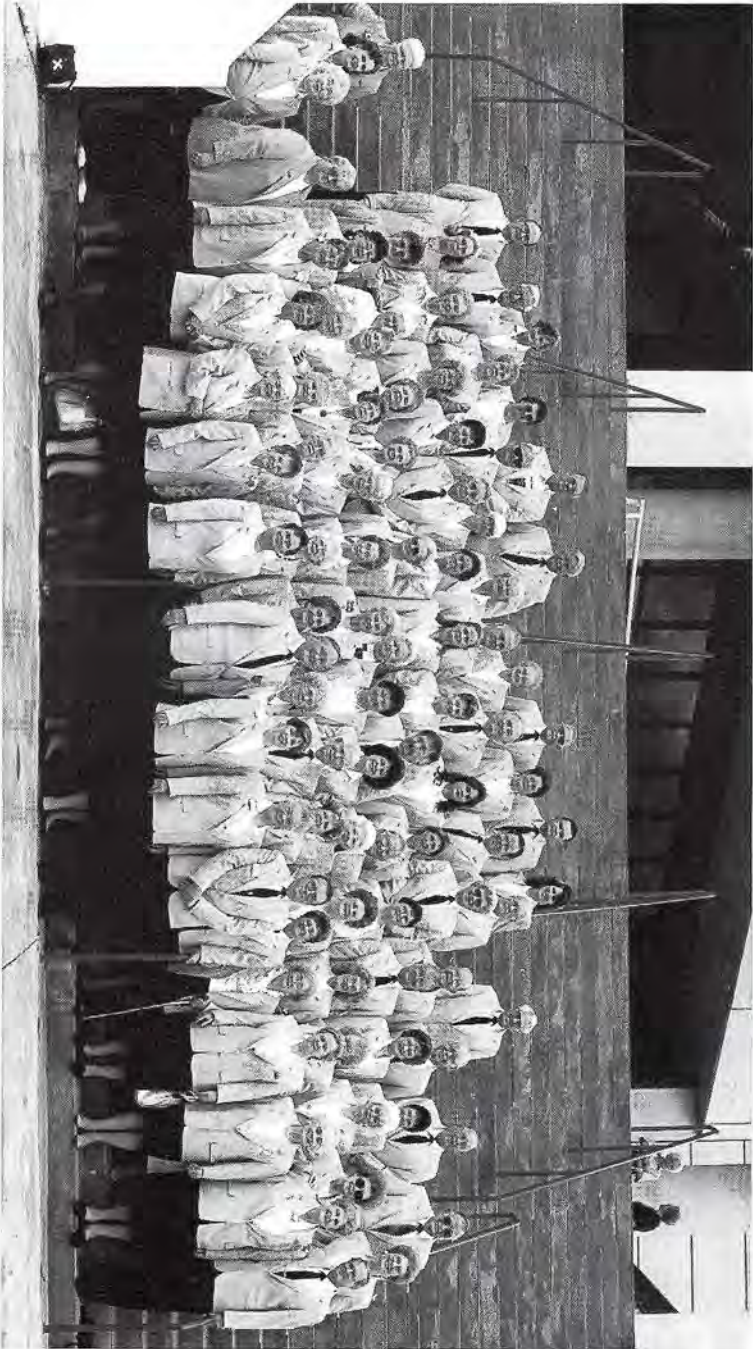


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Systems Division  
Coordinator



**MR. BEN CLEGG**  
Services Division  
Coordinator

**ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE - BEAUMONT**



**CEREMONIAL OPENING**

**Thursday Afternoon**

**October 24, 1996**

**“HIS PEACE BE WITH US” Session**

(This Session is lovingly dedicated to the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and membership of District 4, the home district of your Worthy Grand Matron.)

11:30 A.M. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Constance Courtney  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

Mr. Fred R. Van Devender  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

12:00 Noon “Trumpet Call” ..... Members of Woodville  
High School Band

Master of Ceremonies ..... Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus  
Past Grand Matron

Escorted by: ..... Mr. O. B. Lee, Past Patron  
Goose Creek No. 798

Assisting Grand Marshal ..... Mrs. Elsie Paladino  
Past Grand Matron

**PROCESSIONAL OF  
DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

Presentation of Texas Installed Grand Officers, Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M., and Fraternal Correspondent.

Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland ..... Worthy Grand Matron  
Escorted by: Mr. Russell Swetland

Mr. Billy H. Combest ..... Worthy Grand Patron  
Escorted by: Mrs. Billie Branch

Honorable Judge Robert Walker ..... Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of Texas, AF & AM  
Escorted by: Mrs. Jeanette Arrington

Mrs. Alma Carter ..... Associate Grand Matron  
Escorted by: Mr. Henry S. Martin

Mr. Richard Ochs ..... Associate Grand Patron  
Escorted by: Mrs. Barbara Ochs

Mrs. Frances Burbank .....	Grand Secretary
Escorted by: Mr. Tom Warner	
Mrs. Patsy Wilson .....	Grand Treasurer
Escorted by: Mr. Herbert Wilson	
Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield .....	Grand Conductress
Escorted by: Mr. Robert Brownfield	
Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane .....	Associate Grand Conductress
Escorted by: Dr. Bill Bane	
Mrs. Betty Warlick .....	Grand Chaplain
Escorted by: Mr. Jack Warlick	
Mrs. Doris Wagner .....	Grand Marshal
Escorted by: Mr. Edward "Buzz" Wagner	
Mrs. Kathleen Yancey .....	Grand Organist
Escorted by: Mr. Kenneth Yancey	
Miss Kimi Kidd .....	Grand Adah
escorted by: Mr. Claude Ervin	
Mrs. Maurine Creech .....	Grand Ruth
Escorted by: Mr. Bill Creech	
Mrs. Freda Combest .....	Grand Esther
Escorted by: Mr. Milton Branch	
Mrs. Billie George .....	Grand Martha
Escorted by: Mr. Benjamin Spivey	
Mrs. Corinne Pope .....	Grand Electa
Escorted by: Mr. Marion Pope	
Mrs. Charlene Littlewood .....	Grand Warder
Escorted by: Mr. Jimmy Montgomery	
Mr. Robert H. Hicks .....	Grand Sentinel
Escorted by: Mrs. Eva G. Hicks	
Mrs. Nita Bolster .....	Fraternal Correspondent
Escorted by: Mr. Sam Cooper	

#### PRESENTATION OF 1995-1996 GRAND FAMILY

Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal

Solo: "Prince of Peace"

Sung by: Mrs. Sharon Harbison

Ambassador of Peace No. 996

#### PRESENTATIONS:

Swetland Family Bible (115 years old) ..... Mr. Russell Swetland  
Husband of the Worthy Grand Matron

- Delicate Handmade Bible Marker ..... Mrs. Bobbie Paul  
Distinguished Guests  
Co-Chairman
- Square & Compasses ..... Mr. Benjamin Spivey  
Burke Lodge No. 833  
Burke Chapter No. 1098
- The Musical Lyre ..... Mrs. Jane Gregory  
Past Grand Matron
- The Yellow Rose of Peace ..... Mrs. Sherrill Cain  
Scottish Rite Language  
Disorder of G.G.C. and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas
- The Dove of Peace ..... Mrs. Betty Whatley  
Prayer Warrior for the  
Grand Family of 1995-96

FLAG PRESENTATIONS:

- United States Flag ..... Mr. Forrest Smith  
Grand Pate to Grand Sentinel
- Texas Flag ..... Mr. J. W. Clark  
General Chairman  
Home Laborers/Volunteers
- Christian Flag ..... Mr. Harry Cunningham  
Past Grand Patron
- Eastern Star Flag ..... Mr. Joe E. Jeffers  
Past Grand Patron
- 1:00 P.M. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Lena Maye Cook  
Past Grand Matron  
  
Mr. Ralph A. Davis  
Past Grand Patron
- Invocation ..... Mrs. Mary M. Brown  
Ambassador to New York  
General Grand Chapter and  
Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Musical Tribute "Surely the Presence" ..... Grand Choir  
Mrs. Juanita Gregory, Director
- "Peace and Harmony" Drill ..... Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages  
Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal
- Entrance of Installed Grand Officers
- Welcome to Beaumont ..... Mrs. Pauline Haussner Walker  
Executive Chairman for 1995-96

Welcome and Greetings ..... Honorable Judge Robert P. Walker  
Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of Texas, AF & AM  
on behalf of **all other fraternities**

Partial Report of Credentials Committee ..... Ms. Melynda Giesenschlag  
Chairman

**ALL WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE  
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
WILL PLEASE RETIRE**

Ritualistic Ceremonial Opening ..... Installed Grand Officers

Opening Ode "Let There Be Peace on Earth" ..... Grand Choir & Assembly  
Directed by Mrs. Juanita Gregory, Grand Choir Director

Flag Presentation ..... Mrs. Doris Wagner  
Grand Marshal

Tribute in Song "God Bless America" ..... Grand Choir & Assembly  
(During Presentation)

Pledge of Allegiance ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

National Anthem "Star Spangled Banner" ..... Mrs. Sharon Harbison  
Ambassador of Peace No. 996

Formal Introductions

- Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons
- Elective and Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter
- General Grand Chapter Committee Members
- Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons  
of Other Grand Jurisdictions
- Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Jurisdictions
- Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas
- Installed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions
- Grand Representatives to Texas from Other Grand Jurisdictions
- Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas
- Committee Appointments from Other Grand Jurisdictions
- Presiding Officers of All Appendant Bodies of Masonry
- Distinguished Members of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Response to Welcomes ..... Dr. Anita C. Fields  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Grand Chapter of Louisiana

Greetings ..... Mrs. Florence Adair  
Right Worthy Associate  
Grand Matron of General Grand Chapter

Filling of Vacancies



Appointment of Telegram Committee

Reports:

- Worthy Grand Matron ..... Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland
- Worthy Grand Patron ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest
- Grand Secretary ..... Mrs. Frances E. Burbank
- Grand Treasurer ..... Mrs. Patsy Wilson
- Jurisprudence ..... Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron  
Chairman
- Purposes & Policies ..... Mrs. Lena Maye Cook, Past Grand Matron  
Chairman
- Grievances & Appeals ..... Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus, Past Grand Matron  
Chairman
- By-Laws ..... Mrs. Mary Ruth White, Chairman
- Chapters U.D. .... Mrs. Joanne Parish, Chairman
- OES Home Endowment Fund ..... Mr. Henry S. Martin, Chairman
- Educational Fund ..... Dr. Betty Barr, Chairman
- Closing Musical Tribute    “To God Be the Glory” ..... Grand Choir
- Benediction ..... Mr. J. T. Sanders  
Past Grand Patron
- Closing of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

**Session Closed Until 8:00 A.M. Friday Morning**  
**Come and join us for our General Grand Banquet**  
**“Star Celebration - Texas Style”**  
**Beaumont Civic Center**

**Friday Morning Session**  
**October 25, 1996**

**“Blessed Are the Peacemakers”**

(This Session is lovingly dedicated to the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and membership of District 2.)

- 7:45 A.M.    Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Jackie Stogner, Past Matron  
Grand Harmonizers/Music  
  
Mrs. Viola Mae Whiteside  
Grand Harmonizers/Music
- 8:00 A.M.    Call to Order ..... Mrs. Betty Hager  
Past Grand Matron  
  
Mr. Garland Rattan  
Past Grand Patron

“Peace and Harmony” Drill ..... Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages  
Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

Flute Solo: “Amazing Grace” ..... Mrs. Jerri Young, Past Matron  
Time & Talent/Home Support  
Assisted by Grand Choir

Invocation: ..... Mrs. Joyce Roberts  
Past Grand Matron

Session Called from Rest to Labor

A Peaceful Moment Meditation ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

Musical Tribute “I Am Determined” ..... Mrs. Amy Batton  
Mrs. Molly Johnston  
Cedar Bayou No. 11

Business is Continued with Reports:

Parliamentarian ..... Mr. Denman Watson  
Liberty No. 634

Jurisprudence ..... Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron  
Chairman

Board of Grand Trustees ..... Mrs. Sarah V. Coursey  
Chairman

Board of Directors of  
Grand Chapter Benevolences ..... Mrs. Helen Hare, Chairman

Report of the OES Home of Texas ..... Mr. Wayne Gaddis  
Superintendent

Recognition of Residents (Sweetheart Roses) of the OES Home of Texas

Solo: “Let Me Call You Sweetheart” ..... Grand Choir & Assembly

Benediction: ..... Mrs. Katherine Harbour  
Past Grand Matron

Closing of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

**Please Join us for our Line Officers’ Luncheons  
at the Holiday Plaza & Beaumont Hilton  
(Session will resume at 1:45 P.M.)**

**Friday Afternoon Session**  
**October 24, 1996**  
**“Peaceful Remembrances”**

(This Session is lovingly **dedicated** to the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, and the membership of **District 3.**)

1:45 P.M. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Genevieve Halbert  
Scottish Rite Language Disorder

2:00 P.M. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Doris M. Efir  
Past Grand Matron  
  
Mr. Murray Watson  
Past Grand Patron

“Peace and Harmony” Drill ..... Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages  
Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

Invocation ..... Mrs. Elise Hammack  
Past Grand Matron

Musical Tribute “I’ll Give You Peace” ..... Ms. Phillis Mertain  
Grand Soloist

Session Called from Rest to Labor

Business Reports Continued:

Jurisprudence ..... Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron  
Chairman

Grand Examiners

District Deputy Grand Matrons and Deputy Grand Matrons

International Temple ..... Mrs. Ruth Jameson, Chairman

Museum ..... Mrs. Wanda O’Kelly, Chairman

Titles, Deeds & Properties ..... Mrs. Jerre Lucas, Chairman

Development & Marketing ..... Mrs. Sheryl Koltermann, Chairman

Fraternal Correspondent ..... Mrs. Juanita Bolster

“Harmony Among the Stars” Drill  
(with a cavalcade of Flags)

Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas

Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal

Benediction ..... Mrs. Wanda Fairchild  
Jr. Past Grand Matron

Closing of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

Session called from Labor to Rest until 7:00 P.M.

**Please Plan to Attend our Humanitarian,  
ESTARL and Memorial Presentations this evening**

**Friday Evening Session  
October 25, 1996**

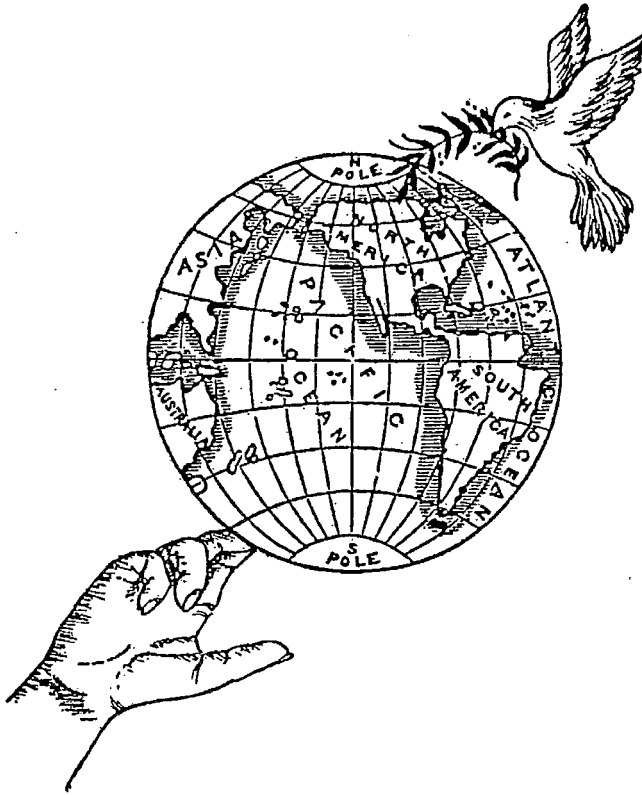
**“Service Brings Peace”**

(This Session is lovingly **dedicated** to the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, and the membership of **District 5**.)

6:45 P.M.	Musical Harmonies .....	Mrs. Boots Draper Grand Harmonizers/Music
7:00 P.M.	Call to Order .....	Mrs. Rennie Ofton Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron
		Mr. Harry G. Cunningham Grand Junior Warden and Past Grand Patron
	“Peace and Harmony” Drill .....	Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal
	Entrance of Installed Grand Officers	
	Opening of the Bible .....	Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield Grand Conductress
	Invocation .....	Mrs. Lois Bell Past Grand Matron
	Presentation of Evening Programs .....	Mrs. Nancy B. Allen Past Grand Matron
	Humanitarian Presentation .....	Mr. Robert Parke General Chairman
	“Harmony Through Service” Drill Presentation of 100% Chapters Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal	
	ESTARL Service .....	Rev. Don Long General Chairman

# *“Touch Through Me”*

## ESTARL Service and Awards



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

Mr. Don Long  
ESTARL Chairman  
October 25, 1996

**"ESTARL PROGRAM"**

1996

*"How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of  
peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"*

Romans 10:15

Opening Hymn .....	"How Firm a Foundation" Grand Choir & Grand Assembly Directed by: Mrs. Juanita Gregory, Grand Choir Director
Welcome and Introduction of ESTARL Committee .....	Mrs. Viola Lee, District IV
Invocation .....	Recipient Introduced by: Mrs. Opal Martin, District I
Scripture Reading .....	Recipient Introduced by: Mrs. Leah Hayes, District II
Special Music .....	Recipient Introduced by: Mrs. Mary Nell Ramsey, District III
Introduction of Speaker .....	Mrs. Rennie Ofton Right Worthy Grand Trustee General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas
Message .....	Dr. Patty Lane

**ESTARL LOVE OFFERING**

Under the Direction

of

Rev. Don R. Long

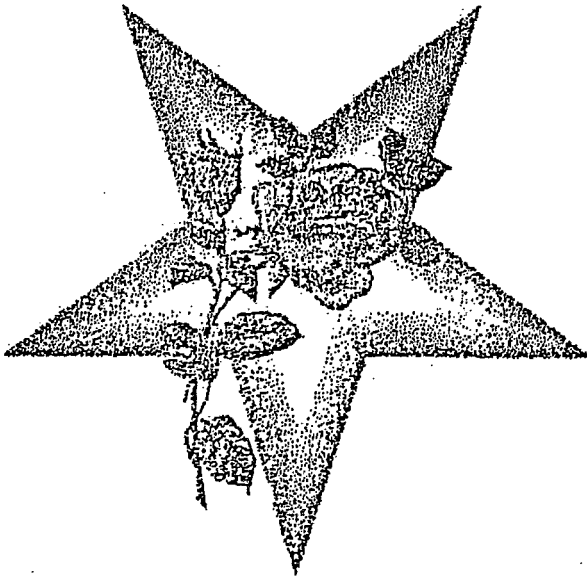
Chairman - ESTARL Committee

Musical Selection .....	"Touch Through Me" Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland Worthy Grand Matron
Presentation of Awards .....	Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland Worthy Grand Matron  Mr. Billy H. Combest Worthy Grand Patron

Assisted by ESTARL Committee

Benediction .....	Recipient Introduced by: Mrs. Robyn Merchant, District V
Memorial Service .....	Mrs. Betty Warlick Grand Chaplain

# The Rose Still Blooms



*A rose once grew where all could see,  
sheltered beside a garden wall,  
And, as the days passed swiftly by,  
it spread its branches, straight and tall . . .*

*One day, a beam of light shone through  
a crevice that had opened wide - -  
The rose bent gently toward its warmth  
then passed beyond to the other side . . .*

*Now, you who deeply feel its loss, -  
be comforted--the rose blooms there--  
Its beauty even greater now,  
nutured by God's own loving care.*

*God's Beautiful Garden of Peace*

*A rose once grew by a shady wall.  
In a garden it knew as "Home"  
Warmed by a light from somewhere above  
and fed by the morning dew.*

*The rose grew well by the garden wall.  
Beautiful, fragrant and tall.  
And the days passed by and the years rolled on . . .  
And it was admired and loved by all.*

*Till, one day the rose reached its loftiest height,  
Near an opening in the wall.  
And drawn by the warmest, most glorious light  
It passed through to the other side.*

*And the Caretaker there, He is gentle and kind,  
His devotion will never cease.  
So don't mourn the rose - for it blooms still  
In God's beautiful Garden of Peace.*

*If you have lost, a loved one dear  
Take heart - they have not ceased to exist.  
They rejoice, they love, they laugh, they smile  
In God's beautiful Garden of Peace.*

*No, don't mourn the rose - for it blooms still  
In God's beautiful Garden of Peace*



*“The Rose Still Blooms”  
Memorial Service*

*May the “Peace That Passeth All Understanding” comfort those  
who mourn with cherished memories.*

*Opening of Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress*

*Report of the Grand Chaplain..... Mrs. Betty J. Warlick*

*Lighting of the Remembrance Candle ..... Mrs. Rosemary J. Swelland  
Worthy Grand Matron*

*Tribute to General Grand Chapter Officers ..... Grand Chaplain  
Floral Presentation..... Mrs. Rennie Oflon  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee  
and Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Tribute to Grand Chapters of Other Grand Jurisdictions.....  
Grand Chaplain  
Flora Presentation..... Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
Chairman, Appeals and Grievances, General Grand Chapter  
And Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Tribute To Grand Chapter of Texas ..... Grand Chaplain  
Flora Presentation..... Mrs. Sherrill Cain  
Member Scottish Rite Language Disorder,  
General Grand Chapter  
And Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Tribute to Subordinate Chapters ..... Grand Chaplain  
Flora Presentation..... Mrs. Mary Brown  
Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron To New York  
And Past Grand Matron of Texas*

Song: ..... *"Where the Roses Never Fade"*  
*Mrs. Juanita Gregory - Grand Choir Director and*  
*Mr. Kenneth Gregory - General Chairman Arrangements*

Memorial Service: *"The Rose Still Blooms"* ..... *Mrs. Betty Warlick*  
*Grand Chaplain*

*"The Rose Drill"*: ..... *Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages*  
 Directed by: ..... *Mrs. Doris Wagner - Grand Marshal*

Harpist ..... *Miss Carrie Huber*  
*Past Grand Chaplain - Grand Family*

Song: *"God's Beautiful Garden of Peace"* ..... *Mrs. Rebecca Schaefer*  
*Worthy Matron - Bronson #337*  
*This song was written for and dedicated to the Worthy Grand Matron*  
*and the Grand Chaplain by Rebecca*

Draping of the Altar ..... *Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield*  
*Grand Conductress*

*Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane*  
*Associate Grand Conductress*

*Mrs. Betty Warlick*  
*Grand Chaplain*

Benediction in Song: *"The Lord's Prayer"* ..... *Mrs. Sharon Harbison*  
*Ambassador of Peace*

Sign Language ..... *Mrs. Evelyn J. Reiffert*  
*Past Matron, Alamo Logos Star #782*

Closing of the Bible ..... *Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield*  
*Grand Conductress*

Benediction ..... Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
Past Grand Matron

Session Called from Labor to Rest until 8:00 A.M. Saturday Morning

**Rehearsal for 1996-97 Grand Officers in Arena  
Candidates' Reception in Cardinal Room**

**Saturday Morning Session  
October 26, 1996**

**“Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance”**

(This Session is lovingly **dedicated** to the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and membership of **District 1**, the home district of the Worthy Grand Patron.)

7:45 P.M. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Marilyn Lee  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

8:00 A.M. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green  
Past Grand Matron  
  
Mr. Charles Morris  
Past Grand Patron

“Peace and Harmony” Drill ..... Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages  
Directed by: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

Flute Solo: “Peace in the Valley” ..... Mrs. Jerri Young  
Time and Talent/Home Support

Session Called from Rest to Labor

A Peaceful Moment Meditation ..... Ms. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

Musical Tribute ..... Ms. Georgeann McClean  
Grand Charity of I.O.R.G.  
Member of Pearland #1065

Business Session Continued with Reports:

(The Worthy Grand Matron respectfully requests that all Chairmen please be in the East in advance of their brief report. Thank you.)

Unfinished Business:

- Final Credentials Report ..... Ms. Melynda Geisenschlag, Chairman
- Adoption of Humanitarian, ESTARL, Fraternal Correspondent,  
and Grand Chaplain

10:00 A.M. .... Election of Grand Chapter Officers

Recognition of our dedicated **50 year members**

- Registration ..... Mrs. Brenda McDaniel
- Secretarial ..... Mrs. Martha I. Mosele
- Endowed Membership ..... Mrs. Phyllis J. Macon
- Poet Laureate ..... Mrs. Wilyne Laughlin
- Resolutions ..... Mrs. Mary Brown
- Grand Historians ..... Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith
- Long Range Task Force ..... Mrs. Lois Bell
- Spring Family Reunion ..... Mr. Arris Whitehead
- Star New/Bulletin ..... Mrs. Willadee Edwards
- Star Fellowship/Visitation ..... Mrs. Kay Drescher
- Rob Morris/Founder's Day ..... Mrs. Cheryl Albrecht
- Home Laborers/Volunteers ..... Mr. J. W. Clark
- United We Stand/Masonic Ambassadors ..... Mr. David Dibrell
- Benevolent Cultivators/Community Service ..... Mr. William Irwin
- Time & Talent/Home Support Group ..... Mrs. Coweta Engel
- Grand Harmonizers/Music ..... Mr. Arvol Willingham
- Proficiency/Ritualistic ..... Mrs. Joann Squyres

General Grand Chapter Committees

- Cancer ..... Mrs. Betty Scott
- Heart ..... Mrs. Pat Archer
- Mental Health/Mental Retardation ..... Mrs. Connie Autrey
- Scottish Rite Language Disorder ..... Mrs. Sherrill Cain
- Youth ..... Mrs. Pearl Mills

Ambassadors of Peace ..... Ms. Kathleen Johnson

Musical Tribute "Rosemary" ..... Mr. John Esquivel  
Composer of Music

"Rosemary, Rosemary, The Sound of Her name is Grand!  
 Rosemary, Rosemary, Her charm, grace and beauty go hand in hand.  
 Rosemary, Rosemary, Our love and our pride for her will ne'er cease.  
 She's come into our hearts, and made us all a part of her joy,  
 and her faith, and her peace!

Gail S. Bragg, Words

Appreciation & Recognition of Executive and Arrangements for 1995-1996

Invitation to 1996-1997 Grand Chapter Session in Dallas ..... Mr. Henry S. Martin

Recognitions, Presentations and Final Greetings ..... Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Benediction ..... Dr. O.D. Christian  
Past Grand Patron

Closing of Bible ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

Closing Musical Tribute "May the Lord, Mighty God" .... Grand Choir & Assembly

Session Called from Labor to Rest until 5:30 P.M.  
for the Installation of the 1996 - 1997 Grand Officers

**Saturday Evening**

5:30 P.M. .... Installation of Grand Officers for 1996-1997

Ritualistic Closing of the 114th Grand Chapter Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star

**SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

- Mrs. Martha I. Mosele, Secretary to Worthy Grand Matron ..... Unselfish Devotion & Support
- Mrs. Mary Horton Beach ..... Beautiful Formal Wear
- Mrs. Charlene Littlewood ..... Daytime Travel Wear
- Mrs. Bobbie Paul ..... Bible Cover and Marker
- Mrs. Anna Kunze ..... Altar and Bench Cover and Drape
- Mrs. Lois Hill ..... Handbeaded Doves
- Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Macon ..... Designed Lettering in East
- Mr. Robert Coursey ..... Drill Layouts
- Team Effort of 1995-96 Executive & Arrangements Committee
- Baldwin Grand Piano ..... Baldwin Piano Co. of Beaumont

**CLOSING THOUGHT TO MEMBERSHIP**

If we could open our hearts at this moment and let each of you walk silently in, you would surely find your portrait on its wall, whereby you have offered a peaceful melody that has stirred the strings of our hearts, and allowed us to offer our song in service to this great Order. You have allowed us to be ourselves, and to give to you our very best. In return, you have loved us, believed in us, supported us, and prayed for us as we have traversed this great state. No words are adequate to say thank you to our membership; therefore, we will ask our Heavenly Father to grant to you His peace.

Lovingly and Fraternaly,

*Rosemary T. Swetland*  
Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

*Billy H. Combest*  
Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

## INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS AND PERSONAL PAGES

<b>Grand Officer</b>	<b>Personal Page</b>
Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron .....	Carol Coleman Ruby Lee Meckley Doris Moore Eva G. Hicks Barbara Cunningham
Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron .....	Robert D. Berry Willie C. Pointer
Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron .....	Mildred Blair Owena Sutton
Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron .....	Jack York Dwayne Maserang
Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary .....	Joyce C. Tigert
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer .....	Jeannine Gwinn Robbie Pynes Mary Kittoe
Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress .....	Vi Griffin Sue Shoemaker Jo Ann Snow
Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress .....	Betty Lynn Bobbie Pinto Rowena Calfee
Betty Warlick, Grand Chaplain .....	Jane Clabaugh Linda Guy
Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal .....	Audrey Baldwin Dorothy Bohn Jo Fleming Bobbie Woodfin
Kathy Yancey, Grand Organist .....	Judith Denison Sandra Perdue
Kimi Kidd, Grand Ada .....	D'Lois Bryson Pamela Riley
Maurine "Tootsie" Creech, Grand Ruth .....	Joyce Alexander Mary Poe
Freda Combest, Grand Esther .....	Joe "Toney" McMillin Jackie Pointer

Billie George, Grand Martha .....	Violet Gibson Jo Jeans
Corinne Pope, Grand Electa .....	Billie Roach Sudie Mae Speer
Charlene Littlewood, Grand Warder .....	Laura Longerbone Elsie M. Wright
Robert H. Hicks, Grand Sentinel .....	George Baker Forrest Smith

**SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS**

**BEAUMONT, TEXAS  
OCTOBER 23, 24, 25, 1996**

***“LIVING IN PEACE AND HARMONY”*  
114th SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1996**

- 7:30 a.m.      **BREAKFAST.** Honoring Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron, and Mr. Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron. Hosted by 1994-1995 Floor Officers, Grand Examiners, District Deputy Grand Matrons, Deputy Grand Matrons, Humanitarian Chairmen, Traveling Secretary, and spouses. Chairman: Mrs. Carolyn Simmons. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Yvonne Johnson, 116 Royal Drive, League City, Texas 77573. Telephone (713) 332-1386. Donation: \$11.00. SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close September 28, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to this group only)
  
- 9:00 a.m. -  
11:00 a.m.      **RECEPTION:** Hosted by Associate Grand Patron. Associate Grand Matron's Suite. Hilton Hotel. (By Invitation Only)
  
- 11:30 a.m.      **LUNCHEON:** "Peaceful Remembrances" Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Inviting the Installed Grand Officers and their spouses. Hosted by the District Deputy Grand Matrons, Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Examiners, and Traveling Secretaries. Chairman: Mrs. Eva G. Hicks. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Carol Coleman, P. O. Box 408, Palestine, Texas 75802. Telephone: (903) 729-0839. Donation: \$15.00. SASE Names and Titles. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. Reservations close September 30, 1996. (Open to this group only)
  
- 12 NOON -  
4:00 p.m.      **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.**  
Chairman: Mrs. Dortha Burnett. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza.

- 12 NOON - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**  
4:00 p.m. Chairman: Mrs. Anna Bell England. Hosted by Grand Representatives Association of Texas. Present and former Grand Representatives, spouses, and Traveling Companions. Hilton Hotel.
- 2:30 p.m. - **RECEPTION: Honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,**  
4:00 p.m. **Floor Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, General Grand Officers, and visiting Distinguished Guests. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (This group only.)**
- 4:30 p.m. - **RECEPTION: "A Step Back Into Time". GLADYS CITY BOOMTOWN**  
6:30 p.m. **MUSEUM.** Informal time of fun with hamburgers under the old tent, very eye-catching entertainment and a tour of the old buildings. Honoring members of the Board of Grand Trustees, Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences and the Superintendent of the OES Home. Ticket Chairman: Mr. Lindsey Walker, P.O. Box 12328, Beaumont, Texas 77706. Telephone (409) 866-5080. Donation \$9.50. SASE Names and Titles. Reservations Close October 9, 1996. (Open to membership)
- 6:00 p.m. **BUSINESS MEETING PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST**  
**GRAND PATRONS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS.** (Open to this group only). Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza.
- 7:30 p.m. **BANQUET: "Kaleidoscope of Service". Honoring Mrs. Rennie Ofton,**  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Mrs. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman Appeals & Grievances and Mrs. Sherrill Cain, Scottish Rite Learning Disorder Committee, General Grand Chapter, OES. Hosted by Past Grands Association of Texas. Chairman: Mrs. Doris Efrid, Past Grand Matron. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Jean Nesbitt, Past Grand Matron, Rt. 5, Box 88, Marshall, Texas 75670. Telephone (903) 938-4788. Donation \$21.00. SASE Names and Titles. (Open to Past Grands only) Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. Reservations close October 1, 1996.
- 7:30 p.m. **BANQUET: "Wonderland of Peace". Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T.**  
Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by the Installed Grand Officers. Chairman and Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Doris Wagner, Route 6, Box 1115, Nacogdoches, Texas 75961. Telephone: (409) 569-7237. Donation \$19.50: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations Close September 20, 1996. (By Invitation Only) Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (By invitation only.)

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1996

- 7:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST: "Peace and Harmony". Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T.**  
Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, Pages, Personal Pages, and Grand Choir. General Chairman: Mrs. Charlene Littlewood. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Laura Longerbone, 805 Prairie View, Crowley, Texas 76036. Telephone: (817) 297-1077. Donation: \$10.00. SASE Name and Titles. Reservations close September 25, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (This group only).
- 8:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST: "Tis the Season". Honoring Mrs. Edna Earl Duke, Past**  
Grand Matron, Mrs. Charlene Stimits, Grand Representative of Ontario



in Texas, Mrs. Mary Rogers, Deputy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter Committees and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron, District 4, Section 2. Chairman: Mrs. Pam Lakey. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Ann Bailleaux, 1825 Evangeline Lane, Vidor, Texas 77662. Telephone (409) 769-4934. Donation \$12.00. Reservations Close September 25, 1996. SASE Names and Titles. Hilton Hotel (Open to the membership)

8:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST: "Circus of Friendship".** Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by the Grand Representatives Association of Texas. Chairman: Mrs. Anna Bell England. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Lois Loper, 5285 Swallow Drive, Beaumont, Texas 77707. Telephone: (409) 892-2932. Donation \$12.00. SASE Name and Title. Reservations close September 15, 1996. Hilton Hotel (Open the Present and former Grand Representatives, Spouses and one Traveling companion.)

8:00 a.m. - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**  
10:00 a.m. Chairman: Mrs. Dortha Burnett. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza.

1:00 p.m. - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**  
4:00 p.m. Chairman: Mrs. Dortha Burnett. Montagne Center.

11:00 a.m. - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**  
4:00 p.m. Chairman: Mrs. Anna Bell England. Hilton Hotel

7:00 p.m. **GENERAL BANQUET: "STAR CELEBRATION--TEXAS STYLE"**  
Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, Texas' own General Grand Chapter Committee Members. This is a **SPECIAL** night of fun and you'll not want to miss it....Very informal....Western-Denim dress. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Mary Dennis, 1811 Jester Way, Nederland, Texas 77627 Telephone (409) 722-6311. Donation \$18.50. Reservations close September 30, 1996. SASE Name and Title. Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main, Beaumont. (Open to the Membership)

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1996

6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST: "Sleepless in Beaumont".** Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by Elected Boards and Committees. Chairman: Mr. Jim Rippey. Ticket Chairman: Mr. R.J. "Tom" Warner, P.O. Box 507, Balston, Texas 77519. Telephone: (409) 262-8287. Donation: \$11.00. SASE Name and Title. Reservations Close: September 21, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to the Membership)

6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST: "Apple for the Teacher".** Hosted by the Secretaries' Association. General Chairman: Mrs. Juanita Gregory. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Virginia Schmidt, 10469 Apache Street, Wills Point, Texas 75169. Telephone: (903) 560-0110. Donation: \$11.00. (Secretaries include \$1.00 for 1996-1997 dues). SASE. Reservations close September 24, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to Past and Present Secretaries, Treasurers, and Traveling companions)

10:00 a.m. - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**  
4:00 p.m. Chairman: Mrs. Dortha Burnett. Montagne Center.

- 9:00 a.m. - **HOSPITALITY ROOM FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**  
12:00 p.m. Chairman: Mrs. Anna Bell England. Hilton Hotel.
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON:** "Going Forth in Peace with the Fragrance of Love". Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by District 4, Section 2 and 1 "Peace Roses". Chairman: Mrs. Betty Richardson. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Pat Edwards, HC 52, Box 874-A, Hemphill, Texas 75948-9625. Telephone: (409) 579-4001. Donation: \$15.00. SASE Name and Title. Reservations Close: September 28, 1996. (Open to the Membership). Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza.
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON:** "Eagles in Harmony". Honoring Mrs. Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron and Mr. Richard L. Ochs, Associate Grand Patron. Hosted by District 4, Section 2 "Elegant Eagles". Chairman: Mrs. Johnnie Beth Freeman. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Linda Booker, 1212 Dearing Street, Port Neches, Texas 77651. Telephone: (409) 722-6032. Donation: \$15.00. SASE Name and title. Reservations close September 28, 1996. Hilton Hotel. (Open to the Membership)
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON:** "The Golden Harvest of the Sunflowers". Honoring Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress. Hosted by District 4, Section 2 "Gleaners". Chairman: Mrs. Joycelyn Terry. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Patsy Sims, 124 Rolling Hills, Lumberton, Texas 77657. Telephone: (409) 755-0091. Donation: \$14.50. SASE Name and Title. Reservations close September 28, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to the Membership)
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON:** "A Precious Moment with our Cameo Lady". Honoring Mrs. Alma Bane, Associate Grand Conductress. Hosted by District 4, Section 2 "Cameo Ladies". Chairman: Mrs. Rita Savage. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Melanie Sims, Route 2, Box 780-E, Lumberton, Texas 77657. Telephone: (409) 755-3527. Donation: \$15.00. SASE Name and Title. Reservations Close: September 15, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to the Membership)
- 10:00 p.m. **CANDIDATES RECEPTION . . . .** Cardinal Room, Montagne Center

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1996

- 6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST:** "Soaring to the Stars." Honoring Mrs. Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron, and Mr. Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Betty Unlaub, P.O. Box 302, Dumas, Texas 79029. Donation: \$12.00. SASE name and title. Reservations close September 15, 1996. Hilton Hotel (Open to the Membership)

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1996

- 8:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST:** Honoring newly Installed Associate Grand Conductress. Chairman: Mrs. Judy Juda. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Lise Jardine, 1136 Wildemeadow, Beaumont, Texas 77706. Donation: \$12.00. SASE name and title. Reservations close: September 28, 1996. Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza. (Open to the Membership)
- 10:00 a.m. **DEPUTIES SCHOOL . . . . .** Hilton Hotel

**GRAND PAGES**

Kathleen Johnson .....		Chairman
Brenda Helkey .....		Co-Chairman
Lucille Bass	Elaine Gaskins	Lois Poole
Kay Ballentine	Helen Gregory	Betty Richardson
Ann Blanton	Gene Grisham	Earline Rogers
Joy Bentley	Shirley Hainline	Lula Sanford
Dee Blue	Vickie Hardee	Judith Schaffner
Marilyn Bohmfalk	Martha Huffington	Carolyn Schulze
Jimmie Britt	Allindra Heflin	Nancy Smith
Nita Callaway	Dorothy High	Betty Stark
Nadina Leah Cherry	Frances Hiser	Iris Stone
Katreen Cockrell	Helen Hood	Mrs. Joyce Stubblefield
Susie Cohen	Vicki Hoover	Lanell Stuart
Vickie Conerly	Sue Langley	Mackie Teague
Jo Anne Conner	Mildred Love	Joy Terrell
Shirley Ann Cook	Bertie Loveall	Pauline Tucker
Paula Cox	Linda Rae Mason	Mickie Ulrich
Ruby Cummings	Iris McGlothlin	Juanita Wallace
Jean Demuth	Linda Meyers	Edyth Walsh
Margaret Faircloth	Debra Mitchell	Letha West
Janice Lea Fannin	Theresa Morton	Vashti Wiggs
Aline Fisher	Joyce Nicklas	Mary Wolfe
Diane Franklin	Fran Norrick	Nancy Wood
Gail Fuller	Emma Lou Parnell	Alma York
Ruth Garrett	Betty Joyce Patterson	

**ASSISTANT GRAND WARDERS**

Pat Edwards .....		Chairman
Ann Clifton .....		Co-Chairman
Caty Atins	Mina Eason	Carol Patton
Bernice Baker	R. Ann Eckerson	Louise Pierce
Glenda Brust	Doris Fincher	Margaret Roberts
Joyce Borgan	Georgia Franklin	Nel Smith
Margaret Clary	Carol Hall	Wanda Sutton
Alice Collier	Maudice Howell	Nancy Thompson
Patricia Cooper	Sandra Imes	Eileen Torrence
Virginia Crawford	Alice Johnson	Virginia Tracy
Freida Dillon	Forrestine Kothmann	Linda Wentworth
Nelda Dunavin	Louise Miller	
Jane Dunn	Elizabeth Newell	

**ASSISTANT GRAND SENTINELS**

Don Swaner .....		Chairman
Jim Clifton .....		Co-Chairman
Ben Baldwin	Earl Borgan	Ray Cockrell
Roger Ballentine	John Callaway	Joe Bob Conner
David Borderlin	Steve Clark	Sam Cooper

Robert Crawford  
 Earl Eckerson  
 Virgil Gaskins  
 Dale Groves  
 Leon Gunn  
 Walter Hoover  
 Jack Johnson  
 David Kothmann  
 Bruce Langley  
 Shanon Lee  
 Floyd Loveall  
 Wilburn McKnight

Jimmy Montgomery  
 William Mosley  
 David Paris  
 Abel Pierce  
 Billy Poole  
 Stephen Porcari  
 Jim Potter  
 Aubrey Raybon  
 Homan Reed  
 J. E. Robinson  
 Chuck Seets  
 Gordie Smart

Arthur Staples  
 Bill Stark  
 Carl Starkey  
 G.W. Stubblefield  
 Larry Swarouth  
 Tom Totty  
 Edward "Buzz" Wagner  
 Wayne Wallace  
 Mike Wolfe  
 John Lynn Woods

**GRAND CHOIR MEMBERS**

Juanita Gregory .....	Grand Choir Director
Phillis K. Mertian .....	Grand Soloist
Diane Beckley	Jeanne Emerson
Rachelle Belew	Coweta Engel
Jo Bingham	Kenneth Gregory
Nina Burkett	Mildred Harvey
Linda Carney	Mary Harrington
Mildred Chance	Mary Horan
Margaret Clary	Mary Sue Horan
Edna B. Cowsert	Gerry Jackson
Robert Crawford	Ruby Knight
Virginia Crawford	Margaret Lester
Bill Crews	Millie McCarver
Kathey Crews	Judy Molenberg
Barbara Daily	Ethel Nelson
Jack Ellison	Katie Pickens
Leona Ellison	Billie R. Probst
	Jery B. Sanders
	Jo Ann Sanders
	Carolyn Shannon
	Jackie Stagner
	Geraldine Sturm
	Leah Wanda Sutton
	Shelia Tusha
	Mickie Todd
	Fred R. VanDevender
	Evelyn Wages
	Ivan Wallace
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**“LIVING IN PEACE AND HARMONY” SESSION**

On entering the Montagne Center of Lamar State University, the first thing to catch the eye was the Worthy Grand Matron’s theme “Living in Peace and Harmony” displayed prominently on a blue drape in the East. Below the sign were her emblems: the lyre and dove.

Her chosen colors of yellow, green, pink and white were everywhere. Peace roses topped the tall columns on both sides of the stage. A large birdcage with a dove and festooned with peace roses was in the middle of the back stage.

The banners on the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron podiums were dark green and were decorated with music notes, doves and peace roses. For the comfort of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, rocking chairs were on stage.

In front of the stage was a lovely garden scene. Stage right was a park bench with an arch decorated with twinkling lights and greenery. A large white lamb was near the bench. Stage left featured a garden swing, again with the supports decorated with twinkling lights and greenery. On the swing lay a lovely white lacy afghan featuring a pattern of yellow roses. Between the bench and the swing was all manner of greenery.

The altar cloth was a deep green with beaded doves on each side. The cloth extended about 12 inches from the top, and the altar skirt was a glittering white fabric.

The Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress stations featured white lattice-work draped with yellow fabric and swagged with white net and peace roses.

The Star Point pedestals were small, open tables. Each pedestal was covered with the color appropriate to that Star Point, and the covering featured the flower appropriate to that Star Point. Behind each pedestal was a lyre intertwined with yellow peace roses. The chairs were straight back with red seat covering.

For evening wear the Lady Officers wore a long flowing yellow chiffon formal with a long overblouse with sheer sleeves. Lady Pages wore a similar gown in pink. Gentlemen Officers and Pages wore black tuxedos.

For daytime wear the Lady Officers wore a yellow suit featuring a straight skirt, and a mid-hip, short-sleeved, buttonless jacket. The blouse was a fabric with geometric blocks in jewel tones. The Lady Pages wore long-sleeved dresses of the same fabric as the Lady Officers' blouses. Gentlemen Officers and Pages wore dark colored slacks, white shirts and dark green blazers.

## "HIS PEACE BE WITH US" SESSION Ceremonial Opening October 24, 1996

11:30 a.m. Musical Prelude .....	Mrs. Constance Courtney Grand Harmonizers/Music
	Mr. Fred R. VanDevender Grand Harmonizers/Music
Master of Ceremonies .....	Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus Past Grand Matron
Escorted by .....	Mr. O. B. Lee, Past Patron Goose Creek No. 798
Assisting Grand Marshal .....	Mrs. Elsie Paladino Past Grand Matron

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. What a joyous sound is the echo of your words and laughter as you have been greeting each other as you arrived. During this hour of gathering, you have been welcomed by the beautiful music of Mrs. Constance Courtney and Mr. Fred R. VanDevender, Grand Harmonizers of Music. Let's join together in expressing our appreciation to them. (Applause)

The beginning note of this Ceremonial Opening was harmony, stirringly and beautifully expressed. On your program members of Lamar University Band were to be playing the trumpet call. They were unable to perform for us today, but we have had a wonderful substitution: a band director and three of his trumpet

students have been performing for you. We didn't just wave a magic wand and they appeared. No, indeed! They are from Woodville High School. Woodville is a town about 60 or 70 miles north of here. You know that today is a school day so we had to get permission from the principal to excuse their absence. The principal's name is Dr. Tom Harvey, Jr., and Dr. Tom Harvey, Jr. just happens to be a Mason, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and the son of Tom and Lindell Harvey, Past Matron and Past Patron and very active members of Wisteria Chapter. So with the absence excused, Rusty Lay, the band director, brought three of his trumpet students. They are Mitch Satterwhite, Sean Griffith and Rachel Harvey. And Rachel Harvey just happens to be the granddaughter of Tom and Lindell Harvey. Now let's join these precious young people in expressing our appreciation to them. (Applause) Thank you much, sweet boys and beautiful girl, you are our future!

This enchanting moment brings to my mind the beautiful picture painted in the words of Longfellow, "How beautiful the silent hour when morning and evening thus sit together." Such might be the description of this year's beginning in the quest of peace, then the unfolding days of time and our return this afternoon at year's end to place in the history of the Grand Chapter the records of our sharing of time and our accomplishments, as well as the manner in which we have met difficulties and disappointments. Not only do we come in the spirit of peace, but also in the spirit of thanksgiving. Yes, it seems but yesterday that the torch of time was passed to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and the many elected and appointed Grand Officers to guide our destiny through another year of days, weeks and months. Thus, our journey of the quest for peace was begun. Swiftly through the vial of time, the days have passed. Our Officers have finished their course and have kept the faith. We shall shortly welcome them and time will then unfold their accounting of the trust that we placed in their hands.

I have been honored to come to the East on the arm of Mr. O. B. Lee, a Past Patron of Goose Creek Chapter No. 798, a dedicated servant of the Grand Chapter. I invite you, Brother Lee, to sound the gavel calling to order the "His Peace Be With Us" Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

**MR. O. B. LEE:** Thank you, Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus, for this privilege. I now officially call to order this informal ceremonial opening, "His Peace Be With Us" Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Thank you, Brother Lee. Serving as Assisting Grand Marshal is our dignified Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Elsie Paladino. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present the various groups to sit on the stage and observe this ceremonial opening. I ask first that our Texas General Grand Chapter members gather in the West with all visiting General Grand Chapter Officers to be conducted to the East by Sister Paladino. (Applause as they come to the East.)

Will the visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons please stand, along with the Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons from other Grand Jurisdictions. We would like to have you in the East with us also. (Applause as they come to the East.)

And now, Assisting Grand Marshal, that precious moment when you bring to the East our own leaders of yesteryear, Texas Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. (Applause as they come to the East.) Those passing before you bring precious and tender memories of yesteryear.

Peace is the heavenly star of the soul as virtue is its sun, and the two are never far apart. This statement might well suggest to us that our journey of life

should find all of us striving to do justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly with Him whose star we follow. Through the unfolding days of another year, the Officers of our Grand Chapter have so walked. It is my pleasure and delight to present them to you at this time. Mrs. Nita Bolster, Fraternal Correspondent, escorted by Mr. Sam Cooper; Mr. Robert H. Hicks, Grand Sentinel, escorted by Mrs. Eva G. Hicks; Mrs. Charlene Littlewood, Grand Warder, escorted by Mr. Jimmy Montgomery; Mrs. Corinne Pope, Grand Electa, escorted by Mr. Marion Pope; Mrs. Billie George, Grand Martha, escorted by Mr. Benjamin Spivey; Mrs. Freda Combest, Grand Esther, escorted by Mr. Milton Branch; Mrs. Maurine Creech, Grand Ruth, escorted by Mr. Bill Creech; Miss Kimi L. Kidd, Grand Adah, escorted by Mr. Claude Ervin; Mrs. Kathleen Yancey, Grand Organist, escorted by Mr. Kenneth Yancey; Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal, escorted by Mr. Edward "Buzz" Wagner; Mrs. Betty J. Warlick, Grand Chaplain, escorted by Mr. Jack Warlick; Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress, escorted by Dr. Bill Bane; Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress, escorted by Mr. Robert Brownfield; Mrs. Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, escorted by Mr. Herbert Wilson; Mrs. Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary, escorted by Mr. Tom Warner; Mr. Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Barbara Ochs; Mrs. Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Henry S. Martin; Honorable Judge Robert Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, escorted by Mrs. Jeanette Arrington; Mr. Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Billie Branch; Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Russell Swetland.

Now we'll just have a moment for this picture that will mean so much to these sitting before you.

Thank you. The Worthy Grand Matron feels that the labors of this year have been lovingly shared by the Board members and all of the Committee members and other Grand Officers, together with the cooperative support of the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the Subordinate Chapters. In that the design of the formation was inadvertently removed at installation and they could not be presented at that time, it is her desire that they be presented to you at this time. This will be done under the direction of Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal. While the formation is beginning, at its conclusion there will be a solo, "The Prince of Peace," by Mrs. Sharon Harbison, Ambassador of Peace from Chapter No. 996.

As you know, Sisters and Brothers, this time of the year brings to our countryside an array and splash of color. It is as though the Master pours forth beautiful color upon His earth. Isn't it fitting that at the close of our year where these officers have served so lovingly and so dedicatedly that we should have before us this gorgeous array of color. Do you appreciate it? (Applause) (Singing of "The Prince of Peace" by Mrs. Sharon Harbison.)

Thank you, Mrs. Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal. Thank you, lovely Sharon, for sharing your God-given talent.

We shall now proceed to adorn our altar. Throughout all stardom, an altar stands within the center of every Chapter room. This might well be compared to the heart of man within the center of the human body. The strength for the journey of life emanates from both. From the words of this Holy Book, we glean direction, strength and light for the pilgrimage of life. We shall now receive these precious, respected and beloved emblems. The Bible will be borne by Mr. Russell Swetland, husband of the Worthy Grand Matron; the marker by Mrs. Bobbie Paul, beloved widow of our Past Grand Patron, Mr. Arnold Paul; the square and compasses by Mr. Benjamin Spivey, a member of Burke Lodge and Burke Chapter No. 1098, the home

Chapter of the Worthy Grand Matron. This Bible has seen over a century of time come to pass into memory. It is the property of the Swetland family. It journeyed with a circuit rider, a Methodist minister, who was Mr. Swetland's great grandfather. It passed through communities lifting up to all the call, "Come unto Me and I will give you peace." Lovingly and tenderly in that spirit, it is placed upon our altar. Hands of beauty, talent and love created the Bible cover and marker. Those hands will now place the marker besides those words of the Holy Writ. May the marker bring unto our consciousness those words, "We have seen the star in the East and have come to worship Him," and may that worship be reflected in our thoughts, our words and our deeds throughout this "His Peace Be With Us" Session. While we are not members of the hallowed institution of Masonry, we are bound to its membership by the closest of blood ties and acknowledge in humility and appreciation the privilege of the square and compasses resting upon the Word of God from whence cometh the direction to both great fraternal orders. They come now to our altar to soon be placed upon this precious Book.

Every Worthy Grand Matron has personal emblems. To complete the adornment of our labyrinth, we now bring unto it the emblems of our beloved Worthy Grand Matron. The lyre is a lovely instrument of music and harmony. However, it is not until the skilled hand of man passes over its strings that its beauty is released unto the world. We too may be likened unto lyres and have the ability of releasing harmonious words unto those whose lives we touch. The lyre comes to its place through the hands of our Past Grand Matron who gave to us the beam of time, Mrs. Jane Gregory.

The rose is one of God's most beautiful gifts to the garden of life. The new hybrid peace rose came to us even as the world poured forth its blood upon the fields of battle in World War II. In its beauty and fragrance we can hear the call of Jesus, "Come unto Me and I will give you peace." Then in the hour of turmoil or trouble, those words that He spoke to the waters, "Peace, be still." It is placed upon its pedestal of honor by Mrs. Sherrill Cain, Scottish Rite Language Disorder Committee of General Grand Chapter and our own beloved Past Grand Matron of Texas.

As our eyes rest upon the feathers of the white dove, our minds quickly recall the scene of Jesus' baptism, when a white dove alighted upon his shoulders and from heaven came the words, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." Then too there is in the Bible, within its pages the scene of the dove as it went forth from the ark to determine whether the flood waters had receded and if it was safe for Noah to anchor the ark. Recalling God's use of this beautiful creature of His hands, the dove comes to its resting place by the hands of Mrs. Betty Whatley. She is the Prayer Warrior of the Grand Family of 1995-96.

This completes our Labyrinth's adornment. The heart of man never ceases to beat in patriotic rhythm when we behold the parade of our precious flags. As we prepare for this presentation, I ask you: What is a flag? My answer is it's a piece of cloth woven in a pattern, reminding us of whom we are, what we believe and those principles for which we stand, as well as those priceless liberties that have been purchased by sacrificial blood poured out upon the earth both near and far. Think upon this as our banners shall now pass in review.

Our nation's banner: A field of 50 stars one for every state within; 13 stripes representing those colonies that sought our independence. It was woven in faith and sacrifice, protected in loyalty of all through more than two centuries of years. At this moment it waves in peace, protecting even us as we are gathered here in Beaumont. As our eyes proudly rest upon it, our prayer is "long may it wave over the land of the free and the home of the brave". It is carried proudly by Mr. Forrest

Smith, an ex-serviceman and the Page to the Grand Sentinel.

Texas' proud emblem, a lone star, represents a territory that fought and bled for its independence, became a republic and then sought its place in the union of stars. Texas, beautiful Texas, our beloved homeland. It is carried by Mr. J. W. Clark, General Chairman of Home Laborers/Volunteers Committee.

Our Christian flag bears an empty cross, a reminder to us that Jesus, the Son of God, died for our sins and then rose again with the promise, "Because I live, ye shall live also. I go to prepare a place for you, and I will come to take you unto your place of peace eternal." It is hoisted by Mr. Harry Cunningham, Past Grand Patron and Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.

The flag of our worldwide order, the priceless gift of our founder, Dr. Rob Morris, uplifts the virtues of our Biblical heroines, with the clarion call to emulate them through our thoughts, our words and our deeds. This emblem is the tie that binds us and is borne majestically by Mr. Joe Jeffers, Past Grand Patron.

Attention, Sisters and Brothers, our beloved emblems are passing by unto their places of honor in the East.

Our Chapter room is now prepared for the ritualistic opening. Before I release the gavel, Worthy Grand Matron, I ask you to stand, please. Sweet friend, your magnetic charisma washes over me like the soft swell of water upon the baroque of my life. Thank you for the privilege that has been mine in serving for the ceremonial opening and affording me a priceless journey down memory's lane. Fifty years ago I stood where you stand, closing a year of sharing. Peace was still a new gift after three years of war. Another half century of constant service since that time has taught me that through sharing we may experience peace of mind and lift an eternal prayer of thanksgiving for the tie that binds us. You have kept the faith, and faith has made it possible for the hinges of this hour to swing open the door of another Grand Chapter session. You have learned that God does not take away darkness, but He guides us through it. Each happy event of this year are your precious memories for all of your years to come. Thank you for the sweetness of our relationship and for your dedicated year of service to our Star of the East.

And now, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you will retire your Officers and prepare for the ritualistic opening. Go in peace. May our Father's love and guidance enfold you. (Applause as Grand Officers retire.)

Sister Lena Maye Cook, will you come and stand by me. You are a sweet friend of forty years. For many years we have journeyed the road of friendship. We've shared our joys and shared our sorrows. You, Jim and your wonderful boys, have been a blessing unto me. How pleased I am to pass the gavel to you for the purpose of preparing for the ritualistic opening. And for the record, may I say just a word about this gavel. It was the one used by our Senior Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Cynthia May Watts, who now is quite ill. It was used to both open and close the sessions of "Peace" in 1943-44. It is now the wish that as it is used to preside over this session that we recall the struggle that still exists throughout the world and in many hearts for peace. Sister Watts was a role mentor of our Worthy Grand Matron. As it is used throughout this session, may our thoughts enfold our frail and beloved Sister. It now comes to your hands to proceed.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, for the kind words to me and to Ralph. You are an outstanding Master of Ceremonies; we all know how well you do your assignments. Let's tell her so. (Applause)

I am honored to be asked to open the "Living in Peace and Harmony" Session by the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary. This session is a beautiful one so far, and I know it will continue to be so. To the Grand East, to our visiting members from other Grand Jurisdictions, to all of this assembly, to our very own people: How pleased we are to say we love you and we are so proud of your presence in this Grand Chapter room this afternoon. We thank you. Being the great friend of all of you, no greater honor could have been given to me than to be asked to open this session. I know that you will enjoy every moment of it for it has been perfectly planned by our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Floor Officers.

No greater joy was mine when the Worthy Grand Matron told me she had invited Brother Ralph Davis, Past Grand Patron, to be by my side as we open the Session. Brother Ralph is a long-time friend of mine and yours. I know he has greetings for us. Brother Ralph.

**MR. RALPH DAVIS:** Thank you, Past Grand Matron, Sister Lena Maye Cook. I was asked to speak just a few words. I didn't want to miss the opportunity, so I wrote a few words down. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, members of General Grand Chapter, the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons of the State of Texas, and I suppose it would be a little remiss if I didn't address the Worshipful Grand Master of Texas, the Past Grand Master of Texas — two of them, Brother Vogel and Brother Lamb — and Brother Walker as the Grand Master of Texas, my Sisters and Brothers all: If I leave out mentioning you it's because of brevity of time. I wish to thank Sister Lena Maye Cook for affording me the opportunity of helping open this Grand Chapter and thank Sister Rosemary Swetland for asking me for I know that we've looked forward to this day for about four years with joy, Sister Rosemary, but it is the final act of the four years that you have labored for the Order of the Eastern Star. And what an admirable job you have done! Texas can always be proud that we have such a Worthy Grand Matron, and soon to be Past Grand Matron, to preside at this session. Time will never dim the beauty and excellence of your service to Grand Chapter. We have watched you this year as you have won the admiration of all members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas. You are worthy of the highest praise, and we salute you as one of the nicest, the kindest and fairest among thousands, altogether lovely.

And to the Worthy Grand Patron, I'm going to quote what a Past Grand Patron, Brother Herb Arnold, spoke when I was installed as Worthy Grand Patron of Texas. We know the mark of greatness through the service that is performed by a person. Our Worthy Grand Patron has performed admirably in the office to which he was elected and through which he served. I just want to say, quoting Brother Herb Arnold, "I had rather be a has-been than a might-have-been by far. A might-have-been has never been, and a has-been was once-are." And we salute our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron. When they assume the office of has-been Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron, we will welcome you with open arms. Thank you for asking me, Sister Rosemary; I do appreciate it. (Applause)

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Our invocation will be given by Sister Mary Brown.

**MRS. MARY BROWN:** Let us pray.

Our Father God:

Humbly we bow in adoration of Thy magnificent greatness — and in wonder of

the great love that prompted You to choose us, sinful man, to rule over the awesome beauty of Thy creation.

Create within us hearts of love as we come together to meditate and legislate the business of our great Order – love for each other and love for Thee, ever mindful of our charitable and beneficent purposes.

Forgive us where we fail Thee and strengthen us for the work You would have us do; and seeking to work in harmony with Thy will, we humbly come before Thee to claim Thy promise – “My peace I give unto you . . . My peace I leave with you . . .”

AMEN

(“Surely the Presence” sung by Grand Choir.)

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** We will have the “Peace and Harmony” drill.

(During the drill, the Grand Choir Director gave the following explanation.)

**GRAND CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Sisters and Brothers, your Installed Grand Officers and their Grand Pages have formed a beautiful descending dove on the Grand Chapter floor. This dove is representing the presence of the Holy Spirit during our deliberations at this Grand Chapter. Peace has been the prayer of your Worthy Grand Matron this year, so may we quietly invite Him to flow peace within the hearts of this membership as the Grand Choir sings “Wonderful Peace.” (Drill continued)

Now your Installed Grand Officers and their Grand Pages have flowed into a beautiful peace rose, which is the chosen flower of your Worthy Grand Matron for this year. Just as God has designed the unfolding of the delicate rose, may we see the unfolding of the plans for this Grand Chapter as the Grand Choir sings “Let’s Just Praise the Lord.” (Drill continued)

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** We will have a partial credentials report at this time. Ms. Melynda Giesenschlag.

**MS. MELYNDA GIESENSCHLAG:** Past Grand Matron, I am pleased to report that we have over 200 Chapters represented and have our quorum to open this Grand Chapter session. I move the adoption of this report.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** The motion has been made and seconded that we accept the report that we have a quorum of 200 Chapters or more and will be officially opened. Thank you.

We will have the entrance of the Installed Grand Officers. Our Grand Organist, our Associate Grand Conductress, our Associate Grand Patron and our Worthy Grand Patron will enter the Chapter room.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Associate Grand Conductress, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. (Grand Officers enter.) Sister Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron to the East.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** My Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to introduce our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Reverend Billy Combest. You will join me in saluting them with Grand



Honors. (Grand Honors given.)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The Grand Officers will take their respective stations and prepare for the active duties of this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East and Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers all: As your Worthy Grand Matron of Texas, I say welcome to our "Living in Peace and Harmony" 114th Session. Your presence here today is important and special to your Worthy Grand Patron and me personally and to the Grand Chapter of Texas as a whole. I have chosen this year to dedicate each session to a respective district within our state. You have just witnessed the ceremonial opening of the "His Peace Be With Us" Session which was lovingly dedicated to my home District 4, and you have seen the talents of the beloved Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and members who have or will be before this session closes perform and participate in their duties. No words are adequate to each of you for the service that you will render and for the kindnesses and encouragement and love that each of you has shown to your District 4 Grand Line Officer over the past four years.

So I'm just going to ask my heavenly Father to bless each of you with His peace.

Certainly I thank Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, our Master of Ceremonies, Sister Elsie Paladino, our Assisting Grand Marshal, Sister Lena Maye Cook and Brother Ralph Davis, who both share my home section of District 4, Section 1, for calling this session to order, and to the precious others that will stand by my side during this ceremony. Thank you, a dear, special thanks.

Sisters and Brothers, four years ago I had a dream to serve you, the membership; and you granted to me that honor and privilege. Now my tenure, dreams and hopes are coming to complete fruition in this beautiful setting here in Beaumont, Texas. My sincere prayer is that you will enjoy your stay with us, that you will participate in all of our deliberations and that you will work with your Grand Officers as they serve in peace.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet this membership with a welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Distinguished East, it's a wonderful view that we have from here as we look out there and see so many dedicated people that have come this way. It's because of you that we are starting this 115th year in Texas of the Grand Chapter, and we will start the 200th year as long as you stay faithful and be committed to it. I'm glad that each one of you is here. Pray for us that we get through this session, and that honor is brought to our God in Heaven and to our Order, wherever it may be dispersed. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers; I love each and every one of you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Now it is my joy to introduce my long-time friend who believed with me in conducting our Grand Chapter session here in Beaumont, her hometown. There were many challenges to meet, hurdles to climb, and decisions to make. However, together with our fine Executive and Arrangement teams, we have taken stumbling blocks, Sisters and Brothers, and made them into stepping stones. Now if we have missed anything for your comfort or convenience, to this next lady and the General Chairman of the Arrangements and General Co-Chairman, you will need to address them, and they will help you and take care of things, because we are learning. Thanks will never be enough.

Now I lovingly invite Sister Pauline Haussner Walker, my Executive Chairman for 1995-96, to bring us her welcome to her hometown. And, Pauline, I believe you also have a couple of other very special non-member guests that wanted to greet me personally. I invite you to preside.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Sisters and Brothers, it is a real privilege and pleasure on my part to introduce to you the representative of the City of Beaumont, our host city. We appreciate his taking time from a busy schedule to bring us greetings from the City. I now give you His Honor, the Mayor, the Right Honorable David Moore, Mayor of the City of Beaumont. (Applause)

**MR. DAVID MOORE:** Good afternoon.

**VOICES:** Good afternoon.

**MR. DAVID MOORE:** I love it when people talk back to me. Thank you. Let me take this opportunity on behalf of all the citizens here in the City of Beaumont and our City Council to welcome you here to our city. It has been 88 years since you've been here. What took you so long to get back? But we're thrilled, and I'm so happy that Pauline Walker took the opportunity to welcome you -- and her husband Lindsey who's there to support her -- are pillars here in our community.

I want to welcome you to a very, very wonderful city. We believe it's the greatest hometown in America, that is, other than the Grand Matron's hometown and your hometown. Okay? But on a very serious note, we're so pleased that you're here. We're so pleased that you're here simply because your Order, your organization, what you stand for, makes a difference in our world. When I looked at and viewed your theme, live in peace and harmony -that could be a wish for all of us. It's so significant. It's so significant to have you here not only because of the economic impact that you're going to have, but for all the symbols that you represent, and all the wonderful things that you believe in.

And the understanding that your Grand Matron believes is that the gifts that you have are not gifts until you give them back. And that is so, so significant of what we must do. We're really proud that you chose Beaumont this year to be here. And I understand that next year you'll be in the City of Dallas, and you can tell Mayor Ron Kirk to make sure he treats you as well as we do here in Beaumont. And then the following year you're going to Fort Worth, and you can tell Mayor Kenneth Barr, who's also a friend of mine, to make sure they take very good care of you when you get there. But while you're here in the land of Spindletop, we want you to enjoy the 81 square miles of God's diversity here, and take the time to enjoy our culture and share in some of the wonderful things, and the reason why we call Beaumont home.

But this is also Southeast Texas, and we want you to share in all the flavor that comes with this vast region of people and hospitality. I understand you come from various parts of this country and even from the country of Canada, but you're welcome here because Beaumont is a very friendly town. We view Beaumont as the right size city on the right side of Texas with the oversize mayor. (Laughter) That's easy enough to remember. (Applause)

I have one last task that I'd like to perform. I would simply like to say this. I talked about the symbols, and I've witnessed so many of your ceremonies here today. I'm just so happy that here are people who are concerned and who are good stewards of their gifts. They take on the challenges of literacy in our world, because if we can combat that and change it, then we're all winners. There's nothing more crippling than for people to be illiterate, but there's something that all of us can do.

And then your second cause is you take on that most challenging disease of cancer. It can be a very debilitating disease, but you've taken that on as a cause as well. And may you carry that sword high, and may you use it swiftly, and may we all work together to bring about a change.

You talked about the ties that bind you all together. Well, when I think about that, then it's time to call forward Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, your Worthy Grand Matron. If you would please step up here. As the mayor of the city, often I get the opportunity to meet people. When we have people of great fame, international stature, we like to bestow upon them a very special honor. As I was reading through your program, philosophically, many of the ladies share the same belief that I have. It's a statement by – I think it's Clifton de Greton – that talks about therefore I shall pass this way but once, and may I do all the good that I can. I have that hanging in my office, and I truly, truly believe it. So we have common ground here today.

But then you're special again because your Chapter was formed also on your birthday, I understand. I also understand that you've been in this Order for 27 years, and you have a very supportive husband by the name of Russell. Well, with all those wonderful things, and you chose to come to Beaumont, Texas, and you stated earlier that dreams come true. I want to give you and present you the key to our city, the key to the City of Beaumont.

To all of you here, have a wonderful time. You came here in your journey of peace. May you return home in peace as well. May we all leave this place a better person, having done good works while you're here. You're so welcome to Beaumont. And in this life nothing is perfect, but whatever we can do to make your stay better, please let us know. You're most welcome! (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** And now I bring to you another outstanding person of our area: the president and the head of Lamar University, the Honorable Dr. Rex Cottle. Dr. Cottle has been extremely cooperative and helpful to our Order in making arrangements and fitting us into the tight, usual academic schedule of a modern university; and we do deeply appreciate each and everything he has been able to do for us so far. I give you Dr. Rex Cottle, president of Lamar University. (Applause)

**DR. REX COTTLE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, welcome to Lamar University. On behalf of the students and the faculty and the staff of Lamar University, we are truly honored to have you here and sharing some time with us on our campus. Lamar University is known as the largest small university in Texas. It's large because we offer doctorate programs in all the engineering areas and deaf education; we offer more than 35 Master's programs and over a hundred undergraduate degree programs. It's small because we have the lowest student/faculty ratio of any public institution in the State of Texas. It is small because we have the highest percentage of our faculty that teach classes in the State of Texas. So when students come here, they get one-on-one relationships with our faculty. So we are truly honored to have you here and to share this experience with you. It's indeed a pleasure that Eastern Star people have chosen to come to the Beaumont area to experience Southeast Texas and to have a chance to be on our campus. We realize that it may inconvenience you because we continue to have classes, both today and tomorrow; and we apologize for that. But given your commitment to education, you understand that we're here to provide quality education to our students. So please bear with us if there's any traffic or any problems of commuting back and forth from your hotels to our campus. But indeed our students are really excited to have you here. If you have an opportunity to tour our campus, please do so. It's really a pleasure to have guests on our campus,

and we're always excited when anyone from Texas decides to come here. Likewise, I understand you have visitors from all over the United States and also from Canada. We welcome those guests as well. We encourage you to partake of our campus. If you'd like to visit classes, we would be honored to have you attend classes. We promise you will not have to take any examinations! (Laughter)

As David Moore, who's one of our graduates and also a football player for Lamar University – you can see by his size he was an awfully good football player – we really are excited to have you on the campus and partaking of the activities. The campus is alive with excitement; it's bristling. And again, really, we would like you to feel comfortable to visit any of our administrative offices or to really attend any of the classes if you have the spare time, if you want to sneak out. And David also wanted to plug that there are also malls and stores available for you ladies to go shopping. We've already promised one young lady that we'd leave the stores open a little extra late for you.

But, really, the campus, in terms of a university, is here to provide education; and we really want to commend you for your commitment to literacy. In Texas that is a serious problem. In the United States it's a serious problem. We in the State of Texas realize that of the adult population – only 15 percent of the adult population have a college degree. We need to increase that amount. Here in Southeast Texas only 11 percent of our adult population have a college degree. The national average is 16 percent. So we in Texas have a ways to go to getting up to the national average. So your commitment to literacy is a beginning to allow us to have a quality education and to allow our state to compete in the international and global arena. So I really commend you for all your efforts, and we really hope that it will not be 88 years before you come back. Our campus is only 73 years old, so we were just a dream when you were here in 1908, and we're now a reality. We hope that we will be around many more years and have an opportunity to host you again. So again on the behalf of the students, the faculty and the staff of Lamar University, thank you very, very much for coming to Beaumont. (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my very special Sisters and Brothers: The last time the Grand Chapter of Texas was welcomed in Beaumont was 1908, and that was 88 years ago. It has taken a long, long time but you finally came back, and we are delighted that you have come. That Grand Chapter session was held in the basement of the First Methodist Church downtown, which was right across the street from the Masonic Temple. Our streets were paved with brick, and the most modern mode of transportation was a horse and buggy. That First Methodist Church has been torn down, and another newer and more modern church built on the same site. The Masons built a new lodge and temple out in the growing West End, which is now Interstate 10. The site of the old Masonic Temple is now a parking lot. The brick streets have been paved, and the horse and buggy have been replaced with the most modern and much more expensive horseless carriages. Thanks to Beaumont Chapter No. 71, the hostess chapter for that 1908 Grand Chapter Session, we have a picture of all the ladies and gentlemen attending that 26th Session. It is on display close to the registration area on the concourse level. I hope that you will take just a moment to study it, and please note the tiny waistlines of the ladies. Surely, they must have been wearing corsets or waist cinchers!

Now many things have changed since 1908, but some have not. In 1908 the members attending the 26th session of Grand Chapter received the warmest welcome from the city officials, all the Masonic bodies, the *Daily Enterprise*, which was the name of the local newspaper then and from the citizens of this bustling, oil boom town. Banners were hung, and entertainment was planned. None of that has changed.

You have been welcomed by our highest city official, the Masonic bodies, the local newspaper, now called the *Beaumont Enterprise*, and from the citizens of a slightly larger oil-boom village of East Texas. Banners have been hung, and your entertainment has been planned.

In addition to all of that, the president of Lamar University was here to welcome you, together with members of the Beaumont Convention and Visitors Center. There has been television coverage, interviews on radio talk shows and several news articles in the *Beaumont Enterprise*, and the City of Beaumont really is happy that you are here. The Executive Committee and the Arrangement Committee have worked hard, and all have been very diligent in the performance of their duties. I hope that you will remember what has been one of the goals of our Worthy Grand Matron for this year, and that is to provide the Eastern Star membership of Texas with a wonderfully productive, but less expensive Grand Chapter. Again, thank you for being here, and welcome to Beaumont. And please don't wait 88 years to come back. Okay? Thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I wish to thank these sweet ones that have welcomed you. Now it is a double joy and a pleasure that I've been able to serve this year with one so loved and respected as our Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, who, by the way, also resides here in the Beaumont/Port Arthur area. We have both shared in the excitement of coming to his fine city, and he not only is serving on my Arrangements Committee in greeting distinguished members, but he has also consented to welcome you here today to his hometown. And, Brother Robert Walker, we find many wonderful things about you, but the thing I love so much is your gentle, loving sense of humor. Will you greet my membership of Texas? (Applause)

**GRAND MASTER WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Distinguished Guests. It is a privilege for me to welcome the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, to Beaumont. A year ago in Fort Worth at your installation, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we assured you that we would be waiting your coming to Beaumont with a loving heart and open arms. Worthy Grand Matron, when I spoke of a loving heart and open arms in Fort Worth, I didn't know how characteristic it was of you. As our paths have crossed during the year, I have seen you demonstrate that distinguishing quality: a loving heart and open arms. One incident in particular: On June 16th while attending the General Assembly of the Rainbow Girls in Houston, a Sister met you in the halls of the hotel; she was crying. Do you remember? You were with her for many minutes. You empathized with the Sister, and I believe I saw you wipe away a few tears of your own.

On behalf of the Appendant Bodies, the Shrine, Grotto, York Rite, the Commandry, the Council and Chapter and members of the Scottish Rite throughout Texas, and 150,000 members of the Grand Lodge, we now welcome you with open arms and greet you with a loving heart, with open arms because it is a delight to again see our many Sisters and Brothers throughout the State of Texas and throughout other states of the country and Canada, to renew those friendships, to strengthen the tie that binds in every family, with loving hearts because it is emotional to know, to feel the fraternal tie that binds. It's like a flower. Nobody sees a flower like a rose. It's so small we don't have time, and it takes time to see, like having a friend takes time. At this the 114th Annual Session, we have time now to take time that we see how close the heart does bind when the arms are open, for we each become a greeter with open arms and loving arms in the Order of the Eastern Star as we live in peace and harmony so that we may allow each other to be the best possible for our Heavenly Father. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, it is now time that we begin our formal ritualistic opening of the 114th Session of Grand Chapter. You have had your Credentials Committee report; you have had special welcomes by our non-members of our Order so all things are now ready for us to begin. I must ask that all who are not members of the Order of the Eastern Star will now please retire.

Sister Grand Warder.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will see that the doors to our Grand Chapter are secure and inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of opening this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "His Peace Be With Us" Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas and direct him to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to engage in the ceremony of opening this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "His Peace Be With Us" Session. You are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** The doors are secure, and there will be no interruptions, Worthy Grand Matron.

(Ritualistic opening of Grand Chapter.)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Let us unite in singing our opening ode, "Let There Be Peace on Earth."

I now declare this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "His Peace Be With Us" Grand Chapter Session duly opened for the transaction of business. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "His Peace Be With Us" Grand Chapter Session is duly opened for the transaction of business. Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Marshal, you will present the flag of our beloved United States of America in the East, and as you're presenting it, we're going to invite the assembly to join us as we sing "God Bless America."

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you will join with me in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Our National Anthem will be provided by Sister Sharon Harbison. Please continue your salute.

I wish to continue while our Grand Marshal is returning to her station. Your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Texas again wish to welcome each one of you to our session. I personally want to congratulate my Texas Installed Grand Officers for a beautiful and proficient ceremonial opening. Would the membership thank them, please? (Applause)

As the Grand Chapter of Texas must follow the dictates of its laws and structures, we now anticipate with much excitement the honor and privilege of extending a hearty Texas welcome to all of our distinguished members who have taken a moment out of their personal lives and their very busy schedules to come and share with the membership of Texas. We are pleased and delighted that you have done so, and we hope today that our greetings of welcome will in some small way express to you our appreciation for your presence here. The greetings now that will be extended by your Worthy Grand Matron and your Worthy Grand Patron to our honored guests are excerpts from our perpetual prayer calendar which was compiled this past year by our very own Peace Roses and Caretakers of Texas, 1995- 96. We felt it would be very appropriate that they, our Worthy Matrons and Patrons for that year, have a special part in our efforts to greet and make welcome all of our distinguished visitors and members. I might add that throughout the sessions this perpetual prayer calendar is offered out in our foyer.

Texas was most pleased last year in Fort Worth to have our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron with us. Therefore, they will not be in attendance with us at this session. However, Texas is very honored this day with the presence of a Past Most Worthy Grand Patron. Will he please stand? Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is a distinct honor and pleasure for me to introduce Brother Edward F. McDonald, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and a Past Grand Patron of Mississippi, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Ed, my membership of Texas is so very pleased that you have chosen to be with us. We have a special prayer wish for you on this day. May the love, peace and joy that all makes life dear abide in your heart now and bless you throughout our year. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My Brother, a friend is someone that is yours as long as time and life endures, sharing cherished moments when you know that you never pretend. We know that your friendship is for real. Welcome today, Brother.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is the joy of your Worthy Grand Matron to introduce to you Brother Edward F. McDonald, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Mississippi. You will salute him with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, he will remain in the East.

Texas is also very honored with the presence of Elective and Floor Officers of the General Grand Chapter, and especially since we have one of our very own in this wonderful position. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these distinguished members at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the privilege to introduce these General Grand Chapter Floor Officers: Sister Florence Adair, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Michigan; Brother Leonard Johnson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and a Past Grand Patron of Illinois; Sister Dorothy Dewing, Right Worthy Grand Conductress of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Oregon; Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of

Texas; and Sister Barbara White, Worthy Grand Marshal of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of West Virginia, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My dear ones, I am grateful that you would choose to come and be with us at this Grand Chapter session in Beaumont. Your presence is deeply appreciated. Our prayer wish and thought for you is: I look to Thee, my Father God, and know that I will find Your strength to help me through each day and grant me peace of mind. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Heaven sends us a gift each morning of a bright and new day. And what a joy it is to share it with the greatest gift of all, a friend and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Welcome, friends.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Elective and Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers of Texas, it is your Worthy Grand Matron's joy to introduce to you our Elective and Floor Officers of the General Grand Chapter. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Texas is honored with the presence of Committee Members of the General Grand Chapter and especially since we have some of our very own serving in this capacity. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these distinguished members at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor of introducing these General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Grievances and Appeals, Sister Effie Mae Davis and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Appeals and Grievances, Mildred Butcher, Past Grand Matron of Mississippi; Community Health and Mental Retardation, Mary C. McDonald, Past Grand Matron of Mississippi; Janet Niewold, Distribution of General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron of Illinois; Education, A. Allison Mitchell, Past Grand Matron of Mississippi; Necrology, Louise H. Patterson, Chairman, and a Past Grand Matron of Connecticut; Registration, Audrey J. Pavlik, Past Grand Matron of Wisconsin; Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorder, Sherrill Cain, Past Grand Matron of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My dear ones, how pleased we are that you are with us on this day. Our prayer wish and thought for you is that prayer is an attitude of our hearts, an attitude of our minds, and it is the golden cord linking heaven and earth. It is a resting place on the highway of life where one can linger from this world, set apart, and receive His peace. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. A friend is like an angel who strengthens you with prayers and blesses you with love and encourages you with hope. You encourage us with hope by your presence. Welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these distinguished members to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is my personal joy to introduce to you these Committee Members of the General Grand Chapter. You will join me in saluting them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.



Texas is honored – and me personally – with the presence of Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present my co-workers and Brother Billy's co-workers at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is a privilege to introduce these Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Helen J. Westmoreland, Florida; Dr. Anita Fields, Louisiana; the Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Brothers Robert Fielder, Florida; and Joe Stroud, Louisiana, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, Sisters Helen and Anita and Brothers Robert and Joe, better than anyone else in this room you will know what Brother Billy and I are feeling at this moment as we perform our duties. What a joy it is to have you be with us in Texas. Welcome. And our little prayer wish for you: Father God, this day and every day make our eyes Your eyes so that we may see need; make our words Your words that we may bring others comfort; and make our actions sincere and our thoughts pure and make our life a witness so that others may see You through us. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. When good friends walk beside us on the trails that we must keep, our burdens seem less heavy and the weary miles go swiftly by, taken in joyous stride because of you, and all the world seems brighter when friends walk by our side. Thank you for coming for these few days to walk by our side. Welcome, welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our co-workers to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is my joy to introduce to you these Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Texas is most pleased and honored today to have the presence of Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these distinguished members at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor of introducing these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Barbara Harrington, Colorado; Donna Yanz, Colorado; Barbara Sprayberry, Georgia; Nancy Wright; Illinois; Terrie Castay, Louisiana; Betty Le Bourgeois, Louisiana; Dorothy McClure, Louisiana; Gladys Raeside, Maine; Elizabeth Roach, Louisiana; Bertha Cadigan, Maine; Ann Kelly, Manitoba; Eleanor Mitchell, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Dorothy Pitsford, New Mexico; Carmen Villamil, Puerto Rico; Glenda Winchester, South Carolina; Cathy Childress, Virginia; Florence Morris, Washington State and Special Friend to the Most Worthy Grand Matron; Barbara Bollinger, Wisconsin; and these Past Grand Patrons: Glen Ballinger, Illinois; Gary Miller, Illinois; Edmond Hayes, Louisiana; Johnnie K. Hill, Louisiana; A. P. Le Bourgeois, Louisiana; Alvin Roach, Louisiana; Elmer Schultz, Minnesota; Jaime Villamil, Puerto Rico; Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My dear ones, how pleased we are. What a beautiful sight you are, and we thank you for coming and sharing with us on this special day. Here's our prayer wish for you: It has been my joy to find at every turning of the road the strong arm of a comrade kind to help me with my load. So my

only prayer is that while I continue to live, Lord, would you make me worthy of these, my friends. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. God made the sunshine and then the flowers; then He made the ocean blue. And to make the world just right, He made beautiful and productive Eastern Star members just like you. Welcome. Thank you for coming our way.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these distinguished members to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is my joy to introduce to you these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Now comes the time in the heart of any presiding Worthy Grand Matron, how deeply honored and proud she is to have those that have made this walk previous to her. These are our own, Texas' beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. They have made this walk, and they have earned this time. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these beloved members at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with much love and humility that I introduce these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, Molly Goodpasture West, Mildred Sharpe, Nancy Bailey Allen, Katherine Harbour, Thelma Joyce Alsup, Patricia Major Neinast, Joyce Roberts, Mary Brown – and also Sister Mary is Ambassador for the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York – Lena Maye Cook, Elise Hammack, Lois Bell, Beulah Speer, Elsie Paladino, Jean Nesbitt, Doris Efird, Betty Phillips Hager, Jane Gregory, Virginia Lynn Green, Wanda Fairchild; these Past Grand Patrons: Brother J. T. Sanders, Harold Todd, O. D. Christian, Oliver Chamberlin, Ralph Davis, Wayne P. Jones, B. F. Hutson, Glenn Whittaker, Garland W. Rattan, Leland G. Benefield, Charles Morris and Harry Cunningham – and I believe he has another title, Grand Senior Warden of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My dear ones, my final hour has arrived, and you are here to be by my side. I have learned from each of you. Your lives have touched my heart in a very gentle and special way, and I shall always respect and remember each of you. This is our prayer wish for you: He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater. He sendeth more strength when the labors increase. To added infliction, He added His mercy. And to our multiplied trials, He grants us His peace. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. May God bless you each hour every day. God bless each mile along your way. God has blessed your work and all that you have done. We now ask Him to bless your heart, your life and you for now and forevermore. We love you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort Texas' very own beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it's with humility and joy that I introduce to you our very own beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Texas is extremely honored today to have the presence of our Most Worshipful Grand Master and our Brother. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present our Most Worshipful Grand Master at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is an honor and a pleasure to introduce Brother Robert C. Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Honorable Sir and Brother and my friend, Judge Robert P. Walker, we recognize you not only as the head of our Masonic Fraternity in Texas, but also as a district court judge of the State of Texas, and a 33rd degree Scottish Rite Mason. We also recognize you as a deeply devoted husband and father and grandfather in that you try to spend as much time as possible with your six grandchildren. Brother Walker, this is our prayer wish for you: Pray in the morning, pray through the day. Talk with the Father in your own special way. Whether it's silent or spoken, just words from the heart. In all you do, let Father God have a part. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My greeting for you, Most Worshipful, is not just for today, but throughout your term in your present position and for always, may luck, health and happiness keep right in step with you all the way. Welcome, Brother.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Most Worshipful Grand Master to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it's a deep honor to introduce to you the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. You will join in giving him a loving, hearty Texas welcome. (Applause) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, he will remain in the East.

Texas is honored to have Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions present. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards in back of Esther's station.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor of introducing Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions: Audry J. Cleland, Grand Conductress of Florida and Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron; Shirley Watt, Grand Chaplain of Florida; Mary Eva Anderson, Grand Marshal of Florida; Gerri Rosenthal, Grand Ruth of Florida; Linda Every, Grand Esther of Florida; Mary Hendrickson, Associate Grand Matron of Idaho; Mary Ellen Clark, Grand Martha of Kansas; Lynn C. Bankston, Associate Grand Conductress of Louisiana; Myra K. Ramsey, Grand Marshal of Louisiana; Sharon Powell, Grand Adah of Louisiana; Lelia Guest, Grand Ruth of Louisiana; Shirley Stroud, Grand Esther of Louisiana; Maureen Bates, Grand Electa of Louisiana; Marjorie Diaz, Grand Warder of Louisiana; Pat Welsch, Grand Conductress of North Dakota, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** How pleased we are, my dear ones, that you have chosen to be with Texas. And here is our prayer wish for you: Grant me, O Lord, I humbly pray, the strength and the grace to face each new day. Grant me the courage and the wisdom so I may, with love, help the troubled ones that I meet along my way. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. There is

true joy in the life of our Grand Chapter today and the depths of our souls are filled with delight. There is love in our hearts as we welcome you here today. Thank you for making the choice to be with us. Welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, these distinguished members will be escorted to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is a joy for me to present to you these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions. Please extend to them a hearty Texas welcome. (Applause) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

As our Grand Conductresses continue their work on the floor, I did not notate this morning when we began that the gavel your Worthy Grand Matron is using is the gavel of Sister Cynthia May Watts who presided over the Grand Chapter of Texas in 1943-44 from my hometown of the Lufkin area. This gavel is made out of shell casings. It is very heavy and a beautiful tribute to this Worthy Grand Matron to be able to use it.

Texas is honored today with the presence of Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is a privilege to introduce these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions: Magalene Evans, Alabama in California; Floyd Philpot, Texas in Alabama; C. R. (Dick) Darnell, Texas in Arizona; Dorothy Woody, Australia in Arizona; Bobbie Nunn, Texas in California; Dick Hays, Texas in Colorado; Jeffrey Dennis, Texas in Delaware; Estelle Stout, Texas in Florida; Rollene Tucker, Texas in Georgia; Helen Owen, West Virginia in Florida; James R. Brian, Oklahoma in Idaho; Rosalie Ballinger, Texas in Illinois; Angela Diaz, Puerto Rico in Louisiana; Dale E. Hanington, Oklahoma in Maine; Sandy Driscoll, Texas in Minnesota; Phyllis Kolb, Texas in Missouri; Malcolm E. MacDonald, Texas in New Brunswick; Lillian Phillips, Texas in New Jersey; Kathlene Walker, Texas in New Mexico; Norma Davies, Texas in New York; Delores Schlosser, Texas in North Dakota; Jean Coombes, Texas in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Pat Shaw, Texas in Ontario; Eleanor Faust, Ohio in Georgia; Avis Kircher, Texas in Oregon; Lucille Parry, Pennsylvania in Texas; Mary Etta Helm, Texas in South Carolina; Christine Watson, Texas in Tennessee; Kathleen Cotrofeld, Texas in Vermont; Daniel Childress, Texas in Virginia; Pat Amdahl, Texas in Washington State; Florence Gjuka, Virginia in Washington State; Merlin Bollinger, Texas in Wisconsin, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My theme this year has been, and hope it will be throughout the world, peace. This word broken down is P - prayer, it can change every heart; E - everlasting life when from this world we depart; A - always to have Father God at our side; C - calmness we get when with Him we abide; and E - final eternity, the promise given to all who believe. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Bless all that you do and you say as you go your separate ways. Bless you for all the things you do when you represent one Grand Jurisdiction in another. May God continue to bless you as you go your way. Welcome today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, I now have the honor of

introducing to you these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East. What a beautiful job you girls are doing!

Texas is honored with the presence of Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these Grand Representatives at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the privilege of introducing the Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas: Ella Summers, Alberta; Marie Lord, Arkansas; Jean Lee, British Columbia and the Yukon; Wanda Smith, California; Betty Jo Dean, Colorado; and Brother Cleo Ellison, Connecticut who is our Official Photographer; Sue Ann Luton, Delaware; Lola "Peaches" Wallace, District of Columbia; Juanita Ewers, Florida; Max Fairchild, Georgia; Mary K. Easterling, Illinois, Patsy Jacobs, Iowa; Charles Moore, Kentucky; Gayle Brown, Louisiana; Betty Morris, Maryland; Mildred Hancock, Massachusetts; Allene Thompson, Michigan; Elsie Mae Tolley, Minnesota; Willie Mae Shaw, Mississippi; Georgia Ann Moxley, Missouri; Allene Barnhill, Nevada; Bettie L. Porter, New Hampshire; Dorothy Glasscock, New Jersey; Pansy Read, North Carolina; D. A. Morris, North Dakota; Mary Lou Piedlaw, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Charlene Stimits, Ontario; Mary Alice Alberts, Pennsylvania; Louise Norman, Quebec; Martha Grissom, Scotland; Dorothy Roose, South Dakota; Gladys Morgan, Utah; Genevieve "Smitty" Jones, Washington; Mary H. Beach, West Virginia; Billie Glover, Wisconsin, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** My dear ones, you can't light a candle to show others the way without feeling the warmth of that bright little ray, and neither can you give a rose all fragrant with dew without some of its sweetness remaining with you. Thank you for your attendance. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Friends make the world more beautiful as they share their point of view and help us all to see things in a little different view. Thank you for all you do as you go and represent us wherever you may be. Welcome today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas will be escorted to the East. (Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, it is my special privilege to introduce to you these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas. You will salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, Texas is privileged to have an Emeritus Grand Officer in the Grand Jurisdiction of Oklahoma. Would you please present her in back of Esther's station. If there are other Emeritus Grand Officers in the room, would they please quickly join.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it's an honor to introduce this Grand Secretary Emeritus of another Grand Jurisdiction: Sister Margaret Lester, Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Margaret, you know sometimes we get so comfortable in having someone a part of us that we forget their special place. I

trust that you will understand the Worthy Grand Matron. We are pleased to have you here in Texas, and we really consider you one of our own now. We thank you for being with us on this day. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. We appreciate you being here because we realize this broke your long, long record in attending your other Grand Chapter. Thank you for choosing to be with us today. We welcome you, dear lady.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort Sister Margaret Lester, Grand Secretary Emeritus, to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, it is my distinct pleasure to present this Grand Officer, Secretary Emeritus, of Oklahoma. Please give her a hearty welcome. (Applause)

Texas is honored to have with us Presiding Officers of other Appendant Bodies of Masonry. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these distinguished members in back of Esther's station. Presiding Officers of all other Appendant Bodies of Masonry.

We do not have any Presiding Officers. All right.

Do we have distinguished members of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls? Texas is honored today – I didn't recognize her because she's in her Grand Chapter Committee dress I believe – but we are very honored today to have with us a distinguished member of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present this distinguished member in back of Esther's station.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce Sister Pearl Mills, Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Pearl: Father God, help me to remember that nothing is going to happen on this day that You and I together cannot handle. I know that you are teaching that to the future of our Order, the beautiful Rainbow Girls. And I know also that in your life you have exemplified that you believe as we believe that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Thank you for encouraging and training our future young ladies. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. May joy and comfort greatly bless you and fill your days with cheer and happiness. May your life be filled with sweet contentment throughout all the years. Thank you. Welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort this distinguished member to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, I have the sweet, sweet privilege of introducing Sister Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Please give her a hearty welcome. (Applause)

Now, Sisters and Brothers, the best training you can have, you're still going to find that you make mistakes. One of my pages was out of my podium book, and I believe we have one more special sweet group to introduce. Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions. We are honored with their presence. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, I wish for you to present these

Grand Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions in back of Esther's station.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I have the privilege of introducing the Grand Chapter Committee Members of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Norma Lee, Grand Chapter, Pennies from Heaven and Personal Page to the Worthy Grand Patron of Louisiana; Bettye Wright, Pennies from Heaven and Personal Page to Grand Marshal of Louisiana; Sybill Duxbury, Pennies from Heaven and Personal Page to the Grand Marshal of Louisiana; Mary W. Stratton, Banquet Committee, Louisiana; Loretta Guillory, OES Memorial Foundation, Louisiana; Lorraine Jones, District Chairman of Good News of Louisiana; Juanita Wilkinson, Library Program and Personal Page to Grand Secretary of Louisiana; and Brother Wayne Walker, General Arrangements, New Mexico; Sister Ethel Logan, Finance Committee, Pennsylvania; Verna K. Viereck, Assistant Lecturer, Virginia; Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We are so pleased you have come our way today, and our prayer wish for you: And be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving each other just as God in Christ has forgiven you. And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and will reap a harvest of goodness. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My Sister and my Brother: Remember that life is a mirror. There are loyal hearts; there are spirits brave. There are souls that are pure and true. Then you should give to the world the best that you have, and it will certainly come back to you. Thank you for being here today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, I have the sweet privilege to introduce to you these Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions. Please greet them with a hearty Texas welcome. (Applause) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Our formal introductions for this Grand Chapter session have now been completed. We have welcomed our distinguished members, and I want to say personally to Sisters Yvonne Brownfield and Alma Lynn Bane and any assistants that we deeply appreciate your services. Sisters and Brothers, thank your Grand Conductresses. (Applause)

It is my joy now to invite my sweet friend and co-worker from the great Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana, Dr. Anita C. Fields, Worthy Grand Matron. Dr. Anita, I have enjoyed and am enjoying our walk together as a team, and I look forward to many, many more happy memories in the coming years. Will you please address my membership?

**DR. ANITA FIELDS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests and Texas' Darlings and Dears: I have – and several of your other guests – waltzed up and down Texas these last four days. Many of us came in from Oklahoma, so we know how big your state is. Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy, as one of your nearest neighbors, I can tell you that your Texas members have outdone themselves in welcoming your guests. Having been recertified recently as a Texan and frequently visiting your East Texas Chapters, I have always been welcomed with wide open, loving arms. Texans are known for their great love and concern for others. We anticipated a wonderful reception, and we your guests have experienced

your Texas-sized greetings, many courtesies, kisses and hugs. We have looked forward with anticipation to your "Living in Peace and Harmony" session. Harmony is living together in mutual respect and tolerance of one another's values, ideas and beliefs. Your guests strongly sense the loving harmony present among your members here at your Grand Chapter session. We know that you both have provided excellent leadership to your Grand Jurisdiction during 1995-96, and we wish for you a magnificent and most productive session.

Sister Rosemary, Brother Billy: On behalf of your Distinguished Guests, we took up a little collection as a love offering for you and for Billy. I want you to know it's there from our hearts as your Distinguished Guests. Thank you, Sister Rosemary, for the opportunity of responding to your most gracious welcome. Our friendship has been a great source of strength and support to me. No one else ever played "Chariots of Fire" for me at my own Grand Chapter session. I know that our friendship will continue for the rest of our lives, demonstrating that the Order of the Eastern Star does provide mutual support, social enjoyment and cheerful companionship as we traverse the labyrinth of human life. Good luck, my friend. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Dr. Anita Fields. What a delightful response.

How pleased and honored we are that our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter has taken a few moments out of her very, very busy and demanding schedule to be with us. I am most honored now to lovingly invite Sister Florence Adair to greet our membership. Sister Florence, will you come and stand by my side. I believe you asked of me a favor. I shall not disappoint you. (Worthy Grand Matron sang "O, How He Loves You and Me.")

**MRS. FLORENCE ADAIR:** I sure wish I could do that! But if I tried it, you'd probably all get up and walk out.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members, all these fine, fine people in this auditorium: It is a pleasure for us to bring you greetings from the General Grand Chapter, along with the best wishes of our Most Worthy Grand Matron and our Most Worthy Grand Patron. They are in Iowa right now completing part of their official duties, but they would have me invite you to join them in Orlando a year and a month – not quite a month – 23 days from now so that you might share in the plans that they have made for you for the 42nd Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter. Maxine says we're going to have fun, and I know we are. So we hope you will all come and join us and share in the fun and the fellowship of being a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

It's wonderful to be here in Texas. This is a beautiful state, and I've enjoyed every visit that I've made in the past. You always make us feel welcome. It's especially nice to be here when Brother Ed can be here, and his wife Mary. They've been a very special part of our Eastern Star life, those of us who are serving as Line Officers. Ed and Mary, it's always great when we can be with you. To our other Line Officers, our Appointed Officers, and to Sister Rennie especially, it's my joy to share this experience with you. Rennie, come over here. Dorothy and Glen and Barbara, you are all special. But this young lady that you have here in Texas is really a special lady. I know that you are just as proud of her as we are in the General Grand Chapter. And, Rennie, I shall never forget your work with our brand new Chapter in Monterrey and how beautifully you handled those Sisters and Brothers who had no idea whatsoever of what the Order of the Eastern Star is, and yet you have instilled in them a desire to be of service and to take part in all the joys of our Order. Bless



you, Rennie, for your work. (Applause) She even learned Spanish to do that. Now that's real dedication!

To Effie Mae and to Sherrill, Texas' other bright and shining Stars, we're pleased to be with you. We're just as proud of you as you serve the General Grand Chapter, as we know your members are of you. Bless you as you continue to serve our Order. (Applause)

It has been a very special, but a busy year for us. We were privileged to constitute Chapter No. 30 in the Philippines in May and then we went back to Mexico City to help reactivate that Chapter there. The General Grand Chapter Officers exemplified the work. And then two weeks later, we were back in Monterrey with Sister Rennie for that beautiful institution of Los de Monterrey Chapter. And then the first of September we went to Vienna, Austria, and constituted Light of the Heart Chapter No. 2, which is the Chapter that Brother Ed and Sister Dorothy started working on six years ago. And that is a beautiful Chapter with 47 resident members and 23 dual members, so they are ready to take on the work of the Order. I'm sure you will be pleased to know that one of the projects they were working on while they were trying to become a Chapter was to help take care of the battered children in Bosnia.

It is wonderful to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. You are very special people, and I will say to the members of the Subordinate Chapters, you are particularly important to the General Grand Chapter for you are the ones who complete the plans and finish the dreams of your Worthy Grand Matrons and your Worthy Grand Patrons. Without you we would be nothing. So you should pat yourself on the back for the work that you do for the Order of the Eastern Star.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you've had a beautiful session. We know it's going to continue to be one. We wish you peace, contentment and harmony for the rest of this session and for the rest of your lives. To the West, we wish you the very best as you assume the stations that have been filled by others before you. We know you will equally lead this proud state to a happy future.

Now we will go home – those of us who have been with you – with many happy memories of the beautiful friendship you have offered to us. And if I would have a word to leave with you, Sisters and Brothers, I would say, in all ways and in all things please let gratitude be your attitude. Thank you very much. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Now what a special honor and privilege to have our Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter who has taken time out of his busy schedule to come and be by the side of Sister Florence Adair and to be with us in Texas. I wish to lovingly invite Brother Lennart Johnson to greet my membership. Brother Lennart, will you come be by my side a moment. Brother Lennart Johnson has a very special club back home that love and respect him. They have a very special project that they're doing in honor of Brother Lennart Johnson and to those Grand Jurisdictions that he chooses to visit. So this year Brother Lennart chose to visit with Texas, and we were sent two beautiful lap afghans, one for the Worthy Grand Matron and one for the Worthy Grand Patron to choose someone that would receive this lap afghan in honor of Brother Lennart and his people. This is the one he sent to the Worthy Grand Matron, and the Worthy Grand Patron is holding up his. Brother Lennart, I have chosen to take my lap afghan and see that it is given to Sister Sally Matranga, Past Grand Matron of Texas who now resides in one of our Turner Geriatric Centers. Worthy Grand Patron, would you wish to say where yours will be going?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Yes. My Brother, yours will be delivered – the one that you presented to me in your name – to Sister Opal Cooper, a member of Gate City Chapter No. 77 and a dual member of my own Chapter, Princeton 1126, who is 88 years young and still active. Thank you, and she will thank you when she receives this.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Lennart, we wait for your greetings.

**MR. LENNART JOHNSON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Patron, to my Sisters and Brothers: I would like to explain on these lap robes, we have a club that was formed in Illinois when I was elected as the Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, and they took upon themselves this project of every Grand Jurisdiction that I visit to send a couple of lap robes ahead of me for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to present whoever they feel the Sister or Brother – it doesn't make any difference which one it would be. And they've taken upon themselves this project to go all the way through November 2000 at our 43rd Triennial Assembly in Detroit, Michigan. It is a very big project I think for Illinois, but Illinois – the Sisters and Brothers of Illinois want to show their love and friendship of Illinois to the rest of the world. We appreciate everything that everybody has done for Illinois, and now we want to reciprocate and show a little bit of our love for the rest of the world.

And, you know, Sisters and Brothers, our Grand Master – or your Grand Master – I would say our Grand Master also because I kind of include all Grand Masters as my Grand Master also -- he was talking about membership and so forth. And Sister Florence just mentioned to you about the Chapters that were instituted this year in some of the foreign countries. I'd like to tell you a little story of what happened to us in Illinois this year. A year ago I had a reception upon the North Shore in a big Masonic temple where there is no Eastern Star Chapter in that city, the City of Evanston, Illinois. There were two Brothers – the Worshipful Master of the Lodge that sponsored us in there and the Secretary – after the reception was over, they were so impressed on everything about our reception, they asked me how they would go about – one would go about getting a Chapter into their temple. And I told them there was two ways: they could talk another Chapter into moving into their building or they could go into the process and form a brand new Chapter. The latter is what they did. We instituted our first Chapter in Illinois in 30 years this year, for in June we instituted a brand new Chapter in the City of Evanston. And on the night when we instituted that Chapter, we initiated 50 brand new members into that Chapter. (Applause) Not only the 50, but what is really gratifying is out of the 50 new members, 70 percent of those members were between the age of 25 and 40 years of age. (Applause) Illinois did something else. Our Grand Master in Illinois this year was criticized when he first brought it to the attention of his Grand Officers, but he said he was going to go through with it and he did. Last February, it was a cold day on Saturday in Chicago in Medina Temple, which is the Shrine Temple. It was 10 below zero that Saturday. Medina Temple seats 5,000, and that temple was full of Masonic Brothers that day to witness the degrees and a multiple class where they received the first, second and third degrees all in one day by the Grand Lodge Officers. That day they raised 740 candidates to the sublime degree of Master Mason. It went on so good that they had three more classes throughout the year in different parts of the State of Illinois. And in four days – four classes – they raised over 3,000 brand new Masons into the lodge. Now you see, some may not agree with it. They say, "Well, what would a Brother get out of getting his degrees in one day?" A lot of the Brothers – a big majority of the Brothers were businessmen that could not donate much of their own time to Masonry because of their business and traveling and so forth. Quite a few of them were policemen and firemen, who with their rotating shift could not possibly get off the time to go to the different degrees. So

sometime we have to change our ways just a little bit. Now I'm not saying that this is the answer, but maybe it's a start. And what we can do in Illinois with these 3,000 Brothers is it will be a test case I think, because over the next few years we can see just exactly on these 3,000 Brothers how many will stay in their lodge and become officers and be active, so maybe the whole rest of the world – maybe we can change our ways just a little bit and be that much better off.

Sisters and Brothers, I thank you for everything that you have done for my wife and I in the state – in your Grand Jurisdiction. We have enjoyed it fully, and now as I have closed every time I speak, I will tell you the reason why. When I was elected as the Right Worthy Grand Sentinel in St. Louis, my Worthy Grand Matron that I served with – I don't know how many were at that session but she was the Page to the Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and she was the little one that was in the wheelchair. And at that session, she told me "Brother Len," she said, "I seen you through elected as the Grand Sentinel and you're on your way." But she said, "I will not see you through any of the other sessions." She passed away just shortly after that. But she would close, when she was Worthy Grand Matron, with this saying – and I made it mine – well, I will close all of my speeches because I know that she's with us and she'll be with me when I attain the office, hopefully if you delegates elect us, as Most Worthy Grand Patron. So I would leave you with this thought: May the peace that passes all understanding abide with you and yours from this day forth. God bless. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Lennart Johnson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, for those wonderful and inspiring greetings. Sisters and Brothers, throughout our session between now and Saturday, we'll try as best we can to follow the printed program, but every once in a while we like to have a few surprises, something that might not be printed in your program. And such is the one now that I'm going to call to the podium: Brother Edward F. McDonald. We have a Past Most Worthy Grand Patron with us, and Brother McDonald, I wish for you to greet my Texas membership. Thank you for your presence here this day.

**MR. EDWARD McDONALD:** Thank you, Sister Rosemary. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members, other Distinguished Guests, my Sisters and Brothers: It is indeed a joy and a pleasure to be back in the great jurisdiction of Texas. It has been seven long years since I had the opportunity of visiting with you in your session in Fort Worth when Sister Doris and Brother Harry were presiding. You people were mighty good to us. I met my page, Brother Charles Moore, and his wife here tonight. That's the first time I've seen them since I was there. For 15 long years as I served on General Grand Chapter Committees and then through the line in the General Grand Chapter, my sweet wife was my page, secretary and you name it, and that's what she was. So for these three years, I'm serving as her chauffeur and page as she travels around as Chairman of a General Grand Chapter Committee. That's what brings me back to Texas today.

It's always a pleasure to be in the company of our General Grand Chapter Officers. They're fine people. Of course, they were in our family, that's one reason they're fine. But it's most special to be in the Grand Jurisdiction of Sister Rennie. As you know, she was one of our Committee people. And to see the people that have traveled such long distances to be here. I know we've had them from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, from New Brunswick and Manitoba in Canada, from Puerto Rico, from Maine, Connecticut across to Washington and Oregon, New Mexico across to Florida, and most of the places in between. And that just tells you what people think of the great State of Texas when they come to visit with you.

Speaking of long distances, when I served as Worthy Grand Patron of Missis-

issippi, I served with Sister Emma Lou Brown who was Worthy Grand Matron of Florida; and I notice some people from Florida here tonight. Sister Emma Lou – the story was told when I was down in Jacksonville that Sister Emma Lou had a maid that answered the phone. The phone rang. She went over and picked up the phone and said, "Hello. Yes, sir; yes, sir; yes, sir, sure is," and hung up. The phone rang again. She went over and picked it up and said, "Hello. Yes, sir; yes, sir; yes, sir, sure is," and hung up again. That went on three or four times in a row. Finally Emma Lou said, "Matilda, what's going on? The phone rings. You go over and say, 'Hello. Yes, sir; yes, sir.'" She said, "Well, the phone rings and I say hello. And they say, 'Is this Mrs. Brown's residence?' I say yes, sir. They say, 'Is she there?' I say yes, sir. They say, 'Long distance from New York.' I say, 'Yes, sir, it sure is.'" (Laughter) Of course, that was before we had the automated telephones that we have today.

But I want you to know that these people have traveled long distances to be with you because you treat us so well. The people of Texas, they just roll out the red carpet. And, Worthy Grand Matron, I want to tell you what a joy it has been to be here and thank you for all the courtesies that have been extended to us. Thank you so much. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Edward McDonald, for your words of greetings to my membership of Texas. And I could not let this opportunity pass by without one more surprise for you this afternoon. I now lovingly invite our Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Rennie Ofton, to greet her membership. Mama Redbird, I served as your Deputy Grand Matron, and you are still a loving, gentle and happy lady as you were then. I love you dearly. Please greet Texas.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, my special friend of many years. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Elective and Appointed Officers, Committee Members, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Visitors and Members all: Life is wonderful, isn't it? Eastern Star is wonderful, isn't it? Here we are, members from near and far, enjoying a fraternal relationship which is second to none. How blessed we are. In 1994 in Memphis members of General Grand Chapter saw fit to honor Texas with the position I now am privileged to hold. This honor, a challenge to serve our beautiful Order in a far-reaching realm, is not mine alone, but belongs to all of us in the Grand Chapter of Texas.

Dr. Effie Mae Davis, my gracious and loving friend, I express my heartfelt thanks to you for traveling with me. We've had some wonderful and unique experiences, haven't we? Let's write a book. These Past and Present Officers of General Grand Chapter who are here with us have dedicated many years of service to foster the work of our beautiful Order. Now we in Texas have the responsibility and opportunity to join in the activities to turn around our loss of membership, apathy in our important Ritual work and weaknesses in our Chapter. Are we ready to assume the responsibility to try to do this? I think we are, and I think we can do it. As I endeavor to serve, I pray that we can walk hand in hand through this pathway of service. Your love and support already have been manifested in so many ways, so I have no doubt that we will accomplish the required goals set for our service.

Thank you for giving me the capability to look ahead with confidence because I know you are there with me. I love you all. Thank you very much. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Next on our order is the filling of any vacancies. It has been a blessing to your Worthy Grand Matron this year not to have any vacancies during her tenure of service in 1995-96. However, I do wish to announce at this time that our Parliamentarian, Mr. Denman Watson, cannot be with us until

Saturday due to his immense responsibilities within his school district. Therefore, I have invited our trusted friend, Mrs. Donna Reed, to share the East with me during Thursday and Friday. And Sister Donna, I wish to personally say thank you in front of the Texas membership. You are no stranger to the Grand East. There's all these many years that you have offered your expertise to us, and I want you to know that I appreciate once again you stepping in and helping my Parliamentarian, Brother Denman Watson. Thank you, Donna.

And it is my joy to appoint our Telegram Committee for this 114th Grand Chapter session. As with all of my duties, I chose it very prayerfully and carefully. I wish to invite three very special ladies to serve on this Committee. I am asking Sister Mary Katharine Smith to serve as the Chairman of this Committee. And I have asked Sister Thelma Joyce Alsup and Sister Molly Goodpasture West to assist her in these duties. I am grateful to these dear ones who will be notifying those beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who cannot be with us physically at this Grand Chapter session, but we know are with us spiritually and praying for us. They will be sorely missed.

A couple of announcements. First, we do have exhibits and they are in and out of our session, placed around, and we hope that you will take a few moments to peruse the items that they may have and let them know that we appreciate them very much supporting our Grand Chapter and having their wares here for us. And, second of all, Sister Pauline Haussner Walker, our Executive Chairman, has a quick announcement regarding the parking for our general banquet tonight at the Beaumont Civic Center. Sister Pauline, will you come and explain to us – and, by the way, Sister Pauline, while you're coming, have you made a couple of phone calls regarding the weather? You know, Executive and Arrangements takes cares of all needs of this Grand Chapter, and I hope you have checked on the weather.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** The general Grand Chapter banquet will be held tonight at the Civic Center downtown. Now if you get on College and go east and go as far as you can go, you're going to run into Main Street downtown. You lift your eyes, and that's the Civic Center. There is parking on the east side and parking on the west side. Either parking lot is fine. They are both operated by All Right Parking Garages. And as long as you have a yellow OES parking pass on the dashboard of the car, you won't get charged. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You didn't want to report on the weather, Sister Pauline? It is wet! It is raining. You know, Sisters and Brothers, rain is simply a cleansing gift from the Father God.

At this time now I lovingly invite Sister Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron and Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee for 1995-96. Sister Elsie, will you bring us greetings, please.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: It has been a long day. Worthy Grand Matron, in looking around this auditorium, I do not believe that we have a quorum. Would you like to ascertain or ask those, or may I just proceed and ask, those who are Chapter representatives please stand. From my viewpoint I do not believe that we still have a quorum. Worthy Grand Matron, what is your opinion? I do not want to proceed with any business when we do not have a quorum.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we anticipate a wonderful banquet tonight at seven o'clock with nearly 1200 paid tickets. Would you rather – since we're very close here, would you rather us go into the final stages of this ceremonial opening and begin with a very fast-paced business of legislation

tomorrow? (Applause) Then I grant you your wish. Sister Elsie.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. The preliminary report of the Jurisprudence Committee will be given in the morning, and then the Worthy Grand Matron assures me that we can begin presenting the amendments immediately following lunch tomorrow. Sisters and Brothers, we're going to need your presence to finish the business and I know that we will have your attention, then we can go through the business very rapidly and the Worthy Grand Matron then can proceed with other things. Be sure you study your advance report for tomorrow. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Elsie Paladino. We will anxiously await a very busy and productive and peaceful Grand Chapter Session tomorrow. If you'll stay with us for just a couple of moments, we wish to go into now the closing of this ceremonial opening.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling this Grand Chapter session from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "His Peace Be With Us" Grand Chapter session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I now lovingly invite Brother J. T. Sanders to offer our benediction.

**MR. J. T. SANDERS:** May we bow our heads, please. Our Father, we are thankful for the love and friendship we enjoy as members of this great Order of the Eastern Star. With humble hearts we thank You for the Order of the Eastern Star and the moral truths it imparts to us. May we ever be mindful of the blessings we enjoy as a society of Sisters and Brothers dedicated to the good things in life. Be with our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and guide and direct them in all of their actions and deliberations so that this 114th Session of Grand Chapter will be pleasing in Thy sight. We ask Thy help to all of us in meeting our responsibilities so that when this session of Grand Chapter is over, all of our experiences will leave a pleasant memory in our minds. All of this we ask in the name of our Heavenly Father and His Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. (The Holy Bible was closed.)

I now call this Thursday afternoon ceremonial "His Peace Be With Us" Session from labor to rest until 8 a.m., Friday morning, at which time we will continue the business of this Grand Chapter. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this "His Peace Be With Us" Grand Chapter Session is called from labor to rest until 8 a.m. tomorrow morning.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, may His peace go with us for the remainder of this another day which the Lord Father God hath made. Farewell.



*General  
Banquet*



*Star Celebration - Texas Style*



*Beaumont Civic Center  
Beaumont, Texas*





HONORING

*Mrs. Rosemary T. Sweetland*

*Mr. Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron*

*Texas "Own General Grand Chapter Committee Members*

*Mrs. Rennie Oton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee*

*Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman of Appeals and  
Grievances*

*Mrs. Sherrill Cain, Member of Scottish Rite  
Language Disorder*

*Mrs. Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy  
Grand Matron to New York*

*Mrs. Molly Goodpasture West, Special Friend of the  
Most Worthy Grand Matron*

PROGRAM

*Master of Ceremonies, Mrs. Pauline Haussner Walker  
Chairman, Executive Committee*

INVOCATION

*Mr. Garland Rattan, Past Grand Patron of Texas*



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WELCOME

*Mr. J. T. Sanders, Past Grand Patron of Texas*

*Response: Mrs. Florence A. Adair,  
Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron*

DINNER

INTRODUCTIONS

*Mrs. Elise Hammack, Past Grand Matron of Texas*

GREETINGS

*Mr. Robert Walker,*

*Most Worshipful Grand Master of Texas*

*Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*Mr. Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron*

*Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron*



BENEDICTION

*Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green, Past Grand Matron of Texas*

*October 24, 1996 – 7:00 p.m.*

*Beaumont Civic Center*

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**MRS. PAULINE KAUSSNER WALKER:** Howdy!

**VOICES:** Howdy.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** I think you can do just a little bit better than that.

**VOICES:** Howdy!

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** That's what I like to hear. Now before we get started, we really need to bring in the two Star honorees so they will not miss the fun, food and fellowship. First, let's bring in our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy Combest, escorted by his most loyal supporter and helpmate, Sister Freda Combest. (Applause) And the shining Star of this celebration and the whole Grand Chapter, and our lovely Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, and she is escorted by her island-hopping husband, Brother Russell Swetland. (Applause)

And now welcome to the Star Celebration – Texas Style General Grand Chapter Banquet. Can you believe this crowd? When we started planning for this General Grand Chapter Banquet, we were hoping for at least 500. At last count there was 1100-plus tickets sold for tonight. Now that really is a Star Celebration – Beaumont style.

Brother John Davis, we thank you for the special music setting the mood for this Texas style banquet. John will keep us musically entertained throughout the dinner. But, first, let's have the invocation. The invocation will be given by a very special Past Grand Patron, Brother Garland Rattan. Brother Garland.

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Just remain seated and join hands with the ones at your table, please.

Dear Lord, how great are Thy mercies to Your people. We come before Your throne of grace because You have given us this privilege. We come in adoration of Your Being. We come in thanksgiving for Your provision. We are always a thankful people because You have chosen to live within us. Thank you for the Order of the Eastern Star and the great truths on which it was founded. At this time in our Grand Chapter, it is fitting that we praise You for those lives that have been dedicated to OES truths. It is fitting that we thank You, Lord, for the guardian angels that have protected our Worthy Grand Matron, our Worthy Grand Patron, our General Grand Members, the Floor Officers and the dear Sisters and Brothers in their travels. We ask a blessing that the food provided here this evening will strengthen our bodies for further service and that the Holy Spirit will fill us with divine direction to do Your will. And now as we begin this evening of celebration Texas style, let us remember the verses from Proverbs: A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, and a merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance. Thank you, Lord, for this time of joy. Amen.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Thank you, Brother Garland. A welcome will be brought to you by our senior Past Grand Patron of District 4, Brother J. T. Sanders.

**MR. J. T. SANDERS:** Master of Ceremonies, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of General Grand Chapter, Right Worthy General Grand Elected Floor Officers and Committee-Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Most Worshipful Grand Master Robert C. Walker,

and other Grand Officers, Sisters and Brothers all: It is an extraordinary honor for me to be given the privilege of extending this welcome to all present at this Star Celebration – Texas Style Banquet in honor of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Texas' own General Grand Chapter Committee Members. The local committees have worked long and hard in planning and putting together this banquet as you see it here tonight. Before it was assembled as you see it now, it was all in the minds of those committee members. And as we see it tonight, we cannot help but realize that they had our comfort and pleasure in mind or it would not have turned out like it did. With all this in mind, I am sure that they had in the back of their minds somewhere that all of their plans maybe would have been for nought and be but a tinkling cymbal if no one came to the banquet. So you can see it takes planning, work and attendance – the combination – to make an event a success. And that combination we certainly have on this occasion.

So on behalf of the local committees, I say we are glad you are here. We welcome you. We especially appreciate Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of General Grand Chapter and the Right Worthy General Grand Chapter Floor Officers and Committee Members and the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions; and we're especially honored to have our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Robert P. Walker, with us and everyone else. In fact, we're honored to have everyone present with us. Your presence is the main ingredient to this event to make it a success.

So we say thank you, thank you, thank you for coming. Welcome, welcome, welcome. We're glad you're here. (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** The response to this most gracious welcome will be given by the lady who will soon be the leader of the whole world as far as Eastern Star is concerned: the Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron of General Grand Chapter, Sister Florence Adair.

**MRS. FLORENCE ADAIR:** She just gave me shivers in my boots. Are you ready, Lennart, because if I'm going to be she, you're going to be he!

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and all you wonderful people out there, those who are from Texas and those who are to Texas, aren't you glad you're able to be here this evening and share in the festivities? (Applause) I sure am. We thank you, J. T., for that fine welcome to all of us. We can see by looking out there that the committees have worked hard, have planned well and now we're going to enjoy a fun evening. And all I can say is let's eat, eat, eat! (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Let's obey her instructions since she's going to be leading the whole world as far as Eastern Star is concerned. Let's eat, eat, eat!

(Dinner.)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, the lady who's going to be in charge of the whole world said it was all right if I asked you to come back up here so we can go on with the evening.

We want everyone to have a wonderful time tonight, so rather than have the evening drawn out too long and since we've got the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron back, we're going to go ahead and get started with the program. If you haven't finished eating, please continue. It's time now for

introductions, and they will be made by the Past Grand Matron of Texas with the great big smile. That's none other than Sister Elise Hammack. (Applause)

**MRS. ELISE HAMMACK:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members, Most Worshipful Sir, other Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers all: I'm indeed pleased to be the one this evening to make the introductions. Now I'm not the first one you've heard make introductions since you've come to this Grand Chapter. And in Texas we tell you who we are over and over and over again, so I'm going to try it again.

I want to thank Gerri Matthews and Mary Dennis for furnishing me the names of those who I'm to introduce this evening. Very seldom in my life in Eastern Star have I been the one that's been called on to make introductions. And very likely when this is over, you'll understand why. I usually try to turn my head or act like I don't know what they're talking about when they mention introductions because I've never liked to do it because I always leave someone out. So, Mary and Gerri, if we do not have everybody on my list, when we leave tonight, let's run, let's get out first.

I know how important it is to everyone to hear their name called and to hear it called right. Everybody in this room knows I'm very sensitive about how my name is pronounced. I've been Elise all my life, 63 years, and seldom do people who've never seen me call me Elise. They usually call me Elsie, and that gets my attention in a hurry. When I was a little girl -- in fact it has been going on all my life. When I went to the first grade in a little bitty country town up in Rusk County in East Texas, the second day my daddy saw the school teacher at the store -- the country store. And she said, "Mr. Buckner, your daughter does not answer when I address her. When I call her name, she doesn't look at me. She looks around the room."

He came home and he said, "Suki, why don't you answer the teacher when she addresses you?" And I said, "Well, she hasn't called my name yet." And my daddy laughed about that all of his life. They didn't call my name right, and he didn't blame me.

So it is my special privilege this evening to make the introductions, and I am most pleased to introduce the brightest Stars in Texas; constellation, our Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary T. Swetland, and her husband Russell, Grand Escort, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Billy Combest, and his wife, Freda, Grand Esther. Will you greet them? (Applause)

Along with our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we're honoring Texas' own General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members. Will you rise as I address you? Rennie Oton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Past Grand Matron of Texas, and her husband Paul, Grand Escort; Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman of the Appeals and Grievances Committee, General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Sherrill R. Cain, Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders, and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, accompanied by her husband, Dr. Bicker Cain, Grand Escort. Will you greet these? (Applause)

We're favored by the presence of a Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Edward McDonald, a Past Grand Patron of Mississippi, and his lovely wife Mary, who is the Chairman of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Committee of the General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Matron of Mississippi. Please thank them for their continued support. (Applause)

Other General Grand Chapter Elective and Floor Officers are here, and we're pleased to introduce: Florence Adair, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Michigan, and her husband, Robert; Lennart R. Johnson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and a Past Grand Patron of Illinois, and his wife Lois; Dorothy Dewing, Right Worthy Grand Conduress of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Oregon; Barbara White, the Worthy Grand Marshal of the General Grand Chanter and a Past Grand Matron of West Virginia. (Applause)

Other General Grand Chapter Committee Members are here. Will you rise as I call your name: G. Janet Niewold, Distribution Committee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Illinois – I guess she's gone; A. Allison Mitchell, Education Committee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and his wife, Eleanor Mitchell, a Past Grand Matron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Barbara B. Davis, Heart Committee of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of New Hampshire, and her husband Ken; they were here. Louise H. Patterson, Chairman of the Necrology Committee of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Connecticut, accompanied by her mother, Ellen van Bone, a Special Friend to the Most Worthy Grand Matron. Will you greet them? (Applause)

We have Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Will you stand as I call your name. Helen Westmoreland, Florida, and her husband Victor; Dr. Anita Fields, Worthy Grand Matron of Louisiana; Robert Fielder, Worthy Grand Patron of Florida, and his wife Dorothy; Joe Stroud, Worthy Grand Patron of Louisiana, and his wife Shirley. Will you greet them? (Applause)

Audrey Pavlik on Registration Committee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Wisconsin; Mildred Butcher on Appeals and Grievances Committee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Manitoba. I'm sorry I missed you. Will you greet them? (Applause)

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. We have Barbara Harrington, Colorado; Donna Yanz, Colorado; Barbara Sprayberry, Georgia; Dorothy McClure, Louisiana; Elizabeth Roach, Louisiana; Terrie Castay, Louisiana; Ann Kelly, Manitoba, Canada; Gladys Raeside, Maine; Bertha Cadigan, Maine; Dorothy Pitsford, New Mexico, and her husband Art; Glenda Winchester, South Carolina; Cathy Childress, Virginia, and her husband Dan, Grand Representative of Texas in Virginia; Barbara Bollinger, Wisconsin; Carmen Villamil, Puerto Rico, and Jaime Villamil; Glen Ballinger, Illinois, and his wife Rosalie who's a Grand Representative of Texas in Illinois; Gary Miller, Illinois; Edmond Hayes, Louisiana, and his wife Velma; Alvin Roach, Louisiana. Will you thank this group for coming? (Applause)

Texas' own Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, will you rise as I call your names. Mary Brown, a Past Grand Matron of Texas and she is the Ambassador to New York for our Most Worthy Grand Matron; Nancy Bailey Allen; Beulah Speer and her husband Brooks; Elsie Paladino and her husband John; Jean Nesbitt; Doris Efrid; Betty Phillips Hager; Virginia Lynn Green and her husband Floyd; Wanda Fairchild and her husband Max, Grand Representative of Georgia in Texas; J. T. Sanders; Harold Todd and his wife Cleta; Dr. O. D. Christian and his wife Frances who is on the General Grand Chapter Heart Committee; Oliver B. Chamberlin and his wife Bobbe, Grand Escort; Wayne P. Jones and his wife Margaret, Grand Escort; Harry Cunningham and his wife Barbara who is a District Deputy Grand Matron of District No. 5, and Harry is also the Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Texas; Glenn Whittaker and his wife June; Garland Rattan and his wife Shirley;

Leland Benefield and his wife Lynda, Grand Escort; Charles Morris and his wife Betty, Grand Representative of Maryland in Texas; and our special friends who are the wives of our late Past Grand Patrons: Edna Goettee and Bobbie Paul. Murray Watson, our Past Grand Patron, and his wife Greta, Grand Escort. Will you greet these for me? (Applause)

I'm sorry I have missed another. Elmer Schultz, Past Grand Patron of Minnesota, and his wife Lil. Thank you. I'm sorry I didn't have your name. (Applause)

We are highly honored to have the presence of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Robert Walker. Please join me in greeting this distinguished man. (Applause)

We have Elected and Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions. As I call your name, will you stand. Mary Hendrickson, Associate Grand Matron of Idaho; Audry Cleland, Grand Conductress of Florida; Shirley Watt, Grand Chaplain of Florida; Mary Eva Anderson, Grand Marshal of Florida; Gerri Rosenthal, Grand Ruth of Florida; Linda Every, Grand Esther of Florida; Myra Ramsey, Grand Marshal of Louisiana; Shirley Stroud, Grand Esther of Louisiana; Maureen Bates, Grand Electa of Louisiana; Marjorie Diaz, Grand Warder of Louisiana. Will you greet these? (Applause)

We have Lynn Bankston, the Grand Conductress of Louisiana, and Sharon Powell, Grand Adah of Louisiana, and Lelia Guest, Grand Ruth of Louisiana. I'm very sorry I missed you. Would you greet these? (Applause)

We have Texas' other Elected and Installed Officers. Will you please stand as I call your names. Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron; Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron, and his wife Barbara, Grand Escort; Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary; Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer; Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress, and her husband Robert, Grand Escort; Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress, and her husband Dr. Bill Bane, Grand Escort; Betty Warlick, Grand Chaplain, and her husband Jack; Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal; Kimi Kidd; Grand Adah; Maureen "Tootsie" Creech, Grand Ruth; Billie George, Grand Martha; Corinne Pope, Grand Electa, and her husband Marion, Grand Escort; Charlene Littlewood, Grand Warder; and Robert Hicks, Grand Sentinel, and his wife Eva, District Deputy Grand Matron of District No. 4. Will you greet our Floor Officers? (Applause)

Our Board of Grand Trustees. We have Sarah Coursey, our chairman representing District No. 1, and her husband here, Robert, Grand Escort. Claude Ervin, vice president of District 3, and his wife Martha; Jim Rippey, District 4, and his wife Selma; Shirley Jones, District No. 5; and Patsy Neeper, secretary, District 2.

Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, will you please stand as I call your name. Helen Hare, chairman, District 5; Lindsey Pynes, vice chairman, and his wife Robbie; Betty Capps, District No. 3; and Tom Warner, District No. 4.

Our Board of Grand Examiners. Marlene Dibblell, District No. 1, and her husband David - I'm guessing on these husbands, I sure I hope I know them; Joyce Ball, District No. 2; Sharon Fentress, District No. 3; Naomi Wolfe, District No. 4, and her husband Bob; Doris Hester, District No. 5, and her husband Johnny; and Jimmie Lee McMahan, Grand Examiner at Large, and her husband Harold. Will you greet our Boards, please. (Applause)

I have missed another person who is the Grand Conductress of the State of

North Dakota. Pat Welsch, will you please stand. (Applause) I'm sorry, Pat.

I'd like to introduce everyone in here, and I would like to introduce Grand Reps, but in the essence of time I'd like to say we want to recognize ours and theirs and others. So all Grand Representatives, whether you're Texas' own, or you're the Grand Rep to Texas or you're a Grand Rep in another state to another state, will you please rise. All Grand Representatives please rise. Will you greet these and tell them how much we appreciate them. (Applause) Thank you so much.

Thank you, Mistress of Ceremonies, and I'm sorry I missed so many. (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Our entertainment tonight will be by Brother John Davis and Sister Phillis Mertain. So I will turn this part of the program over to them.

(Entertainment)

It's time for gifts. Worthy Grand Matron, a love gift for you; Worthy Grand Patron, a love gift for you; Sister Rennie, a love gift for you; Sister Effie Mae, a love gift for you; Sister Sherrill, a love gift for you; Sister Mary, a love gift for my Worthy Grand Matron, I'm a Mary Brown Girl.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** And to continue our gift giving: To our special ones, once in a Triennium the Grand Chapter of Texas is very privileged to honor its very own, and we have chosen to do that at this Grand Chapter Session. I want these four to stand so that I may address them, beginning with Sister Rennie Ofton, Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Sister Sherrill R. Cain and Sister Mary Brown. How honored and pleased we are that in some level you are serving the General Grand Chapter, Elected and Appointed and Special Ambassador. How proud we are of you representing Texas in the General Grand Chapter. We want you to know that you're cherished friends. We know that you're representing Texas well. We are glad that this weekend you are here at home in Texas. So at this time I'm going to walk to you and give you your Texas gifts.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Now to bring greetings from Masonic Bodies and all the Appendant Bodies, we hunted for the most distinguished Mason we could find, and guess what? We came up with the Most Worshipful Grand Master of all Texas Masons. I present to you the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Brother Robert Walker. (Applause)

**GRAND MASTER WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests of Other Jurisdictions, Distinguished Members of this Jurisdiction, others, theirs and ours, Sisters and Brothers: When asked by Sister Gerri Matthews to bring greetings on behalf of the Masons of Texas at this general banquet, she enclosed a copy of the program cover. It shows a cowgirl sitting on a star, as you can also see. She also asked that I speak for three minutes. That caused a dilemma. I feel a little bit like the little boy who determined he liked girls better than he did frogs and dogs, but he doesn't know why. My dilemma is that I want to bring greetings from the 150,000 Masons to the cowgirls and cowboys here of the Order of the Eastern Star. But I don't know how it's going to take three minutes. It's a question of saying howdy cowgirls and howdy cowboys. Texans don't take a lot of time to bring greetings.

And to bring greetings from the 150,000, we brought some Masons along to

help us. Now would all the Texas Masons from this line over to my left, would you hold up your hand. Put your hand down. There's not as many as I thought were going to come. Now from this line over to my right, how many Texas Masons? All right. I may need your help.

But I'll try at this general banquet, the Star Celebration - Texas Style in the Beaumont Civic Center, we have all the 150,000 Masons, some of them are here, we say greetings to the cowgirls and the cowboys. "Shore proud y'all got here. Howdy, howdy, howdy." Now that isn't big enough.

Would all the Texas Masons over on this side help me out. "Shore proud y'all got here. Howdy, howdy, howdy." That's not big enough. Let's try this side. "Shore proud y'all got here. Howdy, howdy, howdy." That's still not a Texas greeting. Let's all do it together. "Shore proud y'all got here. Howdy, howdy, howdy."

Sisters, we're going to bring more Brothers the next time! (Laughter and applause.)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** I would not like to follow that. To bring greetings from the Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons of Texas, we have the most traveling Junior Past Grand Matron that I have ever seen. Her name is Sister Wanda Fairchild.

**MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD:** Thank you, Sister Master of Ceremonies, Pauline Haussner Walker. She said what an act to follow. Certainly that is an act to follow, but you know he was my Shadow in 1994-95, and I'm proud of him and I'll follow him anywhere he wants to go. (Laughter and applause.) Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Installed Grand Chapter Officers, Elected Boards, Grand Chapter Committee Members and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Masons and Eastern Stars: Thank you for the privilege of bringing greetings at this Star Celebration - Texas Style on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons of this Grand Jurisdiction. Would you please stand, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. I know your names have been called tonight, so I know who you are.

May the memories bring joy to you today as you review the happiness you have known along the way. May the links you have added to friendship's chain grow brighter each year and forever remain. May the service you have given, the hours you have spent reflect on your life bringing happiness and content. May the glory which comes with the sunset, the peace which the stars have to give, the love that is found in friendship be each of yours as long as you live. May God's richest blessings be yours today, tomorrow and always. Thank you. (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** And to bring greetings and representing all of the Appointed Officers and Committee Members of General Grand Chapter, I'm pleased to introduce a very special friend, Dr. Effie Mae Davis.

**DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS:** Quack, quack. Quack, quack, quack. Quackety quack quack. Quackety quack quack. Quack, quack, quack. Quack, quack, quack, quack. Quack, quack, quack. (Laughter.) Quack, Sherrill. Quack, Mary. Quackety quack quack. Quack. Quack. (Laughter and applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** And I was worried about dancing! (Laughter.) I don't know about you, but I did not expect that. (Laughter.) Now that is a hard act to follow.



**DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS:** Quack, quack. Quack, quack, quack. Quack, Sherrill. Quack, Mary. Quackety quack quack.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** And she's a doctor, too! Quack doctor. (Laughter.)

And now to speak for all the Elective Officers of General Grand Chapter —

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Protocol has already been established, but I think it was all ruined just now. (Laughter.) She's a doctor. I didn't know she was a veterinarian. I think I had rather follow Brother Walker. And I've been living with her for four years. She kept the bottle pretty well hid, that's all I can say. (Laughter.) She got wet this afternoon. She'll be all right when she dries out.

Well, good evening. Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers all: Now this is a real party. This is the kind of party we like. (Applause) Y'all have been over to San Antonio way, and you know when we're happy over there, you know what we do, don't you? Okay. One, two, three.

**VOICES:** Ole!

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** It is great to be together, and certainly, Pauline this has been a lovely evening and I know that the fun that we've had here will long be remembered. Some of it will be remembered more than the rest. But this is the way we like it. And certainly we are very honored to be honored at this particular session of Grand Chapter. The Texas Grand Chapter always honors its members in the nicest way, and those of us who are serving in General Grand Chapter this year — this triennium, certainly appreciate every courtesy extended to us. I know that we have had exciting times together, but we always work hard together, and that's why Texas is the great jurisdiction that it is.

Now today they mentioned about our new Chapter in Monterrey, and I want you to know that we have people in Texas who came and really got in behind the Monterrey Chapter. They had a bus of 64 people go down there, and we did a beautiful job. Let me tell you something else. Because we didn't have any Rituals, I wrote to Puerto Rico. Carmen Villamil scrounged around down there to get us Spanish Rituals. She called her daughter in Louisiana and said, "Marjorie, they need a Ritual." We got a Ritual from them, and we got some Rituals from California. So what we think sometime is our little Eastern Star home is expanded many times. And as I look out tonight and see all the visitors that we have from other jurisdictions, I know that it is true.

We, the Elective and Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers — would you stand with me — we are very pleased to be here and do appreciate all the courtesies that you have extended to us. We are Past Grand Matrons and we feel just like a member, just like you do. Somehow or another we've found ourselves in this position. And I hope that Florence and Dorothy take care of themselves real good because they keep talking about how many days they have left, or how many years. Well, Texas, we only have 13 years and 23 days. So as you look at these Elective Officers, you know they're going to keep things smooth, but we have to come along behind them. So on behalf of the Elective and Appointed General Grand Officers, please know that we appreciate every courtesy extended, and it's great to be with you, and certainly we love you all. Quack, quack. (Laughter and applause.)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Worthy Grand Patron, can you follow all that?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I'll do my best, and I may have discovered what has happened here tonight; you Sisters from Minnesota over there, I'm not going to blame you for it. But those special cherries you made might be responsible for a lot of things tonight. (Laughter.)

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East and Distinguished Members that have come here: One time I was looking up the definition of "distinguished" and what it meant, and I wasn't sure because there were so many different definitions. But it also said – the bottom line was, you recognize it when you see it. And I can say distinguished members, especially head table, I do see that you are distinguished. I was talking to a Sister earlier, and she said she had heard she had some relatives from Texas. She said, "Are you the Worthy Grand Patron that goes around all the time telling the jokes?" And I said, "Well, if it was this year, it was probably me, because I've tried to tell a joke or two." She said, "You haven't told any yet." I said, "You're right, I haven't." And I got to thinking, maybe this would be the best time to be brave and tell one because it probably wouldn't fit tomorrow at all. So I got to thinking, and I thought only two more days to go. Maybe the Worthy Grand Matron will be so busy she can't do the paperwork, and I can still last those last two days before something can happen. Maybe I can't wait those two days.

But it is good to be here. It reminds me of a couple of little stories, and I thought I had better resurrect them so that y'all can hear them. I know our judge over here is quite familiar with law enforcement and what's going on in crime. I know that you from these other states – I won't say that you have crime everywhere, but in Texas that would just about fit it. It's pretty common. It touches almost every family. And one time there was this burglar went into these people's house. He kicked in the front door; he was real cool about it, and he just kicked the front door in and went in and got a pillowcase and started loading his loot in it. He was getting just everything he thought was valuable. He heard a voice – he thought he heard something; he wasn't sure. And he listened, and it says, "Jesus is watching you." And he kind of began to feel a little funny. He didn't know if he was having a spiritual happening here; he didn't know what was happening to him. He said no, no and he shook his head, and he kept loading the pillowcase up. And he heard it distinctly. It says, "Jesus is watching you." And he thought, well, I don't know what it is, but something's wrong and I feel bad. And finally he looked over there in a cage and he saw this parrot in the cage. And that parrot looked up at him and said, "Jesus is watching you." It made him feel a little better because this parrot is where it was coming from, and it wasn't coming from anything supernatural. And he picked that cage up and he threw it over in the corner. The feathers went one way, and everything was all ruffled up. And he was going to get some more things before he left. But he decided – It still made him feel bad. And he had a conscience; he began to feel bad. So he backed up to the sliding glass doors, and he was going to go out a different way than he came in. He reached through the curtains, and he opened the door and he slid the sliding glass door one way. And just as his hand went over this way – Sisters and Brothers, there was a Doberman pinscher dog that almost reached his arm pit stuck his head up between his arm. He had teeth as long as your fingers, and that old deep belly growl came out. And the man froze. By that time the old parrot had got up over there and straightened his feathers up, and he said, "Sic him, Jesus!" (Laughter.)

Before we feel too distinguished – "we" being me and maybe not anybody else here. But there was a story that this town had a local beer joint. Now we don't have time to explain to all of you people what a beer joint is because I'm sure you don't know. But it's a place that's not of good repute, I guess you could say. It was a beer joint. And they had a parrot in there that they had for years and years and years, and it sat up on the bar and it did all the things that parrots do: ate the beer nuts

and stuff. And one night they had a fire, and everything got confused and everybody ran and was trying to escape. The parrot flew out of the bar, and it didn't know where to go, and it flew down the street. I have to use the right church here, so only I can get in trouble. But there was a Baptist church there, and it flew into that Baptist church and it sought sanctuary up in the rafters. It was pretty safe. It was dark there. He rested pretty good. The next morning was Sunday morning. Well, everybody came into church and they got to having church service and singing, and the organ was playing and it woke that old parrot up. He ruffled his feathers, and he flew down over the congregation a couple of times. He looked them over. The children got excited. The men got nervous because... Anyway, the parrot finally flew up on the pulpit up there. He stopped and he ruffled his feathers, and he looked out there and said, "It's a different place but it's the same old people!" (Laughter.) So maybe we don't want everybody to know every place that we go.

To ease off from a little bit of that and a little more theological story. This little boy approached his mother and dad. He says, "I'm worried." He says, "I don't understand it. Do we turn to dirt when we die?" And his parents said, "It's time to talk to you, son. Sit down. Actually that's what happens eventually." He says, "But were we made out of dirt when we first came?" They said, "That's correct." They tried to explain the Bible to him. It says, "From dust thou wast formed and to dust thou will return." And they talked to him. He said, "Okay." He started walking off, and they thought this was a pretty deep theological question for this kid to be asking. So they said, "Wait a minute. Why are you asking?" He said, "Well, I'm going upstairs to my room. I think one of y'all had better come with me because if you look under my bed, there's somebody coming or going." (Laughter.)

But, seriously, before you think I've totally lost it today and I'm just joining in the festivities, it's good to be here. I can't remember an Eastern Star function I've been to that had this many people around having such a good time. As I had opportunity to walk among you, each and every one of you are enjoying yourself, and I thank you, really and truly, that you came this way. We're glad that you did, and I'm glad that I did. Just before you realize and have a vote here that some of us have been eating those cherries or something and have gone a little too far, I'll get serious. And I have a serious side to me. Often as I've traveled over this state this year, the school functions and the fraternal visits, I've had a prayer and a wish for my membership. Now those of you that have come this way that weren't here before, this is my prayer and my wish for you now and forevermore – maybe you'll remember Billy Combest is the man and this is what I wish for you. My wish for you is that may the dear Lord Jesus lead you beside those still waters; may His strength be the joy that you will find there; may His power be the victory that you live in. And as we go from this place until we meet again, may He hold each and every one of you safely in the palm of His almighty hands. I love you, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for loving me. (Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** I sometimes call this next lady, the WGM or sometimes I call her Rosie; once in a while I'll even call her Worthy Grand Matron. That's sometimes. But I always call her a friend, and it is my honor to present our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Sister Pauline Haussner Walker. Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Head Tables, my wonderful Sisters and Brothers all: Sister Frances Burbank, are you still in the room? I have a question for the Grand Secretary of Texas. Is this event part of the Grand Chapter Proceedings? (Laughter.) It is. It is.

And is it being recorded tonight? It is. (Laughter.) Well, far be it from me to miss out on all the wonderful opportunities.

*Down in the valley, the valley so low.  
 Hang your head over  
 and hear the wind blow.  
 Hear the wind blow, friends.  
 Hear the wind blow.  
 I think we'll hang our heads over  
 because we've heard the wind blow!*

I was going to be serious there for a minute, and I got tickled! And the Worthy Grand Patron told you all my favorite parrot jokes. So I had to kind of get in the middle – between howdy, howdy, howdy and quack, quack and quack and his parrot jokes. So I'll hit a happy medium. Have you had a good time tonight? (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, we've had some beautiful formality today. I hope that you enjoyed the informal and the formal opening of the Grand Chapter of Texas in that we did it in the best proficient manner that we could for we are human, but we tried to add all of the dignity and solemnity that is required by our beautiful fraternity. But tonight (laughter) – was it that funny? But tonight we've come together in fellowship to relax and enjoy. We are looking forward to a future in Texas where there will be opportunities for the beauty and the dignity and the solemnity of the work, and yet the fun and fellowship and relaxation among our membership, for we have a growing group of younger people; that is, all of us that do not receive *Modern Maturity*. (Laughter.) I am so proud! I have had my second edition to *Modern Maturity*, Yvonne Brownfield. But there are some in this room that do not know about *Modern Maturity*. There are some of us that are older that don't know anything about *Modern Maturity*! But I have enjoyed the evening. I've enjoyed the laughter and the relaxation and the happiness because, you see, laughter is merriment of the heart. It is medicine for the soul, and I have always said that I love to hear my membership laugh and I love to see you smile. Say, by the way, I saw a few of you out there tonight that ain't half bad dancers. And I bet you there's some more. Now I had told them in the beginning that we would have a little portion in here for dancing, and we did. Then I thought, well, we might cut it a little short and have a little more dancing, but then I reneged, and I thought, no, I don't want to go totally out into this, so we will have our greetings also. But we kind of mixed the two tonight, and I think we've had a wonderful, happy experience.

I want to congratulate the Committee that has provided for this beautiful banquet. They tell me there's over 1150 paid tickets to this General Grand Banquet. That's a joy to my heart and I hope an excitement to the Texas membership. I told you in the beginning now, we are rookies. I've never been Worthy Grand Matron, and they have never served on Arrangements and done all the social functions. So there was probably a few things tonight – a couple of stones unturned that we missed. But we know that you'll let us turn them over and let them be stepping stones and grow for the future.

I want to thank personally our General Grand Chapter members. Many of them must leave tomorrow, but I want to tell you – Well, first of all, I want to tell you that I'm very happy that you're here and have taken time to be with us. And, second of all, I would like to plead with you not to tell too much of what you saw tonight!

The Good Book teaches us how good and pleasant it is for God's people to dwell with one another in unity and peace. That's what we've done tonight. We've dwelt together in unity and peace. I've enjoyed the music. To my beautiful Grand Soloist, Sister Phillis Force Mertain, and to Brother John Davis, I enjoyed it. I tell you, Brother John, if you'd had the *macarenia* here tonight you'd have seen all of us right out there on the floor doing it 'cause we've been practicing and we've got it

down! Thank you for your beautiful music. Would you show them your appreciation?  
(Applause)

We're most appreciative for the generous love gifts that have been given to each of the honorees, myself included. The decorations, the good food. Everything has just been a perfect ending to a perfect day, or as we say kind of in the East Texas area, it was the icing on the cake. So we want to thank you for a wonderful evening, a positive attitude, peacefulness and a little bit of productivity because I think we've moved just a little further into the 21st century.

There's a lot more I could say to you tonight, but I'm kind of like the Worthy Grand Patron. I notice he didn't use his Beatitude of Public Speaking tonight, so I'm just going to say on that, that I won't be here much longer, but I do want to leave with you something that I read several weeks ago in one of my morning devotionals, and it meant a lot to me. It fit me with my Order, so I'd like to leave you with these thoughts before we close and rest for the night and be ready for tomorrow's deliberations.

It says, "Oftentimes when the highway of life seems rough and all of your dreams have flown, just remember wherever your road may go, you are never, never alone. When everyone else seems to let you down and under your sins you groan, just keep reminding that burdened heart that you are never, never alone. Then suddenly you'll feel His hand in yours, His eyes lifting up your own, and you'll hear His gentle forgiving voice as He says, 'My child, you're never alone.'"

We are never alone tonight, tomorrow or always. And may His peace, His wonderful peace, abide in your hearts forevermore. Thank you, my membership.  
(Applause)

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Our benediction will be brought by another lovely Past Grand Matron, Sister Virginia Lynn Green.

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** Would you all please remain seated and join hands with the one next to you as we pray. Our dear and most gracious Heavenly Father, we come to You with humble and grateful hearts for the privileges of assembling together. We would ask Your guidance on the leadership of the Order of the Eastern Star in the many decisions and challenges ahead. May we always be a ray of hope and faith and be a radiant beacon of Your Son whose Star of Love we follow. Amen.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** Good night. See you in session in the morning at 8 a.m.

**“BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS”  
Friday Morning Session  
October 25, 1996**

7:45 a.m. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Jackie Stogner  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

Mrs. Viola Mae Whiteside  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

8:00 a.m. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Betty Hager  
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Garland Rattan  
Past Grand Patron

**MRS. BETTY HAGER:** Good morning. It is with humility and recognition of the honor that I sound the gavel and call this Friday morning "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" Session to order. Grand Marshal, it is my pleasure to invite you to present the "Peace and Harmony" drill of the Grand Officers and Personal Pages. ("Peace and Harmony" drill done to much applause.)

I invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. (Entrance of Grand Chapter Officers.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. The Grand Chapter Officers will take their respective stations and prepare for the active duties of Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: It is my esteemed privilege, through the courtesy of our gracious Worthy Grand Matron, to welcome you this magnificent morning and to open the 114th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, "Living in Peace and Harmony" and the "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" Friday morning session. Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have lovingly dedicated this session to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and the membership of District 2. It is with a heart overflowing with love and gratitude for Brother Garland Ward Rattan and me to open this session as a Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron of District 2.

With pride and pleasure I share this honor with my Past Grand Patron, my Chapter Brother, and most of all my personal friend, Brother Garland Rattan, who shares in cementing bonds of brotherly and sisterly love. It is only fitting that your Worthy Grand Matron named you as her "Gentle Guardian". Gentle in every sense of the word. A respected gentleman as well as a gentle man and a guardian to us all. We have shared thoughts, plans and travels together . . . through it all you have remained a faithful friend. I know the membership would appreciate greetings from you.

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Thank you, Past Grand Matron, Sister Betty Phillips Hager. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, for this honor of representing District 2 this morning. It's my privilege to assist Sister Betty Phillips Hager in calling to order the "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" Session. Betty and I are both members of Amarillo Chapter No. 787, and we in Amarillo remember with pride the "Radiant Light From Within" session held there in 1990. It is a delight for me to share the East with this distinguished Past Grand Matron. In Matthew 5:9 Jesus spoke the words, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." This year our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary, has used peace and harmony as the emphasis in her year of work. Congratulations, Worthy Grand Matron, for the successful presentation of these attributes. Congratulations, too, number one Caretaker, Brother Billy Combest. Your year as a Gentle Guardian foreshadowed the genuine concern for, and the wonderful rapport with, the membership of the Order. It is a great privilege to call the two of you my friends. Tomorrow, October 26, has been officially designated "Sweetest Day." It is my wish that you will get a head start on having the sweetest

day today, and that the sessions of today will be both sweet and harmonious. Best wishes to you both for a productive and harmonious Grand Chapter.

**MRS. BETTY HAGER:** Sisters and Brothers, our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy H. Combest. Join me in saluting them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.)

Sister Rosemary, Worthy Grand Matron, my precious friend and my Radiant Jewel, thank you for the many courtesies through the year and for the added honor of calling to order this session. Our Order stands for peace and I know, Worthy Grand Matron, you have asked God daily to maintain peace and harmony in all your duties.

Brother Billy, Worthy Grand Matron and my Spring Fling co-chairman, I feel you are divinely inspired in your teachings and that God has placed His arm about you and smiled upon you. I believe I speak for the membership that it is our earnest prayer that peace may come to our Order and that the gift of peace abide in our hearts today and always. And to you and Freda, may peace, sweet peace, the gift of God's love abide with you now and always.

Matthew 3:16 states, He is likened unto a dove. The dove is the lovebird, the bird without gall, and therefore a fitting symbol of the peaceful, loving nature of the spirit.

In that spirit may we find in this morning hour His stillness and His peace to bring us into quiet harmony with His will. It is in that spirit and with much love, I present to you, your gavel.

This gavel has been presented to you by Mr. Frank Moyer, Texas City Chapter No. 626.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Betty Phillips Hager and Brother Garland Ward Rattan, for a beautiful calling to order of our "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" Session today. You are very dear to the Worthy Grand Patron and his wife Freda and to the Worthy Grand Matron and her husband Russell. We will now begin our deliberations in a peaceful manner which you have provided.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor and direct him to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to call this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" Grand Chapter Session from rest to labor, and you're directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruption.

**GRAND WARDER:** There will be no interruptions, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of our Order and entitled to be with us this morning in this session.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain if all present are members of the Order and

may sit with us in this session today. (The Grand Chapter was proved.)

Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order and are entitled to sit in this Grand Chapter room.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. (The Holy Bible was opened.)

Our invocation this morning will be voiced by my Fraternal Mom, Sister Joyce Roberts. I was her Sun Queen in 1975-76. Sister Joyce.

**MRS. JOYCE ROBERTS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My Sisters and Brothers, please take hold of the hand next to you. Our Heavenly Father, we invoke Thy blessing upon us as we open this session, "Blessed Are the Peacemakers." We know that in all we do in life and for every worthy act, we need the blessing of Almighty God. In all our undertakings make us aware of our need for divine guidance. We thank Thee for this occasion which brings us together. As we enter on the performance of our duties during this assembly, we pray that Thou will bless us. We thank Thee, God, in a special way for our divine heritage and for our Eastern Star, dedicated to the purpose of serving God and mankind. Grant unto our leaders a wise understanding spirit to promote harmony and lasting interest in our Order. May the ideals and principles for which our Order stands be inculcated in the lives and the hearts of our members so that they may make their contributions toward the solution of the problems of our time. All this we ask in the name of the Great Teacher, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I do hope that my membership of Texas is enjoying the special touches that have been provided by our talented musicians. The sessions will be filled with different feelings of music throughout. I extend my appreciation always to our Grand Choir Director, our Grand Choir, our musicians that play before and after and all of the instruments that are being performed this morning. Would you just take a moment to thank them. (Applause)

Your Worthy Grand Matron this year wanted to have the presence of the Holy Spirit among us that our deliberations would always be conducted in peace. Therefore, I now lovingly invite our Worthy Grand Patron to offer for us a peaceful moment meditation. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, if we took totally and completely just the name of this session of being peacemakers, there would be no problems within this Grand Chapter, and possibly no problems within our world. In preparing a short devotional, how do you realize what you need to say or should say or what is needed by those that are present, and then I'm reminded, as I often am, that it's not the speaker that causes this to be a true devotional and coming together before Holy God; it's not the words that I say. It's God's Holy Spirit, and you allowing the Holy Spirit to do His marvelous work in you. Peace and harmony is only possible where love is. If love is not there, there is no peace. If love is not there, there can be no harmony, so what we need to do is be in God's love truly, and then peace and harmony will come about.

I have prepared some notes to bring this devotional on love. I know that most of you are very, very familiar with the 13th Chapter of Corinthians, the Love Chapter. It explains what love is and what love is not. We need to know this. We need to live it in our lives. We often go back to some of the earlier teachings that we had in our religious experiences as we grew closer to God; I'm sure that some of you may have had this same example told to you. We want to be where love is. We want to be



within God's love. This young boy approached his father, and he said, "Father, can we go by the church more regular?" And he says, "Well, we go a couple, three times a week, Son. What do you mean?" And he said, "But I want to go where God's love is." And he said, "Son, I need to teach you a lesson that needs to be with you now and throughout your life, that God's love is not just in a church. It's not in just a time of devotional as this." And he took his son and he explained this. He said, "Son, as far as you can see in that direction, just look. God is there." He turned the other direction and he said, "As far as you can see up here, God is up there." He turned to the other direction, and he explained to him that God is there also. God is back here also. The son began to understand, and he began to smile, and he said, "Father, you're telling me that God is way up there, way over here, way up there and way back there?" And he said yes. And he says, "Oh, Father," and his countenance began to lift up and he began to smile. And he says, "That means we are right in the middle of God's love."

We're right in the middle of God's love where we stand today or where you sit. You need to realize that, and the responsibilities of being allowed to be there needs to soak into your heart, and it needs to cover your actions. It needs to cause you to live that way because people don't want to know what you say, they want to see how you live. They can tell what you do by what your life actions are. As each one of you paused just a short time this morning, as we did on each one of our school schedules early in the morning, we'd pause that short time. The success for the smoothness of those schools is not with anyone that conducted them; it's with the Holy God that was allowed to do his miraculous work therein.

Dear Heavenly Father, take these often inadequate words of your humble servant. Let these people see that love was intended and love was to be given. Touch each heart here and cause only goodness and love to be there throughout this day and forevermore. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Now what a joy is mine to recognize the youth of this great fraternity. As I've traveled over the state, I have seen some wonderful talents, some special God-given talent, and it's coming from the youth of our Order. Therefore, throughout the session you will see different young people that will perform for you their special gifts in music. Today we have two sisters. They are members of Cedar Bayou Chapter, Sisters Amy Batton and Molly Johnston, to share with you one of the Worthy Grand Matron's favorite songs, "I Am Determined." Thank you, my beautiful young ladies. (Applause followed the singing.)

God bless you, my children. Now that we have been prepared spiritually, we are ready to face the responsibilities of this day. With privileges come responsibilities. I request respectfully from my membership of Texas that we move our session as quickly, but yet as legally and professionally and as peacefully, as we possibly can. You know it says here in our printed program that business will continue. Well, business didn't get started yesterday, so therefore we will begin our business session today.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to preside.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I think we are now ready for your report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** If you will open your Advanced Report to the very beginning, it has my full printed report that was turned in August 16th. That will not be read today, Sisters and Brothers. That is for your consideration and for your study so that you will know the activities of the Worthy Grand Matron.

**REPORT OF THE  
WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, OES  
1995 - 1996  
Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland**

*"I shall pass this way but once; therefore any good I can do  
or kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now.  
Let me not delay or neglect, for I shall not pass this way again."*

My membership of Texas, **thank you** for allowing me this one year of service to our Order and to you. It is my sincere prayer that I have earned your love and respect, and that I have completed my responsibilities well, for I shall not pass this way again.

In all, I have spent the last eight (8) years of my life preparing for this one moment in time, and yet so very much of the credit goes to **my membership**. You allowed me to try new avenues in our Order without complaint or judgment, you prayed for me as I traversed this great state, and you have supported tremendously, all of my programs.

I have learned many lessons this year from my membership, and I believe I have grown from your encouragement and gentle nudging to keep going. As in the **Prayer of Serenity**, I have learned to "accept the things I cannot change, to have the courage to change the things I can", and I have prayed for "wisdom to know the difference".

My ultimate goal for my year was to **walk in peace, and live in harmony** with my membership. Thank you for helping me accomplish this task over Texas.

We have renewed some excitement for our work and experienced a rededication to the true principles of charity, truth and loving-kindness. I owe much of this success to you, the membership of Texas. May our Heavenly Father grant to each of you **His Peace**.

As required by our Laws, it is now my joy to submit to my membership the following report of your Worthy Grand Matron for 1995-96.

At the time of printing this **Advance Annual Report**, the Grand Chapter of Texas has been richly blessed by having no deaths among our Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons or Installed Grand Officers. May we be thankful for His mercy and loving care of us. I extend loving sympathy to my Subordinate Chapters of Texas who have lost dedicated members.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER  
GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN TEXAS**

One of the sweetest joys of your Worthy Grand Matron was to appoint Grand Representative Commissions to members who were so dedicated and deserving. There were many more throughout our membership who were just as deserving; however, I chose prayerfully and carefully those which I appointed to represent other Grand Jurisdictions **in Texas**:

ALABAMA .....	Mrs. Jackie Pointer
ALBERTA .....	Mrs. Ella Summers
ARIZONA .....	Mrs. Martha Mosele
AUSTRALIA .....	Mrs. Betty Stiles
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON .....	Mrs. Jean Lee
CALIFORNIA .....	Mrs. Wanda Smith
COLORADO .....	Mrs. Betty Jo Dean
DELAWARE .....	Mrs. Sue Ann Luton
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA .....	Mrs. Lola "Peaches" Wallace
MASSACHUSETTS .....	Mrs. Mildred Hancock
MISSISSIPPI .....	Mrs. Willie Mae Shaw
MONTANA .....	Mrs. Toye Farrington
NEBRASKA .....	Mr. John W. Clark
NEW JERSEY .....	Mrs. Dorothy Glasscock
NORTH CAROLINA .....	Mrs. Pansy Read
OREGON .....	Mrs. Ozelle Scarborough
PENNSYLVANIA .....	Mrs. Mary Alice Alberts
QUEBEC .....	Mrs. Louise Norman
SASKATCHEWAN .....	Mrs. Margie C. Percival
SOUTH CAROLINA .....	Mrs. Eloise Flanagan
SOUTH DAKOTA .....	Mrs. Dorothy Roose
TENNESSEE .....	Mr. Russell Swetland
UTAH .....	Mrs. Gladys Morgan
VERMONT .....	Mrs. Syble Yost
WASHINGTON .....	Mrs. Genevieve (Smitty) Jones
WISCONSIN .....	Mrs. Billie Glover

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF TEXAS  
IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

ARIZONA .....	Mr. Richard Darnell
AUSTRALIA .....	Mrs. Valerie King
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON .....	Mr. James Hutchings
DELAWARE .....	Mr. Jeffery Dennis
FLORIDA .....	Mrs. Estelle Hernandez
INDIANA .....	Mrs. Alice Swogger
KENTUCKY .....	Mrs. Sue Ruddell
MANITOBA .....	Mrs. Marjorie Hay
MASSACHUSETTS .....	Mr. John A. Miller
MINNESOTA .....	Mrs. Sandra Driscoll
MISSOURI .....	Mrs. Phyllis Kolb
NORTH DAKOTA .....	Mrs. Delores Schlosser
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND .....	Mrs. Jean Coombes
OHIO .....	Mrs. Louise L. Frantz
ONTARIO .....	Mrs. Pat Shaw
PUERTO RICO .....	Mrs. Iris V. de Rivero
QUEBEC .....	Mrs. Grace Singer
SOUTH CAROLINA .....	Mrs. Mary Etta Helms
WEST VIRGINIA .....	Mrs. Joyce Kincaid

## CONSTITUTING

It was my joy to participate in the **constituting** of Klein Chapter No. 1141 on October 30, 1995. The Constituting Ceremony was under the direction of our Worthy Grand Patron, and he graciously extended to me the privilege of installing these Officers. For that privilege, Brother Billy Combest, I say **thank you**. It has been my special joy this year to learn of the good works of this new Chapter.

## SCHOOLS AND FRATERNAL VISITS

An Eastern star School for Instructions and Fraternal Visit was held in each of the fifty sections within our state as required by law. It was my special joy to be among the membership throughout the state. I chose to have a food function for fellowship prior to each school so that the membership could get to know and be with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I am deeply indebted to Brother Billy Combest and his wife, Freda, Grand Esther for their support and encouragement during **all 50 schools**. Thank you both for making the sacrifice. I also enjoyed demonstrating our Order's beautiful work with the assistance of my super District Deputy Grand Matrons, Sisters Carol Coleman, District One, Ruby Lee Meckley, District Two, Doris Moore, District Three, Eva G. Hicks, District Four, and Barbara Cunningham, District Five. God bless you, my dear ones. Traveling with the lovely and capable Grand Examiners was an added treat for your Worthy Grand Matron, and I wish to express my appreciation to Sisters Marlene Dibrell, District One, Joyce Ball, District Two, Sharon Fentress, District Three, Naomi Wolfe, District Four, and Doris Hester, District Five for your fine renditions and handling of your examining rooms. Last, but in no way least, I deeply appreciate the love, support and assistance given to me by my dear Secretary, Sister Martha Mosele, who has served by my side for four (4) years now, and continues to remain faithful and constant to my responsibilities. Thank you, my sweet friend.

Our Heavenly Father blessed our travels, and we had beautiful weather as we completed our School schedule as planned in our travel itinerary.

### EASTERN STAR SCHOOLS FOR INSTRUCTION

#### RUBY LEE MECKLEY, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON, DISTRICT 2

DISTRICT	SECTION	PLACE	DATE	DEPUTY GRAND MATRON
2	7	Abilene	November 7, 1995	Dawn Marshall
2	9	Alpine	November 9, 1995	Fern Sandlin
2	10	El Paso	November 11, 1995	Carolyn Routledge
2	8	Midland	November 14, 1995	Christeen Ledbetter
2	5	Spur	November 16, 1995	Judith Cook Fowler
2	4	Lubbock	November 18, 1995	Tanya L. Meadows
2	3	Canyon	November 21, 1995	Jonnie Weldert
2	6	Burkburnett	November 30, 1995	Christolene Dickson
2	2	Amarillo	December 2, 1995	Mildred Womack
2	1	Borger	December 5, 1995	Patricia Arnold

#### DORIS MOORE, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON, DISTRICT 3

3	2	Weatherford	December 12, 1995	Toinette Kidd
3	5	Brownwood	December 14, 1995	Evelyn Homesley
3	7	Gatesville	December 16, 1995	Ladois West

DISTRICT	SECTION	PLACE	DATE	DEPUTY GRAND MATRON
3	10	Hillsboro	December 19, 1995	Jane Mohon
3	6	San Saba	January 4, 1996	Nona Gibson
3	9	Waco	January 6, 1996	Gail Gay
3	3	Throckmorton	January 9, 1996	Donna Frasier
3	4	Cisco	January 11, 1996	Lou Mohon
3	1	Fort Worth	January 13, 1996	Marie Sutton
3	8	Georgetown	January 16, 1996	Tally McAferty

BARBARA L. CUNNINGHAM, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON, DISTRICT 5

5	9	Corpus Christi	January 20, 1996	Mrs. Iva Doris Homan
5	8	Gonzales	January 23, 1996	Mrs. Evelyn Tolbert
5	4	Uvalde	January 25, 1996	Mrs. Helen Marsh
5	7	San Antonio	January 27, 1996	Mrs. Katherine Keenan
5	3	Bandera	January 30, 1996	Mrs. Karen Kennedy
5	5	Lytle	February 1, 1996	Mrs. Frances Watt
5	10	McAllen	February 3, 1996	Mrs. Betty Sidebottom
5	1	San Angelo	February 6, 1996	Mrs. Lemma Clark
5	2	Menard	February 8, 1996	Mrs. Lisa Clark
5	6	San Marcos (Austin)	February 10, 1996	Mrs. Britta Northcutt

CAROL COLEMAN, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON, DISTRICT 1

1	1	Gainesville	February 13, 1996	Mrs. Ruby Jo Grant
1	3	Paris	February 15, 1996	Mrs. Pat Grant
1	8	Marshall	February 17, 1996	Mrs. Janette Fisher
1	9	Texarkana	February 20, 1996	Mrs. Ethelene Henry
1	10	Mineola	February 22, 1996	Mrs. Charlotte Stevens
1	4	Dallas	February 24, 1996	Mrs. Carolyn Bell
1	7	Jacksonville	February 27, 1996	Mrs. Sissy Rucker
1	6	Palestine	February 29, 1996	Mrs. Betty Shepherd
1	5	Ferris	March 2, 1996	Mrs. Charlotte Beall
1	2	Plano	March 9, 1996	Mrs. Joyce Gilbert

EVA D. HICKS, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON, DISTRICT 4

4	2	Jasper	March 16, 1996	Mrs. Mary Evelyn Rogers
4	3	Woodville	March 19, 1996	Mrs. Adele Isaacs
4	4	Liberty	March 21, 1996	Mrs. Kathryn Clark
4	5	Houston	March 23, 1996	Mrs. Charlene Green
4	10	Texas City	March 30, 1996	Mrs. Toni Crawford
4	9	Edna	April 2, 1996	Mrs. Geraldine Smith
4	7	Bellville	April 4, 1996	Mrs. Fay Pfeffer
4	8	Bastrop	April 9, 1996	Mrs. Jeanne May
4	6	Centerville	April 11, 1996	Mrs. Fae Boutotte
4	1	Nacogdoches	April 13, 1996	Mrs. Rhonda Beamesderfer

**HOME FRATERNAL VISITS**

It was a beautiful evening when Burke Chapter No. 1098 welcomed your Worthy Grand Matron home from the 113th Session of Grand Chapter and to honor me with my first Fraternal Visit. On that evening, October 28, 1995, Russell and I

celebrated our **25th Wedding Anniversary** together with over 400 members. The very next day, October 29, 1995 was the **25th Birthday of Burke Chapter No. 1098**. The meeting was held in the lovely Temple Civic Center in Diboll where we had a delicious banquet followed by a proficient meeting. It was an humbling experience to have many of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas to share with me. To your Worthy Grand Matron, this was a special blessing from my Heavenly Father.

The following week, I was privileged to have my second Fraternal Visit in honor of our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy H. Combest, in Plano where his Chapter, **Princeton Chapter No. 1126**, had a beautiful banquet and proficient meeting. This was a happy sendoff for our School Schedule.

### OTHER FRATERNAL VISITS

In addition to the traditional Fraternal Visits in conjunction with our Schools For Instructions, it was also my joy to grant Combined Fraternal Visits among Chapters within respective Sections of our State. Your Worthy Grand Matron for 1995-96 wanted very much to promote PEACE and HARMONY by having fellowship among the members of Texas, and I believed that by having Chapters join together for a Combined Fraternal Visit there would be a great opportunity for fellowship. I am grateful that my Peace Roses, the Worthy Matrons, worked together in HARMONY for the following Combined Fraternal Visits; therefore, I granted Special Dispensations for these Chapters to combine:

**March 11, 1996**  
**District 5, Section 8**  
 Violet No. 158  
 Port Lavaca No. 373  
 Beeville No. 422  
 Cuero No. 618

**March 12, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 4**  
 LaPorte No. 68  
 Pasadena No. 711  
 Deer Park No. 1063  
 Archives No. 1095  
 Seabrook No. 1096  
 Jasper No. 291

**March 14, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 8**  
 Beckville No. 273  
 Marshall No. 356  
 Longview No. 610  
 Jefferson No. 627  
 Kilgore No. 630  
 Pine Hill No. 675  
 Carthage No. 747  
 Aurora No. 799  
 Waskom No. 812  
 Overton No. 830  
 Hallsville No. 995  
 Pine Tree No. 1090

**March 25, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 9**  
 Palacios No. 125  
 Bay City No. 380  
 Wharton No. 389  
 Rosenberg No. 429  
 El Campo No. 535  
 Edna No. 692  
 Ganado No. 957  
 Sugar Land No. 1107

**April 15, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 4**  
 Cedar Bayou No. 1  
 Crosby No. 261  
 Goose Creek No. 798

**April 16, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 5**  
 Magnolia No. 706  
 Bethlehem No. 728  
 Park Place No. 731  
 South Houston No. 915  
 Alameda No. 1081

**April 18, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 8**  
 Smithville No. 39  
 Bastrop No. 64  
 Brenham No. 144

Somerville No. 245  
 Flatonia No. 813  
 Caldwell No. 976  
 Lexington No. 996

**April 19, 1996**  
**District 5, Section 6**  
 Leander No. 73  
 Luling No. 155  
 Lockhart No. 210  
 San Marcos No. 276  
 Travis No. 472  
 Seguin No. 555  
 Creedmoor No. 607  
 New Braunfels No. 771  
 Dripping Springs No. 860  
 Canyon Lake No. 1103  
 Wimberley No. 1130

**April 20, 1996**  
**District 5, Section 7**  
 San Antonio No. 3  
 Texas No. 35  
 Adah No. 49  
 Wimodausis No. 141  
 Floresville No. 271  
 Bexar No. 616  
 Army No. 664  
 South San Antonio No. 691  
 Somerset No. 730

Harlandale No. 750  
 Alamo Logos Star No. 782  
 Prospect Hill No. 817  
 Schertz No. 911  
 Highland Hills No. 1075  
 Valley Hi No. 1104  
 Amistad No. 1115

**April 22, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 2**  
 Newton No. 224  
 Kirbyville No. 263  
 Jasper No. 291  
 Silsbee No. 298  
 Spurger No. 315  
 Kountze No. 724  
 Vidor No. 914  
 Buna No. 968  
 Evadale No. 1111

**April 23, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 4**  
  
 Dayton No. 233  
 Liberty No. 634  
 Huffman No. 1112

**April 29, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 4**  
 Dallas No. 1  
 Oak Cliff No. 303  
 Templar No. 374  
 Dal-Cliff No. 574  
 Loyal No. 648  
 Mt. Auburn No. 755  
 A. C. Garrett No. 774  
 Flora No. 794  
 Delta No. 824  
 Love Field No. 875  
 John L. DeGrazier No. 881  
 Bluebonnet Buckner No. 888  
 Mike Thomas No. 951  
 Edwin J. Kiest No. 959  
 Cockrell Hill No. 971  
 James Ladd Burgess No. 983  
 Lucinda Conner No. 1006  
 Vickery No. 1039  
 Roy Stanley No. 1086

**April 30, 1996**  
**District 3, Section 1**  
 Polytechnic No. 420  
 Southside No. 673  
 South Hills No. 835  
 Ridglea No. 999

**May 6, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 5**  
 Rosewyn No. 927  
 East Houston No. 955  
 North Shore No. 1058

**May 7, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 4**  
 Humble No. 415  
 Cleveland No. 465  
 New Caney No. 1093

**May 9, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 1**  
 Tenaha No. 185  
 John Gillespie No. 257  
 Center No. 348  
 Cushing No. 368  
 Hemphill No. 375  
 Lufkin No. 382  
 Timpson No. 396  
 Nacogdoches No. 428  
 Joaquin No. 903  
 Huntington No. 938  
 Zavalla No. 952  
 Newbern No. 1135  
 Swift No. 1138

**May 10, 1996**  
**District 3 Section 9**  
 Waco No. 7  
 McLennan No. 639  
 Centennial No. 842  
 Baldwin No. 929

**May 13, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 2**  
 Orange No. 214  
 Port Arthur No. 262  
 Anahuac No. 649  
 Groves No. 953  
 Lakeside No. 1054  
 Nederland No. 1079

**May 14, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 7**  
 Tomball No. 838  
 Waller No. 1047  
 Cypress No. 1102  
 Spring No. 1105

**May 16, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 6**  
 Wortham No. 96  
 Tennessee Colony No. 102  
 Corsicana No. 118

Fairfield No. 331  
 Palestine No. 395  
 Teague No. 408  
 Malakoff No. 1012  
 Dawson No. 1046  
 Frankston No. 1113

**May 17, 1996**  
**District 3, Section 6**  
 San Saba No. 191  
 Llano No. 216  
 Richland Springs No. 264  
 Lampasas No. 295  
 Burnet No. 425  
 Marble Falls No. 435  
 Lometa No. 871  
 Goldthwaite No. 909  
 Kingsland No. 1118

**May 20, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 1**  
 Bowie No. 16  
 Saint Jo No. 17  
 Denton No. 259  
 Chico No. 433  
 Decatur No. 543  
 Boyd No. 897  
 Lewisville No. 935  
 Sanger No. 1027  
 Gainesville No. 1123  
 Justin No. 1128  
 The Colony No. 1136

**May 21, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 5**  
 Garland No. 156  
 Winnie No. 160  
 Grand Prairie No. 219  
 Midlothian No. 234  
 Ferris No. 508  
 Farmers Branch No. 687  
 Irving No. 777  
 Mesquite No. 887  
 Lancaster No. 943  
 Duncanville No. 1014  
 Lonnie L. Blake No. 1116  
 Balch Springs No. 1132

**May 23, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 9**  
 Atlanta No. 151  
 Border No. 211  
 Avery No. 252  
 Mt. Pleasant No. 305  
 Hughes Springs No. 349  
 Pittsburg No. 381

Linden No. 576  
 Clarksville No. 662  
 New Boston No. 700  
 Maud No. 879  
 DeKalb No. 894  
 Daingerfield No. 906  
 Naples No. 907  
 Omaha No. 997  
 Hooks No. 1031  
 Lone Star No. 1083

**May 25, 1996**  
**District 1, Section 2**  
 Gate City No. 77  
 Frisco No. 93  
 Carpenters No. 183  
 McKinney No. 518

Plano No. 703  
 Celina No. 857  
 Wylie No. 977  
 Bells No. 1110  
 Leah Elliott No. 1119  
 Princeton No. 1126

**May 28, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 6**  
 Rockdale No. 23  
 Normangee No. 87  
 Buffalo No. 157  
 Madisonville No. 193  
 Bryan No. 222  
 Franklin No. 311  
 Iola No. 458  
 Centerville No. 1002

**May 30, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 10**  
 Alvin No. 15  
 Friendswood No. 1131  
 Pearland No. 1065

**May 31, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 5**  
 Houston Heights No. 258  
 Houston No. 385  
 Frank W. Lynn No. 1015  
 Oak Forest No. 1080

**August 23, 1996**  
**District 4, Section 2**  
 Beaumont No. 71  
 Orange No. 214  
 Wisteria No. 823

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Your Worthy Grand Matron rejoiced with the membership of several Subordinate Chapters over Texas who accomplished a milestone in their history. Congratulations!!

Burke #1098	25th	Liberty #634	75th
Imperial #882	50th	Kerrville #24	100th
Galena Park #884	50th	Bronson #337	90th
Bandera #643	75th	Naples #907	50th
Grapevine #326	90th	Bastrop #64	95th
Abilene #30	100th	Port Neches #877	75th
Rothwell #669	75th	Grand Prairie #219	85th

## SUBORDINATE CHAPTER INSTALLATIONS - 1996

It was a joy for your Worthy Grand Matron to be able to share in the closing out of a wonderful year for my Peace Roses and welcome in the Elegant Eagles for their year of service. I participated as **Installing Officer** at:

Hemphill No. 375	June 1st	Lufkin No. 382	June 8th
Burke No. 1098	June 13th	Troup No. 421	June 14th
North Shore No. 1058	June 15th	Corrigan No. 631	June 22nd

## OTHER TRAVEL ACTIVITIES

This year has been a rewarding and full year of activities over our great state. I made every attempt to respond to as many sweet invitations as possible, and to be among my membership. Thus, in addition to our 50 schools and fraternal visits, 31 combined fraternal visits, 14 Anniversary Celebrations, and 6 Installations, I also attended the following activities:

Laredo No. 86 100th	October 6, 1995 as A.G.M.
Harlingen No. 641 75th	October 7, 1995 as A.G.M.
Oak Forrest No. 1080	December 21, 1995 Honoring Grand Spouses



Ransford No. 135	May 2, 1996 in Celebration of Sister Lallah Mae Vollus' birthday as well as the W.G.M.'s birthday early.
WGM & WGP Roundup	May 3, 4, & 5 in Bruceville/Eddy
WGM's Tea in Marlin	July 14th (home town of husband Russell)
Weatherford No. 21	July 15th (honored WGM)
DeLeon No. 693 Tea	July 16th (present 50+ service pins and awards)
PM & PP D3, S2	August 16 (honor WGM & WGP)
Gilmer No. 355	September 14th (Open House for new Lodge Bldg.)
Broaddus No. 889	September 19th (friendship within Home Section)
WGM & Grand Officers	October 13th (Home Section in Garrison)

### DISTRICT BANQUETS

Your Worthy Grand Matron for 1995-96 wanted to try our District Banquets within their respective Districts rather than at Grand Chapter. This plan was for the purpose of allowing members to attend that could not be at Grand Chapter, to allow members from over Texas to share with that District, and to allow the Worthy Grand Matron and her Corp of Grand Officers to come and share with the membership within that District. These Banquets have been a **great success!!!** The membership has reported much fun and fellowship experienced. This in essence eliminated the six banquets we have each year for our Grand Line. Each of them were honored within their respective District. I was privileged to attend the following:

District Two Banquet	Abilene, May 18, 1996
District Four Banquet	Humble, July 27, 1996
District One Banquet	Plano, August 3, 1996
District Three Banquet	Waco, August 17, 1996
District Five Banquet	San Antonio, September 21, 1996

### OTHER FRATERNAL ACTIVITIES

It was a special honor to be invited to bring greetings at the Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Texas in Waco on December 2, 1995 for Brother Ferris Benham, and then to have special recognition at the Formal Installation of the Honorable Judge Robert Walker was an added pleasure. I have felt a special camaraderie with my Most Worshipful Grand Master, and extend to him the highest honor of respect from my fraternity.

It was also my special honor to be present (for the fifth consecutive year) at the Grand Assembly of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and bring greetings at the Formal Opening on Sunday, June 16, 1996. I have truly enjoyed watching Ms. Tiffany Harrison make her climb to service, and share in her accomplishments. The beautiful White Rainbow Bible, presented to me at my Installation in Fort Worth on October 21, 1995 will be a lifetime treasure, and to be given the high honor of the Grand Cross of Color will truly be one of the highlights of my year of service. I am most grateful to Mrs. Pearl Mills for each kindness she has extended to the Worthy Grand Matron of Texas. The Grand Chapter of Texas gave \$500 to the Rainbow through my special music fund, and my Ambassadors of Peace gave \$275 in my honor to the girls. I presented both monetary gifts at Grand Assembly.

## CHAPTER BY-LAWS

Per Article No. 25, Code of Laws, Page 60, your Worthy Grand Matron has the duty of approving requests for By-Laws changes. The year 1995-96 has been a time for many of our Subordinate Chapters to review and update their By-Laws. I wish to commend Mrs. Mary Ruth White, By-Laws Chairman, for an outstanding and professional performance of her duties. As of this printing, I have approved a total of 432 requests (pending Grand Chapter's approval) as follows:

Dallas Chapter #1	Corsicana Chapter #118
Mizpah Chapter #2	Grapeland Chapter #120
Radiant San Antonio Chapter #3	Lipan Chapter #127
Paris Chapter #5	Alpine Chapter #132
Clarendon Chapter #6	Pleasanton Chapter #133
Waco Chapter #7	Ransford Chapter #135
Tarrant-Keystone Chapter #8	Brenham Chapter #144
San Angelo Chapter #10	Temple Chapter #153
Alvin Chapter #15	Luling Chapter #155
Bowie Chapter #16	Garland Chapter #156
Saint Jo Chapter #17	Buffalo Chapter #157
Leakey Chapter #18	Violet Chapter #158
Ruth Chapter #20	Winnie Chapter #160
Weatherford Chapter #21	Spur Chapter #164
Kerrville Chapter #24	Brady Chapter #167
Roby Chapter #25	Glen Rose Chapter #171
Abilene Chapter #30	Saltillo Chapter #173
Floydada Chapter #31	Athens Chapter #177
Vashti Chapter #32	Carpenter Chapter #183
Texas Chapter #35	Bonita Chapter #184
Smithville Chapter #39	Tenaha Chapter #185
Iowa Park Chapter #42	Trinity Chapter #186
Iowa Park Chapter #42	Trinity Chapter #186
Devine Chapter #43	Hadassah Chapter #188
Mexia Chapter #57	Greenville Chapter #189
Colorado Chapter #58	San Saba Chapter #191
Alice Chapter #61	Garrison Chapter #192
Nocona Chapter #62	Del Rio Chapter #204
Bastrop Chapter #64	Border Chapter #211
Pampa Chapter #65	Orange Chapter #214
Big Spring Chapter #67	Hamilton Chapter #215
Stockdale Chapter #69	Llano Chapter #216
Stockdale Chapter #69	Grand Prairie Chapter #219
Beaumont Chapter #71	Velasco Chapter #220
Leander Chapter #73	Bryan Chapter #222
Sour Lake Chapter #75	Montgomery Chapter #228
Gate City Chapter #77	Fort Stockton Chapter #230
Rusk Chapter #79	Dayton Chapter #233
Petrolia Chapter #84	Midlothian Chapter #234
Laredo Chapter #86	Wichita Falls Chapter #237
Normangee Chapter #87	Wellington Chapter #238
Frisco Chapter #93	Wellington Chapter #238
Wortham Chapter #96	Harmony Chapter #244
Childress Chapter #101	Somerville Chapter #245
Tennessee Colony Chapter #102	Sulphur Bluff Chapter #246
Tyler Chapter #112	Santa Anna Chapter #247
Brownwood Chapter #116	Avery Chapter #252

Midland Chapter #253  
John Gillespie Chapter #257  
Houston Heights Chapter #258  
Denton Chapter #259  
Crosby Chapter #261  
Port Arthur Chapter #262  
Kirbyville Chapter #263  
Richland Springs Chapter #264  
Stanford Chapter #269  
Santo Chapter #270  
Beckville Chapter #273  
Brock Chapter #274  
San Marcos Chapter #276  
Yoakum Chapter #282  
Clifton Chapter #283  
Marlin Chapter #286  
Grand Saline Chapter #290  
Jasper Chapter #291  
Lampasas Chapter #295  
Lampasas Chapter #295  
Higgins Chapter #300  
Oak Cliff Chapter #303  
Oak Cliff Chapter #303  
Austin Chapter #304  
Mt. Pleasant Chapter #305  
Clyde Chapter #308  
Navasota Chapter #309  
Comanche Chapter #310  
Franklin Chapter #311  
Spurger Chapter #315  
Round Rock Chapter #316  
Kingsville Chapter #325  
Fairfield Chapter #331  
Lytle Chapter #335  
Bronson Chapter #337  
Bronson Chapter #337  
Rio Vista Chapter #343  
Hughes Springs Chapter #349  
Corpus Christi Chapter #354  
Gilmer Chapter #355  
Marshall Chapter #356  
Coleman Chapter #360  
Lamesa Chapter #363  
Wills Point Chapter #366  
Port Lavaco Chapter #373  
Templar Chapter #374  
Hemphill Chapter #375  
Jacksonville Chapter #377  
Bay City Chapter #380  
Pittsburg Chapter #381  
Shamrock Chapter #384  
Houston Chapter #385  
Jacksboro Chapter #390  
Paint Rock Chapter #391  
Palestine Chapter #395  
Timpson Chapter #396  
Wells Chapter #400  
Gonzales Chapter #403  
Teague Chapter #408  
Stanton Chapter #409  
Hedley Chapter #413  
Humble Chapter #415  
Hico Chapter #419  
Troup Chapter #421  
Beeville Chapter #422  
Burnet Chapter #425  
McGregor Chapter #427  
Rosenberg Chapter #429  
Burleson Chapter #431  
Chico Chapter #433  
Marble Falls Chapter 435  
Marble Falls Chapter #435  
Gorman Chapter #443  
Odessa Chapter #447  
Snyder Chapter #450  
Mineola Chapter #454  
Utopia Chapter #468  
Edinburg Chapter #473  
Killeen Chapter #490  
Killeen Chapter #490  
Alto Chapter #496  
Junction Chapter #497  
Springtown Chapter #498  
Throckmorton Chapter #500  
Ferris Chapter #508  
Crockett Chapter #509  
Hempstead Chapter #510  
McKinney Chapter #518  
Oakville Chapter #521  
Mission Chapter #527  
Granbury Chapter #530  
North Zulch Chapter #531  
El Campo Chapter #535  
Robstown Chapter #540  
Decatur Chapter #543  
Seguin Chapter #555  
Bardwell Chapter #560  
Happy Chapter #562  
Dal-Cliff Chapter #574  
Taylor Chapter #578  
Jourdanton Chapter #581  
Belton Chapter #589  
Lott Chapter #594  
Mt. Sylvan Chapter #595  
Seadrift Chapter #602  
Creedmoor Chapter #607  
Longview Chapter #610  
Bexar Chapter #616  
Cuero Chapter #618  
Texas City Chapter #626  
Corrigan Chapter #631  
Kilgore Chapter #631

Liberty Chapter #634  
McLennan Chapter# 639  
Texline Chapter #640  
Harlingen Chapter #641  
Loyal Chapter #648  
Anahuac Chapter #649  
Dumas Chapter #653  
Burkburnett Chapter #655  
Alvarado Chapter #656  
Clarksville Chapter #662  
Army Chapter # 664  
Canton Chapter #667  
Graham Chapter #668  
Rothwell Chapter #669  
Southside Chapter #673  
Collinsville Chapter #674  
Pine Hill Chapter #675  
Fort Worth Chapter #681  
North Fort Worth Chapter #684  
South San Antonio Chapter #691  
Edna Chapter #692  
Quitman Chapter #695  
Woodland Chapter #696  
Seagoville Chapter #697  
New Boston Chapter #700  
Plano Chapter #703  
West Columbia Chapter #705  
Magnolia Chapter #706  
Whitesboro Chapter #708  
Pasadena Chapter #711  
Sulphur Springs Chapter #718  
Kountze Chapter #724  
San Juan Chapter #726  
Somerset Chapter #730  
La Feria Chapter #732  
Albany Chapter #733  
Alamo Heights Chapter #734  
Woodbine Chapter #738  
Grandfalls Chapter #744  
Carthage Chapter #747  
Harlandale Chapter #750  
Wedgewood Chapter #756  
Panhandle Chapter #760  
Christoval Chapter #761  
Hillsboro Chapter #769  
New Braunfels Chapter #771  
Weslaco Chapter #772  
Irving Chapter #777  
Alamo Logos Star Chapter #782  
Brownfield Chapter #785  
Gordon Chapter #788  
Levelland Chapter #797  
Goose Creek Chapter #798  
Stephenville Chapter #801  
Borger Chapter #811  
Waskom Chapter #812

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Hearne Chapter #813  
Flatonia Chapter #813  
Rio Hondo Chapter #815  
Crane Chapter #816  
Prospect Hill Chapter #817  
Crescent Chapter #820  
Mabank Chapter #821  
Delta Chapter #824  
Gladewater Chapter #831  
Queen Esther Chapter #833  
South Hills Chapter #835  
Tomball Chapter #838  
Centennial Chapter #842  
Centennial Chapter #842  
Kermit Chapter #845  
Freer Chapter #848  
Andrews Chapter #849  
Goldsmith Chapter #854  
Bluebell Chapter #856  
Celina Chapter #857  
Dripping Springs #860  
Lindale Chapter #864  
Kaufman Chapter #866  
Oso Chapter #868  
Lometa Chapter #871  
Mathis Chapter #874  
Love Field Chapter #875  
Mansfield Chapter #876  
Abernathy Chapter #877  
Maud Chapter #879  
John L. DeGrazier Chapter #881  
Imperial Chapter #882  
Galena Park Chapter #884  
Bluebonnet Buckner Chapter #888  
Crosbyton Chapter #891  
Crosbyton Chapter #891  
Haskell Chapter #892  
DeKalb Chapter #894  
Ector Chapter #895  
Boyd Chapter #897  
Freedom Chapter #898  
Azle Chapter #899  
Joaquin Chapter #903  
Daingerfield Chapter #906  
Naples Chapter #907  
Hawkins Chapter #908  
Dublin Chapter #910  
Vidor Chapter #914  
Melrose Chapter #920  
Melrose Chapter #920  
Godley Chapter #922  
Venus Chapter #923  
Rosewyn Chapter #927  
Rosewyn Chapter #927  
Walter Baldwin Chapter #929

Whitney Chapter #930  
Whitney Chapter #930  
West University Chapter #933  
West University Chapter #933  
Lewisville Chapter #935  
Whitewright Chapter #939  
Lancaster Chapter #943  
Yorktown Chapter #945  
Yorktown Chapter #945  
Zavalla Chapter #952  
Groves Chapter #953  
Channelview Chapter #954  
East Houston Chapter #955  
Mount Vernon Chapter #956  
Edwin J. Kiest Chapter #959  
Ashland Chapter #961  
Fidelis Chapter #963  
Winnsboro Chapter #967  
Winnsboro Chapter #967  
Buna Chapter #968  
J. A. Kemp Chapter #970  
Cockrell Hill Chapter #971  
Bullard Chapter #972  
Hermleigh Chapter #974  
Rose Garden Chapter #975  
Caldwell Chapter #976  
Wylie Chapter #977  
Bluegrove Chapter #978  
LaMarque Chapter #979  
Bellmead Chapter #980  
Mary Martha Chapter #981  
Spring Branch Chapter #984  
A. E. Shirley Chapter #986  
Medina Chapter #988  
Rule Chapter #989  
Ysleta Chapter #991  
Ysleta Chapter #991  
Hallsville Chapter #995  
Hallsville Chapter #995  
Lexington Chapter #996  
Omaha Chapter #997  
Ridglea Chapter #999  
Centerville Chapter #1002  
Shepherd Chapter #1003  
Gatesville Chapter #1005  
Lucinda Conner Chapter #1006  
Covington Chapter #1007  
Friendship Chapter #1008  
Lake Jackson Chapter #1009  
Norman Read Chapter #1010  
Malakoff Chapter #1012  
River Oaks Chapter #1013  
Duncanville Chapter #1014  
Frank W. Lynn Chapter #1015  
Willis Chapter #1017  
Mamie D. Crane Chapter #1018  
Bellaire Chapter #1021  
Waelder Chapter #1023  
Pilot Point Chapter #1025  
Sanger Chapter #1027  
Castleberry Chapter #1028  
Hooks Chapter #1031  
Millsap Chapter #1042  
Independence Chapter #1044  
Deport Chapter #1045  
Dawson Chapter #1046  
Collinsville Chapter #1046  
Bronte Chapter #1048  
Dalhart Chapter #1051  
White Settlement Chapter #1053  
Lakeside Chapter #1054  
North Shore Chapter #1058  
Greenwood Chapter #1060  
Eustace Chapter #1062  
Deer Park Chapter #1063  
Pearland Chapter #1065  
Colmesneil Chapter #1068  
Copperas Cove Chapter #1070  
Cora Posey Chapter #1072  
Cora Posey Chapter #1072  
Floyd Easterling Chapter #1074  
Nederland Chapter #1079  
Oak Forest Chapter #1080  
University Chapter #1082  
Lone Star Chapter #1083  
Roy Stanley Chapter #1086  
Thunderbird Chapter #1087  
Carlsbad Chapter #1092  
New Caney Chapter #1093  
Archives Chapter #1095  
Seabrook Chapter #1096  
Burke Chapter #1098  
Wallace Hughston Chapter #1100  
Canyon Lake Chapter #1103  
Valley Hi Chapter #1104  
Zapata Chapter #1106  
Sugar Land Chapter #1107  
Portland Chapter #1108  
Bells Chapter #1110  
Huffman Chapter #1112  
Frankston Chapter #1113  
Gun Barrel City Chapter #1114  
Amistad Chapter #1115  
Kingsland Chapter #1118  
Kingsland Chapter #1118  
Leah Elliott Chapter #1119  
Gainesville Chapter #1123  
Del Mar Chapter #1127  
Justin Chapter #1128  
Wolfe City Chapter #1129  
Wimberley Chapter #1130  
Balch Springs #1132

Whitehouse Chapter #1133  
 Whitehouse Chapter #1133  
 Shallowater Chapter #1134

Newbern Chapter #1135  
 Swift Chapter #1138  
 Livingston Chapter #1139

### **SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS**

Per Article No. 27, Code of Laws, Page 61, your Worthy Grand Matron has the duty of granting special dispensations to Subordinate Chapters for specified purposes. I wish to express my appreciation to Mrs. Frances Burbank for her assistance in the performance of this responsibility, and as of this printing, the following special dispensations have been granted:

### **SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS**

The Issuance of Special Dispensations is the responsibility of the Worthy Grand Matron. The following Dispensations were granted, with fees.

#### **TO REPLACE LOST/OR WORN SECRET WORK AND DIAGRAM OF LABYRINTH**

Cedar Bayou No. 11  
 Alvin No. 15  
 Plainview No. 37  
 Colorado No. 58  
 Alpine No. 132  
 Merkel No. 212  
 Orange No. 214  
 Wichita Falls No. 237  
 Pittsburg No. 381  
 McKinney No. 518  
 Handley No. 617  
 Pine Hill No. 675  
 Bethlehem No. 728  
 Broadus No. 889

Plano No. 703  
 Woodbine No. 738  
 Stephenville No. 801  
 Tomball No. 838  
 Kaufman No. 866  
 South Houston No. 915  
 Groves No. 953  
 J. A. Kemp No. 970  
 Garden Oaks No. 987  
 Covington No. 1007  
 Eustace No. 1062  
 University No. 1082  
 Spring No. 1105

#### **TO WAIVE PHYSICAL DISABILITY**

Ruth No. 20  
 Rockdale No. 23  
 Athens No. 177  
 Uvalde No. 297  
 Nacogdoches No. 428

Dal-Cliff No. 574  
 Graham No. 668  
 Alamo Logos Star No. 782  
 Riverside No. 834  
 Pine Tree No. 1090

#### **TO CHANGE TIME AND/OR PLACE FOR A SPECIAL MEETING**

Whitesboro No. 708

#### **BUILDING SOLD - TO MOVE TO NEW BUILDING**

Quinlan No. 170

#### **BUILDING SOLD - MOVE TO ANOTHER MEETING PLACE**

Texas No. 35

Bexar No. 616

**TO MOVE PLACE OF MEETING**

Dallas No. 1                      Tenaha No. 185                      Del Mar No. 1127

**INSTALLATION OFFICERS - CHANGE PLACE**

Brock No. 274                      Hemphill No. 375                      Farmers Branch No. 687

**LATE ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Smithville No. 39	Springtown No. 498	John L. DeGrazier No. 881
Normangee No. 87	McClennan No. 639	Godley No. 922
Bonita No. 184	Brookshire No. 652	Sugar Land No. 1107
Lockhart No. 210	Flora No. 794	Bells No. 1110
Denton No. 259	Seminole No. 855	Evadale No. 1111
Strawn No. 361	Kaufman No. 866	The Colony No. 1136
Bay City No. 380	Maud No. 879	

**LATE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Ozona No. 287                      Whitehouse No. 1133

**LATE ELECTION OF WORTHY MATRON**

Anahuac No. 649

**LATE ELECTION OF SECRETARY, TREASURER,  
ASSOCIATE MATRON AND ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Azle No. 899

**LATE ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Tarrant-Keystone No. 8	Army No. 664	LaMarque No. 979
Big Spring No. 67	Southside No. 673	A. E. Shirley No. 986
Somerville No. 245	Farmers Branch No. 687	River Oaks No. 1013
Orange No. 214	Albany No. 733	Greenwood No. 1060
Crosby No. 261	Wedgwood No. 756	Friendswood No. 1131
Marlin No. 286	Bluebonnet Buckner No. 888	Newbern No. 1135
Creedmoor No. 607	Cockrell Hill No. 971	Livingston No. 1139
Longview No. 610		

**TO ELECT A WORTHY PATRON**

Boerne No. 200	Flora No. 794	Norman Read No. 1010
Rising Star No. 277	Richardson No. 921	Greenwood No. 1060
Alamo Heights No. 734	Zavalla No. 952	

**TO ELECT AND INSTALL  
ASSOCIATE MATRON AND ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Grapevine No. 326

**LATE ELECTION OF SECRETARY AND  
ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Seagoville No. 697

**LATE ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE MATRON, ASSOCIATE PATRON  
AND TREASURER**

Lonnie L. Blake No. 1116

**ELECTION OF WORTHY MATRON, WORTHY PATRON  
AND ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Woodville No. 462

Lakeside No. 1054

**ELECTION OF TREASURER**

Brazoria No. 74

Marble Falls No. 435

Deer Park No. 1063

Jacksonville No. 377

Gorman No. 443

**ELECTION OF CONDUCTRESS**

Dallas No. 1

Uvalde No. 297

Schertz No. 911

Aransas Pass No. 162

Corrigan No. 631

Duncanville No. 1014

Lockhart No. 210

Fabens No. 764

Ore City No. 1033

Eastland No. 280

Centennial No. 842

**ELECTION OF WORTHY MATRON AND  
ASSOCIATE MATRON**

Luling No. 155

**ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE MATRON**

Beaumont No. 71

Oak Forest No. 1080

Greenwood No. 1060

Leah Elliott No. 1119

**ELECTION OF SECRETARY**

Paris No. 5

Jourdanton No. 581

Rio Hondo No. 815

Callahan No. 242

Seagoville No. 697

Independence No. 1044

Mt. Pleasant No. 305

Albany No. 733

North Shore No. 1058

Coleman No. 360

**ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE MATRON AND  
ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Bonita No. 184

Odessa No. 447

Panhandle No. 760

San Saba No. 191

Pleiades No. 620

**ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Leakey No. 18

Woodbine No. 738

Floyd Easterling No. 1074

Dayton No. 233

Bellaire No. 1021

Lake Worth No. 1109

Kountze No. 724

**ELECTION OF CONDUCTRESS AND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Grand Prairie No. 219

Bethlehem No. 728



**ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE PATRON, CONDUCTRESS  
AND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Somerset No. 730

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS TWO WEEKS EARLY**

Goose Creek No. 798

**WAIVER OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION**

Tyler No. 112

**DEMISE OF CHAPTER**

Perryton No. 161

**WAIVER OF VISITATION**

Colorado No. 58 (Mrs. Kay (Brooks) Warren

**WAIVER PRIOR VISITATION FOR AFFILIATION**

Arlington No. 249 (Dorothy Brownlee)

**SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS REFUSED  
OR NOT NECESSARY**

Thornton No. 46 - Date of Stated Meeting cannot be changed

Pampa No. 65 - Stated Meeting cannot be cancelled

Killeen No. 490 - Date of Stated Meeting cannot be changed

Bardwell No. 560 - By-Laws Changes are necessary to change Dues

Alamo Heights No. 734 - Special Dispensation not necessary when Joint Fraternal Meeting is held in your Chapter

Atlanta No. 151. - Special Dispensation not necessary when Joint Fraternal Meeting is held in your Chapter

Crane No. 916 - Special Dispensation not necessary when Stated Meeting is scheduled at the same date as the Eastern Star School

Rosewyn No. 927 - Date of Stated Meeting cannot be changed

Friendswood No. 1131 - Subordinate Chapter year goes through May 31; therefore, an installation would not be possible before June 1st.

**COURTESY SPECIAL DISPENSATION**

Brock No. 274

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S VISIT**

Collinsville No. 674

**PERMISSION TO MEET AT 2 P.M. RATHER AT 7:30 P.M.**

River Oaks No. 1013

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Ransford No. 135

**COURTESIES REQUESTED BY THE  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS  
OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

Dumas Chapter No. 653 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Alene and John R. Thompson. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of New Mexico. Three members of Georgetown Chapter No. 4, New Mexico, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Pampa Chapter No. 65 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Wilma M. Iseli. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Arizona. Three members of Apache Chapter No. 62, Arizona, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Riverside Chapter No. 834 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mr. Noel A. Smith, Sr. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Washington. Three members of Reliance Chapter No. 70, Washington, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

River Oaks Chapter No. 1013 requested a Courtesy Investigations for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Gloria Roy. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Florida. Three members of New Port Richey Chapter No. 117, Florida, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

**COURTESIES REQUESTED BY  
OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS  
OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS**

The Grand Chapter of Kansas requested a Waiver of Grand Territorial Jurisdiction in the case of Charnette R. Young. This was referred to John L. DeGrazier Chapter No. 881. This Chapter attempted several times to schedule a visit, but were unsuccessful in working out a time to meet with her. This information was sent to the Grand Chapter of Kansas, with no action taken on the request.

The Grand Chapter of Michigan requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mr. James H. Walter. This was referred to Angleton Chapter No. 54. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of New Mexico requested a Waiver of Grand Territorial Jurisdiction in the case of Janet Bailey Booth. This was referred to Tyler Chapter No. 112. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under the Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Mississippi requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Lorraine Kay Westmoreland. This was referred to Wimodausis Chapter No. 141. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under the Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Florida requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Beatrice K. Nichols. This was referred to Silsbee Chapter No. 298. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under the Seal of the Chapter.

## LEGAL ACTS

In compliance with Article 35 of the Code of Laws, as Worthy Grand Matron, I signed the following legal instruments:

November 30, 1995 – Signed attachment to Oil and Gas Division Order with Kaiser-Francis Oil Company on 640.5441 acres out of the W.C.R.R. Survey A-923, the W.C.R.R. Co. Survey A-926 and the W.C.R.R. Co. Survey A- 1192 on the Hamill Estate #2 located in Harris County, State of Texas. ( Hildeuard Strey Estate).

January 31, 1996 – Signed Release of Lien on undivided 1/4 interest of our Eastern Star Home in a note by Walter J. Yard and wife, Clarice Yard, on a 25.663 acre tract of land out of the W. C. Sharp Survey, Abstract No. 386, Orange County, Texas. (Edith Stephenson Ball Estate).

February 23, 1996 – Signed Deed transferring 1,562 square feet of property parallel to Division Street to the City of Arlington and the Texas Department of Transportation in order to provide a turn lane in widening Collins Street. The Home received \$3,300.00 for this strip of land.

August 3, 1996 – Signed Settlement Agreement regarding a bequest to the Eastern Star Home from the Estate of Henry A. Schepler.

August 3, 1996 – Signed a three year Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease with Petro Land Group on our interest in 91.60 acres in the J. Connor Survey, A-152 Van Zandt County, Texas.

## DECISIONS, RULINGS AND IRREGULARITIES

The Order of the Eastern Star is a Fraternal Organization comprised of members with deep religious convictions; however, we are all human and fall short of the glory of our Heavenly Father. Your Worthy Grand Matron realizes that I too am human, but with privileges come responsibilities to conduct Grand Chapter business in the best possible manner. I have given to my membership the best I have had to offer, and with that awareness, I wish to report the following actions on the part of your Worthy Grand Matron.

By direction of Grand Chapter and the 1994-1995 Grievance and Appeals Committee, I have continued the monitoring of Bluebell Chapter, and wish to report that they have performed in a most proficient manner with peace and harmony prevailing at all times. I wish to thank those special ones who have visited on behalf of myself and Grand Chapter. The file has been turned over to the proper committee for examination.

Due to numerous telephone calls, signed letters and reports, I found it necessary to place a Chapter on **probation** and have their actions monitored by my **Special Appointed Deputy**, Mrs. Patricia Neinst, Past Grand Matron. This Chapter has since worked diligently to maintain peace and harmony, and with the concurrence of my special deputy, the probation was lifted. Thank you, Sister Pat.

The file has been referred to the proper committee for review.

Due to a filed complaint by members of a Chapter that disharmony was prevailing among the membership, I chose to simply write a letter of admonition, reminding this membership of their obligations toward each other and our Order. As of this printing, I am pleased to report a willingness of this membership to work together for our Order rather than personal gain. I am grateful to them.

By written direction of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Texas, I was requested to remind a Chapter of its relationship to the Masonic Lodge. I did so in the best manner possible, requesting effort to be made to heal the relationship.

Due to written and signed reports, telephone calls, and unrest within a Chapter over finances, and disharmony between a Secretary and Treasurer, it became necessary for me to request my Jurisprudence Member to visit and ascertain the seriousness of the situation. After so doing, it was established that the Chapter as a whole would be willing to work together to correct the problem and restore peace. Thank you, Sister Doris Efird.

Due to a formal written and signed complaint, and several telephone calls, it became necessary to void a called meeting, and the actions taken therein, and to request my Jurisprudence Member to visit and ascertain the seriousness. After efforts were made to clarify the problem, the Chapter is now working together in peace and going forward. Once again, thank you, Sister Doris Efird.

Due to a written and signed request for action from a Worthy Matron over the balloting at her Chapter, I found it necessary to do further inquiry; therefore, I sent my Jurisprudence Member to ascertain the seriousness of the situation. After so doing, the problem was one that could be resolved peacefully, and was so done. Thank you, Brother Harry Cunningham.

Due to many written and signed complaints, and numerous telephone calls, it was ascertained that a Chapter was having serious disobedience to our Laws, Rules, Regulations, Ritual, and By-Laws. With the concurrence of my Chairman of Jurisprudence, I wrote a formal letter of reprimand. Problems escalated from that point, and once again it became necessary for me to have a summoned meeting. This also did not resolve the problem, but only caused more written and signed complaints, and further disharmony. The Chapter as a whole decided to file charges, which ultimately resulted in the expulsion of two members. This Chapter is now going forward in a peaceful manner. I wish to thank Sisters Elsie Paladino, Virginia Lynn Green, and Lallah Mae Vollus for their wisdom and direction in this most serious situation. The file has been referred to the proper committee.

This year has been a **team effort** between me, my Jurisprudence and Grievance and Appeals Committees, and I am most grateful for their wisdom and assistance offered.

## EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS ACTIVITIES

It has been my personal joy over the past four (4) years to stay at our Home many times and share happy moments with its residents (who this year are called Sweetheart Roses). I have enjoyed sing-alongs, exercises, church services, and many delicious meals. I have been especially grateful for the lovely accommodations that are provided for the Worthy Grand Matron of Texas. The membership has been privi-

leged to see my rooms this year, and I wish to thank the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences for this privilege. Also during the year, I had scheduled activities at the home and was privileged to be there most of the time. Your Worthy Grand Patron and I gave several small tokens of appreciation to our residents as did my Ambassadors of Peace, Grand Committee Members and the membership as a whole.

The Christmas Party was given by my Fort Worth Peace Roses  
The Valentine Party was given by my Dallas Peace Roses  
The Easter Party was given by my Grand Harmonizers/Music Committee  
The Mother's Day Party was given by my Time & Talent Committee

### TRAVEL PROGRAM

Your Worthy Grand Matron wanted a relaxed, inexpensive, and fulfilled bus trip, and therefore, we took a "Southern Experience" and combined it with our **Multi-State Visit** in Jackson, Mississippi. We had two bus loads, and were especially delighted to have Sisters Rennie Ofton and Effie Mae Davis traveling with us. Texas was well represented, the southern states were beautiful, and the St. Petersburg's Russian exhibit was worth it all.

### ABSENCES FROM THE STATE

Your Worthy Grand Matron was out of state on two occasions during my tenure of office. One was for the Grand Chapter of Louisiana, and the other during our Multi-State visit. Per Article 31, Code of Laws, Page 61, I left the duties of my office in the capable hands of your Associate Grand Matron. Thank you, Sister Alma.

### GRAND CHAPTER VAN

The Board of Grand Trustees and the membership of Texas are most generous in furnishing a Van for the Worthy Grand Matron. I was privileged to receive a new Chevrolet, Cobra Conversion Van. It is lovely and most adequate for my needs. It has been carefully maintained with all scheduled maintenance being handled by my husband Russell, and our local Chevrolet Dealer. As of this printing, I have placed just over 26,000 miles on the van.

### FIFTY TO SEVENTY-FIVE YEAR MEMBERSHIPS

One of the sweetest privileges that has come to your Worthy Grand Matron this year has been to present membership certificates and congratulate many devoted members over the State. At the District 2 Banquet, I was privileged to present two Seventy-Five year memberships, and this is a true milestone in the history of our Order.

### MUSIC

Being a Music Major, it was a joy and pleasure to write the music for both the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I also compiled two tapes for my

membership. **Peaceful Remembrances** contains gospel and easy listening. The tape of **Marches of the Worthy Grand Matrons of Texas** goes back 55 years, and is truly a historical item.

### SPECIAL PROJECTS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Each year the Associate Grand Matron has had the responsibility of planning for items to offer to her membership to help defray expenses of our Grand Chapter and Home. This year was no exception; however, I believe that these items as a whole were of quality, and usefulness to all. I especially wish to mention the **Program Devotional Booklet**, which contained 15 original programs written by the Worthy Grand Matron, and Devotionals written by each living Past Grand Matron; then the **Perpetual Prayer Calendar** compiled by the Ambassadors of Peace, which contained lovely poems, inspirational thoughts and prayers which can be used year after year; and the **Bumper Sticker** which was to make a statement to the world. It contained both the Eastern Star and the Square and Compasses, with the words **In God We Trust** in the middle. I want to personally thank my committees and membership who worked diligently to move these items as well as the other items of suncatchers, pins, and buttons. We have netted well over \$75,000 as of this printing.

### NEW VENTURES AND UPGRADINGS

Due to the willingness of my membership, we tried a direct mail campaign of Address Labels, and netted approximately \$91,000 for our **permanent home endowment fund**.

Then, due to your continued willingness to allow release of the Home Renovation Fund, many improvements have been made to our Home in Arlington. The entire outside has been repainted, the windows corrected, plumbing problems have been corrected as needed, and continued repairs are being evaluated for continued upgrading. There will be a short video tape at Grand Chapter for you to view so that you may see what all has been done. I personally wish to thank Eddie Perdue for his time in preparing us a "before and after" picture.

Due to the efforts of several over the past three years, including my husband Russell, we now have computers, and educational training for our workers at **both** our Home and Grand Secretary's Office. We are developing an accurate file of names and addresses as prescribed by our law, and we believe that our business practices have really improved this year. I wish to extend **special appreciation** to Mr. Wayne Gaddis, who has been Superintendent of our Home this year, and has made every endeavor to keep our home operations **under budget**; to the Grand Secretary and her staff, who have implemented their work on the computers furnished them; to the **Home Laborers Volunteers** over the State who took time to help restore areas in our Home, and to all three Boards who have worked together in a **team concept** to help upgrade and make your Grand Chapter and Eastern Star Home proficient and structured as directed by our Auditors. We are big business, and we are now operating as such.

### PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK

The Order of the Eastern Star always observes this special time in the history

of our Masonic Fraternity, and it usually falls during the first full week in March. This year it occurred between March 4-8th, and I respectfully requested that **only** stated meetings were held with light refreshments. I wish to say thank you to my Worthy Matrons who honored my request. Many of our members also visited the local school systems in support of continued high educational standards for our youth of tomorrow.

### **SPRING FAMILY REUNION and FOUNDER'S DAY**

It was your Worthy Grand Matron's desire this year to have family events on the grounds of our Eastern Star Home so that my membership could relax, visit and fellowship together and see all the improvements of our Home. I wish to say **thank you** to my General Chairmen and their committees for a job well done, and **congratulations** on a big success with the help of our entire membership.

### **TEXAS/LOUISIANA EXCHANGE VISIT**

As has been the custom over the past several years, our Texas membership has enjoyed a close relationship with our neighboring Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana, and this year was certainly no exception. Louisiana members came to Beaumont, Texas on Friday, August 9, 1996 for a delightful and happy evening for over 250 members. Then on Saturday, October 10, 1996 the Texas membership traveled to Lake Charles, Louisiana for another fulfilled evening for over 280 members. We were again delighted to have our Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter, Sister Rennie Ofton and her Paul with us as we toe-tapped to cajun and country gospel music.

### **CONDOLENCES TO MEMBERSHIP**

Your Worthy Grand Matron made every effort to send letters of condolences as I traveled over the state to Subordinate Chapters who lost loved ones. I could never cover them all, but I did my very best with the help of my loving and devoted Secretary, Martha I. Mosele.

### **HONORS and GIFTS**

Now comes the most humbling part of my report to my membership. There are no words adequate to express how deeply touched I have been this year over the outpouring of love, support, prayers and gifts that have been given to me. My membership has been much more generous than I deserve. I will attempt to list as much as is allowable due to printing cost, but this in no way diminishes my appreciation for each act of kindness and courtesy extended to me.

### **HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS**

Many of my Subordinate Chapters bestowed upon me an honorary membership, and as the years go by, I will enjoy looking back through my albums and remembering each of you.

## GAVELS

I was honored this year by having had made and given to me four beautiful gavels, and I will use them as I preside over our Grand Chapter Session in Beaumont. I humbly say **thank you** to the following:

Brother Frank Moyer, Texas City 626  
 Brother Jack Kramer, Willis 1017  
 Brother James Williams, Beckville 273  
 Brother Walter Dana, S. San Antonio 691

## RESTORATION OF MUSIC ROOM AT OES HOME

To my **Ambassadors of Peace** (1995-96 Worthy Matrons of Texas), I wish to say **thank you** for the time, money and energy you expended to restore and furnish music for the music room at our Home. Even though you did this in honor of your Worthy Grand Matron, it will benefit all who pass that way in hearing music at any and all times in our Home.

## KEYS TO CITIES

Bandera	Midland	Uvlade	Fort Worth	Throckmorton
Waco	San Saba	Centerville	Ganado	Liberty
Woodville	Ferris	Palestine	Marlin	Lake Charles, La.

## HONORARY CITIZENSHIP

El Paso	Lake Charles, La.
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## CONGRATULATORY LETTERS AND WELCOMES

President of the United States, Bill Clinton  
 Governor of Texas, George Bush  
 Texas House of Representatives  
 Mayor of Fort Worth

A beautiful American flag was flown over the United States Capitol at the request of the Honorable Martin Frost, Member of Congress and in honor of Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S. 1995-1996. This Flag will be a cherished item in our home.

## PROCLAMATIONS AND HONORARY APPOINTMENTS

Honorary Sheriff of Harris County	Mayor of San Antonio
Mayor of Brownwood	Mayor of Bandera
Mayor of Amarillo	Deputy Sheriff of Anderson County
Mayor of Moran	Mayor of Uvlade
Mayor of Throckmorton	Mayor of Gonzales
Mayor of Waco	Mayor of Spur



Mayor of Ganado  
 Mayor of Marshall  
 Mayor of Gainesville  
 Mayor of Houston  
 Mayor of Palestine

Mayor of Abilene  
 Mayor of Mineola  
 Mayor of Jasper  
 Mayor of Marlin  
 Mayor of Lake Charles, La.

I was notified of many **contributions** made on behalf of your Worthy Grand Matron to Home Endowment or ESTARL. These touched my heart as they were indications that you the membership believed in our efforts of this year. **Thank you.**

Many more beautiful gifts were given as I traversed this great State in service to you, the membership of Texas. Even though they are too numerous to list, rest assured that they will adorn the home of Russ and Rosemary Swetland, and be a constant remembrance of your expressions of love to us. **Thank you.**

As your Worthy Grand Matron serves on the **Corporate Board** along with the other seven elected officials of our Order, I have chosen to have the Corporate Board **Minutes** included as part of my report. Therefore, the following are the minutes for the benefit of my membership.

## **CORPORATE BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 1995**

A meeting was held at the Holiday Inn in Plano, Texas on November 4, 1995 with the following members present:

### **CORPORATE BOARD**

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
 Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
 Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
 Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
 Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
 Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
 Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
 Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress

### **BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES:**

Sarah Coursey, Chairman  
 Claude Ervin, Vice-Chairman  
 Jim Rippey, District IV member

### **BENEVOLENT BOARD**

Lindsey Pynies, Vice-Chairman  
 Delbert Shoemaker, Secretary  
 Tom Warner, Treasurer  
 Betty Capps, District III member

### **SUPERINTENDENT - O.E.S. HOME**

Wayne Gaddis

The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Worthy Grand Patron to lead in prayer. She then stressed that we were working together as a team and must have a positive attitude.

Sister Rosemary Swetland stated she had added Ray White from District III as Co-Chairman to work with Wayne Gaddis on the Renovation/Restoration Committee. The committee will receive at least three bids, present them to the Benevolent Board who will then present them to the Board of Grand Trustees before any action is taken. She also wants to be kept advised.

An article will be placed in the next issue of the Official Bulletin thanking the membership for their confidence in allowing the leaders of Grand Chapter to begin working on the Renovation/Restoration of our Eastern Star Home. The article will also state that since the original specifications of 1990 are not being followed, any member wishing to request the return of their previous contribution may do so by contacting the Grand Secretary's office by December 31, 1995.

Ed Perdue will take before and after videos of the progress of the renovation.

Wayne Gaddis reported that he had received seven recommendations for paint contractors, and volunteers will be used to work on the garage and boiler room. Suggestions were made to include contractors providing certificates of insurance, references and financial statements and they should be bonded. It would also be wise to run credit checks. Discussion also included having volunteers sign "Hold Harmless" statements. Wayne Gaddis will provide specification sheets for the contractors. Wayne then left the meeting.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported that \$7,030 had been received from the donations for the prayer calendars.

An Eastern Star Chapter in Irving (not one of our Chapters) has been soliciting funds. We will need to place an article in our Official Bulletin informing our members that this is not sponsored by one of our Subordinate Chapters. The article should state "To Be Read In Open Chapter" .

Each member present was given the opportunity to speak.

Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, asked Richard Ochs to close the meeting with prayer.

Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

## **CORPORATE BOARD MEETING JANUARY 12, 1996**

A meeting of the Corporate Board, Board of Grand Trustees and the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences was held Friday evening, January 12, 1996 in the Frontier Room of the Ramada Inn Hotel in Fort Worth following the banquet in the Ballroom of the Masonic Temple.

Those in attendance included:

### **CORPORATE BOARD:**

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron

Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress

**BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES:**

Sarah Coursey, Chairman  
Claude Ervin, Vice-Chairman  
Jim Rippey, District 4 member

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES**

Delbert Shoemaker, Secretary  
Betty Capps, District 3 member

The Worthy Grand Matron asked Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, to lead in prayer.

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, asked that we strive to keep a spirit of positiveness. She asked that we remember Alma Carter's daughter, Jeannie, in our prayers.

The Grand Secretary distributed a letter from our Auditors, George, Morgan & Sneed, regarding the finances of our Eastern Star Home and the deficit budget approved at Grand Chapter. They asked if plans have been developed in order to operate the Home until the per capita is received in June. They also asked about long range plans for the future of our Home. They requested that the Board of Grand Trustees provide information concerning operating cash for the Home, particularly during these next few months. Every member was given the opportunity to speak and to offer suggestions. Claude Ervin offered to bring a recommendation to the next meeting of the Boards regarding raising additional funds during these next few months.

Discussion was also held concerning stationery for the Development and Marketing Committee which needs to include the names, addresses and titles of the members of the Board of Grand Trustees. The Worthy Grand Matron will discuss the stationery with the Chairman of the Development and Marketing Committee and have her call the Grand Secretary concerning the information needed for the stationery.

The Worthy Grand Matron discussed the label mail-out program by Vantage. The company will be sending a second follow-up letter to those members who have not responded in the next few weeks. Many letters have been returned with incorrect addresses, etc., and these names will be deleted in order to correct our lists.

Our Associate Grand Matron discussed some projects she plans to use during her year.

While Worthy Grand Matron's Special Projects provide funds for immediate use, the Auditors feel that our greatest need is to increase our Endowment Fund.

The next meeting of these boards will be held in Dallas on Friday evening, February 23 following the banquet.

The Worthy Grand Matron asked Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, to close the meeting with prayer.

Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

**CORPORATE BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 1996**

A meeting of the Corporate Board, Board of Grand Trustees, Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences and the Development and Marketing Committee was held Friday evening, February 23, 1996 at the Dallas Grand Hotel in Dallas following the banquet with the following members present:

**CORPORATE BOARD**

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand conductress

**BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES**

Sarah Valkus Coursey, Chairman  
Claude Ervin, Vice-Chairman  
Jim Rippey, District 4 member

**BENEVOLENT BOARD**

Helen Hare, Chairman  
Lindsey Pynes, Vice-Chairman  
Delbert Shoemaker, Secretary  
R.J. "Tom" Warner, Treasurer

**DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING COMMITTEE**

Sheryl Koltermann, Chairman  
Barbara Grosvenor  
Gerry Isaacs  
Nancy Sims  
Linda Stein

The Worthy Grand Matron thanked everyone for their presence and for their encouragement. She asked the Worthy Grand Patron to lead in prayer.

The Worthy Grand Matron gave each person present an opportunity to speak.

The Grand Secretary discussed the finances of the Eastern Star Home.

Sheryl Koltermann stated that she had sent thirty-one letters to foundations. It was suggested that responses need to be sent to foundations who make contributions to inform them where the funds were used.

Renovations at the Home were discussed. Those present went over the requirements which include written specifications to be given to those desiring to make bids. The bids will be submitted to Wayne Gaddis and Ray White, reviewed by the Benevolent Board and then submitted to the Trustees for approval of the expenses. A minimum of three bids is required. The companies performing the renovations need to be bonded, carry Worker's Comp or similar insurance and present a written contract. An inspection by the committee and a representative of the Benevolent Board should be made of the work before all final funds are dispersed. The Worthy Grand Matron asked the Grand Secretary to furnish her with a list of up to date expenses for the renovation program.

In response to the letter from the Auditors asking for short-term and long-term proposals for the Home, Claude Ervin passed out a long-term recommendation involving our Endowment Fund. The motion was made to approve the concept, refer it to the Development and Marketing Committee to be implemented during the 1996-1997 year, with a report at our next meeting. The motion was approved.

Rosemary Swetland gave a report on the profit from the label program. We are in the profit margin with additional funds still being received in spite of outdated addresses and many deceased members. She recommended we consider handling a mail-out ourselves on a one time a year basis in the future.

Alma Lynn Bane reported that she has attended an Inter Fraternal Conference in League City with representatives from other Fraternal bodies, and we are all experiencing the same problems.

The Worthy Grand Matron stated that she felt all Boards are working together well as a team.

The meeting was dismissed following prayer by our Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary Swetland.

Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

## CORPORATE BOARD MEETING August 2, 1996

A meeting of the Corporate Board was held Friday, August 2, 1996 in the Grand Secretary's Office in Arlington, Texas immediately following the meeting of the Eastern Star Home of Texas with all members of the Corporate Board in attendance as follows:

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress

Alma Lynn Bane reported that the contract has been signed for the Grand Chapter Session to be held in the Ferrell Center at Baylor University in Waco September 23, 24 and 25 of 1999.

The Worthy Grand Matron mentioned a problem with an employee at the Home.

Each Board member was given the opportunity to express her/his opinion.

The Worthy Grand Matron called the Home and asked the members of the Benevolent Board to join the Corporate Board in their meeting.

Discussion continued concerning an employee at the Home along with some other concerns. Our ultimate goal is the welfare of the residents in the Home.

The Worthy Grand Matron advised the Benevolent Board that the individual who had applied for a position at the Home should be allowed the courtesy of an

interview. If the individual is still interested, an interview should be arranged and members of the Corporate Board are to be allowed to be present for the interview, if they so desire.

The general consensus of the Corporate Board is that the Benevolent Board will be at liberty to accept the resignation of any employee who threatens to leave the Home. The resignation must be in writing and signed by the employee at that time.

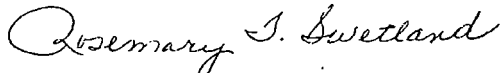
The Worthy Grand Matron also requested that, within the next few months, the Benevolent Board have an inventory taken of the valuable items in the Home listing their respective locations along with a monetary value.

The meeting was then closed.

Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

Now comes the **closing of the record book** of your Worthy Grand Matron for 1995-1996. This year of service was rewarding, due much because of you, my **membership of Texas**. I requested your prayers, and you offered them to me. Those sincere and earnest prayers have sustained me as I have had to perform my immense responsibilities. I requested your support, and you gave it to me. I asked that you believe with us that Texas can, and you did. What more is there to say? The record stands! The year 1995-96 has taken the Grand Chapter of Texas through a **peaceful, positive and productive year**. We have searched and found **peace and harmony**. To those who follow behind, we have left our Order a little better for you. My closing prayer for each and every member of this great Fraternity is that you find the true peace of our Heavenly Father within your heart so that you may learn to live in **harmony** with all of God's people.

Lovingly and Fraternally,



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron - 1995-96  
Grand Chapter of Texas, OES

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Due to printing requirement, for our Advanced Annual Reports, it is always necessary that the Worthy Grand Matron's report be turned in before her actual duties are ended. This year was no exception, and I completed the first report on August 16, 1996; therefore, there have been activities and duties performed since that date which are necessary to report as a *supplemental* to the Worthy Grand Matron's report.

I wish to inform my membership of my final responsibilities and actions.

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF  
WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
MRS. ROSEMARY T. SWETLAND  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, OES 1995 - 1996**

On September 29, 1996, the Grand Chapter of Texas suffered a great loss and

heaven experienced a great gain in the life of Sister Marcella Curry, Past Grand Matron in 1993-94. Being a Christian, your Worthy Grand Matron believes strongly that at this very moment, Sister Marcella is smiling down on this session, as she was aware of her influence in my life, and the lives of my membership. Marcella's *Divine Plan* has unfolded, and the fragrance that she left behind will remain a constant reminder to each of us "to always keep working on love."

I completed my final 31st Combined Fraternal Visit on August 31, 1996 in Amarillo, Texas where I was honored by a surprise visit from the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Dorothy Pitsford, and 13 of her Grand Officers from the Grand Jurisdiction of New Mexico, and what a joy to have her with me on this day in Texas.

On Saturday, September 21, 1996 I celebrated with District 5 in the last banquet of the year out in our respective districts, and it was a first. We had a dinner/dance, and I am most pleased to notify this membership that many of your grand officers can now perform *in unison*, the Macarena good as the President of the United States.

I was privileged to celebrate with Sister Helen Hare, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolence in Mission on August 24, 1996 when she was honored with a retirement banquet. Before flying down to be with her on that day, I was truly honored to have been invited as the special guest of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M. to be a part of a Corner Stone Laying Ceremony at the Memorial Oaks Cemetery in Houston, Texas. This was a first for your Worthy Grand Matron, and I was truly impressed by the significance of this structured event.

On September 28, 1996 I was privileged to be with Kerrville Chapter No. 24 as they celebrated their 100th Birthday. Your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were driven to the Chapter in a 1965 yellow cadillac convertible, and I was dressed in my long skirt and bonnet made especially for me. I was given a key to the city of Kerrville, and I came away with a strong positive belief that our Order is alive and well.

On that same evening, I was special guest of Sister Wanda Fairchild, Junior Past Grand Matron, at her "Cool Hills" Roundup, and by the way, just for Sister Wanda, the temperature dropped about 25 degrees. Such clout some members have.

Per our Code of Laws, Article No. 25, your Worthy Grand Matron continued to approve By-Laws up through this week and a copy is attached to this report for our final proceedings. The final total of By-Laws changes was 464. I congratulate my Subordinate Chapters for handling their business in a proficient manner.

Per our Code of Laws, Article No. 27, your Worthy Grand Matron has continued to grant special dispensations, and a copy of those is attached to this report for our final proceedings.

As of the closing of this report, your Worthy Grand Matron has traveled just over 32,500 miles in the Grand Chapter Van. It is in excellent condition, cleaned and serviced in readiness for your incoming Worthy Grand Matron. God's angels of mercy traveled with your Worthy Grand Matron and her Grand Officers as we experienced no road difficulties, no bad weather, and no harmful situations. Truly, Father God is with us!

Lovingly and Fraternally,

*Rosemary J. Swetland*

Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Code of Laws - Article 27, Page 61

Worthy Grand Matron is to grant Special Dispensations for the needs of her Subordinate Chapters. Since the printing of the Advanced Annual Report, I have granted the following Special Dispensations:

**WAIVER FOR DEMITS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Moran Chapter No. 591

**WAIVER OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION**

Mission Chapter No. 527

**WAIVER PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Frisco Chapter No. 93

Arlington Chapter No. 249

**ELECTING WORTHY PATRON**

Alamo Heights Chapter No. 734

**ELECTING WORTHY PATRON, ASSOCIATE PATRON  
AND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Frisco Chapter No. 93

**ELECTING ASSOCIATE PATRON**

Frank W. Lynn Chapter No. 1015

**ELECTING NEW SECRETARY**

Queen Esther No. 833

Mt. Vernon Chapter No. 956

**ELECTING A TREASURER**

Montgomery No. 228

**ELECTING CONDUCTRESS**

Abilene Chapter No. 30

**ELECTING NEW ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Commerce Chapter No. 208

Ft. Worth Chapter No. 681



**INITIATION CEREMONY**

Devine Chapter No. 43

**DECLARING STATION OF ASSOCIATE MATRON VACANT**

Kountze Chapter No. 724

**REPLACING COPY OF SECRET WORK**

Angleton Chapter No. 54

North Side Chapter No. 651

Rusk Chapter No. 79

Thunderbird Chapter No. 1087

Brownwood Chapter No. 116

Friendswood Chapter No. 1131

**FRATERNAL VISIT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

Amarillo Chapter No. 787

**FRATERNAL VISIT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

Sour Lake Chapter No. 75

**HOLD MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4TH  
IN LIEU OF NOVEMBER 11TH**

Round Rock Chapter No. 316

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron, I move that this Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron for 1995-96 be referred to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I second that motion. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion, and you need to practice with your yellow cards. So show your yellow cards. Down cards. Opposed. The motion carried. The report will be referred to the proper Committee.

Worthy Grand Matron, I gladly turn the gavel back to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. Worthy Grand Patron, I now invite you to present your Report of the Worthy Grand Patron.

**REPORT OF THE  
WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

As I begin this report to the Grand Chapter of Texas, and to the Membership of Texas, I have feelings that time has stood still and also that time has quickly carried me along toward the end of my term of office. That indescribable mountain top experience where I was placed when Sister Rosemary Swetland selected me and the membership chose to elect me is ever with me. However, time continues and I realize my time in this honored place is too quickly coming to an end.

The often used term "The Masonic Family" has truly taken a more real and a broader meaning for me. This has been a family experience. The Peace Roses and Care-

takers being the center of the family and the entire membership that surrounded the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron kept the family together by loving one another.

### **APPRECIATION TO THE PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS**

I will forever be grateful to the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons for their support during this time of my service to Grand Chapter. This group of dedicated members reached out to me and assured me of their desire to have only good things come to me. My LOVE for EACH one of you has grown and will be forever.

Thanks for your years of past service that has made my walk among the membership smoother since you left the way well marked and straightened.

### **INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS**

The Installation of the 1995-96 Grand Officers was the most beautiful time in the Eastern Star life of Freda and me. Our thanks will continue to go out to the hundreds of workers that made this such a special time.

### **BLUEBELL CHAPTER NO. 856**

On October 24, 1995, it was an honor for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to deliver the Charter of Bluebell Chapter to the loving membership and for me to be Assisting Installing Officer to install the Officers.

### **FRATERNAL VISIT - BURKE CHAPTER NO. 1098**

On October 28, 1995, I attended the Banquet and the Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron to her Chapter. This was also the celebrating of the 25th birthday of Burke Chapter.

### **KLEIN CONSTITUTING**

On October 30, 1995, the great privilege of constituting a new Chapter into the Grand Chapter of Texas came to me. The ceremony of constituting and installation of the new officers was attended by an overflow crowd.

### **FRATERNAL VISIT - PRINCETON CHAPTER NO. 1126**

On November 4, 1995, the Worthy Grand Matron honored Princeton Chapter with a Fraternal Visit and Banquet. Because of Princeton's small Chapter, the meeting was held in Plano, at the Holiday Inn. Those that were in attendance were both loving and enthusiastic and helped to give all present a lift of spirits and encouragement to be committed to our Order.

## **SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTIONS**

On November 6, 1995, the schedule of schools started in District two at Abilene. This was a wonderful start and the love demonstrated there for each other continued throughout the 50 schools schedule.

If space allowed, I could fill page after page on each of the 50 schools. The many gifts were greatly appreciated and the courtesies extended to Freda and I were more than we could have dreamed of. Thanks to each Chapter who gave me the Honorary Memberships, and the Keys to the City, the Proclamations and other Civic awards, will be long remembered.

Each school was SPECIAL because each Deputy Grand Matron, from the different sections had their own unique manner of conducting their school.

The last school was April 13, 1996.

When Freda and I began this "walk" among the membership our prayers were that we would be able to attend all the schools. Thanks unto GOD, who made the dream possible.

## **IMPERIAL CHAPTER NO. 882**

Between the schools we were able to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron to many special meetings. On November 12, 1995, we attended Imperial Chapter to celebrate their 50th birthday.

## **GRAND LODGE**

The Worthy Grand Matron's school schedule allowed for us both to attend Grand Lodge in Waco, where the Worthy Grand Matron addressed the Membership of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas. Sister Rosemary asked all those that were members of the Order of The Eastern Star to stand. The heart of all Eastern Stars were lifted when a majority of those present proudly stood.

## **CHRISTMAS AT OUR EASTERN STAR HOME**

The Sweetheart Roses were the ones honored when the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and many others celebrated Christmas with the ladies of the home. The "reason for the season", Jesus Christ, was worshiped and honor to HIS Holy Name was given.

## **SPRING FAMILY REUNION**

On April 25, 26, and 27th, of 1996, the family of Eastern Star from all over the State met with our family members living at our home for a true family reunion. This was a well attended event and great fellowship was had.

## **ROUND-UP WORTHY GRAND MATRON- WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

On May 3-4, 1996, a roundup was held in Bruceville at a Church Camp. This was a relaxing time for all and I think a "fore- runner" of future roundup for our Order. This was inexpensive for the membership and was completely enjoyable.

## **MOTHERS DAY AT THE EASTERN STAR HOME**

On May 5, 1996, the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and many grand officers, were able to be with the Sweetheart Roses and extend to them a Happy Mother's Day.

## **ABILENE CHAPTER NO. 30 - 100th BIRTHDAY DISTRICT TWO BANQUET**

On May 18, 1996, there was a full day of fellowship and an opportunity to greet so many Eastern Stars from District Two, and the other Districts.

The 100th Birthday for Abilene Chapter No. 30, was a wonderful time and those able to attend had well wishes for another 100 years.

The banquet was a very good time. The food and service was great. I believe we went around the "May Pole".

## **RAINBOW ASSEMBLY**

On June 16, 17th and 18th, 1996, I was able to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron to the Grand Assembly in Houston. This was the first time that I was able to attend most of the events of Grand Assembly and was greatly impressed with our young people and their adult leaders.

## **GRAND PRAIRIE CHAPTER NO. 219 85th BIRTHDAY**

On July 7, 1996, along with the Worthy Grand Matron and several Grand Officers and officers of Grand Chapter attended the 85th Birthday of Grand Prairie. It was well attended and again with the Eastern Star...the food and fellowship great.

## **DISTRICT FOUR BANQUET**

On July 27, 1996, Freda and I attended the District Four Banquet in Humble. There was a large crowd and great food and wonderful fellowship with members from every district in attendance.

## **RUSK CHAPTER NO. 79**

On July 29, 1996, a heavy responsibility was mine when I was asked to be present at a called meeting and trial.

## **FOUNDERS DAY**

On August 2-3, 1996, I joined many at our home in Arlington for this annual celebration of our founders birthday. Friday night we had Beans and Cornbread. Saturday everyone was selling, and the silent auction was great. The week-end was filled with much fun and several business meetings.

## **DISTRICT ONE BANQUET**

On August 3, 1996, the Diamonds and Denim, District One Banquet was held at the Southfork Ranch. This was honoring Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, and Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron. The casual western style theme set the mood for everyone to have a good time.

## **RECEPTION FOR SARAH COURSEY AND HELEN HARE**

On August 4, 1996, was a SPECIAL day at the home. Worship services were conducted in the newly renovated Chapel. I led the service and preached the sermon and the Worthy Grand Matron provided the music and the special music. The Holy Spirit was allowed to do HIS marvelous work and everyone knew the presence of our Lord drew near to us.

This was the day we honored Sarah Coursey, Chairman of Board of Grand Trustees, and Helen Hare, Chairman of Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences. These two lovely ladies have given a lot of years and time to our beautiful Order.

## **TEXAS - LOUISIANA EXCHANGE VISIT**

On August 9th and 10th, 1996, I attended the exchange visit with the Grand Chapter of Louisiana. Friday we had a marvelous banquet in Beaumont, and Saturday, we were entertained by our Louisiana sisters and brothers in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

## **PAST MATRONS AND PAST PATRONS DISTRICT 3 - SECTION 2**

On August 16, 1996, the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of District 3, Section 2, honored the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with a beautiful banquet in Weatherford.

We had real live yellow roses and peace roses on every table.

The food was delicious and the fellowship outstanding.

## **DISTRICT THREE BANQUET**

On August 17, 1996, I was able to attend the District three Banquet honoring Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress and Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress, along with sister Yvonne naming her co-worker, Mr. Claude Ervin. There was over 800 people and a good time was had by all.

## CLOSING

In closing I once again wish to share with the membership my prayer and my wish for each one where ever they may be:

*MAY OUR HEAVENLY FATHER LEAD YOU BESIDE STILL WATERS,  
MAY HIS STRENGTH BE THE JOY YOU FIND THERE,  
MAY HIS POWER BE THE VICTORY YOU LIVE IN,  
AND UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, MAY HE HOLD YOU SAFELY,  
IN THE PALM OF HIS ALMIGHTY HAND.*

*Billy H. Combest*

Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, as has already been explained to you, my Worthy Grand Patron's report has been printed, and this is a supplemental since that time.

## SUPPLEMENT TO THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S REPORT

### FIVE STAR TEA - MCKINNEY

September 18, 1996, District One - Section Two, Line Officers gave a tea honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Billy Combest, Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron, Freda Combest, Grand Esther, Willie Mae Shaw, Grand Representative of Mississippi, and Joyce Gilbert, Deputy Grand Matron.

### DISTRICT ONE PAST MATRONS AND PAST PATRONS ASSOCIATION

September 14, 1996, District 1 Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association honored the Grand Officers and Elected Boards in Caddo Mills. The food and program was outstanding.

### BANQUET HONORING CHARLOTTE STEVENS DEPUTY GRAND MATRON - DISTRICT ONE - SECTION TEN MINEOLA, TEXAS

September 14, 1996, The Worthy Grand Matron Rosemary Swetland, and myself was present at the "South of the Border" Banquet.

### POLYTECHNIC #420 TEA HONORING DORIS MOORE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON - DISTRICT THREE

September 15, 1996, I was glad to be able to attend this tea honoring Sister Doris Moore, a Special Friend.

**GATE CITY #77  
HONOR NIGHT FOR WORTHY GRAND PATRON  
AND GRAND ESTHER**

September 19, 1996, Gate City had a honor night for Billy Combest and Freda Combest. A large crowd attended; Elise Hammack, Past Grand Matron, Wayne P. Jones, and Charles Morris, Past Grand Patrons were in attendance. Sister Nancy Brown, Humanitarian District Three gave the Obligation Program.

**DISTRICT FIVE BANQUET**

September 21, 1996 Freda and I attended the District Five Banquet and this completed all 5 of the District Banquets that I was honored to attend.

**MEETINGS IN ARLINGTON**

September 26th and 27th, 1996, I attended Meetings in Arlington with the Grand Chapter Attorneys and the Benevolence Board.

**KERRVILLE CHAPTER #24  
100TH BIRTHDAY**

September 28, 1996, to Kerrville for their 100th Birthday and the Masters, Warden's and Secretaries Association Annual Barbecue. The Most Worshipful Grand Master and many of his installed Grand Officers were present.

**MARCELLA CURRY - PAST GRAND MATRON  
FUNERAL SERVICE**

October 5, 1996, Freda and I went to Corpus Christi to attend the Services for our Friend Sister Marcella.

**MT. PLEASANT  
FUNERAL SERVICE**

October 10, 1996, I attend the services for O.R. Jones.

**HONEY GROVE CHAPTER #901  
50TH BIRTHDAY**

October 12, 1996, I attended the 50th Birthday for Honey Grove Chapter.

**GARRISON CHAPTER #192**

October 13, 1996, Garrison Chapter Honored the Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary Swetland, and Grand Officers.

**LAWTON, OKLAHOMA**

October 15, 1996, Freda and I went to Lawton Chapter to attend a meeting. Glenn and June Whitaker were in attendance.

**PRECIOUS MOMENTS TO REMEMBER TEA  
HONORING JOYCE GILBERT  
DEPUTY GRAND MATRON - DISTRICT ONE - SECTION TWO**

October 19, 1996 a tea honoring our Deputy, in McKinney, at the First Baptist Church.

We came here to this location on Monday and began to prepare for this time. Worthy Grand Matron, I make a motion that this report be referred to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Patron. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your yellow cards. Oh, that looks pretty! All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I now lovingly invite our trusted friend and Grand Secretary for the past nine years for this Grand Chapter of Texas to give her report at this time. Sister Frances.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. From pages 32 through 38 in the Advanced Annual Report you will find the report of the Grand Secretary.

## THE REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers,

In compliance with the Code of Laws, I submit the record of the official transactions of the Grand Secretary during the year of 1995-1996.

The Annual Chapter Reports as of May 31, 1996 reflect a decrease of 5,977 in our total membership and a decrease of 16 in the number of Subordinate Chapters. We gained 3,354 members by initiation, affiliation and reinstatement. We lost a total of 8,130 members by demits, withdrawals, transfers, suspensions, expulsions and death. Three Chapters demised and thirteen Chapters consolidated. The total number of Chapters on July 15 was 576.

Frances E. Burbank  
Grand Secretary

### IN MEMORIAM

"For god so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have  
everlasting life."

John 3:15

With grateful hearts we offer our thanks to our Heavenly Father for His watchful care over the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers during the past year.

### MEMBERSHIP

The 1996 Annual Reports again reflect a decrease in membership and the number of Subordinate Chapters.



Membership on May 31, 1995	77,044	
Increase - Adjustments to 1995 reports	234	77,278
Decrease - Adjustments to 1995 Reports	1,435	75,843
<b>INCREASE:</b>		
Initiated	1,159	
Reinstated	244	
Affiliations	1,951	3,354
		79,197
<b>DECREASE:</b>		
Demits	1,314	
Withdrawals	169	
Transfers	296	
Suspensions	3,810	
Expulsions	12	
Deaths	2,529	8,130
<b>TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ON MAY 31, 1996</b> .....		<b>*71,067</b>

\* Includes 90 Members residing in Eastern Star and Masonic Homes (exempt of dues and per capita tax)

\* Includes 3,220 - 50 Year Exempt Members (exempt of dues and per capita tax)

3,310 Total Exempt Members are included in the above total membership

**LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP SINCE 1995 - 5,977**

- 64 Chapters reported a GAIN in membership
- 493 Chapters reported a LOSS in membership
- 26 Chapters remained the SAME in membership

**DUAL MEMBERS - 1,829**

**Chapters leading in number of Initiations:**

- Plano No. 703 ..... 14
- Cedar Bayou No. 11 ..... 13
- Normangee No. 87 ..... 13
- Overton No. 830 ..... 12
- Dripping Springs No. 860 ..... 12
- Gun Barrel City No. 1114 ..... 12

**The following Chapters Consolidated:**

- Big Sandy No. 865 with Gladewater No. 831 - March 1, 1996
- Indian Creek No. 255 with Brownwood No. 116 - April 1, 1996
- Lockney No. 437 with Floydada No. 31 - April 1, 1996
- Slaton No. 585 with University No. 1082 - April 11, 1996
- Cross Plains No. 455 with Brownwood No. 116 - April 15, 1996
- Spearman No. 721 with Borger No. 811 - April 16, 1996
- Wharton No. 389 with El Campo No. 535 - June 1, 1996
- Alto No. 496 with Rusk No. 79 - June 1, 1996

- Calvert No. 563 with Franklin No. 311 - June 1, 1996
- Rose Croix No. 701 with Harmony No. 244 - June 1, 1996
- Lucinda Conner No. 1006 with J.L. Burgess No. 983 - June 1, 1996
- Vickery No. 1039 with John L. DeGrazier No. 881 - June 1, 1996
- Vega No. 528 with Hereford No. 312 - June 11, 1996
- Wells No. 400 with Lufkin No. 382 - July 29, 1996

The following Chapters Demised:

- Perryton No. 161 - February 6, 1996
- Olton No. 847 - May 13, 1996
- Lemond No. 38 - May 20, 1996

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHAPTERS ON JULY 31, 1996 ..... 575

(Loss of 17 Chapters since August 8, 1995)

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Article 66, page 68 of our Code of Laws requires that the Grand Secretary report at each Annual Session of the Grand Chapter all Chapters failing to make their Annual Reports to Grand Chapter before July 1. Only one Chapter failed to comply with this law. The Annual Report from Marfa Chapter No. 344 was received in the office of the Grand Secretary on July 22, 1996.

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**GRAND DEMITS ISSUED - 1995-1996**

- Allen, Mrs. Gay
- Allman, Mrs. Rebecca
- Altmiller, Mrs. Mamie
- Atkisson, Mrs. Pat
- Bacon, Ray
- Ballard, Mrs. Glee
- Barlow, Mrs. Ina Merle
- Beck, Mrs. Olynda
- Belyeu, Mrs. Lorene
- Bilby, Mrs. Charlotte
- Bilby, Gary
- Borchardt, Mrs. Cindy
- Borchardt, Rodney
- Bostick, Mrs. Betty
- Britton, Mrs. Dorothy
- Brooks, Mrs. Deberah
- Brooks, Mrs. Irene
- Brooks, Johnny
- Brown, Mrs. Connie
- Brownlee, Mrs. Juanita
- Bryan, Mrs. Nellie
- Campbell, Mrs. Colleen
- Campbell, Kenneth
- Campbell, Mrs. Lucille
- Carson, Mrs. Cheryl
- Cearley, Mrs. Bessie

- Chitty, Mrs. Lucy
- Clark, Mrs. Christy
- Clayton, Mrs. Myrtle F.
- Cook, Mrs. June
- Cook, Tark
- Coon, Mrs. Carlene
- Cotton, Mrs. Norma
- Cozart, Herman
- Craft, J. M.
- Cross, Merle
- Cross, Mrs. Velma
- Culwell, Mrs. Dorothy
- Cummings, Mrs. Sharon
- Cure, Mrs. Sue
- Cure, Mrs. Winona
- Damron, Mrs. Ruth S.
- Deal, Mrs. Shirley
- Dennis, Mrs. Mary
- Dennis, Robert
- Dent, Mrs. Rebecca Damron
- Dunnihoo, Mrs. Goldie Mae
- Durrant, Mrs. Carol A.
- Edwards, Mrs. Odessa
- Frost, Mrs. Carol
- Gallagher, Mrs. Cynthia
- Gallagher, C. C.

Gidley, Mrs. Mary  
 Gilger, Mrs. Marilyn  
 Givens, Mrs. Enid  
 Goodson, Mrs. Nina  
 Gordon, Mrs. Inez  
 Gresham, Mrs. LaVayne  
 Griese, Mrs. Georgia  
 Harmon, Mrs. Mary  
 Harton, Mrs. Louise  
 Heath, Harold  
 Heath, Joe G.  
 Heath, Mrs. Michelle  
 Heath, Mrs. Pollyanna  
 Hill, Mrs. Gwynith  
 Holloway, Mrs. Vera  
 Hutchinson, Mrs. Georgene (Huntsman)  
 Hutson, Mrs. Bobbie  
 Hutson, Wandie  
 Hysinger, Jack  
 Hysinger, Mrs. Latrell  
 Ivy, Danny  
 Ivy, Mrs. Valerie  
 Jerreries, Mrs. Lorene  
 Jordan, Mrs. Bettye  
 Jordan, Harold  
 Judah, Mrs. Verna  
 Kelley, Mrs. Ann  
 Kelley, Mrs. Beth  
 Kelley, Donald  
 Kelley, Jerry W.  
 Kirkpatrick, Cass  
 Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Mabel  
 Lackey, Mrs. Myrtle  
 LaDuke, Mrs. Mildred  
 Lamberson, Mrs. Patsy  
 Leathers, C. W.  
 Leathers, Mrs. Frances  
 Lee, Mrs. Madris Reid  
 Lewis, Mrs. Artie Frances  
 Linville, Mrs. Ollie  
 Little, Mrs. Ruth  
 Littleton, Mrs. Gayle  
 Littleton, James A., Jr.

McBeth, James Harold  
 McBeth, Mrs. Willie Lee  
 May, Mrs. Martha  
 Mazurkiewicz, Mrs. Lorraine  
 Meinecke, Robert  
 Meinecke, Mrs. Toni  
 Meinzer, Mrs. Betty  
 Melton, Mrs. Lucille  
 Melton, Roland, Jr.  
 Millsap, Mrs. Johnie  
 Morgan, Mrs. Peggy  
 Mounts, Mrs. Willie Reeves  
 Murrell, Mrs. Mary  
 Neil, Coney  
 Neil, Mrs. Dorma  
 O'Hair, Mrs. LaJuana Joe  
 Parish, Mrs. Gladys  
 Pellham, Miss Jennifer  
 Pitman, Mrs. Annalee  
 Pruden, Mrs. Jean  
 Pruden, Leonard L.  
 Pugh, Mrs. Sharon  
 Quarles, Mrs. Thelma  
 Rietz, Mrs. Helen H.  
 Robertson, Mrs. Venda  
 Saulsbury, Mrs. Jackie D.  
 Sawyer, Mrs. Twila  
 Shackelford, Larry  
 Shackelford, Mrs. Martha  
 Smart, Mrs. Patsy Jean  
 Smith, Mrs. Allie  
 Smith, Mrs. Lois  
 Teague, Mrs. Gladys S. Phillips  
 Temple, Mrs. Ella Mae  
 Tinsley, Mrs. Esther Mae  
 Travis, Mrs. Murl  
 Vaughn, S. E.  
 Watts, Mrs. Doreen  
 Whitacre, Mrs. Gladys H.  
 Whitford, Mrs. Virginia  
 Wilbanks, Mrs. Elsie Montgomery  
 Williams, Mrs. Opal  
 Wright, Mrs. Mildred

### CHARTER NAME CHANGE

John L. DeGrazier No. 881 to DeGrazier-Vickery No. 881

### REPLACE CHARTER DISPENSATION

Tarrant-Keystone No. 8  
 Texas No. 35  
 Dayton No. 233  
 Mt. Pleasant No. 305

Bay City No. 380  
 DeGrazier-Vickery No. 881  
 Buna No. 968

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Since a listing of the General Fund, Home Fund, Benevolent Fund, Endowment Fund, Fannie V. Ward Fund, Educational Fund, Bramlett Fund and Endowed Membership Fund has been included in the Grand Treasurer's report, only these additional funds are being reported as of July 31, 1996.

A detailed accounting of the receipts and disbursements from the books and records of the Grand Secretary's office will be included in the Annual Audit and printed in the next Proceedings. The following partial report is submitted:

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S SPECIAL FUNDS**

**HUMANITARIAN:**

Eastern Star Home .....	\$26,694.69
Home Endowment .....	27,739.50
ESTARL .....	27,302.13
Home Renovation .....	23,097.67
International Temple .....	331.00

	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>PROFIT</b>
Ambassadors of Peace			
(Prayer Calendar) .....	14,660.00	6,948.50	7,711.50
Time and Talent			
Stickers .....	5,389.00	250.00	5,139.00
Mothers' Day Party .....	1,847.62	1,166.26	681.36
Founder's Day			
Program Devotional Book .....	16,845.00	4,641.75	12,203.25
100% Chapters .....	13,516.57		13,516.57
Benevolent Cultivators			
Bumper Stickers .....	4,192.00	1,739.70	2,452.30
Proficiency/Ritualistic			
Instructions "Green Sheets" .....	8,919.00	8,621.00	298.00
Grand Harmonizers			
Music .....		2,720.00	
Tapes .....		4,491.77	10,831.70
Spring Family Reunion			
Suncathers .....	9,996.00	4,000.00	5,996.00
Spring Family Reunion Day .....	20,132.30	2,374.23	17,758.07
Home Laborers/Volunteers			
Picture Button .....	6,182.00	960.00	5,222.00
United We Stand			
Pins .....	11,092.00	6,690.95	4,401.05
Star Fellowship			
Pocket Calendar .....	14,660.00	3,295.00	4,639.00
	138,748.96	47,899.16	90,849.80
General Grand Chapter Cancer Cancer Project	3,355.00	3,480.00	to General Grand Chapter

General Grand Chapter Scottish Rite Language Disorder	35.00		35.00
General Grand Chapter Community Health/Mental Retardation	100.00	100.00	to General Grand Chapter

**HOME RENOVATION FUND**

**HOME RENOVATION TRUST ACCOUNT**

Balance in Fund as of November 1, 1995 .....		\$497,808.11
Income .....	19,594.08	
Contributions .....	<u>23,097.67</u>	
	42,691.75	42,691.75
Home Renovation Checking Account .....		<u>48,576.58</u>
		589,076.44
Withdrawals:		
Transferred to open checking account .....	48,576.58	
Additional transfers from		
Trust Account .....	90,000.00	
Administrative fees .....	<u>1,441.96</u>	
	140,018.54	140,018.54
Balance in Trust Account July 31, 1996 .....		\$449,057.90

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**HOME RENOVATION FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Beginning balance in checking account .....		\$ 48,576.58
Transfers from Home Renovation		
Trust Account .....	90,000.00	
Interest .....	<u>143.00</u>	
	90,143.00	90,143.00
Expenses for renovation which includes .....		<u>138,719.58</u>
replacing rotten wood, lumber, painting,		
four columns, replacement of glass,		
plumbing, etc. ....	127,815.89	
Service charges .....	75.00	
Refunds requested .....	<u>8,500.00</u>	
	136,390.89	136,390.89
Balance in checking account July 31, 1996 .....		<u>2,328.69</u>

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**LABEL FUND RAISING PROGRAM**

Total donations through July, 1996 .....	176,311.54
Returned checks .....	<u>- 95.00</u>
Net Donations .....	176,216.54
Program costs .....	<u>- 85,213.79</u>
Net Profit for Home Endowment Fund .....	\$ 91,002.75

*Frances E. Burbank*

Frances E. Burbank  
Grand Secretary

## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

### EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS

**August 2, 1996**

A meeting of the Eastern Star Home of Texas was held Friday evening, August 2, 1996 in the Grand Secretary's Office of the Administration Building in Arlington, Texas with the following members present:

Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
 Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
 Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
 Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
 Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
 Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
 Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
 Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress

The Worthy Grand Matron thanked everyone for being present and asked the Worthy Grand Patron to lead in prayer.

Sister Rosemary Swetland stated, by grant of the membership, outside repairs and painting has been completed at the Eastern Star Home, the windows in the Chapel have also been repaired and painted, some residents' rooms have been painted, some roof repairs have been made and the plumbing in the West end of the Home has now been completed. The total amount spent was \$127,815.89.

The Home has a new computer and training was furnished for one employee at the Home. All Home accounts will be entered on this computer.

Two matching grants have been given to our Eastern Star Home by members through employee programs at companies where they are employed.

The first direct mail campaign has now been completed, and \$105,000.00 has been deposited into our Home Endowment Fund.

Eddie Perdue has taken "before and after" videos of the work at the Home which will be available and utilized at our Grand Chapter Session.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Frances Burbank  
Grand Secretary

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I move this report be referred to the proper Committee .

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Grand Secretary. You've heard a motion and a second to refer the Grand Secretary's report to the proper Committee. I ask all those in favor to raise your yellow cards. All those opposed, same sign. Thank you. And, Sister Frances, how we appreciate you.

Now then, I lovingly invite our little new kid on the block that we call our Grand Treasurer, Sister Patsy Wilson, to present to you her very first report in her

tenure of office. Sister Patsy, thank you so much for being gracious to the Worthy Grand Matron and keeping her informed of all of the finances. You know, this is a very critical and important area of concern for me and your Grand Chapter. I know you've gone to extra effort. Sisters and Brothers, Sister Patsy's report will be found on pages 38 to 41 of your Advanced Annual Report. Sister Patsy.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

**GRAND TREASURER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, and my Sisters and Brothers all:

What a joy it is to stand up here and say thank you. I'm not going to say very much because right here in this Advanced Annual Report you will find what I have given you. The auditors have been with me as well as the Grand Secretary, and the Grand Secretary and I have talked to them. They have told me what to do, and I'm trying my best.

My report you can read. But I want to say right now I have made an error. That computer got better than me. And on page 39 under the CD General Fund, you will find a mistake. I put that we were making 15.25 percent, but we're not. It's just five. Sorry!

Worthy Grand Matron, with your permission I would like to call your husband to the front, please. My Sisters and Brothers, this being my first year and my first year to learn about computers, Dr. Bill Bane told me what kind of computer to get. I purchased the computer from another of our members, Mr. Rick Allison.

He is at our Home a lot with our ladies, and he put the machine together for me. A little grandson of one of our ladies in the Home gave me two disks. One cost around \$300; the other one cost \$200. It gets pretty expensive. This young man standing next to me I know that you all know. But I want you to know that this man gave me many, many hours of his time helping me learn the computer and to load it for the past almost six months. We now, with his help, have everything on computer. And I want you to give him applause and thanks for me. I appreciate it. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers Distinguished Guests, My Sisters and Brothers All,

Looking back on the past year, my heart is filled with gratitude to the wonderful members of Texas for giving me the honor and privilege of serving as your Grand Treasurer.

I shall ever be grateful for the joy of walking this new road with our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Grand Family.

It has been a learning experience for me. I received help on the Computer by Mr. Bill Bane who advised me about the type I needed, Mr. Rick Allison from whom I purchased the Computer, Mr. Bruce Gilbert who gave me disks and Mr. Russell Sweetland who came and spent many hours teaching me how to use the Computer. His kindness and untiring efforts started me on my way to be a Computer person. All of the Grand Chapter funds have now been placed on Computer.

Working so closely with our Grand Secretary, Sister Frances Burbank, gives me a deep appreciation of her. I am grateful to you, Sister Frances, and your staff for their valuable assistance. Thank you, Sister Joyce Tigert for helping me learn about the funds. It has been a joy to work with the Grand Trustees and to learn from them. Sister Sarah Valkus Coursey, Chairman of the Board of Trustees went with me to Sister Lola "Peaches" Wallace home, where we both learned much about the duties of this office.

Thanks to the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolence for allowing me to rent a place to work and stay at the Eastern Star Home.

My sincere thanks for each courtesy shown me during this year. I shall long cherish the memory of this happy first year journey. My love and appreciation to each member of this Order whose kindness and thoughtfulness has added joy to my year of service.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer

I present for your consideration a summary of the November 1, 1995 thru July 31, 1996 Funds. Detailed accounting of all Funds are on file in the Grand Secretary's Office for use in the annual audit of the books and records of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

	Nov. 1, 1994 thru Oct. 31, 1995	Nov. 1, 1995 thru July 31, 1996
CD Home Fund @ 5.533 Mat. 6/6/97, Wells Fargo Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
CD Home Fund @ 4.95 Mat. 11/30/96, Equitable Bank/ Arlington, 501C3	\$ 5,625.57	\$ 5,912.47
CD T.R. & Helen Bramlett @ 4.0 Mat. 9/1/96, Comerica Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$ 6,261.77	\$ 6,261.77
CD Education Fund @ 4.45 Mat. 3/24/97, Comerica Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
CD Endowed Membership @ 4.25 Mat. 4/1/97, Bank of Commerce/Fort Worth, 501C8 Interest sent to Chapters	\$21,879.65	\$16,061.81
CD Fannie V. Ward @ 4.8 Mat. 8/30/96, Comerica Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
CD General Fund @15.25 Mat. 9/14/96, Guaranty Federal Savings Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$40,049.89	\$ 43,905.38



	Nov. 1, 1994 thru Oct. 31, 1995	Nov. 1, 1995 thru July 31, 1996
Eastern Star Clearing Account, Revocable Trust, 8336565700, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 40,769.37	\$274,703.55
OES Home Endowment Fund, Revocable Trust, 8336831900, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C3	\$172,295.35	\$187,081.28
Eastern Star Home Endowment, Revocable Trust, 8336565800 Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C8	\$5,711,210.33	\$5,733,794.82
Eastern Star Home Renovation Fund 1, Trust, 55010723002400, Texas Commerce Bank/Arlington, 501C8	\$ 497,808.11	\$ 449,057.00
Eastern Star Home Holding Account, Revocable Trust, 8336704400, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C3	\$ 109,733.68	\$ 250,673.79
OES Educational Fund, Commercial Money Market 732786039-6, Comerica Bank/ Arlington, 501C8	\$ 15,563.89	\$ 19,153.06
OES Fannie V. Ward, Commercial Money Market Checking, 732800025-7, Comerica Bank/Arlington, 501C8	\$ 603.71	\$ 1,772.21
OES Clearing Account, Business Money Market Savings, 1180240432, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 60,608.98	\$ 60,275.20
OES Home Fund, Business Money Market Savings, 0010316917, Bank One/ Fort Worth, 501C3	\$ 11,420.41	\$ 84,975.08
WGM-Eastern Star Home Special Fund, Checking W/Int., 07203321460, Texas Commerce Texas Commerce Bank/ Arlington, 501C3, Restricted (Projects)	\$ 17,767.16	\$ 4,231.65

	Nov. 1, 1994 thru Oct. 31, 1995	Nov. 1, 1995 thru July 31, 1996
WGM-Special Funds, Checking W/Int., 07200345603, Texas Commerce Bank/Arlington, 501C8, Unrestricted (Projects)	\$ 104,125.77	\$ 128,837.76
Eastern Star Special Account (Ladies Needs), Checking W/Int., 07200339606, (Cleaners, Beauty Supplies, Ceramics & Etc.) Texas Commerce Bank, Arlington	\$ 6,189.44	\$ 7,607.39
OES General Fund, Basic Business, Checking W/Int., 1180191551, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 23,667.65	\$ 21,426.86
OES Home Operational Fund, Basic Business Checking W/Int., 1180199380, Bank One/Fort Worth, 501C3	\$ 19,491.51	\$ 51,682.93
Eastern Star Home Renovation 2, Checking, 07203248275, Texas Commerce Bank/Arlington, 501C3, (Work done as of 12-1-95 thru 7-31-96, Transfer made as needed) Total Deposited \$138,713.57 Total Paid Out \$136,390.89	\$ 48,376.04	\$ 2,328.68
Eastern Star Member Deposit, Checking, 07200308569, Texas Commerce Bank/ Arlington	\$ 5,786.03	\$ 10,991.75
Benevolent Fund, Checking, 3005261, Security Bank/ Arlington, 501C8 (Under the Direction of the Benevolent Board)	\$ 81,416.12	\$ 56,116.03
Board of Benevolence, Basic Business Checking W/Int., 1180199414, Bank One/ Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 9,331.61	\$ 4,786.78
Board of Trustees, Basic Business Checking W/Int. 1180151167, Bank One/ Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 500.00	\$ 475.98

	Nov. 1, 1994 thru Oct. 31, 1995	Nov. 1, 1995 thru July 31, 1996
Endowed Membership, Trust, Bank of Commerce/ Fort Worth, 501C8	\$ 444,279.81	\$ 574,607.88
Endowed Membership, Checking, 501C8 1173 Members	\$ 338.31	\$ 568.56
Worthy Grand Matron Address Label Program 7608-326-0, Checking, State Street Bank & Trust/ Boston, Mass. (Clearing Account for Money to move Out)	\$  (\$91,002.75 Placed in Home Endowment)	\$ 67.00

**GRAND TREASURER:** I move that this report be referred to the proper Committee. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Grand Treasurer. You have heard the motion and second that we refer this final report to the proper Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Thank you.

Sisters and Brothers, I now invite a dear and treasured friend, wise counsel, a strength for this year of your Worthy Grand Matron in 1995, Sister Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron, to present to you her preliminary report from our Jurisprudence Committee. Sister Elsie.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my beloved Sisters and Brothers one and all. Worthy Grand Matron, sometime ago we were at a banquet one evening and I told you then that this position that you are privileged to hold could either make you a lesser person than you are or a better person than you ever thought you could be. Only you have that answer in your heart, but those of us who have observed through the year know the answer also. We know that you have risen to all challenges, and I am sure that you have grown to be a better person that you ever thought that you could be.

## PRELIMINARY REPORT JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

It is my pleasure to introduce the members of the Jurisprudence Committee who are:

- District One: Sister Virginia Lynn Green
- District Two: Sister Betty Phillips Hagar
- District Three: Sister Doris M. Eford
- District Five: Brother Harry G. Cunningham

The duties of the Jurisprudence Committee are set forth in our Code of Laws, Article 152E. As you will note from the Advance Report, we will have several Amend-

ments which will take special concentration. Each of us on this Committee shall be available as legislation is being considered before this Grand Chapter or for special consultation at other times if you feel the need to discuss any of the business privately.

The first thing I would like to bring to your attention is the numbering of the Amendments. The Amendment numbers in the Advance Report do not agree with the numbers that were listed in the September "Official Bulletin." Please pay close attention to the content of the Amendments we are discussing.

We, your Jurisprudence Committee members, know all of you can read and we hope you have studied the Legislation carefully. We are proposing that we read only a synopsis of each Amendment, give you an opportunity to question format or legality -- not contents as that will be handled under the discussion prior to vote -- and, if there is no question or, after any question is answered, refer it to the Presiding Officer for presentation to you for proper voting. This will permit us to be better stewards of our Session's time and we believe it will be an equitable approach.

Therefore, I move that the assembly permit the Jurisprudence Committee to read a synopsis of each amendment, rather than the entire original and proposed amendment, ask for any questions concerning the format or legality of the proposed amendment, and then, refer it to the Worthy Grand Matron for presentation to you the membership.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Do I have a second? Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion made by your Jurisprudence Chairman, and I shall simplify it for you, simply that a synopsis, a brief synopsis of what the amendment means, be read rather than the old amendment and the new amendment. Think carefully. If this is what you wish to do, which would assist us greatly in moving our legislation along, then I ask now that you raise your yellow card. All those that are opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. This will certainly be a lot easier, I believe, for all of us.

Relating to our duties as specified in our Code of Laws, we, your Jurisprudence Committee recommend the distribution of the matters contained in the Annual Reports (including the Supplemental Reports) of Grand Chapter to the following Committees for consideration:

1. TO THE MEMBERS OF THIS GRAND CHAPTER:

- a. All matters contained within said reports.

2. TO THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES:

- a. The Report of the Grand Secretary
- b. The Report of the Grand Treasurer
- c. The Report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences

3. TO THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:

- a. The Amendments to the By-Laws as contained in the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron.

4. TO THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS:

a. That portion of the Worthy Grand Matron's Report (and Supplemental Report) relating to Discipline.

5. TO THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE:

a. All matters contained in the Reports specifically assigned to the Jurisprudence Committee by Chapter 9, Article 152-E of the Code of Laws for the Government of Grand Chapter.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Other than the legislative requirement set forth in the Compilation prepared by the Jurisprudence Committee of 1994 - 1995 concerning the Second Reading of one Constitutional change, there was no other unfinished business.

**LEGISLATION:** There were 13 new Amendments and 2 Resolutions submitted to your Jurisprudence Committee for consideration by this Grand Chapter. One of these was withdrawn as indicated in the September "Official Bulletin" and is not printed in the Advance Report. Amendment numbers 3 and 9 have been withdrawn by the proponents and letters are on file. These appear on page 53 and 59 of the Advance Report and should be marked "withdrawn."

The Worthy Grand Matron, again as I told you last evening, has assured us that we will get into the business immediately following lunch. So I know that you will be here because of your interest in the legislation of this Grand Chapter, so we shall look forward to seeing you and dispense with the business we hope rapidly this afternoon.

May I ask at this time that Nancy Wood, Glenn Whitaker, James Fulton, Thomas Griffith, O. B. Lee and W. P. Lamb, if you are in the room, will you please come to the Jurisprudence table as soon as possible.

Worthy Grand Matron, this completes the preliminary report of the Jurisprudence Committee. I move the adoption of this report.

Jurisprudence Committee  
Virginia Lynn Green  
Betty Phillips Hagar

Doris M. Efird  
Harry G. Cunningham  
Elsie M. Paladino, Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Do I hear a second? It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the preliminary report of the Jurisprudence Committee as presented by Sister Elsie Paladino. All those in favor, please raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Elsie Paladino, Virginia Lynn Green, Betty Hager, Doris Efird and Harry Cunningham for the services you will render to Grand Chapter. You are appreciated.

Sisters and Brothers, we're going to slip a report in now. We're going to have our Acting Parliamentarian come forward. This would have been found on 24 of your session program, but we're going to bring that in at this time. Sister Donna Reed, I invite you to greet my membership and explain to us the continued parliamentary rules for this Grand Chapter session. Please know again I appreciate you assisting Brother Denman Watson.

**MRS. DONNA REED:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: It is a privilege to be able to pinch hit or pro tem for

Brother Denman Watson whose duties at his school caused him not to be able to be here until tomorrow. I had the pleasure of meeting Brother Watson and his wife when they came to Dallas, and I monitored his examination to become a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and found them both to be delightful people. I am pleased to say that he passed his examination with flying colors, so you now have – although he's not a Professional Registered Parliamentarian, we do have another parliamentarian in Grand Chapter. Next to the Bible, this is the book that I carry with me almost everywhere I go. It's the 1990 edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*; and it is the parliamentary authority for Grand Chapter in all cases when it is not in conflict with our own Constitution, Code of Laws and Legal Code.

## WRITTEN REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters and Brothers: As Parliamentarian for Grand Chapter, I have answered all questions regarding Parliamentary Procedure addressed to me.

I regret that I cannot be here to fulfill my duties at Grand Chapter. The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, and I have discussed my reasons for not being able to be with her at Grand Chapter. My job duties have necessitated that I stay in my school district because of a Federal Audit by the Texas Education Agency on Compliances and Assurances of Federal Funds allocated to our district.

My deepest regards and heartfelt thanks go to Sister Donna Reed for stepping in to assist our Worthy Grand Matron during this time. As my stand-in, I'm sure that Sister Donna will be available throughout Grand Chapter to assist any member wishing Parliamentary assistance. With her help, I was able to become a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Texas State Association of Parliamentarians. I would like to thank Sister Donna who is a lovely lady and truly a jewel in our Saviour's crown.

In your Grand Chapter program are listed the Parliamentary Rules of Procedure for this Grand Chapter Session. Sister Donna will discuss some of them:

1. NCR form procedure
2. Procedure for obtaining the floor
3. Amending motions
4. Limit debate
5. Motions NOT debatable
  - a. Reconsider
  - b. Refer to a committee
  - c. Call for the orders of the day
  - d. Division of the question
  - e. Previous question
  - f. Lay on the table
  - g. Call off a motion
  - h. Proceed to close
6. Motions to Reconsider
7. Emergency legislation

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I sincerely appreciate the opportunity of serving you during your year as the Parliamentarian. I move the

adoption of the rules of procedure for this Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denman Watson

**MRS. DONNA REED:** In your Grand Chapter program on pages 51 and 52 are listed the Parliamentary Rules of Procedure for this Grand Chapter session. I'm not going to take your precious time and read them all because I feel that you can do that, but I will explain the ones that Brother Watson asked in his report that I check with you. The first one is number one, which as I've already stated, says that *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, is the adopted parliamentary authority of the Grand Chapter.

Number 4 on page 51 says there shall be three written copies of all motions made from the floor and how they are distributed. There is a motion form. It's an NCR form; I believe it's available at the Grand Secretary's desk. Now, Sisters and Brothers, it's in several parts, and the reason for this is that one of the duties and obligations of your presiding officer is when a motion is made, it is their duty to restate the motion. I don't take shorthand, but I've been a parliamentarian for a long time and I write rapidly. But even I can't always follow a motion that's made on the floor from a microphone, and there's feedback. Also if you change one or two words, sometimes it changes the entire meaning of something. Therefore, if it's written out, number one, you have a copy so you know what you've said. Number two, the presiding officer will be able to read it exactly as you wanted it read. And, number three, the Grand Secretary will be able to have it for inclusion in the Official Proceedings of the Grand Chapter. Your name goes on there and the name of the seconder goes on there. It will simplify matters considerably if you will follow that procedure. So if you wish to make a motion or an amendment to anything that comes up before Grand Chapter, please go to the Grand Secretary's desk and pick up one of the NCR procedure forms.

The next one he asked was number 6 and that is how you obtain the floor at Grand Chapter. These are just common courtesy rules. Number one, you proceed to the nearest microphone, and you address the presiding officer. It's the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron or whoever is standing in the East at that time. And before you begin speaking, you wait for recognition from the presiding officer. After you have been recognized, you state your name, your title, your Chapter name and number, and then you either participate in debate or you make the motion that you desire to make.

Motions can be amended – that's rule number 8 – twice. You can have a primary amendment. That's the first amendment to your main motion. Then the primary amendment can also be amended, and that is called your secondary amendment. Sisters and Brothers, all amendments have to relate to the original motion that was on the floor. And in taking the vote, the presiding officer will vote first on the secondary amendment, if you have one, then the primary amendment and then the main motion as amended, if those amendments are adopted. So if you have one main motion and two amendments, it will require three votes. So just remember that.

Motions that are not debatable at Grand Chapter are the motions to reconsider, refer to a committee and call for the orders of the day, division of the question, previous question, lay on the table, call off a motion and to proceed to close. Those are non-debatable motions. In our Grand Chapter all motions are adopted by a majority vote when you're dealing with legislation. Debate is limited, on rule number 9, to three minutes for each speaker on each question. Nobody can speak

more than one time unless permission to speak again is given by the presiding officer. This time limit can be extended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates. That's the only place in here that it says it requires more than a majority vote, or it can be extended by the presiding officer if there is no objection. That means that if somebody wishes to speak longer than three minutes, the presiding officer will say, if there is no objection, we will extend the time limit of debate by one minute, two minutes, whatever they decide. If anybody objects, then a vote will have to be taken on whether or not to extend the time of debate.

The next thing he wants to talk about is the motion to reconsider. The motion to reconsider has to be made – that's number 14 on page 52. It has to be made by a delegate who voted on the winning side – that's called the prevailing side – either the same day the vote was taken on the original motion or the next day. So in our case it would either be today or tomorrow.

Emergency legislation. That is something that is done by the Grand Chapter if you have emergency legislation. Grand Chapter has to give permission for emergency legislation that does not fall within the guidelines for presentation in the Official Bulletin and in the program of Grand Chapter.

If there are any questions, I will be in the East all of today. I will be here tomorrow as a privilege given to me by the Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Watson who should be here tomorrow, so that he and I together can answer any of the questions that you the membership have. You know, there's a radio commercial by Syms, and it says, "An educated consumer is our most important client." It's my opinion as a Professional Registered Parliamentarian that an educated voter is extremely important in Grand Chapter. Sisters and Brothers, there are no dumb questions. If you don't understand something, I promise you somebody else doesn't understand it and they are afraid to ask. You have a most gracious Worthy Grand Matron who will answer any question that you have. Please do not hesitate to ask. Know what you're voting on, and then vote your own conscience for the good of our Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of Brother Watson, I move the adoption of the parliamentary rules for this Grand Chapter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The motion has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of our Parliamentarian and our Acting Parliamentarian for this Grand Chapter Session. All those in favor, raise your yellow voting card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Again, thank you, Donna, for assisting us; and thank you, membership, for being so attentive this morning and so quiet.

Now then we're going to continue back on page 23 of our program session. We're going to be going into our Purposes & Policies Committee. Before I call on the Purposes & Policies Committee to make their report, as you can follow along, the report after that will be the Grievance & Appeals Committee. Our Grievance & Appeals Committee Members are at their designated table here on the Grand Chapter floor. If any of the members feel like they have any concerns over the past year, anything that has happened that has caused question in their minds or hearts, this wonderful Committee is willing to listen to you this morning before we bring their report to the floor. So over here to my right, in the northeast corner you will find the members of the Grievance & Appeals Committee. Please go to that corner now if you have any concerns or anything that you wish to bring forth, and they will help you with that decision.

This next Committee is the Purposes & Policies Committee. And in our Code of Laws, Article 152-J, pages 109 and 110, the duties of this very responsible



committee are outlined for your understanding. If you have your Constitution and Code of Laws with you today, follow along because we're going to try to help you stay up with the business of Grand Chapter. We've been fortunate this year to have a very dedicated member serving in the planning of the future efforts of our Grand Chapter. It's with pleasure now that I invite my Chairman from District 4, Sister Lena Maye Cook, and her committee to give to you their Purposes & Policies report. She will introduce to you her committee and give her report. Sister Lena Maye Cook.

## **REPORT OF THE PURPOSES & POLICIES COMMITTEE**

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand East, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is with pleasure that I present the five appointed members of this Committee: Mildred Sharpe, District 1; Garland W. Rattan, District II; C. L. Pribble, District III; I am Lena Maye Cook of District IV; and Evelyn Conger, District V. The eight (8) elective Grand Officers, The Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, and the Chairman of the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences are also members of this committee, making a total of fifteen (15) on the Purposes and Policies Committee.

The Committee met on Saturday, April 27, 1996 at 8:30 A.M. in the Eastern Star Home Chapel. In accordance with Article 152-J, the proposed Humanitarian Program for 1996-1997 was presented by Mrs. Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron. Her proposed projects are as follows:

1. Home Endowment Fund
2. O.E.S. Home
3. ESTARL

The members of this committee voted unanimous approval of these projects.

The following items were approved to be offered to the membership for a donation - all or a portion of these proceeds going to the Humanitarian Program or Holding Trust for the Home:

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| 1. Defenders of Freedom         | Promote Eagle Club                        |
| 2. Bulletin                     | Sale of Bulletin Subscription             |
| 3. Founders Day                 |   |
| 4. Music                        | Sale of Music and Patriotic Tape          |
| 5. Home and Country Celebration | Plan and Implement Celebration            |
| 6. Time and Talent              | Sale of Eagle Stickers                    |
| 7. Fraternal Visitation         | Sale of Calendars                         |
| 8. Chapter History              | No Item to Sell                           |
| 9. Pursuit of Happiness         | Sale of Stickers after Certificate Earned |
| 10. Benevolent Cultivators      | Sale of Bumper Stickers                   |

Sister Alma presented a UMA mail out program similar to the sticker mail-out Sister Rosemary Swetland promoted. After much discussion, she decided not to use the UMA program. The present mail-out sticker was then fully discussed and Sister Alma Carter (AGM), Sister Yvonne Brownfield (GC) and Sister Alma Lynn Bane

(AGC) expressed their desire to continue this sticker mail out.

We recommend that this proposal be put before the members of this Grand Chapter for their final vote to accept or reject the proposal.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Lena Maye Cook, Chairman, District IV  
 Mildred Sharpe, District I  
 Garland W. Rattan, District II  
 C. L. Pribble, District III  
 Evelyn Conger, District V  
 Sarah Coursey, Chairman, Board of Grand Trustees  
 Helen Hare, Chairman, Board of Directors Grand Chapter Benevolences  
 Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
 Billy H. Combest, Worthy Grand Patron  
 Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
 Richard L. Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
 Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
 Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
 Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
 Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard this report. Is there any discussion on this?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to ask Sister Lena Maye -- I didn't hear everything. Did she say I had discontinued the pin? Sister Lena Maye, that was one thing I was going to bring up at Grand Chapter. I didn't know if you said that. I was not going to have the mail-out return address stickers, but the pin is one thing that I will bring up before this session. I may have misunderstood.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** May I read this? I really should have read it to you, Sister Alma. "Sister Alma presented a UMA mail-out program similar to the sticker mail-out of the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland. After much discussion, she decided on the sale of the pin." Is that what we're speaking about?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Yes. Thank you, Sister Lena Maye, for clearing that up. I just didn't understand it exactly like that, but thank you. That's correct.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Is there any other discussion on this? It has been moved and seconded that we accept the report of this Purposes & Policies Committee. All those in favor, raise your yellow cards. Down cards. Opposing, like sign. The report is accepted. Thank you, Sister Lena Maye Cook, Past Grand Matron.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron, and thank you, membership.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Our next report is from our Board of Grand Trustees if they are ready. Board of Grand Trustees, are you ready to present your

report this morning? We lovingly invite you to come to the stage.

I've enjoyed a sweet friendship this year and over the last five years with the Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, Mrs. Sarah Coursey. Now Mrs. Sarah Coursey and I served as Deputy Redbirds together, and we've been birds of a feather flocking together ever since; right, Rennie? I congratulate Sister Sarah and her fine Board for the dedication of their service and the diligence of the work that they've performed in handling the finances of our Grand Chapter. Their duties are outlined in the Code of Laws, Article 82, pages 71 to 73. They have immense responsibilities, but I have observed them during my four years in the Grand Line, and I'm most pleased to say to you that they have given their very best in handling our finances. Sister Sarah Coursey, are you ready now to present your report?

## REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 1

**MRS. SARAH COURSEY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to introduce the other members of the Board of Grand Trustees:

Mr. Claude Ervin, Vice Chairman - District III  
Mrs. Patsy Neeper, Secretary - District II  
Mrs. Shirley Jones, Member - District V  
Mr. Jim Rippey, Member - District IV

Thank you my friends, it has been my honor to work with each of you and I thank you for your service to Grand Chapter.

To the members of the Grand Chapter of Texas for allowing me the privilege of serving on this Board, thank you. I have tried to represent you in a most sensible manner in every decision and to help you understand some of the workings of Grand Chapter.

To the entire Corporate Board, especially Sister Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron, we thank each of you for your support and the understanding of the problems of Grand Chapter and the willingness to help solve these problems. A special thanks to Sister Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary and Sister Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, for attending our Board meetings, the efficient performance of their duties and their love and support for each of us.

To Sister Lola "Peaches" Wallace, Grand Treasurer the first four years I was on the Board, thank you for your service to Grand Chapter in the past, present and future.

We appreciate Sister Lillian Sandahl, our appointed Secretary and Sister Patsy Neeper, our Board Secretary, for the efficient manner in which they recorded and printed our minutes.

We met with the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences six (6)

times throughout the year and thank them for their service to the Eastern Star Home and to Grand Chapter. Also, thanks for allowing the Board of Grand Trustees to stay at the Home while we were in Arlington on Grand Chapter business. The friendships we have made with each of you and all the Ladies of the Home will last forever.

There were two pieces of property sold this year, a house in San Antonio for \$43,491.47 and a 1-1/4 acre tract of land in San Bernardino, California for \$670.00. A loan on a house in Brownwood was paid in full for \$4,062.00.

Bequests from the estates of the following persons were received this year:

Gordon C. Grasty Estate - \$12,500.00  
Ada Irene McCroy Estate - \$4,000.00  
Edith Stephenson Ball Estate - \$8,943.26  
Ruby Charlene Phillips Estate - \$592.27 (our share of wheat crop)  
Glenn Fankhauser Estate - \$4,150.00  
Durwood Wayne Whitmire Estate - \$760.00

The Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences were to receive \$112,735.00 for the monthly transfer for the operations of the Eastern Star Home this year. Several months we were not able to transfer that amount, but through the efforts of the Benevolent Board and the Superintendent, Wayne Gaddis, they managed with what they received. We sincerely appreciate their efforts.

The Board of Grand Trustees met nine (9) times between Grand Chapters in Fort Worth 1995 and Beaumont 1996. All meetings were held in the Board room at the Administration Building in Arlington.

The Trustees met with the Corporate Board two (2) times and with the Purposes and Policies Committee one (1) time.

The present Van will be given to the Incoming Worthy Grand Matron, Saturday evening, October 26, 1996, for the ensuing year.

The Executive Committee of 1995 Grand Chapter Session returned \$13,610.81 and the Distinguished Guest Chairman returned \$306.14.

We received a check in the amount of \$50.00 from VASTAR Resources, Inc. as a matching gift from the contribution made by Mark Kudia. Also, a check in the amount of \$200.00 was received from ARCO Foundation, Inc. as a matching gift from the contribution made by Richard C. Garrett.

We received a check in the amount of \$3,300.00 from the City of Arlington for a strip of land - 1562 square feet on Division Street, in order to widen Collins.

New Computers and equipment were purchased and training given to the Grand Secretary and some of her staff.

Monies in the amount of \$88,690.06 was received from the demised Temple Association in Dallas and special donations from the programs of our Grand Line Officers were deposited in the Endowment Trust 501(c)(8).

The Board awarded Nine (9) Scholarships from the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship. Four (4) in the amount of \$200.00 and five (5) in the amount of \$150.00.

Mrs. Pauline Hausner Walker, Executive Committee Chairman for the 1996 Grand Chapter met with us several times, keeping us informed of money matters pertaining to that Session. Mr. Henry Martin, Installation Chairman for the Session, met with us two (2) times. We thank these two dedicated members for their work and seeing that all our needs will be looked after.

This year the Board of Grand Trustees gave each Lady in the Home a Christmas gift and a Birthday gift. We also had a cookie and lemonade party for them on St. Patrick's Day.

The Board gave personal gifts in the amount of \$350.00 to the International Temple Renovation Fund.

Despite several problems, the 1995-1996 year has been most rewarding and interesting for your Board of Grand Trustees. The following reports will give you more knowledge of this years work and the needs of the coming year for Grand Chapter and the Eastern Star Home.

Remember, ALWAYS KEEP A RAINBOW IN YOUR HEART.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 1 of the Board of Grand Trustees.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Do I have a second? You've heard the motion to adopt the Report No. 1 of the Board of Grand Trustees and a second. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your yellow card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Sister Sarah.

**MRS. SARAH COURSEY:** Mr. Claude Ervin, Vice Chairman, will give Report No. 2.

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 2

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present for your approval the proposed budget for the General Fund for the Grand Chapter year 1996-1997. I would ask you to refer to pages 42 to 44 in your Advance Report.

### THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES PRESENTS THE PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET 1996 - 1997

REVENUE	BUDGET 93-94	ACTUAL 93-94	BUDGET 94-95	ACTUAL 94-95	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96 (June)	PROPOSED 96-97
<b>GENERAL FUND REVENUE SOURCES</b>							
Balance on Hand	\$ 90,000.	\$ 90,000.	\$107,500.		\$ 40,050.		\$ 40,050.
Dues/Per Capita	119,500.	126,584.	114,800.	\$111,290.	110,220.	\$112,726.	118,913.
Registration Fees	41,000.	37,240.	41,000.	42,375.	40,000.	10.	40,000.
WGM Special Funds	30,000.	8,394.	9,000.	4,672.	11,000.	8,396.	7,500.

REVENUE	BUDGET 93-94	ACTUAL 93-94	BUDGET 94-95	ACTUAL 94-95	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96 (June)	PROPOSED 96-97
Interest-General Fund	7,500.	10,485.	8,500.	8,460.	7,500.	1,198.	6,500.
Sale of Proceedings	1,800.	1,767.	1,200.	1,472.	1,500.	340.	1,500.
Bulletin Subscriptions & Announcements	65,000.	67,948.	65,000.	77,974.	92,000.	47,331.	70,000.
Adv. Rep. Announcements	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000.
Sale of Supplies & Printed Materials	70,000.	56,227.	70,000.	188,222.	85,000.	79,258.	85,000.
Postage on Supplies	—	—	—	—	—	2,445.	—
Dispensations	1,300.	1,278.	1,300.	1,124.	1,300.	1,216.	1,300.
Administrative Fees — Endowed Memberships	2,200.	1,837.	3,100.	2,587.	3,300.	2,637.	2,800.
GC Session Summary	2,000.	3,630.	2,400.	2,229.	2,500.	180.	2,500.
Miscellaneous	500.	1,801.	500.	5,455.	1,000.	13,679.	1,500.
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$430,800.</b>	<b>\$407,191.</b>	<b>\$424,300.</b>	<b>\$445,860.</b>	<b>\$395,370.</b>	<b>\$269,416.</b>	<b>\$379,563.</b>
<b>GRAND OFFICER, GRAND EXAMINERS &amp; COMMITTEE EXPENSES</b>							
Worthy Grand Matron	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.
Worthy Grand Patron	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.
Associate Grand Matron	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.
Associate Grand Patron	375.	375.	375.	375.	375.	375.	375.
Grand Conductress	250.	250.	250.	250.	250.	250.	250.
Assoc. Grand Conductress	200.	200.	200.	200.	200.	200.	200.
Humanitarian	800.	800.	800.	800.	800.	800.	600.
ESTARL Committee	250.	250.	250.	250.	250.	250.	200.
Jurisprudence	50.	0.	50.	50.	50.	50.	0.
By-Laws	150.	69.	150.	150.	150.	79.	100.
Education Fund	25.	0.	25.	25.	25.	25.	0.
Grand Choir Director	0.	60.	—	—	—	—	0.
	9,200.	9,104.	9,200.	9,200.	9,200.	9,079.	8,825.
<b>GRAND CHAPTER SESSION</b>							
The Session	\$ 20,000.	\$ 22,534.	\$ 20,000.	\$ 22,415.	\$ 20,000.	\$ 8,000.	\$ 20,000.
Entertainment Visiting	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grand Officers	1,000.	617.	1,000.	694.	1,000.	694.	1,000.
Expenses — GGC Officers	500.	476.	500.	835.	500.	500.	500.
Registr. Forms/Postage	1,300.	1,299.	1,100.	87.	1,100.	1,100.	1,100.
Ballots/Voting Cards	1,250.	1,115.	1,400.	1,213.	1,300.	1,300.	1,000.
Advance Reports (4000)	8,000.	8,699.	8,000.	6,889.	8,000.	8,000.	7,000.
Session/Memorial (4000)	6,000.	6,347.	6,000.	7,578.	6,000.	6,000.	5,300.
Gr. Warder/Sentinel	200.	179.	200.	200.	200.	200.	200.
Invitations/Postage	300.	178.	300.	157.	300.	300.	200.
Installation Progr. (3000)	3,000.	1,931.	3,000.	1,669.	2,000.	—	1,700.
Insurance-Conv. Center	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$ 41,550.	\$ 43,375.	\$ 41,500.	\$ 41,737.	\$ 40,400.	\$ 8,694.	\$ 38,000.
<b>GRAND CHAPTER AUTOMOBILE</b>							
Acquisition Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(Every 2 Years)	\$ 8,500.	\$ 8,500.	\$ 8,500.	\$ 3,253.	\$ 8,000.	—	\$ 8,000.
Operating Expenses	3,500.	3,426.	3,500.	3,119.	3,500.	1,760.	3,000.
	\$ 12,000.	\$ 11,926.	\$ 12,000.	\$ 6,372.	\$ 11,500.	\$ 1,760.	\$ 11,000.

REVENUE	BUDGET 93-94	ACTUAL 93-94	BUDGET 94-95	ACTUAL 94-95	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96 (June)	PROPOSED 96-97
<b>JEWELS</b>							
Past Grand Matron	\$ 750.	\$ 750.	\$ 750.	\$ 750.	\$ 750.		\$ 750.
Past Grand Patron	450.	450.	450.	450.	450.		450.
	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ 1,200.</u>
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>							
Legal Services	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,482.	\$ 5,000.	\$ 13,575.	\$ 7,500.	\$ 4,858.	\$ 7,250.
Audit	13,500.	13,650.	14,200.	14,200.	14,750.	20,850.	15,350.
Computer Exp/Supplies	4,000.	2,584.	2,000.	1,757.	2,000.	1,630.	2,000.
Endowed Memberships	200.	1,082.	500.	163.	1,000.	351.	500.
Grand Secretary Salary	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.	8,000.	12,000.
GS Auto Expense	1,800.	1,800.	1,800.	1,800.	2,000.	1,333.	2,000.
Office Salaries	52,000.	47,965.	53,560.	53,707.	53,560.	37,072.	55,170.
Part-Time Help	1,500.	680.	1,500.	0.	1,000.	0.	0.
Payroll Taxes	5,200.	5,354.	5,400.	5,785.	5,400.	4,030.	5,562.
Telephone	3,100.	3,077.	3,000.	3,132.	3,200.	1,848.	3,100.
Equip Lease/Repair/ Replace	6,500.	10,766.	7,000.	9,180.	7,000.	5,787.	7,500.
Office/Printing Supplies	3,000.	3,623.	3,000.	2,001.	3,600.	2,432.	3,600.
Grand Treasurer	3,900.	3,900.	3,900.	3,900.	3,900.	2,600.	3,900.
Grand Treasurer Exp.	600.	600.	600.	600.	600.	600.	600.
Utilities/Disposal	7,500.	8,657.	8,000.	8,548.	8,000.	5,495.	8,500.
Janitorial Service	2,400.	2,450.	2,400.	2,500.	2,500.	1,600.	2,500.
Bldg. Maint./Repair	3,000.	4,504.	3,000.	4,363.	4,500.	1,881.	4,000.
Capital Improvement	10,000.	1,453.	10,000.	0.	4,000.	0.	4,000.
	<u>\$133,700.</u>	<u>\$127,627.</u>	<u>\$136,860.</u>	<u>\$137,211.</u>	<u>\$136,510.</u>	<u>\$100,367.</u>	<u>\$137,532.</u>
<b>PRINTING &amp; POSTAGE</b>							
Postage-Rosters	\$ 400.	\$ 2,771.	\$ 500.	\$	\$ 500.	\$ 500.	\$ 500.
Annual Proceedings	27,000.	27,257.	27,000.	26,981.	29,000.	9,980.	27,000.
Proceedings Photos	500.	500.	500.	500.	500.		600.
Postage-Annual Proceedings	3,000.	1,505.	3,000.	3,170.	2,500.		2,500.
Annual Chapter Reports	1,750.	1,938.	1,750.	2,665.	2,250.	1,824.	2,000.
Compilations	1,000.	315.	1,000.	378.	500.	304.	400.
GC Session Summary	750.	392.	750.	660.	500.		500.
Const. Revisions	20,000.	0.	20,000.	34,584.	2,500.	14,478.	2,500.
Instructions to Subordinate Chapt.	2,500.	1,012.	2,500.	1,017.	2,500.	3,557.	1,250.
Directories	5,000.	5,147.	4,000.	5,339.	5,000.		5,000.
Deputy Books	5,000.	3,874.	4,000.	3,020.	4,000.	303.	3,500.
Stationary	3,000.	1,917.	3,000.	2,748.	2,000.		1,000.
GC Comm. Forms Supplies, Memorials	2,000.	2,812.	2,100.	7,396.	3,000.	1,051.	2,500.
Bulletins	65,000.	74,096.	65,000.	71,432.	70,000.	44,984.	65,000.
Postage-Bulletins	10,000.	10,624.	10,000.	10,356.	10,000.	5,052.	10,000.
Printing for Resale	20,000.	16,938.	15,000.	17,555.	10,000.	8,385.	10,000.
Printing (Ins/Const/50 Yr. GR Cert/Endowed Membership)	\$ 1,000.	\$ 1,080.	\$ 1,000.	\$ 1,021.	\$ 1,000.	\$ 3,856.	\$ 1,000.

REVENUE	BUDGET 93-94	ACTUAL 93-94	BUDGET 94-95	ACTUAL 94-95	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96 (June)	PROPOSED 96-97
<b>PRINTING &amp; POSTAGE (Continued)</b>							
Postage Permit/ Mailings	1,000.	575.	1,000.		1,000.	585.	500.
Postage Meter (Forms, Supplies, Compilations, Annual Reports, Directories, Instrns Subordinate Chapters, Stationary, Session Summary, Etc.)	10,950.	10,257.	10,950.	10,809.	10,950.	7,987.	11,500.
	\$ 179,850.	\$ 163,010.	\$ 173,050.	\$ 199,631.	\$ 157,700.	\$ 102,846.	\$ 147,250.
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>							
GC Contingency	\$ 10,000.	\$ 1,959.	\$ 10,000.	\$ 1,316.	\$ 2,500.	\$ 788.	\$ 1,300.
GC Fidelity Bonds	600.	178.	600.		600.		600.
GGC Expenses (3rd Yr.)	600.	1,800.	600.		600.		600.
Official Reporter Gr. Chapter	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.		2,500.
GGC Resale Supplies (Includes Dues Cards)	24,000.	16,489.	24,000.	61,871.	20,000.	26,325.	20,000.
Miscellaneous	2,500.	7,179.	1,000.	16,554.	1,000.	72.	500.
Bd. of Gr. Trustees	3,000.	235.	2,500.	347.	500.	32.	500.
	\$ 43,200.	\$ 30,340.	\$ 41,200.	\$ 82,588.	\$ 27,700.	\$ 27,217.	\$ 26,000.
<b>INSURANCE</b>							
Gr. Chap. Vehicle Worker's Comp Replacement	\$ 2,200.	\$ 1,492.	\$ 2,000.	\$ 1,667.	\$ 1,800.	\$ 691.	\$ 1,500.
Bldg./Personal/Umbrella	575.	929.	575.	2,114.	6,000.	* 25,741.	3,000.
	6,600.	5,248.	6,600.	8,158.	6,000.	20,934.	5,256.
	\$ 9,375.	\$ 7,669.	\$ 9,175.	\$ 11,939.	\$ 13,800.	\$ 47,366.	\$ 9,756.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$430,075.	\$394,251.	\$424,185.	\$489,878.	\$398,010.	\$297,329.	\$379,563.
<b>INCOME:</b>	\$430,800.	\$407,191.	\$424,300.	\$445,860.	\$395,370.	*\$269,416.	\$379,563.
<b>NET BUDGET</b>	\$ 725.	\$ 12,940.	\$ 115.	-\$ 44,018.	-\$ 2,640.	-\$ 27,913.	—

\*Includes Home Ins.

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Since it's a balanced budget, in the essence of time I'm going to indicate to you several things. Number one, I'm going to say to you as you review that information on those referred pages, you will note that on a continuing basis for the past several years, as income has decreased, the budgets have decreased as well. So with that thought in mind and with our commitment to a balanced budget, this year the General Fund budget has a proposed income of \$379,563. We worked and reduced the expenditures to \$379,563. Worthy Grand Matron, I make a motion that Report No. 2 be approved.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a motion and a second that the second report of the Board of Grand Trustees be approved. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your yellow card. All those opposed, same sign. Report No. 2 adopted. Thank you, Brother Claude.



**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Sister Patsy Neeper, Secretary of the Board of Grand Trustees, will give Report No. 3.

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 3

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present for your approval the proposed budget for the Home Fund for the Grand Chapter year 1996- 1997. We recommend careful consideration of the needs of the home. Please refer to page 47 in your Advanced Annual Report.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 1996-1997

	1993-1994 Budget	1993-1994 Actuals	1994-1995 Budget	1994-1995 Actuals	1995-1996 Budget	1995-1996 Actuals (June)	PROPOSED 1996-1997
<b>INCOME</b>							
Dues	\$219,079.	\$214,878.	\$210,740.	\$206,569.	\$202,070.	\$543,446.	\$577,575.
Interest	12,000.	23,895.	20,000.	17,531.	20,000.	7,078.	16,000.
Oil and Gas	12,000.	11,098.	12,000.	6,034.	12,000.	4,075.	6,000.
Bequests and Grants	60,000.	211,030.	75,000.	33,721.	75,000.	26,275.	30,000.
Home Members Receipts	48,000.	7,857.	15,000.	80,312.	30,000.	89,200.	20,000.
Pensions - Home Res.	528,200.	498,618.	528,000.	439,709.	490,000.	328,069.	495,600.
Real Estate Sales	50,000.	509.	38,000.	13,654.	38,000.	4,800.	20,000.
Notes Due	9,800.						
Special Funds (WGM)	35,000.	99,192.	20,000.	68,551.	30,000.	35,492.	30,000.
Humanitarian	60,000.	44,495.	50,000.	40,289.	50,000.	25,076.	40,000.
Other Receipts	10,000.	35,896.	7,000.	22,773.	13,000.	12,580.	10,000.
Spring Festival	50,000.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
Endowment Interest	387,000.	307,034.	350,000.	325,498.	350,000.	211,097.	352,000.
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$1,481,079.</b>	<b>\$1,454,502.</b>	<b>\$1,325,740.</b>	<b>\$1,254,641.</b>	<b>\$1,310,070.</b>	<b>\$1,287,118.</b>	<b>\$1,597,175.</b>
<b>EXPENSES -</b>							
<b><u>SALARIES</u></b>							
Superintendent	\$ 27,389.	\$ 28,712.	\$ 27,389.	\$ 20,500.	\$ 27,389.	\$ 9,000.	\$ 27,389.
Administrator	25,830.	26,607.	25,830.	15,814.	25,830.	8,455.	25,830.
RN Supervisor	29,813.				41,600.		41,600.
Records Clerk	12,480.	12,649.	13,520.	10,797.	13,520.	8,292.	14,560.
<b><u>HOURLY EMPLOYEES</u></b>							
Food Manager	12,480.	10,116.	14,560.	16,543.	14,560.	11,576.	14,560.
Clerk Typist	14,997.	12,559.	14,996.	12,446.	14,996.	8,282.	0.
Computer Clerk	14,997.	13,746.	14,996.	16,507.	14,996.	9,819.	14,560.
Activity Director	11,783.	12,600.	11,783.	12,690.	12,854.	8,478.	12,854.
Matrons	31,814.	46,329.	52,000.	43,166.	52,000.	31,760.	52,000.
Housekeeping	30,073.	27,487.	29,784.	28,770.	31,200.	22,453.	41,600.
Kitchen	136,283.	138,059.	125,962.	129,129.	135,782.	88,817.	135,782.
Maintenance	46,757.	47,419.	48,473.	48,113.	53,414.	30,395.	53,414.
Resident Nurse	21,424.		21,840.	Incl. Inf.	21,840.	15,013.	21,840.

	1993-1994 Budget	1993-1994 Actuals	1994-1995 Budget	1994-1995 Actuals	1995-1996 Budget	1995-1996 Actuals (June)	PROPOSED 1996-1997
<b>EXPENSES (Continued)</b>							
Infirmary	224,935.	273,344.	215,642.	285,815.	247,557.	188,800.	247,557.
Anticipated Minimum Wage Increase							3,000.
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$641,055.</b>	<b>\$649,627.</b>	<b>\$616,775.</b>	<b>\$640,290.</b>	<b>\$707,538.</b>	<b>\$441,140.</b>	<b>\$706,546.</b>
Contract Maintenance					15,000.	9,488.	15,000.
Payroll Taxes	56,110.	45,987.	55,064.	53,452.	75,638.	53,598.	75,638.
<b>HOUSEKEEPING SUPPLIES</b>							
Housekeeping Maint. & Supplies	18,000.	20,554.		11,578.	18,000.	34.	18,000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,000.</b>	<b>\$ 20,554.</b>		<b>\$ 11,578.</b>	<b>\$ 18,000.</b>	<b>\$ 34.</b>	<b>\$ 18,000.</b>
<b>NEWSPAPER &amp; MAGAZINES</b>							
Newspaper Subscriptions	400.	1,131.	500.	686.	600.	601.	1,040.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 400.</b>	<b>\$ 1,131.</b>	<b>\$ 500.</b>	<b>\$ 686.</b>	<b>\$ 600.</b>	<b>\$ 601.</b>	<b>\$ 1,040.</b>
<b>DOCTORS/HOSPITAL</b>							
Dental	\$ 3,000.	\$ 895.	\$ 2,000.	\$ 524.	\$ 2,000.	-\$ 211.	\$ 8,800.
Medical Doctors	43,000.	61,029.	50,000.	43,517.	50,000.	24,290.	50,000.
X-Rays & Labs	3,000.	2,849.	3,000.	2,549.	3,500.	1,429.	3,500.
Hospital & Day Surgery	24,000.	21,586.	25,000.	11,038.	25,000.	10,906.	25,000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 73,000.</b>	<b>\$ 86,359.</b>	<b>\$ 80,000.</b>	<b>\$ 57,628.</b>	<b>\$ 80,500.</b>	<b>\$ 36,414.</b>	<b>\$ 87,300.</b>
<b>MEDICAL SUPPLIES</b>							
Non RX Medications	4,000.						
RX Medications	84,000.	104,599.	90,000.	99,845.	105,000.	54,837.	105,000.
Infirmary Housekeeping Supplies	16,000.	22,084.	25,000.	17,595.	23,000.	18,346.	23,000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$104,000.</b>	<b>\$126,683.</b>	<b>\$115,000.</b>	<b>\$117,440.</b>	<b>\$128,000.</b>	<b>\$ 73,183.</b>	<b>\$128,000.</b>
<b>FOOD AND SUPPLIES</b>							
Food	126,000.	130,747.	125,000.	138,842.	134,000.	92,747.	144,000.
Kitchen Supplies	7,500.	6,895.	9,000.	4,529.	7,500.	2,609.	7,500.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$133,500.</b>	<b>\$137,642.</b>	<b>\$134,000.</b>	<b>\$143,371.</b>	<b>\$141,500.</b>	<b>\$ 95,356.</b>	<b>\$151,500.</b>
<b>UTILITIES</b>							
Electrical	58,000.	62,060.	60,000.	60,758.	65,000.	37,330.	65,000.
Gas	27,000.	25,856.	30,000.	22,831.	32,500.	7,422.	32,500.
Water	17,000.	19,893.	19,000.	21,235.	19,000.	11,847.	19,000.
Telephone, AT&T, Fax, Pagers	9,500.	13,080.	9,500.	11,768.	10,600.	5,226.	10,600.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$111,500.</b>	<b>\$120,889.</b>	<b>\$118,500.</b>	<b>\$116,592.</b>	<b>\$127,100.</b>	<b>\$ 61,825.</b>	<b>\$127,100.</b>
<b>LAUNDRY &amp; CLEANING</b>							
Linen Service	3,600.	4,062.	3,600.	3,506.	3,200.	2,068.	3,200.
Dry Cleaning	600.	486.	0.	505.	500.	390.	500.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,200.</b>	<b>\$ 4,548.</b>	<b>\$ 3,600.</b>	<b>\$ 4,011.</b>	<b>\$ 3,700.</b>	<b>\$ 2,458.</b>	<b>\$ 3,700.</b>

	1993-1994 Budget	1993-1994 Actuals	1994-1995 Budget	1994-1995 Actuals	1995-1996 Budget	1995-1996 Actuals (June)	PROPOSED 1996-1997
<b>OFFICE SUPPLIES &amp; POSTAGE</b>							
Postage	1,200.	1,026.	1,200.	1,067.	1,200.	592.	1,200.
Office Supplies, Name Plates	4,000.	4,820.	3,000.	3,841.	3,000.	40.	3,000.
Advertisement (Local Newspaper)	500.	596.	400.	964.	500.	44.	500.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,700.</b>	<b>\$ 6,442.</b>	<b>\$ 4,600.</b>	<b>\$ 5,872.</b>	<b>\$ 4,700.</b>	<b>\$ 676.</b>	<b>\$ 4,700.</b>
<b>INSURANCE</b>							
Commercial	29,088.	15,045.	29,088.		15,465.		
Workers Comp. Replacement/ Safety Inspection	100,000.	103,156.	74,000.	57,843.	36,470.	— 30.	
Machinery, Boiler	1,997.	1,528.	1,997.		7,292.		
Auto Insurance	9,582.	7,542.	9,000.		6,215.	— 2,394.	
Umbrella Insurance	7,187.	19,209.	7,187.		12,845.	— 6,246.	
Ins. — Home Residents	21,000.	28,679.	21,000.	35,319.	1,528.	25,294.	
Bond							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$168,854.</b>	<b>\$175,159.</b>	<b>\$142,272.</b>	<b>\$ 93,162.</b>	<b>\$ 79,815.</b>	<b>\$ 16,624.</b>	<b>\$ 75,590.</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE:</b>							
Admin. In House Train. \$	600.	\$ 742.	\$ 5,000.	\$ 117.	\$ 800.	\$ —	\$ 800.
Admin. Consultant (2)	3,600.	8,848.	500.	6,174.	5,000.	2,397.	5,000.
Infirmary License	900.	760.	500.	462.	500.	842.	500.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,100.</b>	<b>\$ 10,350.</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.</b>	<b>\$ 6,753.</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.</b>	<b>\$ 3,239.</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.</b>
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE:</b>							
Vehicle Fuel	3,500.	2,927.	3,000.	1,647.	3,000.	1,071.	3,000.
Vehicle Parts, Repair	2,000.	9,298.	2,500.	3,198.	2,500.	1,298.	2,500.
Licenses — Auto & Truck	400.	402.	300.	407.	300.	66.	300.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,900.</b>	<b>\$ 12,627.</b>	<b>\$ 5,800.</b>	<b>\$ 5,252.</b>	<b>\$ 5,800.</b>	<b>\$ 2,435.</b>	<b>\$ 5,800.</b>
<b>CONTRACT MAINTENANCE SERVICE</b>							
Elevators	3,900.	4,225.	3,900.	6,278.	3,900.	3,050.	3,900.
Copy Machine	1,600.	1,035.	1,000.	1,171.	1,600.	543.	1,600.
Typewriters	200.	354.	0.	136.	300.	68.	300.
Ambulance	5,200.	2,700.	5,200.	2,423.	5,200.	2,258.	5,200.
Fire Alarms	3,000.	3,639.	3,000.	1,045.	3,000.	1,404.	3,000.
Pest Control	3,120.	3,505.	3,000.	3,695.	3,000.	2,080.	3,000.
Grease Trap	1,200.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trash Pick-Up	3,600.	3,550.	3,600.	3,634.	4,000.	2,156.	4,000.
Security	22,000.	20,783.	10,000.	3,906.	0.	0.	0.
Autochlor	3,500.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Payroll Solutions	3,000.	4,691.	3,000.	4,049.	4,500.	2,325.	4,500.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 50,320.</b>	<b>\$ 44,482.</b>	<b>\$ 32,700.</b>	<b>\$ 26,337.</b>	<b>\$ 25,500.</b>	<b>\$ 13,884.</b>	<b>\$ 25,500.</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE &amp; SUPPLIES</b>							
Painting	1,000.	1,083.	10,000.	196.	1,000.	407.	1,000.
Plumbing	1,500.	34,531.	incl.	13,079.	18,000.	5,793.	18,000.
Inf. Repairs	21,000.	18,025.	18,000.	14,541.	15,000.	989.	15,000.
Hardware & Lumber	1,800.	0.	1,000.	2,513.	2,000.	1,015.	2,000.
Electrical Supplies	2,000.	1,553.	5,000.	1,181.	5,000.	784.	5,000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,300.</b>	<b>\$ 55,192.</b>	<b>\$ 34,000.</b>	<b>\$ 31,510.</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.</b>	<b>\$ 8,988.</b>	<b>41,000.</b>

	1993-1994 Budget	1993-1994 Actuals	1994-1995 Budget	1994-1995 Actuals	1995-1996 Budget	1995-1996 Actuals (June)	PROPOSED 1996-1997
<b>OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES</b>							
New Equip. & Furnishings	0.	6,129.	0.	2,463.	2,000.	5,183.	2,000.
Funeral Expenses	7,500.	0.	7,000.	3,100.	7,000.	4,674.	7,000.
Ladies' Special Days	1,000.	1,942.	305.	2,295.	1,000.	737.	1,000.
Allowances to Residents	42,000.	38,950.	38,000.	38,075.	39,000.	23,200.	39,000.
Contingency Fund	10,000.	0.	10,000.	0.	10,000.	0.	10,000.
Bd. of Dir. Expenses	6,000.	3,156.	6,000.	2,135.	6,000.	1,181.	6,000.
Miscellaneous	8,240.	7,636.	0.	18,739.	7,000.	7,451.	2,000.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 74,740.</b>	<b>\$ 57,813.</b>	<b>\$ 61,305.</b>	<b>\$ 66,807.</b>	<b>\$ 72,000.</b>	<b>\$ 42,426.</b>	<b>\$ 67,000.</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,479,679.</b>	<b>\$1,555,485.</b>	<b>\$1,410,116.</b>	<b>\$1,380,741.</b>	<b>\$1,532,691.</b>	<b>\$ 862,369.</b>	<b>\$1,539,714.</b>
<b>RESERVE FUND</b>							<b>\$ 57,461.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,479,679.</b>	<b>\$1,555,485.</b>	<b>\$1,410,116.</b>	<b>\$1,380,741.</b>	<b>\$1,532,691.</b>	<b>\$ 862,369.</b>	<b>\$1,597,175.</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$1,481,049.</b>	<b>\$1,454,502.</b>	<b>\$1,325,740.</b>	<b>\$1,254,641.</b>	<b>\$1,310,070.</b>	<b>\$1,287,118.</b>	<b>\$1,597,175.</b>
<b>NET BUDGET</b>	<b>-\$ 1,370.</b>	<b>-\$100,983.</b>	<b>-\$ 84,376.</b>	<b>-\$ 126,100.</b>	<b>-\$ 222,621.</b>		

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** I believe I'll just give the totals on this. Our total income is \$1,597,175. The expenses, our subtotal down here is \$706,546. Contract maintenance, \$15,000 and payroll taxes, \$75,638. Housekeeping supplies, \$18,000. Newspapers and magazines, \$1,040. Doctors/Hospitals, \$87,300. Medical supplies, \$128,000. Food and supplies, \$151,500. Utilities, \$127,100. Laundry and cleaning, \$3,700. Office supplies and postage, \$4,700. Our total insurance, \$75,590. Contract services, \$5,000. Administrative expense, \$6,300. Motor vehicle, \$5,800. Contract maintenance service, \$25,500. Maintenance and supplies, \$41,000. Other operating expenses, \$67,000. Our total expenses: \$1,539,714. We have a reserve fund of \$57,461 added to that. Total expenses: \$1,597,175, which is what we call a zero balance budget.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 3, the Home Fund budget.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and a second to adopt Report No. 3 of the Home Maintenance budget. Is there any discussion or questions at this time? Sisters and Brothers, while Sister Katherine is going to the mike, I do want to encourage you to speak or question if you have any concerns. This is your Grand Chapter; this is your Home; this is your money. We want to keep everything in a peaceful and calm manner, but we certainly want each one of you to feel that you're special and important and that your feelings are important to the Grand Matron and her corps of officers.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Katherine Duncan in the West.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** I'm Katherine Duncan, Past Matron of Alvin Chapter 15. If we approve this report, does that mean we are approving this budget?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, Sister Katherine, it does.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** I would have some questions about this budget then before we approve it.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. Could you address your questions then to Sister Patsy at the other podium, and I'm sure she'll be willing to answer to the best of her ability.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** On income on endowment interest, I noticed a budget of \$352,000. Is that the anticipated entire interest for the endowment fund? Also, on expenses I notice there's a budgeted amount of an RN supervisor of over \$41,000. There have been zero expenses on that the last few years. I'm not saying we don't need an RN supervisor. I just don't understand why we haven't had any expenses on it.

Let me go to another page. The top of page 48, we have dental expenses of over \$8,000. Previous budgets have been \$2,000. Actual expenses have only been \$200. I'm not saying we shouldn't have dental work for our ladies in the Home. I just wonder why the substantially increased budget. Food and supplies has gone up \$10,000 from the previous year. At the current rate of expenditures, that's probably a little high. There are no details on insurance to cover this \$75,000 down at the bottom.

On page 49 there's a contingency fund of \$10,000. One of the things that upsets me the most is now we have a reserve fund, at the bottom, of over \$57,000. We did up our per capita to cover some of the expenses so that perhaps we wouldn't have to use so much of our endowment fund – the interest on the fund. I really think we can cut out some of this surplus, get it back down a little so we could leave more of that interest money in the endowment fund. I don't think this budget should be approved as it's submitted right now. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Katherine Duncan. How I do appreciate my members researching very diligently and asking these intelligent questions. However, I'm going to ask Sister Patsy to answer all of those questions.

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Those are good questions. Now let me start with this reserve fund. In a home that was built back in the years that this one was, there is usually an emergency during the year. This reserve fund is set aside for any emergency that might happen during that year. Now I'm going to have to get the Grand Secretary – I got the figures from her office – to help me. Now on the insurance I gave you the total. At the time we got these figures, all of the insurance – they didn't have it all sent in at that time. I have here listed commercial as \$31,527; we have the worker's comp replacement, \$30,244; the auto insurance is \$5,561; and the umbrella is \$8,258, which would total that \$75,590.

Sister Grand Secretary, could you help me with some of these other questions?

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Sister Katherine, the \$352,000 that is shown here as projected income, please remember, if that interest is used, it must be approved by Grand Chapter. So in previous years it has been needed, and they have voted to allow the Board of Grand Trustees to use the interest. If it is not used, it goes back into the principal. Now if there is a problem with the membership, and you feel that this reserve fund here should not be a reserve fund, and that amount of money should go into the endowment, this endowment interest should be decreased. Does that make sense? You could decrease the amount of interest, and then a portion of that could be kept in the principal of the endowment trust.

Sister Katherine, I was kind of talking over here. What were some of your other concerns? Maybe we can get someone here to help you.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Well, the increase in the dental expenses for the ladies, an increase of \$6,000 there, over previous budgets.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I believe that may have been a typographical error. However, it came to us that way. It balanced the budget –

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** I understand that. That's why I'm questioning this. I'd like to balance my budget at home this way.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I was just told they have no dental insurance. Several of the ladies are having some dental work done. They increased the amount. Now that's the information that was given to me.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** I was just wondering, with no prior history of needing this...

**MRS. SARAH COURSEY:** The dentist they've been using has retired, and they had to get a new dentist and he's a little higher.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I can answer one question. Did you have a question why there was no breakdown of the insurance?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes, but I think I understand that. I just think it should have been broken down. I understand part of it's over in the General Fund budget – the actuals.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I can give you three figures –

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** She gave enough on that total. The RN supervisor for \$41,000, where is that being paid for now, or do we have an RN supervisor?

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Yes, we do.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** While they're discussing quietly, I would like to make an announcement. Don't lose your train of thought. Our Associate Grand Matron has asked me to tell you that the special buttons that say "My Dress" are in the southeast corner over here where Sister Billie Wilk has the Grand Chapter reports. Now then, can we continue answering questions? I recognize Brother Wayne Gaddis.

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** To answer your question about the RN supervisor, the State requires that we have a director of nurses in our infirmary. That is according to the laws of the nursing home licenses. Our director of nurses – this is what she had been paid for the last two years. You see it in the budget. I don't know why it wasn't put in actual, but that's actually what she makes. She has just quit. We will have to have an advertisement out for a new one. That may go up because our present DON – the one we had was working for a lot less than most places pay a director of nurses. Does that answer your question?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes, Brother Wayne. I understand what it's for. But was the actuals perhaps paid back under the hourly employees – well, it's down toward the bottom under infirmary expenses?

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** It could have in years past, yes.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Okay. That's what I was wondering too, because I'm sure we need one of those.

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** It's not need; it's required. We have no choice.

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Does that answer your questions?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes. I believe it pretty well does. I would urge the membership to not approve this budget unless that reserve of \$57,000 is taken out, and the amount of the endowment interest be reduced. After we got through increasing our per capita last year, even though this is what we've done in previous years, I don't think we need to do this any longer. We need to probably keep this money in the endowment fund. Thank you.

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Katherine Duncan. Very good questions, very good comments.

**MRS. SARAH COURSEY:** This money will not be taken out of that transfer unless they need it.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Nancy Wood in the West.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Nancy Wood from League City Chapter No. 621, Past Matron. I would like to bring to the attention of the Budget Committee that the clerk/typist under hourly employees – Are we no longer having a clerk/typist, because there is no expense for them in the budget this year?

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** I don't believe that position – they don't have that anymore.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Okay. Also, is it possible to get the number of hourly employees we have on staff?

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Would you repeat that, please?

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Is it possible to get the number of hourly employees we have on staff at the Home?

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Yes. We will check with our Board of Benevolences – Go right ahead, Mr. Gaddis.

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** I think I can answer that question. We have about 48 hourly employees, two that are salaried employees.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Okay. Two salaried. Going back to the insurance, I would like to know why the expenses were moved to the General Fund for the insurance. If you look on page 17 in the General Fund, we have the building umbrella/personal insurance of \$20,000 in actuals and workman's comp replacement was \$25,000 in actuals. I don't understand why they were moved to the General Fund expenses.

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Sister Nancy, the reason for that being indicated in

two different places is because there's liability insurance on the State operation and then there's liability on the Home, as well as the worker's comp replacement on the employees at the State Office as well as those at the Home. So those are two separate budget items.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Well, it notates on page 17 that it does include the Home insurance. Why is it drastically increased then from –

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Some of the umbrella is there – the liability. You have Officer and Board members liability which covers us under liability for the actions we take in the performance of our duty. That's encompassed in the General Fund, which takes care of both areas. Okay?

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Okay.

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** So that may not be explained real well, but that's the actuality.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Okay. Could we get a breakdown of what is in each for actuals?

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Sister Frances, can we break down the Andrew Butler stuff with what's for the Home and what's for the State operation? I believe it's...

**GRAND SECRETARY:** To the best of my ability, we're going to try to answer this. Remember that when the Board of Grand Trustees and the Benevolent Board were working on this budget, it was back in May and June. Insurance quotes were made in September, so they had to put something into the budget to work with. It had to be printed in August, so on page 44 of the Advanced Annual Report under insurance, you do have a breakdown on insurance for the General Fund, which is the Grand Chapter vehicle, the worker's comp replacement and the building/personal umbrella in the amount of \$9,756. Now at this particular moment that is a little high because we have paid for part of that insurance. I'm going to flip on over to insurance for the Home. The commercial insurance is \$31,527.

I'm going to give you an estimate of the worker's comp replacement of \$36,630. This is an estimate: It is based on the number of employees and the salaries. It is paid monthly from the General Fund budget, for the Administration Building and for the Home, so there's no way that at this particular time we can say this is absolutely the final figure. But as near as we can figure, based on the employees at the present time, it will be roughly \$36,000. The automobile insurance: \$5,561.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Thank you. But I still have –

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Whoa! That's not right.

Yes, automobile insurance. And the umbrella insurance: \$8,258. Now those figures that I have just given you total \$81,976, which is in excess of what they had anticipated back in May and June and does not include the insurance for the Home's residents, which they have indicated are anticipated to be \$25,294. But three of the figures I have given you have already been paid to the insurance companies. Those are accurate. The only one that I cannot say is completely true is that \$36,630, which is a monthly expense. Does that help?

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** It does as far as the breakdown. Thank you very much. But I still have a question of why are actuals for \$47,000 in the General Fund



for insurances – and I know we just passed the General Fund -but I still believe that this should be expenses somewhere in the Home Fund, because in the previous years our total expenses – our actuals for '73 and '74 were \$7,699. Our actuals '94-'95 were \$11,939, and our actuals year to date to June for this '95-'96 year is \$47,366. And that is a drastic increase.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Yes, let me explain. Where the little asterisk says, "Includes Home insurance," I figure the insurance in my office; and because it is one check to one insurance company – there are actually three companies that we're paying: short-term disability, long-term disability and an accident policy – all three of those policies are figured on employees. The insurance company does not break them down between the Home and our building. We write the check. We will reimburse ourselves – when I say ourselves, the Home Fund will reimburse the General Fund. And the reason for the excessive amount is the fact that part of the Home insurance was included in that amount of \$25,741.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** That's what I thought. I just wanted clarification of that. So that should really be expensed in the Home fund – in the Home budget?

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Yes.

**MRS. NANCY WOOD:** Thank you.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** You're welcome.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Nancy, I congratulate you on very intelligent questions. I know that my membership is concerned and interested. I want you to have the opportunity to say so. Do we have any other discussion on this report? Sister Patsy, the report number?

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** This report number is No. 3, the Home Fund Budget.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. We've had it moved and seconded and discussion. Sisters and Brothers, all of those in favor of accepting Report No. 3 on the adoption of the Home budget, raise your yellow card. All opposed. Same sign. Motion is carried. Thank you.

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** Thank you. Mrs. Shirley Jones will now give the Audit Report for 1995-96 ending October 31st, 1996.

## **BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 4**

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** Thank you, Sister Patsy. Report No. 4, Audit Report.

In compliance with Chapter 5A, Article 82 (b), we, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present the Audit Report covering the books of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, for the Grand Chapter fiscal year ending October 31, 1995. This Audit Report, as conducted by George, Morgan & Sneed, Certified Public Accountants, is printed in its entirety in the Proceedings of the

October 1995 113th Annual Session. The following is a summary of this information.

**Report No. 4  
AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY  
Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1995**

	REVENUES	EXPENSES	REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES
Endowment	\$ 647,852	\$ 26,212	\$ 621,640
General	430,723	492,536	(61,813)
Home	923,887	1,528,427	(604,540)
Benevolent	57,764	42,349	15,415
Educational	5,365	-0-	5,365
Fannie V. Ward	1,476	1,120	356
Special	238,666	124,169	114,497
Endowed Membership	107,162	16,609	90,553
Home Renovation Fund	2,004	2,004	-0-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,414,899</b>	<b>\$ 2,233,426</b>	<b>\$ 181,473</b>

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** You may review these numbers in your Proceedings from last year's Grand Chapter session if you have it with you, or you may do that after you get home if you so desire. At the Board of Grand Trustees' table, we also have the full report from the auditors who performed this audit for us. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 4. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a motion and a second to adopt Report No. 4, the Audit Report, of the Board of Grand Trustees. Do we have discussion from my membership? All in favor, please show by raising your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** Thank you, Membership. Brother Jim Rippey will now present Report No. 5, Endowed Membership Fund.

**BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES  
REPORT NO. 5**

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members:

In compliance with Article 204, e, Pages 142-144, of the Code of Laws, we, the Board of Grand Trustees, present the report on the Endowed Memberships for the period from November 1, 1995 through July 31, 1996. 174 Endowed Memberships have been purchased this year for a total of \$87,000. In accordance with Article 204, e, (7)(b), page 144, distribution earnings can not be made until after May 31st of the second year after the purchases of the Endowed Membership.

We are happy to report that a grand total of 1173 Endowed Memberships had been purchased as of July 31, 1996 for a grand total invested of \$586,500.00 as of that date.



**The Grand Family for 1995-1996  
Russell & Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron  
Freda & Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron**



**Rosemary T. Swetland,  
WGM Escorted to the East by  
Betty Phillips Hager,  
PGM Installing Grand Marshal**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Presented her gavel by  
Elsie Paladino, PGM and  
Installing Grand Officer**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron Escorted by Husband Russell. Installation in Fort Worth.**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, Husband of WGM Presents Swetland Bible (115 years old). Bible Marker made & presented by Mrs. Bobbie Paul. Square & Compasses presented by Harry Cunningham, PGP and Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Texas AF&AM**



**Dove of Peace presented by Betty Whatley, Prayer Warrior for 1995-1996 Grand Family, Benjamin Spivey, Escort.**



**Miss Tiffany Harrison, Grand Worthy Advisor presents Rainbow Bible to Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM.**



**Ms. Phillis Mertain, Grand Soloist.**



**1996 Opening Ceremony Officers**

**Ralph Dvis, Past Grand Patron, Escorted by Mrs. Jean Lee; Mrs. Lena Maye Cook, Past Grand Matron, Escorted by her husband, Mr. Jim Cook; Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus, Past Grand Matron, Escorted by Mr. O. B. Lee; Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron.**



**Rosemary T. Swetland,  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Russell Swetland, Escort**



**Billy H. Combest,  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Billie Branch, Escort**



**Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron  
Henry Martin, Escort**



**Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
Barbara Ochs, Escort**



**Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
Tom Warner, Escort**



**Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
Herbert Wilson, Escort**



**Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Robert Brownfield, Escort**



**Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand  
Conductress, Dr. Bill Bane, Escort**



**Betty Warlick, Grand Chaplain  
Jack Warlick, Escort**



**Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal  
Edward "Buzz" Wagner, Escort**



**Kathleen Yancey, Grand Organist  
Kenneth Yancey, Escort**



**Kimi Kidd, Grand Adah  
Claude Ervin, Escort**



**Maurine "Tootsie" Creech, Grand Ruth  
Bill Creech, Escort**



**Freda Combest, Grand Esther  
Milton Branch, Escort**



**Billie George, Grand Martha  
Benjamin Spivey, Escort**



**Corrine Pope, Grand Electa  
Marion "Pappy" Pope, Escort**



**Charlene Littlewood, Grand Warder  
Jimmy Montgomery, Escort**



**Robert H. Hicks, Grand Sentinel  
Eva G. Hicks, Escort**



**Nita Bolster, Fraternal Correspondent  
Sam Cooper, Escort**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Carrie Huber, Harpist for Memorial**





**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Pauline H. Walker, Exec. Chmn.  
Welcoming to Beaumont**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Judge Robert Walker, WMGM  
Welcomed to Beaumont**



**Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal  
Flag Presentation at Opening**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Escorted to the East for duties by  
Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress**



**Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Attending at the Altar, Opening the  
Swetland Bible which is 115 years old**



**Edward F. McDonald  
Past Most Worthy Grand Patron**



**Distinguished Guests Reception: Mary Brown, Ambassador to New York; Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Appeals & Grievances; Barbara White, Worthy Grand Marshal; Dorothy Dewing, R.W.G. Cond.; Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM; Billy H. Combest, WGP; Florence Adair, R.W.A.G. Matron; Rennie Oton, R.W.G. Trustee; Lenart Johnson, R.W.A.G. Patron.**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM/Texas  
Dr. Anita C. Fields, WGM/Louisiana  
Friends in unity for Texas-Louisiana**



**Judge Robert P. Walker, Most Worship Grand  
Master; Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM;  
Billy H. Combest, WGP**



**Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM; Alma Carter, AGM  
A delightful moment before work**



**Alma Carter, Associate Grand Matron;  
Mildred Blair & Owena Sutton, Grand Pages  
and Betty Prater, Secretary**



**Richard Ochs, Associate Grand Patron  
Dwayne Maserang & Jack York, Grand Pages**



**Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary  
Joyce Tigert, Grand Page**



**Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer  
Jeannine Gwinn & Robbie Pynes, Grand Pages**



**Yvonne Brownfield, Grand Conductress  
Ann Kelly, Secretary; Jo Ann Snow, Vi Griffin  
& Sue Shoemaker, Grand Pages**



**Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress  
Rowena Calfee, Bobbie Pinto, Betty Lynn  
Grand Pages; Lillian Cozby, Secretary**



**Betty Warlick, Grand Chaplain  
Linda Guy & Jane Clabaugh, Grand Pages**



**Doris Wagner, Grand Marshal; Dorothy Bohn,  
Audrey Baldwin, Jo Fleming &  
Bobbie Woodfin, Grand Pages**



**Kathy Yancey, Grand Organist; Kenneth  
Yancey, Husband; Sandra Perdue &  
Judith Denison, Grand Pages**



**Kimi Kidd, Grand Adah  
D'Lois Bryson & Pamela Riley  
Grand Pages**



**Maurine "Tootsie" Creech, Grand Ruth  
Mary Poe & Joyce Alexander,  
Grand Pages**



**Billie George, Grand Martha  
Jo Jeans & Violet Gibson,  
Grand Pages**



**Corrine Pope, Grand Electa; Sudie Speer & Billie Roach Grand Pages;  
Marion "Pappy" Pope, Husband**



**Charlene Littlewood, Grand Warder; Laura  
Longerbone & Elsie M. Wright, Grand Pages**



**Robert H. Hicks, Grand Sentinel;  
George Baker & Forrest Smith, Grand Pages**



**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS:  
Florence Adair, R.W.A.G.M.; Dorothy Dewing, R.W.G.C.; Rennie Ofton, R.W.G. Trustee;  
Barbara White, W.G. Marshal; Lenart Johnson, R.W.A.G.P.**



**ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE and RECIPIENTS  
with  
WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON**



**DISTRICT DEPUTY, DEPUTIES AND GRAND EXAMINER-AT-LARGE OF DISTRICT I**



**DISTRICT DEPUTY, DEPUTIES AND GRAND EXAMINER OF DISTRICT II**



**DISTRICT DEPUTY, DEPUTIES AND GRAND EXAMINER OF DISTRICT III**



**DISTRICT DEPUTY, DEPUTIES AND GRAND EXAMINER OF DISTRICT IV**



**DISTRICT DEPUTY, DEPUTIES AND GRAND EXAMINER OF DISTRICT V**



**Installed Grand Officers & Pages Daytime Drill forming the "Dove" inviting the Holy Spirit among us**



**Installed Grand Officers & Pages Forming the Rose of Peace Lifting Hands in Praise**



**Installed Grand Officers & Pages Evening Drill Forming the Dove**



**Installed Grand Officers & Pages Evening Drill Forming the Rose and Lifting Hands in Praise**



**HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE WITH WGM AND WGP DURING PROGRAM**



Worthy Matrons & Worthy Patrons, Jr. Past Matrons & Jr. Past Patrons; Chapters 100% in Humanitarian/Drill



Grand Representatives in beautiful Flag Presentation



"The Rose Still Blooms" Memorial Service - Installed Grand Officers & Grand Pages



Residents of Eastern Star Home of Texas Lovingly called our "Sweetheart Roses"



1995-96 Grand Choir - Mrs. Juanita Gregory, Director





**BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES**



**BOARD OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES**



**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**



**GRIEVANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE**



**PURPOSES & POLICIES COMMITTEE**



**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**



**REGISTRATION COMMITTEE**



**BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**



**DEVELOPMENT & MARKETING COMMITTEE**



**TITLES, DEEDS & PROPERTIES**



**Home Endowment Committee**



**Museum Committee**



**Fraternal Correspondent  
Mrs. Nita Bolster**



**International Temple Chairman  
Mrs. Ruth Jameson**



**Educational Fund Chairman  
Dr. Betty Barr with WGM & WGP**



**Steering Committee for Mrs. Rennie Ofton,  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee, G.G.C. &  
P.G.M. of Texas; Mrs. Wanda Fairchild,  
PGM; Mr. Oliver Chamberlain, PGP;  
Mr. Harold Todd, PGP & WGM and WGP**



**STAR FELLOWSHIP VISITATION  
COMMITTEE**



**SPRING FAMILY REUNION  
COMMITTEE**



**PROFICIENCY / RITUALISTIC**



**ROB MORRIS / FOUNDER'S DAY**



**HOME LABORERS' VOLUNTEERS  
COMMITTEE**



**UNITED WE STAND / MASONIC  
AMBASSADORS**



**Resolutions Committee with WGM & WGP; Mrs. Mary M. Brown, PGM  
Mrs. Nancy B. Allen, PGM**



**Poet Laureate with WGM & WGP; Ms. Wilyne Laughlin**



**Grand Harmonizers Music Committee  
with WGM and WGP**



**Benevolent Cultivators/Community  
Service with WGM and WGP**



**Grand Historians Committee  
with WGM and WGP**



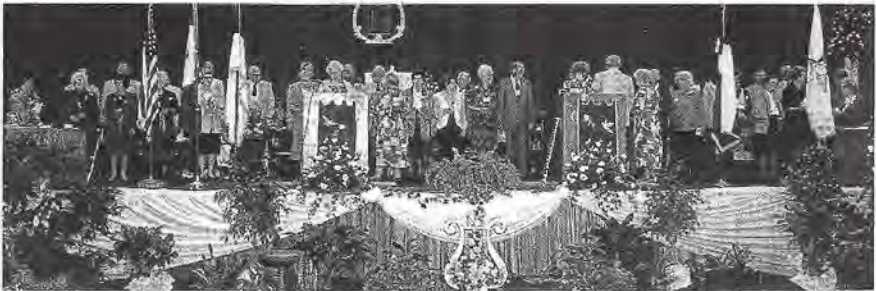
**Ambassadors of Peace Committee  
Worthy Matrons of 1995-96  
with WGM and WGP**



**"STAR CELEBRATION - TEXAS STYLE"  
GENERAL GRAND BANQUET - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1996  
WITH 1,130 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**



**"PEACEFUL REMEMBRANCES" LUNCHEON HONORING WGM AND WGP  
HOSTED BY D.D.G.M. AND D.G.M. - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1996**



**1995-1996 FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS**



**1995-1996 EXECUTIVE & ARRANGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO HOSTED THE  
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS AND LOVINGLY CALLED THE W.G.M.'S "YELLOW JACKETS"**



**INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS' BANQUET  
"A WONDERLAND OF PEACE"**



**"WORKING IN PEACE & HARMONY" BREAKFAST  
MRS. CHARLENE LITTLEWOOD, GRAND WARDER; MR. ROBERT H. HICKS, GRAND SENTINEL  
ASSISTANT GRAND WARDERS & SENTINELS**



**"CIRCUS OF FRIENDSHIP" BREAKFAST  
HOSTED BY GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**



**"SLEEPLESS IN BEAUMONT" BREAKFAST  
HOSTED BY BOARDS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS**



**1995-1996 GRAND FAMILY FLOOR FORMATION AT  
1996 GRAND CHAPTER SESSION  
"LIVING IN PEACE & HARMONY"**



**MRS. ROSEMARY T. SWETLAND, WGM ON HER FINAL DAY OF SERVICE TO  
GRAND CHAPTER WITH LONGSTEMMED PEACE ROSES FROM HER  
INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS.**



**1995-1996 INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS  
AT THE OPENING SESSION OF GRAND CHAPTER  
IN BEAUMONT, TEXAS - OCTOBER 24, 1996**





**Mrs. Syble T. Yost, Secretary to Mr. Billy H. Combest, WGP; Mrs. Martha I. Mosele, Secretary to Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM.**



**Personal Pages to WGM - Ms. Carol Coleman, Ruby Lee Meckley, Doris Moore, Eva G. Hicks and Barbara Cunningham.**



**Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM with husband, Russell at the Installed Grand Officers' Banquet "A Wonderland of Peace".**



**Commissioned Grand Representatives Syble T. Yost, Vermont; Russell Swetland, Tennessee; J.W. Clark, Nebraska; Martha Mosele, Arizona; Jackle Pointer, Alabama.**



**Personal Pages and District Deputy Grand Matrons to Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM in Daytime Travel Suits.**



**Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron  
Receives Worthy Grand Matron's Jewel  
from Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland,  
Junior Past Grand Matron  
of Texas.**



**Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron  
Receives Worthy Grand Patron's Jewel  
from Mr. Billy H. Combest,  
Junior Past Grand Patron  
of Texas.**



**The Final Walk of Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, WGM  
Mr. Billy H. Combest, WGP  
1996 Ceremony of Installation**



**Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Jr. P.G.M. receives  
her Past Grand Matron's Jewel from her hus-  
band, Russell while Mrs. Kate Howell observes.  
Part of this elegant jewel was Mrs. Inez Miller's  
Past Grand Matron's jewel from the state of Loui-  
siana and sister of Mrs. Howell.**



**Mr. Billy H. Combest, Junior Past Grand  
Patron receives his Past Grand Patron's  
Jewel from his wife, Mrs. Freda Combest.**

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 5, Endowed Membership.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a motion and a second to adopt Report No. 5 of the Board of Grand Trustees regarding endowed memberships. What a wonderful report, Brother Jim. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of adopting Report No. 5, raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Jim.

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Mrs. Shirley Jones will now give Report No. 6, the Benevolent Aid Fund.

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 6

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** Thank you, Brother Jim. Report No. 6, Benevolent Aid Fund Report for the Grand Chapter Year 1995-1996. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present for your consideration the report of the Benevolent Aid Fund for the Grand Chapter year 1995-1996.

### BENEVOLENT BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

#### Benevolent Aid Fund

Beginning Balance 10-01-95	\$85,077.98
Deposits:	
Per Capita	52,262.25
Interest	1,296.00
Refund	150.00
	138,781.98
Transfer	32,057.45
Benevolent Aid	39,150.00
	- 71,207.45
Ending Balance 9-30-96	\$67,578.78

23 Members in 19 Chapters received Benevolent Aid.

#### Projected Benevolent Aid Budget for 1996-1997

Beginning Balance 10-01-96	\$67,578.78
Per Capita Income	47,000.00
Interest	1,000.00
	115,578.78
Benevolent Aid	- 40,000.00
Ending Balance 9-30-97	\$75,578.78

**Benevolent Board Expense Fund**

Beginning Balance 10-01-95	\$3,941.79
Deposit	6,000.00
Interest	74.06
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	10,015.85
Transfer	- 3,857.00
Debits	- 1,962.12
Ending Balance 09-31-96	\$4,196.73

Tom Warner, Treasurer

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 6.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a motion and a second to adopt Report No. 6 on the Benevolent Aid from our Board of Grand Trustees. Is there any discussion from my membership? All those in favor of adopting Report No. 6, raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MRS. SHIRLEY JONES:** Thank you, Membership, and thank you for your generosity in your benevolent aid to the members of our Order this past year. Brother Claude Ervin will present Report No. 7, the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship Fund and the T. R. Bramlett Scholarship Fund.

## **BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 7**

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present the Scholarship Report for 1995-1996.

There is one Certificate of Deposit for the Fannie V. Ward Fund in the amount of \$35,000. The interest accrued from this account allowed four (4) scholarships of \$200.00 and five (5) scholarships of \$150.00 to be awarded to deserving students. These actions left a balance of \$222.21 as of July 31, 1996.

The T.R. Bramlett Scholarship Fund consists of one Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$6261.77. Since there were no applicants who met the criteria for award of this scholarship, the ESTARL Committee was informed that \$500.00 may be used for the award of scholarships to deserving ESTARL applicants. The award funds available in this account were \$539.93 as July 31, 1996.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 7, The Scholarship Funds.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded to adopt Report No. 7 on the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship Fund. Is there any discussion from

my membership? All those in favor of adopting Report No. 7, please raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Mrs. Patsy Neeper will give Report No. 8, the Contingency Fund.

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 8

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** This is Report No. 8, Contingency Fund. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present the report of the Contingency Fund for 1995-1996. Please refer to page 44 in your Advanced Annual Report under other expenses.

### CONTINGENCY FUND

Beginning Balance November 1, 1995	\$ 2,500.00
Total Expenditures	787.53
Ending Balance July 31, 1996	\$ 1,712.47

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 8, The Contingency Fund.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded to adopt Report No. 8 on the Contingency Fund of the Board of Grand Trustees. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion adopted.

**MRS. PATSY NEEPER:** We thank you. Mr. Jim Rippey will give Report No. 9, the Renovation Fund.

## BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT NO. 9

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Thank you, Sister Patsy.

In compliance with the 113th Annual Session – 1995, Resolution No. 2, Page 177, of the Code of Laws, we, the Board of Grand Trustees, present the Report on the Home Renovation Fund for the period from November 1, 1995 until July 31st, 1996.

Shortly after our last Grand Chapter Session and the approval to release the monies in the Renovation Fund, the Corporate Board, the Board of Grand Trustees, the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences and the Renovation/Remodeling Committee met to review and prioritize the essential renovations to the home. It was emphasized that prior to each contract award and resulting request for transfer of funds into the checking account that a formal bidding process should be implemented. This process should include detailed specifications and receipt of at least three comparative bids on each major job. This procedure has been closely followed.

Since last Grand Chapter, several repair contingencies have occurred in the home that required immediate attention. Several major plumbing leaks and a major air conditioning failure dictated unexpected and substantial expenditures. In all associated tasks, the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences and the Renovation/Remodeling Steering Committee are coordinating their activities with the Board of Grand Trustees and we commend them for conducting this endeavor in an exemplary manner.

Please reference page 37 in the Advanced Annual Report.

The accounting of the renovation funds over the reporting period follows:

**EASTERN STAR HOME RENOVATION FUNDS**  
**Accounts with Texas Commerce**  
**Bank/Arlington**

11/01/95	Balance in renovation accounts		\$ 546,184.
11/17/95	Opened checking with C3 account	\$ 48,577.	-48,577.
12/01/95	Final interest on C3 account	143.	-143.
02/09/96	Transfer to checking from C8	30,000.	-30,000.
03/18/96	Transfer to checking from C8	30,000.	-30,000.
04/19/96	Transfer to checking from C8	20,000.	-20,000.
05/29/96	Transfer to checking from C8	5,000.	-5,000.
07/24/96	Transfer to checking from C8	5,000.	-5,000.
		<u>\$ 138,720.</u>	<u>\$ 407,464.</u>
	Requested refunds	\$ -8,500.	
	Renovation expenses	-127,816.	
	Account service charges	-75.	
	Receipts		\$ 41,593.
07/31/96	Account Balance	<u>\$ 2,329.</u>	<u>\$ 449,057.</u>

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 9, Home Renovation Fund.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt Report No. 9 on the Renovation Fund. Is there any discussion? I'd like to make a comment. I believe that we have, as best we can, given you a synopsis of our work on the Renovation Fund in your registration packet on a yellow sheet. I wanted my membership to know what we're trying to do for your Home with your money. I think you'll find inside there – and I wish to thank Sister Alma Lynn Bane, Associate Grand Conductress, for setting that up on her computer and running nearly 4,000 copies. The figures may not be exact because we did this several weeks ago, but we tried to keep you informed as close as possible. Now, is there any other discussion on this report? All those in favor of adopting Report No. 9 regarding the Renovation Fund from your Board of Grand Trustees. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Sarah Coursey, does this complete the report of the Board of Grand Trustees for this Grand Chapter session?

**MRS. SARAH COURSEY:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron, it does.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, thank your Board of Grand Trustees. (Applause) Now, Board of Grand Trustees, all five of you, thank your membership.

We're going to move back to page 23 of your session program. You adopted the basic report this morning of your Purposes & Policies Committee. Are my Purposes & Policies Committee members still in the room? That would be Sister Lena Maye Cook and her members. If it would not be too much difficulty, I would ask that you return to the East, not only for a picture that we missed this morning, but our Associate Grand Matron would like to address this membership, and I wish for you to be here in the East in case there are some questions. While they are coming to the East, I'm going to ask our By-Laws chairman, Sister Mary Ruth White, and her committee if they would please come and present their report which is next in line. I would say to you that the By-Laws Committee duties are found in Article 152c on page 105 of your Constitution and Code of Laws. We have been extremely busy this year in taking care of the needs of my Subordinate Chapters in their changes. Sister Mary Ruth White, I invite you to come.

## **REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

**MRS. MARY RUTH WHITE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers.

It is with pleasure that I introduce the other members of this committee. They are Sisters Lynn Kearney and Bonnie Mathison. Worthy Grand Matron, it has been my distinct pleasure to serve Grand Chapter this year as Chairman of the By-Laws Committee. This has been a very challenging year and we thank you for the opportunity to have a part in the accomplishments of your year.

There were four hundred and sixty-six (466) Amendments to By-Laws submitted by chapters. One hundred and ninety-seven ( 197) were returned to the chapters or the chapters were called for corrections or additional required information and/or forms. The most common error was the lack of required number of signed copies of Form 106-S. Amendments to By-Laws for two (2) chapters await receipt of appropriate Forms 106-S, and remain unapproved at this time. Thirty-four (34) Chapters amended their By-Laws twice (2) and one (1) chapter three (3) times. The majority of amendments pertained to increases in dues as a result of the change in per capita adopted by Grand Chapter last year. As of October 23, 1996 four hundred and sixty-four (464) Amendments to By-Laws have been signed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

A complete list of Chapters to be approved by Grand Chapter follows.

### **By-Laws Committee 1995-1996 Chapter By-Law Approvals**

**Chapter**

Dallas Chapter #1  
Mizpah Chapter #2  
Radiant San Antonio Chapter #3

**Chapter**

Paris Chapter #5  
Clarendon Chapter #6  
Waco Chapter #7

**Chapter**

Tarrant-Keystone Chapter #8  
 San Angelo Chapter #10  
 Alvin Chapter #15  
 Bowie Chapter #16  
 Saint Jo Chapter #17  
 Leakey Chapter #18  
 Ruth Chapter #20  
 Weatherford Chapter #21  
 Rockdale Chapter #23  
 Kerrville Chapter #24  
 Roby Chapter #25  
 Abilene Chapter #30  
 Floydada Chapter #31  
 Vashti Chapter #32  
 Texas Chapter #35  
 Smithville Chapter #39  
 Iowa Park Chapter #42  
 Iowa Park Chapter #42  
 Devine Chapter #43  
 Mexia Chapter #57  
 Colorado Chapter #58  
 Alice Chapter #61  
 Nocona Chapter #62  
 Bastrop Chapter #64  
 Pampa Chapter #65  
 Big Spring Chapter #67  
 Stockdale Chapter #69  
 Stockdale Chapter #69  
 Beaumont Chapter #71  
 Leander Chapter #73  
 Sour Lake Chapter #75  
 Lubbock Chapter #76  
 Gate City Chapter #77  
 Rusk Chapter #79  
 Winters Chapter #80  
 Petrolia Chapter #84  
 Laredo Chapter #86  
 Normangee Chapter #87  
 Normangee Chapter #87  
 Belle Moon Chapter #90  
 Frisco Chapter #93  
 Wortham Chapter #96  
 Childress Chapter #101  
 Tennessee Colony Chapter #102  
 Tyler Chapter #112  
 Brownwood Chapter #116  
 Corsicana Chapter #118  
 Grapeland Chapter #120  
 Lipan Chapter #127  
 Alpine Chapter #132  
 Pleasanton Chapter #133  
 Ransford Chapter #135  
 Brenham Chapter #144  
 Temple Chapter #153  
 Luling Chapter #155

**Chapter**

Garland Chapter #156  
 Buffalo Chapter #157  
 Violet Chapter #158  
 Winnie Chapter #160  
 Spur Chapter #164  
 Brandy Chapter #167  
 Glen Rose Chapter #171  
 Saltillo Chapter #173  
 Athens Chapter #177  
 Carpenter Chapter #183  
 Bonita Chapter #184  
 Tenaha Chapter #185  
 Trinity Chapter #186  
 Trinity Chapter #186  
 Hadassah Chapter #188  
 Greenville Chapter #189  
 San Saba Chapter #191  
 Garrison Chapter #192  
 Del Rio Chapter #204  
 Border Chapter #211  
 Orange Chapter #214  
 Hamilton Chapter #215  
 Llano Chapter #216  
 Grand Prairie Chapter #219  
 Velasco Chapter #220  
 Bryan Chapter #222  
 Montgomery Chapter #228  
 Fort Stockton Chapter #230  
 Dayton Chapter #233  
 Midlothian Chapter #234  
 Wichita Falls Chapter #237  
 Wellington Chapter #238  
 Wellington Chapter #238  
 Harmony Chapter #244  
 Somerville Chapter #245  
 Sulphur Bluff Chapter #246  
 Santa Anna Chapter #247  
 Avery Chapter #252  
 Midland Chapter #253  
 John Gillespie Chapter #257  
 Houston Heights Chapter #258  
 Denton Chapter #259  
 Crosby Chapter #261  
 Port Arthur Chapter #262  
 Kirbyville Chapter #263  
 Richland Springs Chapter #264  
 Stanford Chapter #269  
 Santo Chapter #270  
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 Centerville Chapter #1002  
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Norman Read Chapter #1010  
 Malakoff Chapter #1012  
 River Oaks Chapter #1013  
 Duncanville Chapter #1014  
 Frank W. Lynn Chapter #1015  
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 University Chapter #1082  
 Lone Star Chapter #1083  
 Roy Stanley Chapter #1086  
 Thunderbird Chapter #1087  
 Carlsbad Chapter #1092  
 New Caney Chapter #1093  
 Archives Chapter #1095  
 Seabrook Chapter #1096  
 Burke Chapter #1098  
 Wallace Hughston Chapter #1100  
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Gun Barrel City Chapter #1114  
 Amistad Chapter #1115  
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 Newbern Chapter #1135  
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 Total Approved by WGM 464

It has been my pleasure to chair the By-Laws Committee and to accept this responsibility.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Mary Ruth White

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Mary Ruth White. I have a motion and a second to accept the report of the By-Laws Committee for this year. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your yellow card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Sister Mary Ruth, thank you and your fine Committee. Let's get a picture.

Sisters and Brothers, our next report is entitled Chapters U.D. Our chairman for this Committee has had a very serious illness in her family and has turned her report in to our Grand Secretary. I lovingly invite her now to present the brief report of Chapters U.D. I might mention to you that their duties are found in our Code of Laws, Article 152d on page 105. Sister Frances.

## REPORT OF THE CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION COMMITTEE

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Sisters and Brothers:

It is the report of this committee that there have been no Chapters under dispensation during this Grand Chapter year.

The members of this committee express their appreciation for being asked to serve on this committee.

Chapters Under Dispensation Committee  
 Mrs. Joanne Parish, Chairman (385)  
 Mrs. Marvolyn Province, Member (93)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Member (135)

**GRAND SECRETARY:** I move the adoption of this report, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we do accept the report of the Chairman of the Chapters Under Dispensation. Any discussion? All in favor by your yellow card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Frances.

At this time we're going to back up just a little bit into the Purposes & Policies Committee area. You have already adopted the report of the Purposes & Policies Committee. However, our Associate Grand Matron wishes to address my membership at this time. Sister Alma Carter, can you speak from the West to our membership in what you wish to present for their consideration?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Yes. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. First, I would like to say to the Purposes & Policies Committee: I want to thank you for your great courtesy in accepting in concept the things that I plan to do for this year. I would like to say to the membership, I have tried to plan a year that would require as little upfront money out of Grand Chapter's pocket as possible. I have not planned anything that costs a great deal to sell. The only things that I have bought are the music, the tapes, the "My Dress" buttons, the Eagle Club pins, the Time & Talent stickers and the Pursuit of Excellence stickers. All of these total probably – I haven't asked our Grand Secretary, but they probably cost no more than \$5,000.

For your consideration I would like to report on the "My Dress." This year I gave every Committee person a choice of buying a dress or donating a minimum of \$50. Sisters and Brothers, to this date in our Endowment Fund already working, I have placed \$46,531. (Applause) Thank you and thank you for your generosity. Tomorrow night when you see a formation on the floor, they won't all be dressed exactly alike, but none of us are exactly alike. I congratulate those who have been so lovingly willing to forego a dress and donate the money to our Endowment Fund that would keep our Home in operation, and think how much interest each year we will get off of this.

Now, back to the point. The Affinity Company, which is the company that our Masons have been working with for a number of years – all of you Brothers know about the Affinity Company and the watches and the other fraternal paraphernalia that they sell for us. They approached me to sell an Eastern Star pin. I told them I didn't necessarily want an Eastern Star pin. When I told them what my theme was and my emblem, the eagle, they have made me up a small pin. It's kind of like a lapel pin, and it is a golden eagle embossed – or gold-plated emblem embossed over the American Flag. And across the top and bottom it has "Vision With a Purpose," which is my aim. They have said that they would mail to you at no cost to our Grand Chapter – and I would like to read you the paragraph that they have. "The Texas Grand Chapter has absolutely no financial risk, promotional expense or administrative work in connection with the early 1996/97 'Vision With a Purpose' fundraiser mailing. The privacy of your mailing list is guaranteed by an indemnification letter for the Grand Chapter." We have received such letter. "Your mailing list will be kept by the Affinity Corporation."

What I would like from you is permission for them to mail you this pin. They will mail each member – not one per family, but each member – one of these pins. Of course, they have a suggested price on it, but you send what your heart desires. They would also like to send a brochure of an Eastern Star watch. And of course this costs nothing, and it will be explained in the letter to you. I ask you, Sisters and Brothers, if you would like to have a remembrance pin of this year, please let yourself express what you feel. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You're welcome, my dear friend. Our

Associate Grand Matron wishes to have discussion. Sister Alma, do you wish to make this in the form of a motion so we can get it on the floor?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron. I move that I be allowed to inform this company that they might send to each member one of these pins and a picture of the watch for next year. Thank you.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON:** Second, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. We have a motion and a second that we allow the Affinity Company to mail a pin to each member of our Order and also a brochure explaining a watch. This, of course, would be to each member and at their discretion to purchase or not to purchase. Now I'm going to open this up for discussion. Sister Lena Maye Cook, you're on the Purposes & Policies Committee. I would wish that you stand at the other microphone at this time in case there's some questions to direct to you and your Committee.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I've had one question asked back here, asked would it go to the Endowment Fund. Yes, indeed. Every penny will go to the Home Endowment Fund.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Alma. As you know, Sisters and Brothers, we're keying in on the future of our Order of the Eastern Star by trying to find different ways with your approval to support our Endowment Fund. Any discussion on the floor, any questions that anyone would like to ask our Associate Grand Matron? We will allow you time if you'll let us know. Otherwise, we'll move right on.

I believe there's no further discussion. So all of those in favor of allowing our Associate Grand Matron to proceed with her plans, raise your yellow card. All those opposed, same sign. Sister Alma Carter, motion carried.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, and thank you, membership. I'm looking forward to working with each one of you next year. I love you, and let's have a good year. Thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** One of the sweetest signs that your Worthy Grand Matron is seeing this morning is the sea of yellow cards when they come up. It looks like the sun is trying to rise. Now if we just keep at this, maybe by this afternoon, those heavy damp clouds will begin to lift and we will see the sunshine from our Heavenly Father.

We are doing beautifully at this time. I believe that we will continue forth with the Home Endowment Fund. Brother Henry S. Martin, come tell my membership what we have done with our Endowment this year because we're excited about this report.

## **REPORT OF THE HOME ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter

Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, installed floor officers and elected boards, other distinguished members, my Sisters and Brothers all. It is a pleasure to present the report of the Home Endowment Committee to this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, we, the members of your Home Endowment Committee, appreciate the opportunity you provided to us this year to participate on this most worthwhile Committee.

We began the year with an overall goal of raising \$32,000 in donations for the Home Endowment Fund. Throughout this Grand Chapter year, the members of this Committee have written hundreds of letters, attended local Chapter meetings across the state, presenting programs, speaking on behalf of the Home Endowment Fund, and encouraging donations.

The generosity of this membership has allowed our efforts to be successful. Donations have been made by individual Sisters and Brothers and by Chapters "In Honor of" special people, "In Memory of" deceased members and loved ones, and simply by non-designated donations.

I am pleased to report that as of September 1, 1996, and with some additional donations still coming in and not included in this report, more than 90% of that goal, \$28,835.50, has been raised.

However, that is only a part of the story. Worthy Grand Matron, you asked that the proceeds from your Direct Mail Campaign with the Address Labels be directed to the Home Endowment Fund. The response to the Direct Mail campaign was very encouraging, raising more than \$91,000. With this amount added, the Home Endowment Fund was increased by a total of \$119,838.25.

However, the story is still not complete. In addition to the almost \$120,000 I just mentioned, the Eastern Star Temple Association of Dallas, through the sale of some real estate, made a donation to the Home Endowment Fund of \$82,583.94.

Finally, Worthy Grand Matron, I am happy to report that because of the generosity of the membership of this beautiful Order, the love of our Sisters and Brothers for the Eastern Star Home in Arlington, and the exceptional vision and leadership demonstrated by you and the Worthy Grand Patron during this Grand Chapter year of 1995- 1996, the Home Endowment Fund has been increased during the past twelve months by a total of \$202,422.19.

Again, Worthy Grand Matron, we the members of your Home Endowment Committee, thank you for the privilege of service during your year in the Grand East.

Respectfully submitted:

Henry S. Martin - General Chairman

District Chairmen:

Ruby White - District I

Walter Bartlett - District IV

A.D. Jackson - District II

Wanda Hachenberg - District V

Joyce Martin - District III

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you've heard this wonderful report from the Home Endowment Committee, and it has been seconded. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting this report, yellow cards. All

opposed, same sign. Brother Henry Martin, \$202,000! God bless you.

We're moving right along just beautifully. Dr. Betty Barr, I'd like for you to give your Educational Fund report first. Thank you so very much, Dr. Barr.

## REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE

**DR. BETTY BARR:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

As of November 1, 1995, there were 17 loans outstanding. In response to the article we placed in the June, 1996 OES Bulletin, we mailed out 6 applications for loans. None of these were returned, however, so that no new loans were granted this year. In May we sent letters to all of the persons with outstanding loans. Two loans were paid in full, leaving 15 loans outstanding as of October 20, 1996.

Based on the records furnished this committee by the Grand Secretary, the total of outstanding principal and interest as of November 1, 1995 was \$23,798.91. Between that date and October 20, 1996 payments for principal and interest totaling \$3553.22 were received. Interest in the amount of \$1014.18 was accrued. Thus the total of outstanding principal and interest at October 20, 1996 was \$21,259.87.

It has been of considerable concern to this committee and its predecessors that many of the outstanding loans are quite old and appear to be uncollectible. In addition to the notices we sent, the Grand Secretary's office sent notices in August. Previous committees have also attempted to reach these people with no success. We have not had communication on two loans for 14 years, one loan for 9 years, three loans for 8 years, one loan for 4 years, and two loans for 3 years.

The Worthy Grand Matron had hoped that a computer program would be installed in the Grand Secretary's Office to automatically accrue interest and properly post payments and issue receipts. Unfortunately, this has not yet taken place.

Respectfully Submitted,  
1995-1996 Education Fund Committee  
Betty Barr, Chairman  
Anita McAlexander  
Mary Lambert

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second to adopt the Educational Fund Report. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your yellow cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Dr. Betty.

Now then, I am ready to invite the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences to present their report. After their report, we will have a report of the Order of the Eastern Star Home of Texas, and then the recognition of our beautiful Sweetheart Roses. I know that they're gathering now for their presentation.

I recognize Sister Helen Hare, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences.



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES

**MRS. HELEN HARE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, other Distinguished Guests, my Sisters and Brothers: It is my pleasure to greet you and present this annual report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for the fiscal year 1995-1996.

Following the election at Grand Chapter in Fort Worth a meeting of the Board was called to welcome Betty Capps, the District III member. The following officers were elected:

Helen M. Hare	Chairman	District V
Lindsey Pynes	Vice-Chairman	District II
Delbert Shoemaker	Secretary	District I
R. J. "Tom" Warner	Treasurer	District IV
Betty Capps	Member	District III

Twelve (12) meetings and several phone conferences were held during the year. Additional visits to the Home were made by the Board Members.

We appreciate the attendance of the Grand Officers and membership at several of our meetings. This means a great deal to the Board and it is your way of understanding our duties and responsibilities.

A great asset to our Board was the appointment of Wanda Gilmore as Secretary to the Board by the Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary T. Swetland.

Our meetings have been held on the same dates as the Board of Grand Trustees. This has given us the opportunity to meet together. The two Boards have had a very good working relationship this year. For this we say a special "Thank You" to Sarah Coursey, Chairman, and all of their members. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer have been extremely helpful.

Communications with our Special Ladies and the employees have been very open this year. We have tried our best to make this a real home for the residents and a desirable place to work. We feel we have an excellent working staff in the Home and Infirmary. A huge "Thank You" to each of you. Mr. Wayne Gaddis has gone above and beyond the call of duty in performing the duties of Superintendent. We have passed all City and State Inspections.

We are pleased to report that as of July 31st (the time of this report) we were able to catch up and all of the accounts at the Home are paid. This was because of the increase in the per capita.

Benevolent Aid has been given to twenty members in sixteen Chapters. Also emergency short term aid to four additional members. This fund is one way we are able to give assistance to our members who find themselves in financial difficulties.

There are currently fifty-six (56) ladies in the Home. We were saddened by the death of five of our residents this year. During the year the Board has acted

upon all of the requests and applications that were submitted and completed.

Applications for Residency	10
Entered the Home	3
On 90 day period (approval date 9/12)	1
Pending	5
Withdrawn	1

Several applications were withdrawn for health reasons or no further action was taken by a sponsoring Chapter.

The most exciting part of this year is the Renovation that has taken place. As you approach the Home the improvements are so evident: new columns, windows, and etc.

The Chapel repaired, then painted by volunteers, plus much unseen work including extensive plumbing. I urge each member to visit our Home – relax in the cheerful Music Room, pray in the beautiful Chapel and really tour all of the facility. A complete report on this will be given by the Restoration Committee.

There is no way so much could be accomplished without the help of our faithful volunteers and the untold hours they give. May God richly bless each of you for your unselfish service. This also includes the Chairmen and members of the following committees:

Home Laborers/Volunteers	Rob Morris/Founders Day
Spring Family Reunion	Time and Talent

The new computer system is in service and special training has been taken by the operators. This will insure that all accounts in the Home can be verified and complete records kept.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary T. Swetland and Worthy Grand Patron, Billy H. Combest have given complete support to our Home and the Board this year. Words cannot express our appreciation to both of you. Your love for the Order of the Eastern Star and our Lord has shown brightly all through the year.

When I was elected to the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences I thought, "Five years – that's forever"! Now I realize that I am completing five of the shortest years of my life. To each Board Member I have served with: you have brought much joy into my life, I appreciate your support and dedication to our Order. To each of you wonderful ladies living in the Home – you have truly become "My Family" and you always will be, I love you with all of my heart.

Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, for giving me the wonderful opportunity to serve in this manner, it has been a most rewarding experience.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES**

To save time the membership can read our report in the Annual Report, but I would like to give this supplementary report.

Several important changes have been made at the Home since my report of July 31, 1996.

On September 12th Peggy Allen became a permanent resident of the Home. Loraine Sagesar and Ann Frerking entered for their 90 day trial period.

We met this year with the Corporate Board. The last meeting was at Founders Day when some Home concerns were discussed.

Kay Popham was hired as our certified Food Service Manager. Evelyn Artol, Infirmary Administrator gave 30 day notice on September 25, 1996 that she was retiring. The Director of Nurses resigned.

At the September meeting the Board hired Mr. Irv "Ron" Johnston as Interim Superintendent/Administrator of the Eastern Star Home of Texas. Mr. Johnston is a licensed Administrator in the State of Texas. His wife Marva is a RN and is training in Dallas as a Nurse Practitioner.

The Board greatly appreciates the service Mrs. Artol and Mr. Gaddis have given the Home.

One highlight of my term was attending the 1995 session of Grand Chapter in Michigan (where I was initiated in 1944 and served as Worthy Matron in 1956- 57). I was so proud to represent our Grand Chapter, greet old friends, make new, and brag about Texas.

In closing I ask that every member continue to support and pray for our wonderful Eastern Star Home of Texas and each of the residents. Again I say "Thank You" to District V, especially Section 10 and Mission Chapter #527, and the entire membership for giving me this wonderful opportunity.

This completes the Report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star for the year 1995-96.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Helen Hare, Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The motion has been made and seconded that we adopt the report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for this year. Is there any discussion? All in favor of adopting this report, please raise your cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Sister Helen Hare, your duties are outlined carefully in the Code of Laws, Article No. 83, pages 73 through 76. I have observed the performance of your duties for five years. I've been privileged for four of them to meet with those of you and watch you grow step by step in your responsibilities. I congratulate the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for placing our charitable home first in your wishes and desires and your personal needs second. I'm very proud of you. (Applause)

Now at this time, I would invite Brother Wayne Gaddis to give his report for the Eastern Star Home of Texas. Brother Wayne, I want to say to you that I have watched you over the years, and the one thing that I know beyond a shadow of a doubt is how much you love our residents in the Eastern Star Home. You've been a great asset to us. You have offered your time and love to take care of those sweet ladies. You've been faithful to stay right there until we could take care of whatever

it was that we had to have legally to meet our laws. So from the Worthy Grand Matron of Texas, I wish to say thank you and my appreciation. We await your report.

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS**

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to bring to you this report of the Eastern Star Home.

We have had several visits from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and other Floor Officers and committees and they have helped provide a wonderful time for our Ladies. We thank each and every one of them for their concerns.

We now have 58 residents in our Home, 26 are in the Infirmary and 32 in the Retirement Center.

We have lost 7 Ladies due to death and have had 7 Ladies to enter the Home as a permanent resident. There have been 11 members to make application, 4 of which did not enter the Home for various reasons. The average age of our Ladies is 85.6 years young.

We have been very enthused over the restoration program of our Home, the outside woodwork project has been completed and it is very beautiful. Two major plumbing projects have been completed. Bids on the roof are being sought and we hope this project is complete before winter rains come.

Thanks to the Home Laborers/Volunteers for the several projects they have done and more are in the working at this time. Painting rooms, kitchen area, re-working and repainting the Chapel and pruning of trees. This has been a great help and has saved money for the Home.

There has been some changes made the last month. Mr. Irv Johnston has been hired as Interim Superintendent-Administrator for 90 days. I will stay until he feels comfortable with taking over the operation of both the Retirement and Infirmary sections of the O.E.S. Home.

I came to the Home on January 2, 1995 to help out for a while and I feel that we have accomplished some good things for our Home with the help of some good and caring employees. We have been able to stay within our budget without affecting the health and safety of our Ladies.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member for their love and encouragement during these 22 months of service.

Bertha and I will miss being with the Ladies and the employees who we love very much, but we will return to volunteer in any way we can help.

Thanks again to each of you and may the Lord bless and keep you.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Wayne Gaddis

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this report be referred to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of our Superintendent of the Home. As you know, Brother Wayne Gaddis will now be stepping down. We have hired an Interim Superintendent. But, Brother Wayne, we cannot thank you again enough. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting this very good report of the Superintendent, yellow cards. All opposed, same sign. Carried. (Applause and standing ovation.) Brother Wayne, we want you to stay up here because we'll let you have a part in recognizing these beautiful ladies that the Grand Marshal has ready to bring to the East for their special recognition. I know the Grand Choir is getting ready also to provide a special place of honor and music for the Sweetheart Roses, the residents of the Eastern Star Home of Texas. ("Let Me Call You Sweetheart" sung as ladies of the Home came to East.)

My sweet membership of Texas, this is our main charitable and benevolent purpose: the beautiful Eastern Star Home of Texas that we are little by little restoring by your generosity, little by little, step by step, building the endowment up to take care of it. And these are our joys. Now you know I've been going up to that Home for four years. I have been privileged to have a room from the first time I was elected to the Grand Line of Texas by the generousness of the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences. There is a room now up there for the Associate Grand Conductress, the Grand Conductress, the Associate Grand Matron and, yes, the Worthy Grand Matron's suite. I did open that up to the membership to let them see it. But I want to tell you that each time I went up there, I shared breakfast, lunch or dinner with them – mostly lunch and dinner because I don't do mornings real well.

**VOICES:** Ah.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I heard that out there. They got me into the exercise program. Sister Edna, do you mind if I tell them a ballpark figure of your age? She's 90! (Applause) She leads the exercise aerobics. I did the first four or five minutes, and I said, "Sister Edna, you'll excuse me. I'm going to pull rank here. I'm going to my room." I have enjoyed the sweet fellowship, and we have presented to each of them a long-stem yellow rose to let them know how much we love and appreciate them, and how their Home is in good hands safe, and sound.

I'll be happy to introduce these sweet ladies. We have Sisters Lorraine Lockmiller and Peggy Sue Allen. We have Edna Cowsert. We have Sister Ann Frerking. You're the brand new member, Miss Ann. Ms. Caty Atkins, Ms. Irma Grounds and Sister Emma Lou Rush. My dear ones, would you join us in the East.

Sisters and Brothers, are you aware of what we've been able to accomplish this morning? (Applause) We're still lacking one report on our scheduled plan of events, but they're not in the room right now. We have covered yesterday afternoon's and all of this morning's. Just one moment and let me see if I have any reports.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, if you'll give us just a moment, I believe we're going to close and go and have a wonderful lunch and be back ready at two o'clock to conduct our afternoon business session. I do not see my final report. The hour has arrived for us to now have refreshments and rest away from our necessary

deliberations, so I wish to lovingly invite Sister Katherine Harbour to voice our morning benediction. Sister Katherine is another beautiful and elegant lady -- I'm sorry. I'm sorry. Pauline, please do the announcement, and then Sister Katherine will do the benediction.

**MRS. PAULINE HAUSSNER WALKER:** For those of you who are not going to the Grand Line Officers' luncheons, we did have a picnic planned over in the football field and we had a band coming to entertain you. But, obviously, because of the weather that had to be cancelled. The University does have barbecue sandwiches, and they will be sold at all the vendors' stands. I have cleared this with the Jurisprudence Committee, you may bring your lunches back in here to eat. It is all right with Lamar College. The only thing we ask is that you do clean up afterwards. I do have another announcement. Sister Alma Carter's luncheon will be at the Hilton Hotel. Some of the tickets were printed in error and said at the Holiday Inn, but it will be at the Hilton. That's it!

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I think that's a wonderful treat for those of you that do not have a luncheon ticket or would not want to get out into the bad weather. We have the food here for you so that you can sit and rest. We're going to be back ready to start our afternoon session. Sister Katherine, we have dedicated this session today to your District 2 members, and we are so pleased that now you can be here for the voicing of our benediction.

**MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR:** Our Father, God of Peace who brought up from the dead, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Equip us with everything good to do His will, and bless us, Lord. These things we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling this Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to engage in calling this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Blessed Be the Peacemakers" Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** Your order has been obeyed, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. (The Holy Bible was closed.)

I now call this Friday morning session, "Blessed Are the Peacemakers," from labor to rest until 2 p.m. this afternoon, at which time we will resume our business deliberations. Grand Warder, you will so inform our Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this "Blessed Be the Peacemakers" Grand Chapter Session is called from labor to rest until 2 p.m. this afternoon.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, go in peace; and may Father God walk beside you. Enjoy your lunch. Farewell.

**“PEACEFUL REMEMBRANCES”  
Friday Afternoon Session  
October 25, 1996**

1:45 p.m. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Genevieve Halbert  
Scottish Rite Language Disorder

2:00 p.m. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Doris M. Efird  
Past Grand Matron  
Mr. Murray Watson  
Past Grand Patron

“Peace and Harmony” drill performed by Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages.

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, our Distinguished General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Member, other Distinguished Members, my Sisters, Brothers and Friends: It is my special privilege to extend greetings to each of you upon this occasion and to welcome you to this Friday afternoon session of the 114th Session, “Living in Peace and Harmony,” of the Grand Chapter of Texas, and the “Peaceful Remembrances” Friday afternoon session dedicated to our own beloved District Three. It is an added pleasure to be serving in the East with the distinguished Past Grand Patron of District Three, Brother Murray Watson. At this time may we extend our thanks to Sister Genevieve Halbert for the beautiful music which we enjoyed before the session opened. Would you join me in showing your appreciation to her? (Applause)

We have also just witnessed the beautiful “Peace and Harmony” drill which was presented by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Floor Officers and Personal Pages. Would you also show them your appreciation? (Applause)

Grand Marshal, you will now invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Floor Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. (Entrance of Installed Grand Officers.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, it is my distinct honor to introduce to you our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Sweland, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy Combest. You will join me in extending them Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) The Officers will take their respective stations.

Worthy Grand Matron, may I express my appreciation to you for the sweet privilege of calling this session to order and thank you for dedicating this session to my own beloved District 3. As I stand in this place, it brings back many fond memories of the “Eternal Spring of Life” Session in which we shared many wonderful experiences. I trust that your year has been crowned with some of the richest blessings which flow from the eternal spring which brings joy to our everyday living. God bless you through the rest of this session and for many days to come.

Brother Billy, you have been a great inspiration to us. Your close relationship to God is one that serves as a great example for us to follow. Thank you for your wonderful service to our Order throughout this year, and may God walk with you all the days of your life.

Brother Murray, would you like to greet these fine folks at this time?

**MR. MURRAY WATSON:** Thank you, Sister Doris. It is indeed an honor to have this opportunity to join you in this opening ceremony this afternoon of "Peaceful Remembrances" dedicated to our district. It seems like it has been a long time, and then again not a very long time, since you had this opportunity to be here. It's good to be able to share that with you this afternoon. I am indeed grateful to our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron who have diligently worked so long and so hard this past year to make this Grand Chapter session a success. They have devoted all their time and their energy for the love of the Order, and we are indeed in your debt. We want to thank you and wish you the best for the remaining portion of this Grand Chapter. While it may be somewhat of an inconvenience, all year long we have prayed for rain. And if I had known that you could do it by calling Grand Chapter, I tell you what, we'd have had this bugger a lot earlier in the year! (Laughter) But thank you for your dedication and it's just a real pleasure to have the opportunity to be here and share this with you. (Applause)

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: May I share with you my joy in serving beside this distinguished Past Grand Patron, Brother Murray Watson, my good friend and one which I hold in highest esteem. He's one of the best and one of the finest. And for one shining moment, Brother Murray and I have had the glorious honor of calling this Friday afternoon session to order. It is a delightful pleasure now, Sister Rosemary, to extend to you your gavel. This is the gavel that Brother Russell Swetland used when he was Worshipful Master of Burke Lodge No. 833, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in 1983-84. It was also used by our Worthy Grand Matron when she served Burke Chapter No. 1098 the second time in 1989-90. Thank you, Sister Rosemary, and God bless.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Doris Efird, Past Grand Matron, Brother Murray Watson, Past Grand Patron, and the beloved members of District 3 who have already, or will very soon, participate in this "Peaceful Remembrances" Session. I have beautiful peaceful remembrances of my association with District Three.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor and direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to call this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Peaceful Remembrances" Grand Chapter Session from rest to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** There will be no interruptions, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order and entitled to be seated in this Grand Chapter Session.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order.



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I believe we're still verifying our membership. I hope you enjoyed your lunch as much as I did.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order and are entitled to sit in this Grand Chapter room.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. (The Holy Bible was opened.) I now lovingly invite Sister Elise Hammack to voice our petition to our Father God. Sister Elise.

**MRS. ELISE HAMMACK:** Let us pray.

Our most kind and gracious Heavenly Father, as we open this Friday Afternoon, "Peaceful Remembrance" Session, we come to Thee in reverence and deep humility, praising Your Holy Name for the manifold blessings You so freely give us. We thank Thee for life itself, for the comforts and joy of home, the gift of faithful friends, and for the rich heritage of our past and the hopes of our future.

We thank Thee for our great fraternity. May it be our constant aim to maintain the high principles for which our Order was established and that we may continue to live in peace and harmony. We ask Your blessings on our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron, as they lead us in our deliberations. May they be ever mindful of Your loving care and protection and may they look to You for guidance in all things.

We would remember those who are absent from us because of illnesses or infirmities; heal, comfort and protect them with Thy great love and power.

We pray Thy blessing upon our great nation and for all those in positions of leadership. Guide and direct them as well as leaders of other nations. May we soon see that all peoples of all lands are at peace with each other.

Lord, of all things, "Living in Peace and Harmony", is our prayer.

In Thy Holy name, we pray. Amen

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I now declare this "Peaceful Remembrances" Session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this Grand Chapter Session is called from rest to labor. Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. As in each of our sessions, it was my joy to share with my membership some beautiful talent of our young people over the State of Texas, and this afternoon is no exception. This afternoon you're going to see one of the most beautiful and talented young members of our Order as she shares her beautiful God-given talent with us in song, Sister Phillis Force Mertain, our Grand Soloist. I've asked her to sing, "I'll Give You Peace." Thank you, our beautiful Grand Soloist. (Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, did you enjoy your lunch today? (Applause) We had four lovely Installed Grand Line lunches, and then I know that some of you were privileged to enjoy the special barbecue sandwiches and treats here at the Montagne Center. Once again, we are trying to make some special treats for you that will assist our membership in enjoying this session. You were tremendous this morning.

You allowed us to complete yesterday afternoon's business and almost all of this morning's business. I congratulate you. I express my humble appreciation to you. And as we promised you this morning, we hope to present to you all of this Grand Chapter's legislation now by the Jurisprudence Committee for this afternoon. And with your support, I know we'll be able to do just that. Sister Elsie Paladino, Chairman of Jurisprudence, I now lovingly invite you to join with me so that we may continue the reports.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Worthy Grand Matron, we are prepared and ready to begin presenting the legislation for this Grand Chapter. Sister Virginia Green will present the first amendment.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 1

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** The synopsis on Amendment No. 1, Advance Report, page 50. Article 4, Section 1a, pages 36 and 37. This is the second reading of this Constitutional change, and if passed becomes effective at the close of this Grand Chapter session. There is no fee for a proxy at the present time. There is no change to the current wording, but this amendment adds two sentences to the current law. It provides for a fee of \$5 to process each proxy at Grand Chapter. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment?

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 1 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

WHEREAS, printing/mailing costs are incurred for the processing of Proxy Appointments; and

WHEREAS, additional fees are needed to help cover the expenses of a Grand Chapter.

We, the undersigned, propose the following amendment adding a \$5 fee for each Proxy Appointment processed. Refunds would be made only in accordance with Registration Fee refund guideline.

#### ARTICLE IV. COMPOSITION OF GRAND CHAPTER. Pages 36-37

Now reads:

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION. The Grand Chapter shall be composed of the following:

##### a. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons.

(2) If the Worthy Matron is absent from Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Matron. In case of the absence of both the Worthy Matron and the Associate Matron, the Worthy Matron may appoint, as her proxy with full power of representation, any member of her Chapter. In case of the absence from Grand Chapter of the Worthy Patron, the Asso-

ciate Patron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Patron. In case of the absence of the Worthy Patron the Associate Patron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Patron. In case of the absence of the Worthy Patron and Associate Patron, the Worthy Patron may appoint, as his proxy with full power of representation, any member of his Chapter. In order for a member to be seated as a proxy, she or he shall present to the Committee on Credentials a certificate of such appointment, duly certified to under Seal of the Chapter by the Secretary.

Be amended to read:

(2) If the Worthy Matron is absent from Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Matron. In case of the absence of both the Worthy Matron and the Associate Matron, the Worthy Matron may appoint, as her proxy with full power of representation, any member of her Chapter. In case of the absence from Grand Chapter of the Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Patron. In case of the absence of the Worthy Patron and Associate Patron, the Worthy Patron may appoint, as his proxy with full power of representation, any member of his Chapter. In order for a member to be seated as a proxy, she or he shall present to the Committee on Credentials a certificate of such appointment, duly certified to under Seal of the Chapter by the Secretary. A \$5 fee for each proxy submitted, in addition to the normal registration fee, must accompany the completed Proxy Appointment Form 130-G. The proxy fee would not be refundable except under the same guidelines as the Registration Fees for the applicable Grand Chapter Session.

Submitted by:

Willie Mae Shaw

Marvolyn Province

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Membership, now you know where we are in our Advanced Annual Report. I would like to remind you that we will be taking two votes on this. The first vote that I'm going to ask for will be from the membership. Is there any discussion on this amendment? Any discussion on this amendment? All right. Now, the first vote that I'm going to ask for is for the membership, and that will be the yellow voting cards. All in favor of this amendment as it has been presented, please raise your yellow cards. All opposed, same sign. Let me see this again. All opposed. You know, yellow is a beautiful color, but it just kind of blends right on in. Would it be out of order if your Worthy Grand Matron asked you to stand. Maybe I can see that a little better. All of those that are for this amendment, please stand and raise those yellow cards high. Sister Elsie, please assist me at this moment. All right. Would you be seated. And those that are opposed, with the yellow cards, please stand. Sisters and Brothers, this is extremely close, and I do not feel qualified to call this at this moment. Let's look at the Chapter Representatives a moment, if you'll allow me. I will not declare anything.

Let me see the Chapter Representatives, which I believe have been given green cards. I want you to stand. All of those for this amendment with the green cards, please stand. All right. Be seated. All of those opposed. It is very definitely defeated by our Chapter Representatives.

Thank you. I'd like to remind you that a simple majority by either one of these groups can defeat the amendment. The amendment has been defeated.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 2

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Can you hear me? No problem. Amendment

No. 2. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: Advance Report, page 51, Article 7c, Section 4, Duties, Constitution page 43. This amendment is a Constitutional change and would require a favorable vote for both this year and again next year for this to become law. Also, if passed, amendments to this section may also be made next year. Subsection b(3) would be changed as follows: The Eastern Star Home would continue to operate and care for the ladies we now have in the Home until their demise or if they desire to leave. The Home would gradually be phased out. No new admissions would be accepted after a favorable vote by the Grand Chapter next year, October 31st, 1997. There would be no other changes to the duties of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences. A "yes" vote – now, listen, my Sisters and Brothers, listen very closely. A "yes" vote will continue to care for the ladies we now have, but eventually close the Home. A "no" vote will leave the Home accepting residents as it does now. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter. However, Worthy Grand Matron, a secret ballot has been requested in the proposal, as it was proposed. Note: Only one vote per member except on election. Constitution, page 46, Section 10a. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

(Amendment No. 2 reads as follows.)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

We believe that the Grand Chapter of Texas can no longer afford to offer the benefit of The Eastern Star Home of Texas to it's membership and The Eastern Star Home of Texas should be phased out, by no longer accepting any new residents.

1st – We must realize that our Per Capita does not come close to paying for the expenses of The Eastern Star Home.

Statistics from the Estimated Budget 1995-1996

Income Total \$ 1,310,070.			
Pension - Ladies in the Home	490,000	=	37.4%
Endowment Interest	350,000	=	26.7%
<b>Dues (PER CAPITA)</b>	<b>202,070</b>	=	<b>15.4%</b>
Humanitarian	50,000	=	3.8%
Home Members Receipts	30,000	=	2.3%
Special Funds WGM	30,000	=	2.3%
Interest	20,000	=	1.5%
Other Funds	138,000	=	10.6%
INCOME	<u>1,310,070</u>		
EXPENSES	1,532,691.		SHORTAGE (222,261)

2nd – We must realize that even with the Per Capita being raised at last Grand Chapter we are only paying for approximately 24.8% of the Eastern Star Homes expenses.

The 24.8% was based on the 1995 expenses of 1,532,691 and the dues paying members as of May 31, 1995.

73,480 dues paying members, @8.50 = \$ 624,580.

For the membership to fully support the Eastern Star Home the per capita for the Home per member would be \$21.00.

73,480 dues paying members, @21.00 = \$1,543,080.

Each year the cost of running and upkeep of the Eastern Star Home of Texas increases. Each year our membership is decreasing, leaving less members to support the Eastern Star Home. We must look to the future with our eyes open, we will either have to bear additional Per Capita increases and risk losing membership and Chapters or close the Eastern Star Home. Let us weight this \$1-1/2 million dollar vs yearly expenses for approximately 60 ladies verses the preservation of the 592 subordinate Chapters and the 73,480 dues paying members in Texas.

The Grand Chapter of Texas has an obligation to it's membership, which should be placed first on it's list of priorities. We also have an obligation to the ladies now residing in the Eastern Star Home of Texas and this obligation should be fulfilled, however we do have a choice to end the self destruction of our Subordinate Chapters, by no longer accepting any new residents. Without membership we can not have Subordinate Chapters, and without Subordinate Chapters the Grand Chapter of Texas, OES would not exist. It is time to make the choice.

Therefore, we the undersigned propose to amend (**and request a secret written ballot**):

**CONSTITUTION  
ARTICLE VII  
BOARDS OF GRAND CHAPTER, COMPOSITION,  
DUTIES AND PREROGATIVES**

**C. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCE**

Now reads:

**SECTION 4. DUTIES, page 42**

**b. Regulations Regarding O.E.S. Home and O.E.S. Home Fund**

(3). No person shall be eligible to admission to said Home except a member of the following classes:

(a.) Members who have been affiliated with a Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction for at least (5) years immediately preceding and /or ten (10) accumulative years at the time of making application for admission; and provided, that they also meet the other requirements that are, or may be from time to time, promulgated by the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences .

(b). Orphan children of members who were affiliated at time of death with a Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction and children of affiliated members of a Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction who are not able to care for and support said children may be admitted to the Home by said Board of Directors.

Be amended to read:

(3) The Eastern Star Home of Texas will no longer accept any new residents as of October 31, 1997 and the Eastern Star Home will be permanently closed by attrition of it's existing residents.

DELETE (a) and (b).

Submitted By:

Nancy Wood

Jack L. Johnson

Alice M. Johnson

Edna Marsh

L. P. Marsh

George W. Evans

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Harry Cunningham.

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Worthy Grand Matron, may I update something here so the Sisters and Brothers and will be clear what they're voting on and how we stand? At the time this amendment was submitted, the Sisters and Brothers that submitted this amendment had the best figures to work with that were available. Since our May 31st reports, those figures have changed. On page 33 of your Advance Annual Report, you will find that there are 71,067 members in this Grand Jurisdiction as of May 31st. When you deduct 3310 that are life members and ladies in the Home, you have paying members of 67,757 members that pay per capita. That figure that you see on page 51 would be reduced to \$575,934.50, a difference of \$48,645.50. I felt like you were entitled to have the latest figures. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Harry. We appreciate you. However, membership, I want to explain to you now you have a decision to make. We must first ascertain as to whether you wish to go through the process of a secret ballot. Now we're in our convention, and we can take our votes just like we always have with our cards. Okay? However, the proponents of this amendment requested that we have a secret ballot. You will decide whether we will have a secret ballot or not. So, therefore, now it is your Worthy Grand Matron's desire to ask of you your pleasure. You know what a secret ballot requires. It requires a credentials report; it requires the ballot boxes and, as we stated this year, there will be no question. Each individual will be entitled to one vote only on this legislation, not on the voting for our elections. There you're allowed either one, two or three ballots, but today should you desire to have private election - a secret ballot, each one of you will get only one count for your ballot. Now do you understand what your Worthy Grand Matron is going to ask you now? I'm going to ask you if you wish to have a secret ballot. That's what we're going to vote on now. Then after that, we'll go from there.

All of the members that wish to go through the process of a secret ballot on this amendment, please raise your voting card. All right. Those of you that would rather just have the normal process of voting by cards, please raise your hands. We will take a regular ballot. Thank you, my membership.

All right. Now then, Sisters and Brothers, the amendment has been presented for your consideration and we must take two ballots. We're going to have discussion now. Is there any discussion on this amendment? I'm going to recognize Sister Alma Carter in the West just as soon as her microphone is on.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Alma Carter. I'm a Past Matron of Plano Chapter No. 703. We defeated an amendment almost exactly like this last year. We have worked very hard to give our ladies a secure feeling and not to let them feel that their home might be lost to them in the next few years. I am against this Amendment. The membership has poured out love to me in the form of "My Dress" buttons and every proposal I have made. I want to thank them and say that we do not want our Home closed, if God will give us the strength to keep it open. I would just like to say I hope we defeat this motion. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Alma Carter. Are there others that wish to speak on this amendment?

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Lena Maye Cook in the West. Sister Lena Maye.

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** I am Lena Maye Cook, Past Matron of Spring Branch Chapter 984. I really am against this amendment. We need our Home. I feel sure that many members sitting in this assembly room will agree with me because our ladies are expecting us to take care of them. I only want to read this one little thing that I have. All of our members do not get the *Bulletin*; I wish they did. But let me read this. "We, the residents of the Eastern Star Home, wish to thank all the Chapters of Texas for the support they have given us over the years, for the donations to the Country Store, Neiman's House and Beauty Care donations, to the many volunteers who come to our Home to help us, entertain us with parties, decorate our Home on special occasions, take us shopping, to Chapter functions and Blue Lodge functions and other outings. For the above, we are very appreciative. However, it is upsetting each time we read that a proposal is made to close the Home and our friends hesitate to make application to enter the Home. Please know that we love and appreciate each and every Star member. The residents of the Eastern Star Home." Members, I hope you have heard me. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We're going to alternate just a little bit here. I recognize Sister Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, from the East.

**MRS. PATSY WILSON:** I am Patsy Wilson, Past Matron of Graham Chapter No. 668. Of course, all of you know that I was on the Board of Benevolence for five years. I've grown attached to the ladies; I've grown attached to the Home. The Board of Directors have let me stay there to be able to work, and I do appreciate it. The ladies ask "Why in the world was this brought up again? I'm against this. I am for the ladies. Please vote no. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother Wayne Gaddis in the West.

**MR. WAYNE GADDIS:** I'm Wayne Gaddis, Past Patron of Seagoville Chapter No. 697. I think each one of you know what I think about our Eastern Star Home. I love it. But the thing that upsets me, we wonder why more of our ladies don't make application to come to the Home. It's these things that happen every year just like this, amendments being presented; and I don't blame them. If I didn't know for sure that I had a secure place to stay, I wouldn't give everything that I accumulated all my life and take a chance on it. (Applause) I ask each one of you, you who have written these amendments, go by the Home. I'm sure if you'd be there, you wouldn't have written it. Go by and visit your Home; it's yours. I urge each one of you to vote against this amendment. (Applause)

**MRS. KATHERINE CLARK:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Katherine Clark in the West.

**MRS. KATHERINE CLARK:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Katherine Clark, Past Matron of Liberty Chapter 634. My husband and I have had the honor this year to work at the Home and see the love and appreciation of the ladies of the Home. We also have worked for the past five years giving our time to improve the Home. If the people that write these amendments would spend some of their retirement working at the Home, we would have a showplace in Texas. (Applause)

**MRS. CATY ATKINS:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Caty Atkins, resident of the Eastern Star Home. Caty.

**MRS. CATY ATKINS:** I am Caty Atkins, Affiliated Past Matron of Polytechnic Chapter 420. I am a resident of the Home, have been in there for 16 months. I have belonged to Eastern Star for 41 years, and I am not in favor of phasing out the Home, not just because I live there because I wouldn't be if I didn't live there. We have just done a lot of renovating; it looks nice. And I thought we took care of this last year. Brother Wayne Gaddis has helped us to put the Home in the black, and I'm not in favor of closing it. Thank you.

**MRS. LAVONNE OWEN:** I'm LaVonne Owen. I'm Worthy Matron of DeLeon Chapter No. 693. The Home is very close to me. My mother and her sister had always planned to go to the Home, but my mother didn't live long enough. Now I think that we're pretty sorry people if we want to throw these poor ladies out. I came to Grand Chapter last year just to vote for this amendment, and I took an extra day off work this year because I think these ladies need our support. And if we can't give it, then we don't need to be here. (Applause)

**MRS. LINDA STINE:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Linda Stine in the West.

**MRS. LINDA STINE:** I'm Linda Stine, Past Matron of Bandera Chapter No. 643, Dual Member of Medina Chapter 988. I serve on the Development Marketing Committee. I ask you to move the question. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. It is necessary, Sisters and Brothers, that we take just a moment to vote on stopping the debate. Now I'm going to ask each of you if you are now ready to discontinue all discussion and take your vote on this amendment. Would you please raise your voting card. All those opposed, same sign. Thank you very much.

Now we're going to vote on Amendment No. 2. I want to read this to you again to make sure that you understand. A "yes" vote for this amendment will continue to care for the ladies now, but will eventually close the Home. A "no" vote for this amendment will leave the Home to accept its residents as it does now.

All right. Let me do it again because now, Sisters and Brothers, I might can sing and play, but when it comes to legislation I want to be careful what I say. If you vote "yes" for this amendment, you'll eventually close the Home. If you vote against the amendment, you will leave the Home intact. Do you understand the question?

Okay. Here we go then. All those that are in favor of accepting Amendment No. 2, raise your voting card. Thank you. All of those that are opposed to this amendment, raise your voting card. Sisters and Brothers, by your vote you have defeated Amendment No. 2. (Applause)

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Worthy Grand Matron, on Amendment No. 3, on page 53 of your Advance Report – the proponents of that amendment – I have a letter on file, and they have withdrawn that amendment.

(Amendment No. 3 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 3

Realizing that the future of our home rests with the Grand Chapter being



able to secure the future financial stability of our Home, and realizing that our membership is still decreasing in numbers, this decrease will result in a smaller base from which to draw the needed revenues for the operation and maintenance of the Home. And considering that in 1994, the membership of this Grand Chapter only added \$28,475.97 to the endowment fund of the Home. And knowing that it is this fund which will insure our Home has the needed funds available to continue to operate in years of low membership numbers. And whereas, the Grand Chapter has voted to increase the amount of money being placed into the Home operating fund from \$2.75 to \$8.50, an increase of \$5.75. This increase in no way ensures that future increases will not be needed if our membership decline does not stop, or at least slow to a more acceptable rate, or that operating expenses will not continue to climb.

Now therefore be it resolved, that ARTICLE XI of our Constitution be changed with the intent of increasing the Home Endowment Fund, this change intent on one day making the home financially secure.

ARTICLE XI, page 48

#### RETURNS, REVENUES, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

SECTION 2. REVENUES. The Revenues of the Grand Chapter shall be derived from the following sources.

Sub Paragraph a. As now reads.

a. An Annual Per Capita assessment against each Subordinate Chapter for each member on its rolls at the end of the Fiscal Year, in the sum of eleven (\$11.00) dollars, this sum to be divided as follows:

- (1) One Dollar and Seventy Five cents (\$1.75) to the General Fund.
- (2) Eight Dollars and Fifty cents (\$8.50) to the O.E.S. Home Fund.
- (3) Seventy Five cents (\$0.75) to the Benevolent Fund.

Be Changed to Read:

a. An Annual Per Capita assessment against each Subordinate Chapter for each member on its rolls at the end of the Fiscal Year in the sum of eleven (\$11.00) dollars, this sum to be divided as follows:

- (1) One Dollar and Seventy Five cents (\$1.75) to the General Fund.
- (2) Seven Dollars (\$7.00) to the O.E.S. Home Fund.
- (3) Seventy Five Cents (\$0.75) to the Benevolent Fund.

Adding:

- (4) One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) to the O.E.S. Home Endowment Fund.

Respectfully Submitted By  
William A. Predgo

Patricia A. Predgo

Marie Justice

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You understand that Amendment No. 3 has been withdrawn. There will be no action by this Grand Chapter. Sister Doris Efirid.

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Regarding Amendment No. 4, in your Advanced Report, page 53, Article 152g, Educational Fund Committee, pages 107 and 108. This amendment does not change subparagraphs a through e. It only adds four new paragraphs, f through i, to the existing Educational Fund duties. The current law does not make provisions for interest rates or method of repayment. This amendment specifies the amount of interest at 6 percent on educational loans and how it is to be paid. It also specifies the principal is to be repaid in three equal installments beginning after the date of graduation. It also specifies the duties of the Grand Secretary, the Educational Fund Committee and the Board of Grand Trustees regarding the payment of interest and principal. A "yes" vote will specify interest of 6 percent, starting from the date of the first loan, to be paid each year. It also specifies repayment of the loan principal within three years after the date of graduation. A "no" vote will leave interest and repayment of loans at the discretion of either the Educational Fund Committee, the Grand Secretary or the Board of Grand Trustees. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 4 reads as follows.)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

WHEREAS the current provisions in the Code of Laws concerning the Educational Fund are incomplete with regard to the manner in which interest is calculated and loans repaid, resulting in confusion and misunderstanding.

We the undersigned propose that Article 152-G of the Code of Laws, which now reads:

Article 152-G, Page 107. The Educational Fund Committee shall perform the following, to wit:

a. Solicit and collect voluntary contributions from the Texas Eastern Star Chapters and their members for an Educational Fund. The amount collected shall be turned over to the Grand Secretary before August 31st each year. Any person can devise or bequest by will to this Grand Chapter any amount of money, securities, or real estate for the purpose and use for which said Educational Fund is administered.

b. This Fund shall be for the purpose of awarding loans to members of the Order in good standing in a Texas Chapter and to spouses, children, grandchildren, and orphans of Eastern Star members who are/were in good standing in a Texas Chapter, so that said members or their spouses, children, grandchildren and orphans may acquire additional education after graduating from a public high school in Texas. Only one loan may be given to any one member during any one year.

c. The Committee is authorized to award five (5) loans not to exceed \$1,000.00 per year to be paid one per semester to the applicant while the applicant is in college, university or an accredited teaching hospital in Texas, and making satisfactory progress in their prescribed course of study. The total of all loans shall not exceed \$4,000.00. Such loans shall be made for a baccalaureate or graduate degree or a nursing certificate not to exceed a four-year period.

d. All applications for loans shall be made on forms prepared by the Educational Fund Committee. Each application form shall contain the information and data the Committee may deem necessary, including the names and addresses of

three or more reliable persons as references.

e. The Committee shall meet in August of each year to select the recipients of the loans.

(1) The amount of each loan shall be determined by the Committee, not to exceed \$1,000.00.

(2) The loan shall be based on the information furnished by the above described application and letter from the applicant setting forth their financial status, plans for the future, and reasons for applying for the loan.

(3) The loan shall be given only to members and spouses, children, grandchildren, and orphans of members whose legal residence is/was in Texas.

(4) The Educational Fund Committee Chairman shall provide copies of the loan applications which are granted by the Committee, with written instructions to the Grand Secretary to be issued through the Grand Treasurer.

(5) Each applicant receiving a loan shall communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee at least twice each year during the academic year for which the loan is awarded.

(6) Applicants who fail to communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee, as stated above, shall not be eligible for additional loans.

(7) Recipients must carry a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester.

(8) Recipients whose grade point average is less than 2.5 in all subjects SHALL NOT be eligible for additional loans.

(9) Proof of grade points must be furnished to the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee with each semi-annual communication. The Fall Semester letter, with grades, must be provided before the Spring Semester share of the annual loan shall be sent.

(10) The Educational Committee shall make a complete report, annually, to the Grand Chapter of its activities. They shall maintain records and pass them on for their successors through the Grand Secretary.

**BE AMENDED BY ADDING:**

f. Interest rates on all loans shall be 6% on the unpaid balance, beginning November 1, 1996, payable annually as it accrues. Unpaid annual interest will be added to the unpaid balance and begin to accrue interest at the same rate. All principal and interest payments are to be made directly to the Grand Secretary. The Grand Secretary will issue a receipt for payment to the borrower and the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee, and transfer same to the Grand Treasurer.

g. The principal of each loan shall be repaid in three equal annual installments, due respectively one, two, and three years after the date of graduation of the

applicant (but in no case more than five years after the first loan), or in monthly payments satisfactory to the Educational Fund Committee and the Board of Grand Trustees. All payments received will first be applied to the total of unpaid annual interest, if any, and then to the reduction of the principal.

h. The Grand Secretary shall furnish the Educational Fund Committee Chairman with the current status of each outstanding loan by February 1 in order that the Committee may communicate annually with each recipient.

i. The Educational Fund Committee Chairman shall advise the Board of Grand Trustees by June 1 of each year of each delinquent loan and shall make recommendations to said Board for action.

Submitted by:

Betty Barr

Irene Sheffield

Lois Scott

Dena Barnett

Pansie Lynch

Clyde Scott

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from the Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 4. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 4 will raise your yellow voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Amendment No. 4 has carried.

**MRS. EMMA LOU RUSH:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Emma Lou Rush in the West. Emma Lou.

**MRS. EMMA LOU RUSH:** I am Emma Lou Rush, a member of Loyal Chapter No. 648, and I have been a member for 52 years of the Order of the Eastern Star. I want to thank this Grand Chapter for not closing that Home. Our Sisters in the infirmary – if the ones that write these amendments and want to close that Home would come and visit them, it would be a different view for them to see. Those ladies that are our Sisters in the infirmary get upset every year before Grand Chapter, and they will be very proud when we get back and know that the Home won't be closed. I want to thank this Grand Chapter for not passing the amendment. I want to thank the Boards, the Grand Trustees, the Board of Benevolence and the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer and our Superintendent. And if the people that write them would come and visit our Home, I think they would change their view and never want that Eastern Star Home closed. Thank you. (Applause.)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Emma Lou. I recognize Sister Betty Phillips.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 5

**MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER:** This is a synopsis of Amendment No. 5. You will find this in your Advance Report on page 55. It is Article No. 152m, Executive Committee, page 111. The current law prohibits any money-raising projects to assist in the handling of a Grand Chapter session. This amendment deletes the words "or any money-raising projects whatsoever kind" from the existing law and would allow the Executive Committee in the host city to have various fund-raising projects to assist in the expenses of holding a Grand Chapter session. Selling ads or brochure soliciting would still be prohibited. Any funds left over after expenses, if any, will be turned over to the General Fund of Grand Chapter. Now a "yes" vote will allow the Executive Committee to have these fund-raising projects. A "no" vote

will continue to prohibit any fund-raising projects of any kind. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 5 reads as follows.)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

Whereas, the cost of the Grand Chapter Sessions have increased over recent years without any increase of allotted funds: and

Whereas, the current Grand Chapter Code of Laws forbid any method of underwriting these increased costs: and

Whereas, the current membership levels and operating costs give credence to the persuance of external sources of income: and

Whereas, it would be beneficial to both the Host Cities of the Grand Chapter Session and the Grand Chapter membership to allow the Executive Committee the freedom to pursue external sources of support in both kind and substance: and

Whereas, this action would allow the Grand Chapter of Texas to continue to provide a meaningful Grand Chapter Session, while at the same time remaining solvent and debt free,

Therefore be it resolved that

Article 152-M, Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Sessions, Page 111

which reads

ARTICLE 152-M. The Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Sessions, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, shall have general supervision over the entertainment of Grand Chapter, cooperate with the hostess city and its Chamber of Commerce in matters of entertainment, make all necessary contracts, etc., make all necessary arrangements for holding annual elections, and have charge of the spending of the money allotted by Grand Chapter, which shall not exceed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) on account of the cost of providing the necessities for holding a Grand Chapter Session for any one year, subject to the supervisory powers of the Board of Grand Trustees granted by the Constitution, Article VII, Section 4a: it being understood that no ad selling or brochure soliciting, or any money raising project of whatsoever kind, may be engaged in by any Chapter to its members in a hostess city, violation of which being subject to reprimand by the Grand Chapter.

a. This Committee shall have supervisory power of the Grand Chapter Arrangements Committee.

b. The Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Texas is hereby authorized and directed to release the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) upon request of the Chairman of the Executive Committee of each Grand Chapter Session, subject to the approval of the Board of Grand Trustees.

To be amended to delete the words - "or any money raising project of whatsoever kind" so that it will be amended to read:

**ARTICLE 152-M.** The Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Sessions, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, shall have general supervision over the entertainment of Grand Chapter, cooperate with the hostess city and its Chamber of Commerce in matters of entertainment, make all the necessary contracts, etc., make all necessary arrangements for holding annual elections, and have charge of the spending of the money allotted by Grand Chapter, which shall not exceed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) on account of the cost of providing the necessities for holding a Grand Chapter Session for any one year, subject to the supervisory powers of the Board of Grand Trustees granted by the Constitution, Article VII, 4a; it being understood that no ad selling or brochure soliciting may be engaged in by any Chapter to its members in a hostess city violation of which being subject to reprimand by the Grand Chapter.

a. no change

b. no change

Add c. All monies collected will be deposited into the Grand Chapter Session account. Further, when appropriate, excess monies above the costs of staging the Grand Chapter Session will be returned to the General Fund.

Submitted by:

Sarah Valkus Coursey

Claude Ervin

Patsy Neepfer

Shirley Jones

Jim Rippey

A. D. Jackson

Charlene Littlewood

Henry Martin

Frances Burbank

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from the Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 5. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 5 will raise your yellow cards -- your voting cards. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 6

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sisters and Brothers, this is a synopsis on Amendment No. 6, Advanced Report page 57, Article 204c, Transfer of Membership, page 140. This amendment changes the title of this section from "Transfer of Membership" to "Affiliation by Transfer of Membership." Basically, it is a housekeeping thing, but it needed to come before the Grand Chapter. The current law reads that petitions of this type cannot be read in the month prior to the end of the fiscal year. This amendment clarifies that petitions for affiliation by transfer cannot be read during the month of April. It also clarifies that if a person is a member of more than one Chapter which dues card must be attached to the petition. The last paragraph regarding fees, investigation committee, ballot has been deleted. This information appears in another section of Article 204. Sisters and Brothers, a "yes" vote will add the month of April instead of wording of the month prior to the end of the fiscal year. It would also specify which dues card must be attached. A "no" vote leaves the wording as it is currently. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment?

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 6 reads as follows.)

**AMENDMENT NO. 6**

WHEREAS, we have noticed some confusion regarding Affiliations and Transfers as to when Petitions may be read, we submit the following changes:

CHAPTER 4 Affiliation. ARTICLE 204, c. page 140

Now reads:

c. Transfer of Membership

(1) WHO IS ELIGIBLE. Any member in good standing in any Chapter within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Texas, except the elective officers of a Chapter who have been installed, may transfer her or his membership to any Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction in the manner herein provided.

(2) HOW MADE. Transfer of memberships shall be made only upon the prescribed form of Petition for Affiliation, accompanied by a Dues Card which is current at the time the Petition is presented. Petitions shall be recommended by two members of the Chapter. No Petition for Transfer shall be read during the month prior to the end of the Fiscal Subordinate Chapter year. This applies only for Petitions for Transfer from one Texas Chapter to another Texas Chapter. It DOES NOT apply to Affiliations for Dual Memberships or Affiliations from Other Grand Jurisdictions.

(For Fee...When Presented...Investigation Committee..and, Ballot required, see GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR AFFILIATION, ARTICLE 204.)

Be changed to read:

c. Affiliations by Transfer of Membership

(1) SAME

(2) HOW MADE. Affiliation by Transfer of Memberships shall be made only upon the prescribed form of Petition for Affiliation, accompanied by a Dues Card issued by Chapter in which they wish to terminate membership, which is current at the time the Petition is presented. Petitions shall be recommended by two members of the Chapter. No Petition for Affiliation by Transfer shall be read during the month of April. This applies only for Petitions for Affiliation by Transfer from one Texas Chapter to another Texas Chapter. This restriction DOES NOT apply to Petitions for Affiliation for Dual Memberships or Affiliations from other Grand Jurisdictions.

Submitted by:

Frances E. Burbank  
Shirley Martindale  
Billie Wilk

Joyce Tigert  
Debra Parker  
Jan Haag

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from the Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 6. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 6, please raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 7**

**MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER:** Synopsis of Amendment No. 7. You will

find it in your Advance Report, page number 57, Article 204d, number 1 under "Dual Membership" on page 141. Currently, only members of other Grand Jurisdictions who reside in Texas may apply for dual membership. This amendment would allow members who reside in states adjacent to the State of Texas to petition for dual membership in a Texas Chapter, which would be like Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. They would be granted full privileges of membership. A "yes" vote will allow members residing in these four states to be dual members in Texas Chapters. A "no" vote will not allow these non-Texas residents to become dual members. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper form and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 7 reads as follows.)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 7

CODE OF LAWS WHICH NOW READS:

##### "ARTICLE 204. d. DUAL MEMBERSHIP

(1) THOSE ELIGIBLE: Members of Texas Chapters and Members of other Grand Jurisdictions within General Grand Chapter who recognize Dual Membership, both of whom are in good standing and reside in the State of Texas are eligible to apply for DUAL MEMBERSHIP, provided that no member can belong to more than 2 Chapters simultaneously. (Parent/Dual).

WHEREAS: There are some SMALL Chapters who have difficulty acquiring a quorum for each meeting, who have struggled for years to avoid consolidation or demise;

WHEREAS: Some Texas Chapters are/or have been located near communities in other jurisdictions (states) than another Texas Chapter, are being supported by out-of-state members from those communities across the state line;

WHEREAS: It is more convenient for some Texas member to cross the state line to attend O.E.S. meetings than another Texas Chapter, making it easier to affiliate with non-Texas Chapters than travel a long distance to a Texas Chapter in case of a consolidation or demise.

AND WHEREAS: NON-TEXAS residents CAN NOT hold office or count toward the Texas Chapter quorum, BECAUSE they CAN NOT now become a "DUAL MEMBER" in Texas;

WE THEREFORE PROPOSE A CHANGE TO PERMIT NON-TEXAS RESIDENTS TO APPLY FOR DUAL MEMBERSHIP IN TEXAS:

##### "ARTICLE 204. d. DUAL MEMBERSHIP

(1) THOSE ELIGIBLE: Members of Texas Chapters and Members of other Grand Jurisdictions within General Grand Chapter who recognize Dual Membership, both of whom are in good standing and reside in Texas **or a member residing in an adjoining jurisdiction (state)** are eligible to apply for DUAL MEMBERSHIP, provided that no member can belong to more than 2 Chapters simultaneously. (Parent/Dual)."

The "PETITION FOR AFFILIATION BY DUAL MEMBERSHIP, FORM 141-



S" and other non-specific wording will be adjusted by the Grand Secretary.

Submitted by: Richard Ochs      Kathryn Hefley      Barbara Ochs

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from your Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 7. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 7 would please raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 8

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Synopsis of Amendment No. 8 in your Advanced Report, page number 58, Article 204d(1), "Dual Membership," on page 41. This amendment would allow Eastern Star members in Texas to petition and join as many Chapters as they desire. The words "dual membership" would become "plural membership," and members would no longer be restricted to membership in two Chapters. Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in conflict with decisions of General Grand Chapter in the Red Book on page 9, Decision No. 5, which states that the General Grand Chapter permits membership in only two Chapters; tri-membership is not permitted. Therefore, it is not in proper order and has been withdrawn. It is anticipated that this will be submitted to General Grand Chapter for their consideration.

(Amendment No. 8 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 8

Whereas, there has been a continuing loss of Chapters for several years because of financial problems and membership losses.

Whereas, an increasing number of Chapters are demising and consolidating because of these problems.

Whereas, the average age of our membership is steadily rising, the loss of membership will continue to rise because of deaths.

Whereas, these losses cause a decrease in Chapter income and an increasing loss of Per Capita income to Grand Chapter.

Whereas, many Chapters will have financial problems because of the increase of Per Capita Tax last year.

Whereas, there are a substantial number of members who would apply for membership in more Chapters if PLURAL MEMBERSHIP were permitted.

Whereas, the permission of Plural Memberships would give additional financial and personal support to the Chapters petitioned and joined.

Whereas, there would be an increase of Per Capita Tax income to Grand Chapter since each of the Chapters would be paying Per Capita on these members.

Whereas, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas and several appendant bodies of Masonry permit PLURAL MEMBERSHIP, and this privilege has not been abused.

Chapter 4 AFFILIATION. Article 204, Paragraph d, DUAL MEMBERSHIP (Pages 141-142)

**WHICH NOW READS:**

(1) **THOSE ELIGIBLE:** Members of Texas Chapters and Members of other Grand Jurisdictions within General Grand Chapter who recognize Dual Membership, both of whom are in good standing and reside in the State of Texas are eligible to apply for DUAL MEMBERSHIP, provided that no member can belong to more than 2 Chapters simultaneously. (Parent/Dual).

**BE AMENDED TO READ:**

(1) **THOSE ELIGIBLE:**

- (a) Members of Texas Chapters may be a member of more than one Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction at the same time. A Member, while holding membership in her/his parent Chapter, and without demitting therefrom, may petition another Chapter or Chapters for affiliation; and, if elected, hold PLURAL MEMBERSHIP in such Chapter or Chapters. The words "Parent Chapter" shall be construed to mean the Chapter in which a Member holds her/his membership at the time she/he applies to another Chapter for plural membership.
- (b) A member, who is a member of a Chapter in a Grand Jurisdiction within General Grand Chapter who recognizes/permits PLURAL MEMBERSHIP, shall be eligible to petition for, and if elected, hold a Plural Membership in a Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction by affiliation.
- (c) All Laws of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, regulating or referencing "DUAL MEMBERSHIP" shall apply in regulating "PLURAL MEMBERSHIPS."

Submitted by:

Carl E. Starkey  
James E. Fulton

O.B. Lee  
Glenn Whitaker

Thomas F. Griffin  
W. P. Lamb

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Doris Efird. In order for my membership to understand, this was in conflict with our law, and this amendment has been withdrawn by its signers and will take no action from this Grand Chapter.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 9

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Worthy Grand Matron, this is Amendment No. 9, Article 211, page 59 of the Advance Report. We have signatures of the proponents of this amendment wishing that it be withdrawn. Thank you.

(Amendment No. 9 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 9

Because we are constantly faced with the loss of membership in our Order of

the Eastern Star and because the cost of restoration for non-payment of dues is so expensive, we recommend that the cost of Restoration for Non-Payment of Dues be amended as follows:

ARTICLE 211: REINSTATEMENT OR RESTORATION OF MEMBERSHIP,  
Page 147

now reads. a. Within two years.

- (1) By member suspended for Non-Payment of dues. When all back Dues, that is, those which have accrued prior to the suspension, together with all Dues for the current year have been paid or remitted, and the suspension has not been for more than two years, such member is restored to good standing without further action of the Chapter, except that the Secretary shall report such payments in open Chapter, at the next Stated Meeting thereafter and shall record such restoration in the minutes of the meeting at which it is so reported.
- (2) By Brother Suspended, Expelled, or Demitted from his Masonic Lodge. Within two years after a Brother's loss of membership in the Order of the Eastern Star by reason of his suspension, expulsion or demission from his Masonic Lodge, such Brother's membership in the Order of the Eastern Star shall be automatically restored by the presentation to the Chapter in which he held membership satisfactory evidence of his reinstatement in or re-affiliation with a Masonic Lodge and paying to the Chapter all dues for the current year in which restoration is sought, together with such other dues as may have been in arrears at the time of his suspension.
  - (a) A certificate of good standing in a Lodge of Masons issued subsequent to such suspension, expulsion or demission shall be deemed satisfactory evidence of such reinstatement.
  - (b) Such restoration shall be noted upon the minutes of the Chapter at the first Stated Meeting after the requirements for restoration have been complied with.

b. After two years. When reinstatement or restoration of membership is sought after two years' suspension, either for non-payment of dues or by a Brother on account of his suspension, expulsion or demission from his Masonic Lodge, in addition to the requirements herein before set out for reinstatement within two years, such reinstatement must be on petition, signed by the applicant and recommended by two members of the Chapter, presented at a Stated Meeting, referred for investigation to a Committee of three, one of whom shall be a Brother, lie over four weeks, and then granted by an unanimous ballot. Except, a favorable vote of a two-thirds majority of members present will grant reinstatement for non-payment of dues.

c. Reinstatement After Suspension or Expulsion After Trial. A Subordinate Chapter under the jurisdiction of this Grand Jurisdiction may reinstate any member who has been suspended or expelled after trial, when no appeal has been taken to Grand Chapter, by a unanimous ballot of the members of the Chapter present; provided, that written petition is filed by such member, reciting facts showing that she or he has made expiation for her or his offense, which petition shall be read at the first stated meeting after same is filed. The Worthy Matron or Presiding Officer shall appoint a Committee of Investigation as provided in Article 202, and said committee shall report its findings at a subsequent Stated Meeting of the Chapter, whereupon the ballot shall be spread upon said petition at a Stated Meeting after the

petition has been on file for a period of four weeks.

- (1) Where a judgment of suspension or expulsion has been rendered after trial and has been appealed from, and affirmed by Grand Chapter, any action of the Chapter in reinstating such member shall not be effective or final until it is affirmed by Grand Chapter.
- (2) Any member of a Chapter shall have the right to file with the Worthy Matron, prior to the taking of the ballot on such restoration, her or his protest against the restoration of any expelled member who may apply for restoration to the rights and privileges of the Order of the Eastern Star, and such protest shall have the full force and effect of a black cube in the rejection of the applicant.
- (3) When a Chapter restores to membership a suspended or expelled member, whose case has been appealed to and affirmed by the Grand Chapter, it shall be the duty of the Chapter to send to the Grand Secretary a copy of the petition for reinstatement and a full and complete transcript of the charges and evidence upon which the petitioner was convicted on her or his original trial, and a full statement of the reasons actuating the Chapter in recommending the reinstatement, together with a statement of the number of members present and voting for reinstatement. If, and when, Grand Chapter approves the action of the Chapter, such member shall be restored to membership in said Chapter.
- (4) When the right of appeal is lost by lapse of time, the proper proceeding for reinstatement is by petition to the Chapter for reinstatement.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE 211. REINSTATEMENT OF RESTORATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

Delete a. and b.

AMEND TO READ

- a. By member suspended for Non-Payment of Dues or by Brother Suspended, Expelled or Demitted from his Masonic Lodge. When reinstatement or restoration of membership is sought after suspension either for non-payment of dues or by a Brother on account of his suspension, expulsion or demission from his Masonic Lodge, such reinstatement must be on petition signed by the applicant and recommended by two members of the Chapter, presented at a stated meeting, referred for investigation to a Committee of three, one of whom shall be a Brother, lie over four weeks, and then granted by a unanimous ballot. Said petition shall be accompanied by an amount of one years' Per Capita Tax, together with all Dues for the current year.
- c. becomes b.

Submitted by:  
Virginia Schmidt  
Susie Broughton

Sue Donahew  
Donny Broughton

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 9 by its signers has been withdrawn and will take no action from this Grand Chapter.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 10

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** Worthy Grand Matron, the synopsis on Amendment No. 10, Advance Report, page number 61, Article 226, "Election," paragraph a, page 157. This amendment adds one sentence to clarify the current law for the election of officers in Subordinate Chapters. It makes it specific that only members of the Chapter can nominate or vote in the election. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper form and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 10 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 10

This is not a change..merely an additional statement for clarification. We are all experiencing smaller attendance and often call upon visitors from other chapters to "pro-tem".

ARTICLE 226. ELECTION, page 157

(a) which reads:

ARTICLE 226. ELECTION.

a. The first eight (8) officers shall be elected annually, at the Stated Meeting next preceding the 30th day of April, or under a Special Dispensation from the Worthy Grand Matron, at a later Stated Meeting. This election shall be by ballot and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to a choice; provided, that if there is but one nominee, the election may be made by acclamation. If on any ballot, no candidate has received a majority vote, the name of the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped and in case two or more candidates tie on the lowest number of votes, all so tied shall be dropped, provided there is more than one candidate left, and the ballot shall proceed until an election is reached.

HAVE ADDED THERETO THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE:

"ONLY MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING IN THE CHAPTER MAY PARTICIPATE IN A CHAPTER ELECTION (NOMINATING OR VOTING).

Submitted by:  
Lallah Mae Vollus  
Lena Maye Cook

Kathleen Johnson  
Margaret E. Faircloth

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from your Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 10. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 10, please signify by raising your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 11

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Worthy Grand Matron, synopsis of Amendment No. 11, Advance Report, page number 62, Article 267, "Revenues and

Disbursements," j, "Audits," page 172. Current law requires audit reports at the first stated meeting after installation. This amendment changes the requirements of a Chapter's annual audit report to be 60 days from the date of installation. This potentially could be up to August 23rd. A "yes" vote would grant the time of 60 days after installation. A "no" vote would require the report at the first stated meeting after installation. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper form and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 11 reads as follows.)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 11

WHEREAS, May 31 was on Friday in 1996, and many Installations were on Saturday, June 1st, with the first Stated Meetings, in some cases, being the very next Monday, June 3rd, or the immediate following evenings, and;

WHEREAS, similar dates occur every year, and;

WHEREAS, the Chapter bank statements are not received, usually, until mid-June, and;

WHEREAS, an audit, in many cases, cannot be completed and reported to the subordinate Chapters by the first Stated Meeting following Installation, and therefore, causes Chapters to not be in compliance with our Code of Laws.

We, the undersigned, propose the following Amendment to our Code of Laws.

#### ARTICLE 267 j. AUDITS PAGE 172

Which now reads:

ARTICLE 267 j. AUDITS. The financial affairs of each Subordinate Chapter shall be audited immediately after May 31st each year and report thereof made to the Chapter at the first Stated Meeting after Installation. Such additional audits during the year shall be had as may be ordered by the Chapter.

Be amended to read:

ARTICLE 267 j. AUDITS. The financial affairs of each Subordinate Chapter shall be audited each year as of May 31st and report thereof made to the Chapter within sixty days after Installation. Such additional audits during the year shall be had as may be ordered by the Chapter.

Submitted by:  
Annette Curry  
Temple Wyatt  
Vivian Gordon

Diana Dobbins  
Robert J. Mann, Jr.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from your Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 11. Is there any discussion?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Worthy Grand Matron,

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Katherine Duncan in the West.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** I am Katherine Duncan, Past Matron of Alvin Chapter 15. While I understand the problems that a few Chapters may have, I do believe that we should close out our Chapter year in an orderly fashion. I would therefore like to propose an amendment to this amendment. I believe you have a copy, do you not, Worthy Grand Matron?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, I do.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Let me read it to the membership. It would say that the financial affairs of each Subordinate Chapter shall be audited each year as of May 31st, and report made thereof to the Chapter. I would insert the words right here, as they currently are, "at the first Stated Meeting after installation," period. New sentence would start, would strike the word "within" and say, "If extenuating circumstances warrant, up to 60 days after installation," and insert the words "may be granted by vote of the Chapter," and continue with "such additional audits during the year shall be had as may be ordered by the Chapter." Did everybody get that?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. Sister Katherine, you are proposing an amendment to the amendment.

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes, ma'am.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** As presiding officer, I wish to restate it to my membership, and you listen with me, Sister Katherine. I believe I have a copy. "The financial affairs of each Subordinate Chapter shall be audited as of May 31st each year, and report thereof made to the Chapter at the first Stated Meeting after installation. If extenuating circumstances warrant, up to 60 days after installation may be granted by vote of the Chapter. Such additional audits during the year shall be had as may be ordered by the Chapter." Is that correct, Sister Katherine?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron, that is correct. I believe this would allow for an orderly transition of our end-of-Chapter year business.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** But if there were some extenuating circumstances, it would give the Chapter some leeway to have their Audit Committee; is that right?

**MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron. And it could be things other than installation that might cause this. Maybe the chairman of the Audit Committee was ill or whatever, you know, something could happen. But it would allow the option at the vote of the Chapter as their particular circumstances warrant.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Katherine.

Sisters and Brothers, we will now be voting on the amendment to the amendment first that I just read to you. Do you understand the question?

Sisters and Brothers, the wise counsel of our Parliamentarian is going to help me through this. She says that we must vote to substitute the amendment to the amendment. We must vote to let this amendment that Sister Katherine Duncan has altered substitute what has been printed in our legislation. Oh, I've got it now! (Laughter) All of those in favor of substituting the amendment offered to the present amendment that is printed, raise your voting cards. Isn't that a smart membership?

All those opposed, same sign. All right. We have now passed the substitution amendment.

Sisters and Brothers, we will now vote on the substituted amendment. It now becomes the original amendment, doesn't it? As substituted. I might need a substitute myself!

Sisters and Brothers, all those in favor of accepting Amendment No. 11, raise your voting cards. All those opposed, same sign. See, this membership is right with me! Carried.

Now I hear a lot of talking among my group, and they've been so perfect. I just want to make sure that they're kind of laughing at the Worthy Grand Matron rather than not understanding what we just did. Do you know what you just did?

**VOICES:** Yes.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** So you were just kind of laughing at me, weren't you? (Laughter and applause). Sister Betty.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 12

**MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER:** As long as it's not me, Worthy Grand Matron.

We're now ready for synopsis of Amendment No. 12. You'll find it in your Advance Report, page number 62, and in the Code of Laws on page 192. The current Form No. 114-S does not specify on the form whether the affiliation is by a parent or dual Chapter. This proposed amendment will clarify the form to be used when transferring from one dual Chapter to another dual Chapter. The title of the form is changed and minor clarification, if made, to include both male and female on the form. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

I might note that if this passes, an editorial change needs to be made to the Code of Laws on page 141, and that form is also in your Advance Report on page 63, and it would add "Dual Membership, Forms for Use in Dual Membership" and add "Petition for Affiliation on Demit or by Transfer of Membership, Parent or Dual, Form 114-S." Just to clarify that.

(Amendment No. 12 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 12

WHEREAS, there is presently no form to allow a member to transfer a DUAL membership from one Chapter to another (DUAL) Chapter, we submit these changes to the present Form No. 114-S.

Now Reads:

Petition for Affiliation (On Demit or by Transfer of Membership)



To be Changed to:

Petition for Affiliation On Demit or by Transfer of Membership (Parent or Dual)

Notice to Chapter of Transfer of Membership:

Now Reads:

On . . . . ., 19 . . . . she/he became a member of this Chapter, therefore you will drop the name of this member from the roll of your Chapter as of that date.

To be changed to:

On . . . . ., 19 . . . . . she/he became a member of this Chapter (Parent) (Dual), therefore you will drop the name of this member from the roll of your Chapter as of that date.

Submitted by:

Frances E. Burbank
Shirley Martindale
Billie Wilk

Joyce Tigert
Debra Parker
Jan Haag

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR OF TEXAS

PETITION FOR AFFILIATION

On Demit or by Transfer of Membership (Parent or Dual)

To the Worthy Matron, Officers and Members of . . . . . Chapter No. . . . ., of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star:

I, . . . . ., solicit affiliation with your Chapter.

If the petition be granted, I pledge myself to a cheerful obedience to the laws of your Chapter. This petition is accompanied by my:

[ ] RECEIPT FOR DUES (strike out one not applicable) from . . . . .

Chapter No. . . . ., Texas, of which I am a member in good standing. OR

[ ] DEMIT, I have resided within the State of Texas three (3) months . . . . . I have visited this Chapter within the preceding twelve months.

Do you belong to any order or organization making membership in the Order of the Eastern Star a requisite for membership there? . . . . .

If so, give the name of such organization . . . . .

(Signed) . . . . .

Recommended by . . . . . Residence: . . . . .

Phone No: . . . . .

If the petitioner is a Brother, the following must be filled in:

I am a member in good standing of . . . . . Lodge No. . . . .

A. F. & A. M., located at . . . . .

Notice: the name and address of the Secretary of the member's Chapter must be designated below at the time of filing Petition of Transfer.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

. . . . ., 19 . . . . . members of this Committee have visited and conversed with the petitioner since said petition was referred.

She/He is . . . . . eligible. The Committee reports . . . . .

(Signed) . . . . .

NOTICE TO CHAPTER OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

. . . . ., 19 . . . . .

To the Worthy Matron, Officers and Members of . . . . . Chapter No. . . . ., O.E.S., State of Texas:

On ..... 19 ..... he became a member of this Chapter (Parent) (Dual), therefore you will drop the name of this member from the roll of your chapter as of that date.

....., Secretary

[Seal] To the Secretary of ..... Chapter No. ...., Secretary

Membership record of ..... Chapter No. ...., O.E.S., State of Texas:

Chapter No. .... is as follows: in .....

Initiated _____	Suspended _____
Demitted _____	Reinstated _____
Transferred _____	Affiliated _____
Name Changes _____	from _____
Birthdate _____	

Secretary

(SEAL)

Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Form 114-S

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Betty. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from your Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 12. Is there any discussion? All of those in favor of accepting Amendment No. 12, please raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

### REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 13

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** This is the synopsis of Amendment No. 13, Advance Report, page number 64, Form 115-S, page 194. This amendment changes the title of Form 115-S, "Notice of Election for Affiliation" to accommodate notification of dual members who have been elected as members of the Chapter. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this amendment? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper form and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Amendment No. 13 reads as follows.)

### AMENDMENT NO. 13

WHEREAS, there is presently no form to accommodate advising the member she/he has been elected into a chapter as a Dual member, we submit the following change to Form No. 115-S:

NOW READS:

Notice of Election for Affiliation. On Demit or by Transfer of Membership

TO BE CHANGED TO:

Notice of Election for Affiliation. On Demit or by Transfer of Membership (Parent) (Dual)

Submitted by:  
Frances E. Burbank  
Shirley Martindale  
Billie Wilk

Joyce Tigert  
Debra Parker  
Jan Haag

**NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR AFFILIATION**  
 On Demit or by Transfer of Membership (Parent) (Dual)

Dear Sister (or Brother):

You are hereby notified that at a stated meeting of ..... Chapter No. ....  
 you were elected to membership in said Chapter.

Our stated meetings are held on ..... in each month, at ..... o'clock P.M.

You are requested to be present at an early meeting and sign the By-Laws of the Chapter.

Fraternally yours,

.....  
 Secretary.

(SEAL)

Form No. 115-S

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from your Jurisprudence Committee on Amendment No. 13. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting Amendment No. 13, please raise your voting card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION NO. 1

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Resolution No. 1. Sisters and Brothers, since this is a very important committee, I have been asked to ask you, would you like to read the entire resolution to do with the Long-Range Planning Committee.

**VOICES:** No.

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Thank you. This is Resolution No. 1, Advance Report, page number 64. It dissolves the Long-Range Development Task Force Committee voted at the 111th Grand Chapter session in 1993. It creates a new committee called HOPE, H-O-P-E, Home Option Evaluation, to be composed of five members, and these five members would be: one from the Board of Trustees, one from Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, three to be appointed by the Grand Matron for three-year staggered terms. Committee to look into other alternatives to our present Home operation and responsibilities. Are there any questions regarding the format or legality of this resolution? Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this resolution in proper form and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

(Resolution No. 1 reads as follows.)

### RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, alternatives to the current OES Home operations and the associated long-range planning for the continued care of our Sisters in the Home must be rigorously investigated; and

WHEREAS, present committees of the Grand Chapter are not specifically organized to investigate feasibility studies of this nature; and

WHEREAS, realistic projections indicate that due to declining membership and revenue potential, and increasing operational and maintenance costs, that this organization may no longer be able to support the existing facility in the not so distant future; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. A committee named the Home Options Evaluation (HOPE) Committee shall be formed. This committee shall:

A. consist of five members, one member from the Board of Grand Trustees, one member from the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences and three members appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron. Those three selected by the Worthy Grand Matron shall be appointed to staggered three-year terms;

B. elect a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary at its first meeting;

C. meet at least quarterly (conference calls can be sufficient) and provide a copy of each meeting's minutes to the Grand Secretary in timely fashion for further distribution to each of the elected boards and the Purposes and Policies Committee;

D. investigate other grand jurisdictions as to their experience in home operation alternatives;

E. solicit, receive, document and evaluate written, explicit suggestions by the membership pertaining to alternatives to our present home operations and responsibilities;

G. determine if a suggestion is sufficiently applicable for further study. This includes legal ramifications. If acceptable, this committee shall recommend to the Worthy Grand Matron for appointment a subcommittee to thoroughly investigate the suggestion as to cost and time factors. This subcommittee shall exist only for the purposes of collecting and reporting the information on a single suggestion to determine feasibility. The progress and results of each subcommittee should be included in the HOPE Committee's minutes for eventual presentation to the membership at Grand Chapter.

H. report at each annual Grand Chapter Session on activities and progress, with appropriate proposals by the Grand Chapter.

2. The dissolution of The Long Range Development Task Force be accomplished in accordance with the 111th Grand Chapter Session Proceedings, Resolution Number 2.

3. The coordination and separation of the HOPE Committee responsibilities with other Grand Chapter committees be accomplished so that this committee can function as intended.

4. Committee will exist until goals and objectives reached or termination voted upon by Grand Chapter.

Submitted by:  
Jim Rippey  
Claude Ervin

Sarah Valkus Coursey  
Patsy Neeper  
Shirley Jones

Marcell L. Bailey  
Judith Van Horn

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the presentation from our Jurisprudence Committee on Resolution No. 1. Is there any discussion?

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother Jim Rippey in the West.

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** I am Jim Rippey, Past Patron of League City 621 and currently Associate Patron of Trinity 186. To better understand this proposed resolution, some background information is necessary. There are two committees in our organization whose responsibilities include the long-range planning concerning the future of our Eastern Star Home. The Long-Range Development Task Force was approved as a result of the 111th Grand Chapter session in November 1993. This Committee is composed of about 30 members, including the 8 members of the Corporate Board. Sixteen months after that Committee was approved, the minutes of the March 31st, 1995 Corporate Board read – and I quote – “Further discussion included the fact that the amendment adopted at Grand Chapter last year for a long-range task force committee is in conflict with our Code of Laws and the duties of the Purposes & Policies Committee,” end of quote.

This position taken by the Corporate Board effectively blocked further activity by the Task Force Committee that was approved specifically to look for solutions for the continued existence of our Home and the care of its residents. The other committee responsible for long-range planning – the Purposes & Policies Committee – is composed of 15 members, including the 8 members of the Corporate Board. A review of recent year’s minutes from that Committee suggests that typically they meet but once a year and then only to review and provide approval of the Associate Grand Matron’s Humanitarian and other fund-raising projects for her forthcoming year in the East.

This is not to suggest that the members of the Boards and Committees mentioned are not dedicated and talented workers. I suggest the Committees are encumbered by the structure of their organization. Sisters and Brothers, concerning long-range planning for our OES Home, we are floundering in a stormy sea without a rudder. We need coordination of our ideas and energies. Therefore, I urge the passage of this resolution so that we can unify our efforts to find the best solution in providing for our Sisters in the OES Home and hopefully the perpetuation of the Home itself. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any other discussion? Thank you, Brother Jim Rippey, for clarification of your feeling. Sisters and Brothers, all those in favor of accepting Resolution No. 1, raise your voting card. All of those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Worthy Grand Matron, I want to commend this membership in the manner that they’ve taken care of their business this afternoon. I salute each one of you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Amen!

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION NO. 2

**MRS. DORIS EFIRD:** Resolution No. 2, Advanced Report, page number 66.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this resolution is not in proper order and cannot be considered at this time.

(Resolution No. 2 reads as follows.)

### RESOLUTION NO. 2

We the undersigned propose that a Grand Chapter Committee be formed to make recommendations on the incorporation of the Instructions for Subordinate Chapters into the Constitution and Code of Laws. This would give us permanent Instructions on the Duties of the Subordinate Chapter's Officers, on how to conduct our ceremonies and how to perform the work not covered in our Ritual. Thus, eliminating confusion when the Instructions are changed and the cost of this publication.

This committee will be composed of the Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Worthy Grand Patron, the Grand Line Officers, up to six (6) Past Grand Matrons and/or Past Grand Patrons, and the Board of Grand Examiners. This committee shall meet as soon as possible after the 1996-1997 Grand Chapter Session, elect a Chairman, Co-chairman and Secretary, after which the Chairman may appoint as many members of Grand Chapter to this committee as she/he may deem necessary to fulfill its duties. It will be the responsibility of this committee to receive input from the membership on this issue, submit an oral and written report to the membership as to their findings, and propose any necessary amendments for the vote of the membership at the 1997-1998 Grand Chapter Session of The Grand Chapter of Texas.

Submitted by:

Nancy Wood

Jack L. Johnson

Alice M. Johnson

Edna Marsh

L. P. Marsh

George W. Evans

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Doris Efird. That means that Resolution No. 2 will not need an action from this Grand Chapter.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Hi, Elsie!

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Hi, Rosemary! Worthy Grand Matron, this concludes the action on the amendments and the resolutions that have been presented to the Jurisprudence Committee. I too would commend this membership. You have been very attentive. You did your homework ahead of time. You knew what we were talking about and you acted accordingly. I thank you, and I know this Worthy Grand Matron thanks you. (Applause)

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Worthy Grand Matron, my Sisters and Brothers, I want to compliment Sister Elsie Paladino on her preparation. How many of you men have ever served with four ladies on a Jurisprudence Committee? You notice who got the toughest one! But I commend these ladies. They've been a joy to work with, and they've kept me straight and that's almost impossible. Thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I want to address my Jurisprudence Committee before they leave the stage. Come on back here, Brother Harry. When an Associate Grand Matron begins her plans for her final year of service to this Grand Chapter, she chooses prayerfully those that she wishes to be by her side for wise

counsel, direction, for all the things that she must accept during the year because no one can handle this position alone. Each of these dear ones that you see standing before you have meant a great deal in the life of Russell and Rosemary Swetland for some reason. In and out of our lives, they have touched us deeply and have earned our deep love and respect. I wish to commend you all for a beautiful job done on behalf of my membership, and I congratulate my membership for supporting and following along. We are through with our legislation. Thank you. (Applause)

Now then, I want to clarify a couple of matters. First of all, we have completed the legislative portion in your Advanced Annual Report. However, we still have some wonderful reports to present to you so that you will know what we've been doing this year in 1995-96. I'm going to move this session because I would dearly love for us to be out of here before five o'clock so that we can go home and put our feet up and rest a few minutes and then be back tonight for a beautiful service of three presentations.

So at this time I want to say that this past year has been filled with many beautiful and treasured memories as I have traveled into 50 respective districts over our Grand Jurisdiction of Texas. The friendships that I have made will be lasting and the joys have been mine to share with the membership of Texas and to have been provided a lovely Grand Chapter van, a new one, and to have special ones travel with me, some of who I am now going to ask to bring their reports. The first group that I'm going to have greet you this afternoon are my chosen ones who would represent me in their district and section. How my heart has been blessed through their actions, words and deeds as they have served in peace. You will find their duties are outlined in our Code of Laws, Articles 141 through 145 on pages 102 to 104. They have performed admirably. Ladies, will you come, the five District Deputy Grand Matrons and the 50 Deputies, and tell your membership about your activities this year.

## **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT ONE**

**MRS. CAROL COLEMAN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

I am Carol Coleman, District Deputy Grand Matron of District One and I would like to express my appreciation to our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, for giving me the opportunity to serve in this capacity and to work with the ten Deputy Grand Matrons she chose to represent her in District One. Each one represented our Worthy Grand Matron in a beautiful and dedicated manner in their section. The success of our Schools and the following report was made possible through their efforts.

It is with pleasure that I introduce the Deputy Grand Matrons of District One:

Mrs. Ruby Jo Grant, Section One, whose "Yellow Rose of Peace" school was held on February 13, 1996 in Gainesville, Texas. Attendance 215.

Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Section Two, whose "Precious Moments in a Rose Garden" school was held on March 9, 1996 in Plano, Texas. Attendance 392.

Mrs. Pat Grant, Section Three, whose school "Kissed by a Rose" was held February 15, 1996 in Paris, Texas. Attendance 162.

Mrs. Carolyn Bell, Section Four, whose school "Pursuit of Proficiency" was held February 24, 1996, in Dallas, Texas. Attendance 375.

Mrs. Charlotte Beall, Section Five, whose "The Golden Chain of Friendship" school was held March 2, 1996, in Ferris, Texas. Attendance 267.

Mrs. Betty Shepherd, Section Six, whose "Everything's Coming Up Roses" school was held on Thursday, February 29, 1996 in Palestine, Texas. Attendance 199.

Mrs. Evelyn "Sissy" Rucker, Section Seven, "Rose Petals of Peace" school was held on Tuesday, February 27, 1996 in Jacksonville, Texas. Attendance 220.

Mrs. Janette Fisher, Section Eight, whose "Midst the Roses" school was held on Saturday, February 17, 1996 in Marshall, Texas. Attendance 256.

Mrs. Ethelene Henry, Section Nine, whose school "Forward by Faith" school was held Tuesday, February 20, 1996 at Texarkana, Texas. Attendance 221.

Mrs. Charlotte Stevens, Section Ten, whose "A Melody of Peace" school was held Thursday, February 22, 1996, in Mineola, Texas. Attendance 235.

Sister Marlene Dibrell, Grand Examiner, District I, and Sister Martha Mosele, Traveling Secretary to the Worthy Grand Matron, what a joy and pleasure was mine to share this special time with you. You were a source of encouragement and support and wonderful traveling companions and friends. Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy H. Combest, you are an inspiration to the membership. You and Freda brightened our days with your presence, your smiles, words of wisdom and prayers. We were so pleased with your attendance at our schools.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, this year of service has brought blessings and happiness into my life by allowing me to know better the membership of this District. The friendship and fellowship as we traveled over the State was great. I am thankful of the honor given my Chapter, Palestine No. 395, and to me of serving as District Deputy Grand Matron.

To the membership of District I, the Deputy Grand Matrons and myself thank you for the honorary memberships, the love and support, encouragement, and the courtesies extended to us this year. The memories of this year of service will always remain in our hearts.

The Statistical report of District I is attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Coleman  
District Deputy Grand Matron, District I

#### STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF DISTRICT I

Chapters Assigned	151
Chapters Demised or Consolidated	5
Chapters Instituted	0
Chapters Inspected	151



Chapters Not Inspected	0
Schools Conducted	10
Schools Attended Officially	10
Schools attended Unofficially	70
Letters Written	2,154
Miles Traveled	25,038

A complete record of letters and mileage was not kept as there are no funds provided to the Deputy Grand Matrons.

Lucinda Conner #1006 consolidated with John L. DeGrazier #881.  
 Vickery #1039 consolidated with James Ladd Burgess #983.  
 Alto #496 consolidated with Rusk #79.  
 Wells #400 consolidated with Lufkin #382.  
 Big Sandy #865 consolidated with Gladewater #831.

It is now with pleasure that I recognize Sister Ruby Lee Meckley, District Deputy Grand Matron of District 2.

## REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT TWO

**MRS. RUBY LEE MECKLEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

"Let the Peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body, we are called to Peace." It gives me great pleasure to present these ten very special and beautiful Deputy Grand Matron is of District II, who worked for Peace and Harmony and as a United Team at all times:

Section 1: Mrs. Patricia Arnold - The "Find Happiness In Everything You Do" School was held in Borger, December 5, with 107 attending.

Section 2: Mrs. Mildred Womack - The "Pathway Of Peace" School was held in Amarillo, December 2, with 168 attending.

Section 3: Mrs. Jonnie Weldert - The "Tis The Season For Peace" School was held in Canyon, November 21, with 112 attending.

Section 4: Mrs. Tanya Meadows - The "Harmonious Stargazing" School was held in Lubbock, November 18, with 169 attending.

Section 5: Mrs. Judith Cook Fowler - The "Jingling Spurs Of Harmony And Friendship" School was held in Spur, November 16, with 97 attending.

Section 6: Mrs. Christolene Dickson - The "Peace And Harmony Was Enjoyed By All" School was held in Burkburnett, November 30, with 119 attending.

Section 7: Mrs. Dawn Marshall - The "An Autumn Rhapsody" School was held in Abilene, November 7, with 202 attending.

Section 8: Mrs. Christeen Ledbetter - The "Let There Be Peace And Harmony" School was held in Midland, November 13, with 170 attending.

Section 9: Mrs. Fern Sandlin - The "Mountains Of Peace And Love" School was held in Alpine, November 9, with 84 attending.

Section 10: Mrs. Carolyn Routhlege - The "Pathway To The Star" School was held in El Paso, November 11, with 151 attending.

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, and our NO. 1 Peace Rose, it is hardly possible to express my love and gratitude I feel so deeply for you. The love and friendly cooperative spirit that was ever present helped me to fulfill the joyful association with you. For your love, faithfulness and always the consideration you extend so generously, will make this year a cherished memory. Sister Rosemary, my Worthy Grand Matron, you have given me the richest of all gifts; your wonderful friendship. Your ingenious ability to understand and to direct the thoughts of others into serviceable channels has endeared you to many. I thank you for allowing me this honor to serve as your District Deputy Grand Matron of District II. Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Billy H. Combest, and our NO. 1 Caretaker, I want to say thank you for all that you have done for our beautiful Order. Your presence at all our Schools endeared you to many. I especially thank you for your caring and gentle ways. You truly are a Gentle-Man. I am most appreciative of getting to share this time with you and my sweet friend, Freda. She truly was a blessing to all.

Sister Joyce Ball, our Grand Examiner of District II, what a pleasure it has been to share this year with you. We had a lot of work, but also great fun as we traveled throughout District II. I shall always be grateful for your friendship that will last a lifetime. The membership of District II appreciates your efficiency and love in the examining room.

To the Membership of District II, thank you for your love and support. Your attendance at the schools and the many acts of kindness will always serve as a remembrance of this special year of service. The support you gave to your Deputy Grand Matrons contributed to the success of their schools.

#### STATISTICAL REPORT OF DISTRICT II

Chapters Assigned .....	94
Chapters Demised or Consolidated .....	8
Chapters Instituted .....	0
Chapters Inspected .....	94
Chapters Not Inspected .....	0
Schools Conducted .....	10
Schools Attended Officially .....	20
Schools Attended Unofficially .....	47
Letters Written .....	1,869
Miles Traveled .....	55,441
Expense Mileage .....	0
Money Received .....	0

There is no expense report since there is no longer funds from Grand Chapter. Sisters and Brothers, the expense of all mileage, hotels, meals, postage and telephone was given as a donation to our Grand Chapter out of the goodness and love for the Order by your very special ten Deputy Grand Matrons.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruby Lee Meckley, District Deputy Grand Matron, District II

I now recognize Mrs. Doris Moore, District Deputy Grand Matron of District Three.

## **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT THREE**

**MRS. DORIS MOORE:** Thank you, Mrs. Ruby Lee Meckley, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 2, my special friend.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished members, my sisters and brothers.

It is a signal honor and a personal pleasure to present the report of District Three.

The ten capable, loving and dedicated Deputy Grand Matrons, carefully chosen by you, our Worthy Grand Matron, join me in appreciation to you for this outstanding year of service to you and the membership of the great State of Texas. Their devotion and hard work make this report possible. Working with them individually and collectively has been a pleasure I shall never forget. It is with a heart full of love that I present them to you at this time.

Section 1: Mrs. Marie Sutton – “Planting Seeds of Knowledge School” held in Fort Worth on January 13, 1996. Total present 501.

Section 2: Mrs. Toinette (Toni) Kidd – “Peace in the Valley of The Stars School” held in Weatherford on December 12, 1995. Total present 140.

Section 3: Mrs. Donna Frazier – “Partners In Peace and Hearts In Harmony School” held in Throckmorton on January 9, 1996. Total present 81.

Section 4: Mrs. Lou Mohon – “Circle of Love School” held in Cisco on January 11, 1996. Total present 89.

Section 5: Mrs. Evelyn Homesley – “Lyrics of Love School” in Brownwood on December 14, 1995. Total present 96.

Section 6: Mrs. Nona Gibson – “Tending the Rose Garden School” in San Saba on January 4, 1996. Total present 131.

Section 7: Mrs. Ladois West – “The Light In Harmony School” held in Gatesville on December 16, 1995. Total present 144.

Section 8: Mrs. Tally McAferty – “Peace Around The World” held in Georgetown on January 16, 1996. Total present 152.

Section 9: Mrs. Gail Gay – “Enchanted Garden of Many Colors School” held in Waco on January 6, 1996. Total present 272.

Section 10: Mrs. Jane Mohon – “Peace And Harmony In The Park” held in Hillsboro on December 19, 1995. Total present 121.

**DETAILED REPORT DISTRICT 3, 1995-96**

CHAPTERS ASSIGNED .....	105
CHAPTERS CONSOLIDATED .....	2
CHAPTERS DEMISED .....	0
CHAPTERS INSPECTED .....	105
CHAPTERS NOT INSPECTED .....	0
SCHOOLS CONDUCTED .....	10
SCHOOLS ATTENDED OFFICIALLY .....	36
SCHOOLS ATTENDED UNOFFICIALLY .....	64
LETTERS WRITTEN .....	2,044
MILES TRAVELED .....	53,506

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for the gift of the opportunity this year bestowed upon us, the Deputy Grand Matrons and me. You are an inspiration to us and we will always love you.

Worthy Grand Patron, what a very strong and positive influence you are on the lives of the membership, but especially on those of us who have worked so closely with you this year. I thank God each day for placing you and our beautiful Queen Esther, Sister Freda, in our lives.

To the two traveling secretaries, Sisters Martha Mosle and Sybil Yost. Two delightful, hard working ladies. You are a joy in our lives.

To the Grand Examiner, Sister Sharon Fentress. There are not adequate words in my vocabulary to convey my "heart thoughts" to you, but I'm sure you know them all.

To our Humanitarian Chairman, Sister Nancy Brown. Your inspirational and informative program began each Fraternal Visit on a positive and loving tone. Thank you.

To the membership of District Three. Thank you for the many material gifts, your acts of kindness, your attendance at the schools, and for the courtesies that made this a year of PEACE AND HARMONY. We shall strive to merit the honors afforded us through the honorary memberships.

I am pleased at this time to present Sister Eva G. Hicks, District Deputy Grand Matron of District Four.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
Doris Moore  
District Deputy Grand Matron, District Three

## REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT FOUR

**MRS. EVA G. HICKS:** Thank you, Sister Doris Moore, my special friend and District Deputy Grand Matron, District 3.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is with pride that I present the District IV Report. Words cannot express my sincere appreciation to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, for bestowing upon me, Lakeside Chapter #1054 and North Shore Chapter #1058 the honor of serving as District Deputy Grand Matron of District Four. This has been a wonderful experience that I will always treasure.

The District Four Schools were a labor of love for the Deputy Grand Matrons and me. The membership of District Four were warm and receptive to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, making my duties as District Deputy Grand Matron a real joy and pleasure to perform.

It is with great pleasure and honor that I introduce the Deputy Grand Matrons of District Four:

Section 1: Mrs. Rhonda Beamesderfer - The "Peace in the Pines" School held in Nacogdoches on April 13, 1996. Total Registration: 428.

Section 2: Mrs. Mary Evelyn Rogers - "The Symphony of Love, Peace and Harmony" School held in Jasper on March 16, 1996. Total Registration: 401.

Section 3: Mrs. Adele Isaacs - The "Replenishing Peace" School held in Woodville on March 19, 1996. Total Registration: 180.

Section 4: Mrs. Kathryn Clark - The "Ringing the Liberty Bell for Peace and Harmony" School held in Liberty on March 21, 1996. Total Registration: 295.

Section 5: Mrs. Charlene Green - The "School of Prize Winning Roses" held in Houston on March 23, 1996. Total Registration: 484.

Section 6: Mrs. Fae Boutotte - The "Roses of Love" School held in Centerville on April 11, 1996. Total Registration: 159.

Section 7: Mrs. Fay Pfeffer - The "Peaceful Harmonies of Spring" School held in Bellville on April 4, 1996. Total Registration: 171.

Section 8: Mrs. Jeanne A. May - The "On the Wings of a Snow White Dove" School held in Rockne on April 9, 1996. Total Registration: 124.

Section 9: Mrs. Geraldine Smith - The "Roses and Doves of Peace" School held in Edna on April 2, 1996. Total Registration: 134.

Section 10: Mrs. Toni Crawford - The "Harmony of Spring" School held in Texas City on March 30, 1996. Total Registration: 255.

I am delighted to report that 2,631 members participated in the District Four Schools, showing enthusiasm in the demonstrations as well as the oral instructions. For this the ten wonderful Deputy Grand Matrons and I extend a hardy "Thank You".

**STATISTICAL REPORT DISTRICT IV**

Chapters Assigned .....	145
Chapters Demised or Consolidated .....	2

Chapters Instituted .....	0
Chapters Inspected .....	145
Chapters Not Inspected .....	0
Schools Conducted .....	10
Schools Attended Officially .....	20
Schools Attended Unofficially .....	60
Letters Written .....	3,134
Miles Traveled .....	62,399

**CONSOLIDATIONS**

Calvert Chapter #563	With Franklin Chapter #311
Wharton Chapter #389	With E1 Campo Chapter #535

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, the honor of serving with you shall be a cherished memory for all of us. The ten Deputy Grand Matrons join me in expressing our love and appreciation to you for this very special place of service. Your delightful personality, commitment to our tasks, and dedication to our Order has endeared you to the membership of Texas. May God bless you and Russell abundantly.

To our devoted Worthy Grand Patron, Rev. Billy H. Combest, it has been a sweet privilege to have you and Sister Freda at all the schools in District Four and many fraternal visits and other functions along the way. We love you both and wish for you the very best.

To Sister Naomi Wolfe, Grand Examiner of District Four: Our special thanks to you for your encouragement and loving support as we shared this beautiful year of service together. Your friendship will always hold a special place in our hearts.

To the Deputy Grand Matrons of District Four: You have blessed my heart and the hearts of this membership as you not only met the challenge presented to you but did so in a beautiful, loving manner. The privilege of serving with you will always be a treasured memory. Please know that I love and appreciate you and your husbands for you truly gave of your best for our Order.

To the Traveling Secretaries, Sisters Martha I. Mosele and Syble T. Yost: This year gave us the opportunity to get to know both of you precious ones. Your loving manner and sweet smile will be a lasting memory for all of us in District Four.

To the Membership of District Four: The ten Deputy Grand Matrons and I appreciate all the courtesies and honors extended to us. You have given us many memories and are a cherished treasure.

To my beloved husband, Brother Robert H. Hicks, I will always be grateful to you for your loving support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eva G. Hicks, District Deputy Grand Matron, District IV

It is with pleasure that I introduce Mrs. Barbara Cunningham, District Deputy Grand Matron, District V.

**REPORT OF THE  
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON  
DISTRICT FIVE**

**MRS. BARBARA CUNNINGHAM:** Thank you, Sister Eva.

It is indeed a pleasure to present the report for District Five, and a special privilege to introduce the Ten Deputy Grand Matrons who served our District with Love and Kindness. It is through their devotion to Our Order that makes this excellent report possible.

Sister Lemma Clark and the 11 Chapters of Section ONE hosted the "PEACE AND HARMONY ON THE CONCHO" school on February 6th in San Angelo with 143 in attendance.

Sister Lisa Clark and the 5 Chapters of Section TWO hosted the WINDS OF PEACE" school on February 8th in Manard with 62 in attendance.

Sister Karen Kennedy and the 9 Chapters of Section THREE hosted the "GARDEN OF HARMONY" school on January 30 in Bandera with 171 in attendance.

Sister Helen Marsh and the 6 Chapters of Section FOUR hosted the "GATHERING OUR LAMBS" school on January 25th in Uvalde with 103 in attendance.

Sister Frances Watts and the 6 Chapters in Section FIVE hosted the "PEACE AND HARMONY" school on February 1st in Lytle with 111 in attendance.

Sister Brita Northoutt and the 13 Chapters in Section SIX hosted the "MY ROSES AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW" school on February 10th in San Marcus with 313 in attendance.

Sister Katherine Keenan and the 17 Chapter in Section SEVEN hosted the "GARDEN OF ROSES" school on January 27th in San Antonio with 314 in attendance.

Sister Evelyn Tolbert and the 11 Chapters of Section EIGHT hosted the "DOVE OF PEACE" school on January 23rd in Gonzales with 175 in attendance.

Sister Iva Homan and the 13 Chapters of Section NINE hosted the "JOYFUL SOUNDS" school on January 20th in Corpus Christi with 228 in attendance.

Sister Betty Sidebottom and the 8 Chapters of Section TEN hosted the "ROSAS de ORO & PAZ" school on February 3rd in McAllen with 180 in attendance.

**STATISTICAL REPORT**

Chapters Assigned .....	99
Chapters Consolidated or Demised .....	0
Chapters Instituted .....	0
Chapters Inspected .....	99
Chapters not Inspected .....	0
Schools Conducted .....	10
Schools Attended Officially .....	20
Schools Attended Unofficially .....	46
Letters Written .....	2,108
Miles Traveled .....	45,426

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, words are inadequate to express my feelings to you for allowing me to serve you and District Five as District Deputy Grand Matron. It has been with much prayer and Faith that we have walked this pathway this year. Thank you for allowing me to be a companion in a year of

Love and Service to Our Order. May the Lord continue to bless you and Brother Russell who has shared you with the membership and been the wonderful support not only for you but for all the School Officers.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy Combest, thank you for being a full participating member of the District Five school team. Your willingness to share your love and faith with the membership has endeared you to each of us.

Grand Esther, Sister Freda Combest, your willingness to not only be the supportive wife of the Worthy Grand Patron, but also sharing him with the membership this year has made you very special to all of us. You truly were a lovely "Queen Esther".

Grand Examiner of District Five, Sister Doris Hester, your kindness has endeared you to the membership in District Five. You have been helpful to them in so many ways and to me in particular as your roommate. May the Lord continue to bless you and Brother Johnny as you continue to serve our Beautiful Order.

Sister Martha Mosele and Sister Syble Yost, you two beautiful, loving Ladies added much to the School team. Thank you for being so willing to share your wonderful talents and making this time of service so much easier for me. I shall always cherish your friendship.

Sisters and Brothers of District Five, your understanding and support has touched my heart and I want to say Thank you for all each member did to make this year full of wonderful memories that I will cherish forever. I will always be grateful for the Honorary Memberships granted me by each Chapter.

May Our Lord continue to be with each of you and our Order as we seek to follow His Star.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara Cunningham,  
District Deputy Grand Matron, District V

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the five District Deputy Grand Matrons' reports.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion and a second to adopt the report of all five of our District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Deputy Grand Matrons. Is there any discussion? Those in favor please signify by showing your voting cards. Those opposed, same sign. The reports are adopted.

I now lovingly invite our Grand Examiners for the State of Texas to come and present their reports.

I now recognize Sister Marlene Dibrell.

## **REPORT OF DISTRICT ONE MEMBER, BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS**

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members, Past Grand



Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Texas:

The Report of the Grand Examiner for District One is the result of the devoted efforts of the membership of District One and the love of many special Sisters and Brothers. I would particularly like to extend my deep appreciation to all those who assisted in the examinations in any way and give special recognition to those dedicated teachers in the subordinate chapters who so diligently prepared their members for the proficiency examination.

It is with pride that I submit the following report for District One for the Grand Chapter year of 1995-1996.

### CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY

TOTALS BY SECTION	A's	B's
Section 1	125	1
Section 2	148	
Section 3	85	
Section 4	211	
Section 5	143	
Section 6	77	
Section 7	104	
Section 8	122	
Section 9	146	
Section 10	132	
Total Number of "A" Certificates earned were		1293
Total Number of "B" Certificates earned were		1
Total Number of Certificates earned were		1294
Increase over 1994-1995		52

A Detail Report by Chapter is on file with the Grand Secretary. Each Chapter in District One has been forwarded a list of their members earning Certificates of Proficiency.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for your high ideals, your devotion to our Order and your wonderful friendship. I sincerely appreciate your courtesy and kindness extended to the office of Grand Examiner and to me, personally.

Thank you to Sister Carol Coleman, District Deputy Grand Matron, District One. It has been a joy to share this special year with you. I appreciate your friendship and your thoughtfulness. I shall always cherish the many pleasant memories of our time together.

Deputy Grand Matrons of District One, thank you for every hour you spent in preparation for your schools. Thank you for your spirit of cooperation and devotion to our Order and the many kindnesses to me which were so evident in each of the "Pursuit of Peace and Harmony" Schools in District One.

Thank you to my five Co-Workers. It has been a pleasure serving with you. Thank you for all of your love and support; I treasure our friendship.

To the members of District One, I am grateful to you in so many ways. Once again, I thank you, sincerely, for the Honorary Memberships, for your love, and for

the many, many courtesies extended to me throughout the years. Your love encircles my life and makes the position of Grand Examiner of District One a most pleasurable one.

I would like to express my gratitude to the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction. It is through the dedicated efforts of you, each member of our Order, that the beauty of the work is preserved for future generations and thus, this report is made possible. Thank you for allowing me the pleasure and privilege of serving as the District One Member of the Board of Grand Examiners. God bless you, one and all.

Fraternally,  
Mrs. Marlene Dibrell  
Board of Grand Examiners  
District One

It is my pleasure to recognize the Grand Examiner of District Two, Sister Joyce Ball.

### REPORT OF DISTRICT TWO MEMBER, BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

**MRS. JOYCE BALL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

What an honor it is to serve on the Board of Grand Examiners as the District 2 member. I wish to express my most sincere appreciation to the membership of Grand Chapter for this privilege, and to my own chapter, Friendship #1008, Odessa, for their continued love and support.

I am indebted to the membership of District 2 for their willing and capable assistance in the performance of my duties. It is with their help that I am able to give the following report.

“A” CERTIFICATES ISSUED ..... 624  
“B” CERTIFICATES ISSUED ..... 2  
TOTAL CERTIFICATES ISSUED ..... 626

	“A” CERTIFICATES	“B” CERTIFICATES	TOTAL
Section 1	47	0	47
Section 2	79	0	79
Section 3	40	0	40
Section 4	57	0	57
Section 5	30	0	30
Section 6	71	0	71
Section 7	74	1	75
Section 8	124	0	124
Section 9	36	0	36
Section 10	66	1	67
Total	624	2	626

Respectfully submitted,  
 Joyce Ball  
 Board of Grand Examiners  
 District 2

It is my pleasure to recognize my co-worker and friend, Sister Sharon Fentress, Grand Examiner, District 3.

## REPORT OF DISTRICT THREE MEMBER, BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

**MRS. SHARON FENTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

This has been another unforgettable year of service, successfully completed with the enthusiastic and capable assistance of the membership of District Three. I am honored to present their report:

	"A" Certificates	"B" Certificates	Total
Section 1	340		340
Section 2	90		90
Section 3	43		43
Section 4	55		55
Section 5	37		37
Section 6	82	1	83
Section 7	52		52
Section 8	82		82
Section 9	88		88
Section 10	72		72
<b>Total</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>942</b>
	"A" Certificates	941	
	"B" Certificates	1	
	Total Certificates Issued	942	

There were fifty-two, "First Timers", those members who earned their first Certificate of Proficiency in the schools of District Three.

The Grand Examiners had no items for donations in the Examining Rooms this year, but I was pleased to join my co-workers in the "Decorated Hats" booth benefiting the Spring Family Reunion and the "Decorated Shirts Boutique" benefiting the Founders Day Celebration both sponsored by the Board of Grand Examiners. The membership was generous as always and both projects were very successful providing generous donations to those funds. Thank you for your constant love and support.

It is my honor to present to you my co-worker and friend, Grand Examiner of District Four, Sister Naomi Wolfe.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Sharon Fentress  
 Board of Grand Examiners, District Three

## REPORT OF DISTRICT FOUR MEMBER, BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

**MRS. NAOMI WOLFE:** Thank you, Sister Sharon.

Worthy Grand Matron, Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Patron, Billy Combest, Distinguished Members, my sisters and brothers:

I am proud to bring the following report made possible by the many dedicated Sisters and Brothers of District IV who assisted me in the examining room. Their work and dedication at the Registration table, giving exams and the help needed to keep accurate records in each of the ten (10) schools was a job well done.

	A	B	Total
Section 1	137		
Section 2	217		
Section 3	96	2	
Section 4	194		
Section 5	334		
Section 6	79		
Section 7	113		
Section 8	50		
Section 9	66		
Section 10	152		
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,440</b>

We had an increase of 70 certificates this year.

Thank you District IV for your co-operative spirit and also the love and support shown to this office and to me when in your Section.

To the membership, thank you for granting me the privilege of serving as Grand Examiner of District IV the last four years.

It is my pleasure to recognize my friend, Sister Doris Jean Hester, Grand Examiner, District V.

Fraternally,  
Naomi Wolfe  
Board of Grand Examiners, District IV

## REPORT OF DISTRICT FIVE MEMBER, BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

**MRS. DORIS JEAN HESTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is with much pride and pleasure to present my first Report as Grand Examiner for District Five. Thank you the membership of Texas for allowing me to serve our beautiful Order as a Member of the Board of Grand Examiners.

This report is possible due to the love, support and dedication of the members of each chapter. You gave your very best in teaching others, in the examining room, serving as pages and drivers. Sister Barbara Cunningham, District Deputy Grand Matron, and each Deputy Grand Matron had planned well for each school in District Five. It was such a joy to work with these dedicated members.

We met the challenge of our Worthy Grand Matron to have at least one more proficiency certificate this year than last year in eight of our ten sections. I am happy to present this report for District Five for the Grand Chapter year 1995-1996.

**CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY**

TOTALS BY SECTION	A's	B's
Section 1	59	1
Section 2	26	0
Section 3	61	1
Section 4	40	0
Section 5	33	0
Section 6	146	0
Section 7	196	0
Section 8	80	0
Section 9	113	0
Section 10	73	0
Total Number of "A" Certificates earned were		827
Total Number of "B" Certificates earned were		2
Total Number of Certificates earned		829

I am happy to report that 56 members earned their Certificates for the first time.

I appreciate the Honorary Memberships, every courtesy and acts of kindness extended. To my Chapters, Beeville Chapter No. 422 and Violet Chapter No. 158, Victoria, and the others in Section 8 and District 5, you are special, dedicated members. I truly appreciate each of you and the membership of Texas.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Mrs. Doris Jean Hester  
 Board of Grand Examiners, District Five

It is my pleasure to present my friend and Co-Worker, Sister Jimmie Lee McMahan, Grand Examiner-At-Large.

**REPORT OF  
 GRAND EXAMINER-AT-LARGE MEMBER,  
 BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS**

**MRS. JIMMIE LEE McMAHON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

With a heart overflowing with love for our beautiful Order, its benevolent goals, and its wonderfully kind membership, I thank you for the tremendous love

and support that I have experienced in the five years that I have served this Grand Jurisdiction as Grand Examiner-at-Large. As this position of service draws to an end, I extend the deepest gratitude to you, the membership of Texas, who knows no limit on hospitality and caring for your Sisters and Brothers.

It has been an exhilarating and humbling time in my life. I have enjoyed many different and gracious welcomes, each one, a special memory in my heart. Thank you for the many courtesies that have been extended to the office of Grand Examiner-at-Large while I have served.

With pleasure, I submit the following report for this Grand Chapter Session.

“A” Certificates: 4

“B” Certificates: 0

Total certificates issued at the 1995-96 Grand Chapter Session: 4

With deep appreciation to the membership who assisted me in the examining room this Grand Chapter Session, I am proud to be able to make this report.

I move the adoption of the combined reports of the Board of Grand Examiners.

Fraternally submitted,  
Jimmie Lee McMahon  
Grand Examiner-At-Large

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Jimmie Lee. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and a second to adopt the report of the Grand Examiners for the year 1995-96. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. We have the adoption of the Grand Examiners' reports.

Sisters and Brothers, we are now going to take the liberty – you have been a fantastic group! I thank you for your presence and attendance and support for us. We're going to now get ready for our Fraternal Correspondent. Sister Nita Bolster, I invite you now to present your report of the Fraternal Correspondent.

## REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

**MRS. NITA BOLSTER:** It is my privilege to present the Fraternal Correspondent's report.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers; this past year has been a wonderful opportunity to learn of differences and yet realize how very similar we are in our efforts to serve this beautiful Order Of The Eastern Star. No matter where members of the Order meet, you will find the Holy Bible on the Altar, meetings always opened and closed with prayer and the flag of the country holding a place of honor.

The idea of a Fraternal Correspondent report was formed in 1876 in the Grand Jurisdiction of Connecticut. Since that time, Grand Jurisdictions have been exchanging ideas and information through their printed proceedings. I would like to provide

a little information on each Grand Jurisdiction. Grand Marshal, please present the Grand Representatives of Texas with the flag of their States.

ALABAMA: Is called the Cotton State.

ALBERTA: The western-most of Canada's three prairie provinces.

ARIZONA: The Land of Opportunity.

AUSTRALIA: The world's leading producer of wool.

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON: British Columbia is Canada's only Pacific Coast Province. The Yukon, Northern-most corner of Canada, a territory famous for its gold rush in the 1890's.

CALIFORNIA: Known as the Golden State.

COLORADO: Called the Centennial State.

CONNECTICUT: The Constitution State.

DELAWARE: Our First State.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: In 1791 Maryland donated the land to the Government in order to establish the District of Columbia.

FLORIDA: The Sunshine State.

GEORGIA: The Peach State.

IDAHO: The Gem State.

ILLINOIS: The Land of Lincoln.

INDIANA: The Home of the Indy Five Hundred.

IOWA: The Hawkeye State.

KANSAS: The Sunflower State.

KENTUCKY: The Blue Grass State.

LOUISIANA: The Pelican State.

MAINE: The Pine Tree State.

MANITOBA: Is famous for its development of Northern Hard Wheat.

MARYLAND: The Old Lime State.

MASSACHUSETTS: The Bay State.

MICHIGAN: The Wolverine State.

MINNESOTA: North Star State.

MISSISSIPPI: The Magnolia State.

MISSOURI: The Show Me State.

MONTANA: The Treasure State.

NEBRASKA: The Cornhusker State.

NEVADA: The Silver State.

NEW BRUNSWICK: Lies in the southeastern edge of the Canadian Mainland and is washed on three sides by the Atlantic Ocean.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: The Granite State.

NEW JERSEY: The Garden State.

NEW MEXICO: The Land of Enchantment.

NEW YORK: The Empire State.

NORTH CAROLINA: The Tar Heel State.

NORTH DAKOTA: Is called the Peace Garden State.

NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: One of the four original Canadian provinces. The area and population are the smallest of Canada's ten provinces.

OHIO: The Buckeye State.

OKLAHOMA: The Sooner State.

ONTARIO: Was founded by British loyalists who left the United States to escape prosecution after the Revolutionary War.

OREGON: The Sunset State.

PENNSYLVANIA: The Keystone State.

PUERTO RICO: Became the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in 1952.

QUEBEC: The oldest and largest of Canada's ten provinces.

RHODE ISLAND: The Ocean State.

SASKATCHEWAN: Since the mid 1930's has produced more than half of Canada's wheat crop.

SCOTLAND: The northern part of the island of Great Britain is Scotland.

SOUTH CAROLINA: The Charleston Museum is the oldest in the United States.

SOUTH DAKOTA: The Coyote State.



TENNESSEE: The Volunteer State.

UTAH: The Beehive State.

VERMONT: The Green Mountain State.

VIRGINIA: The Mother of Presidents.

WASHINGTON: The Evergreen State.

WEST VIRGINIA: The Mountain State.

WISCONSIN: The Badger State.

WYOMING: The Equality State.

Thank you, Grand Representatives. Yours is a very special appointment and I know from your interesting and well presented reports you have represented this Grand Jurisdiction with pride and pleasure.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this opportunity of service to Grand Chapter.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Juanita (Nita) Bolster  
 Fraternal Correspondent

Sister Grand Marshal, will you escort the Grand Representatives and their Escorts off of the floor.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, would you give these wonderful dedicated members a hearty welcome. (Applause)

**MRS. NITA BOLSTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Nita Bolster. Is there a second? Sisters and Brothers, there has been a motion and a second to adopt the report of the Fraternal Correspondent as given here. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor to adopt, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Now then, while these wonderful members are leaving the floor, we have an announcement. Please listen carefully to me. There is a very important announcement. Our very dedicated member of four years on the Board of Grand Trustees, Brother Claude Ervin, will be resigning his position in the morning before ten o'clock. Brother Claude Ervin represents District 3 on the Board of Grand Trustees. Therefore, you the membership of Texas will elect a member from District 3 to fill the unexpired term of Brother Claude Ervin as Chairman for one year. If there is anyone that will be nominated for that position, be prepared to be nominated in the morning at ten o'clock for our elections.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we're about to engage in the ceremony of calling this "Peaceful Remembrances" session of the Grand Chapter from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to call this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Peaceful Remembrances" Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** Your order has been obeyed, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. It is now my joy to lovingly invite my dear friend and Junior Past Grand Matron of Texas, Sister Wanda Fairchild, to voice our benediction.

**MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD:** Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for Thy guidance, comfort and support throughout this day. Now we pray, dismiss us with Thy blessings; give us safe journeys as we go our separate ways. And if it be Thy will, may we be permitted to assemble here again for our work and deliberations. In Thy name, we humbly pray, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible.

I now call this Friday afternoon session from labor to rest until 7 p.m. this evening. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this Friday afternoon session is now called from labor to rest until this evening.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, may you go in peace. Farewell.

**“SERVICE BRINGS PEACE”  
Friday Evening Session  
October 25, 1996**

6:45 p.m. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Boots Draper  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

7:00 p.m. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee of  
General Grand Chapter and  
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Harry G. Cunningham  
Grand Junior Warden and  
Past Grand Patron

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Distinguished Members all. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the special honor you have accorded me this evening. It is a privilege to represent District 5 and to serve with our esteemed Brother Harry G. Cunningham, Past Grand Patron and Right Worshipful Senior

Warden of the Grand Lodge of Texas. We are very proud of our District 5, and you were kind to select us to serve this evening.

Sister Boots Draper, thank you for your beautiful music. You always know just how to make it sound real good!

District 5 covers a great part of Texas and is composed of 90-plus Chapters and 12,000-plus members. We take great pride in supporting the programs of Grand Chapter from year to year, and our loving membership stands firm in promulgating the principles of our beautiful Order. Will the membership of District 5 please stand so you may help us extend a hearty welcome for this Friday evening session. There's District 5. Thank you. (Applause)

Brother Harry, will you bring your words of greeting at this time?

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Thank you, Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas. What a joy and privilege and honor it is to open this session, "Service Brings Peace" with Sister Rennie Ofton. What a joy it is to represent District 5, in our opinion the best district in Texas.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Ole! (Applause)

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** I have thoroughly enjoyed this session of Grand Chapter. I will enjoy it better after tomorrow night because my wife will be relieved of some duties and we can get on with some other plans. But it has been a joy to serve with Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy. They have just been wonderful to serve with and help conduct this Grand Chapter year. May I say again, thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Sister Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

("Peace and Harmony" drill performed by Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages.)

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, please escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, behold your Sisters and Brothers. Sisters and Brothers, behold your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and salute them with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) The Officers will assume their stations.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy, it is with a sense of pride in your accomplishments and sincere best wishes to you both that we welcome you to this Friday evening session. Worthy Grand Matron, whose friendship I treasure greatly and one of whom I am very proud, it is my pleasure to present your gavel to you with a prayer that God will continue to hold your hand as you serve in this Grand Chapter session. The gavel being presented was handmade by Brother Walter Dana, Past Patron, South San Antonio Chapter No. 691, District 5.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, my precious friend and mentor, Sister Rennie Ofton. I served as your Deputy Grand Matron in 1978-79 and was

inspired to continue my service to this great Order due in part to your dedication and way of serving in a happy and loving manner. You are truly dear to Russ and me.

And, Brother Harry Cunningham, what more can the State of Texas say than we love you and your Barbara, and you have been in the hearts of the Swetland and Combest families for years. You are truly a trusted and supportive friend, and we treasure that friendship. Thank you.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to address these two fine people ?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron. It's people like these two and their commitment to the Order and this fraternity that we love so that gives the rest of us the encouragement to keep on keeping on, so to speak, because their energy is inexhaustible, it seems, and they are every place you can go and every place that they can go, they are there. They are always my guideline, that I can try to do what they have done before me. And I'm not saying that I can ever reach that place, but as long as I can have them in front of me, I can keep following with my commitment. Thank you very much, dear friends, for being here tonight, and it has added to this night. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, I wish to wait until after our Humanitarian presentation to open our Holy Bible. I now lovingly invite Sister Lois Bell, Past Grand Matron, to voice our invocation. Sister Lois, I served as your Grand Organist in 1982-83, and you are truly most dear to my heart.

**MRS. LOIS BELL:** Let us join our hands and hearts in prayer. Our Father which art in heaven, in whom we move and breathe and have our being, we come into Thy holy and divine presence grateful for this very fruitful day that we have enjoyed together. We have walked in Thy presence, looking forward to this most meaningful night as we celebrate the service that brings peace to our hearts. We anticipate the satisfaction of giving financial aid to the young men and women who have dedicated their lives to Thy service. Through our Humanitarian program, we reach toward fulfilling that overall goal of our great Order which is to make our world a better place in which to live by helping those who are less fortunate than we. Be with us as we express our love and sympathy to the families who have lost loved ones during this year. May they find the peace, that extra share of peace, in their hearts as we remember together the rose still blooms on the other side. These things, Father, we ask in the name of Thy Son and for His sake. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is my pleasure now to invite a beautiful, white-haired angel and Past Grand Matron, Sister Nancy Bailey Allen, to present to us the design for our evening program. Sister Nancy.

**MRS. NANCY BAILEY ALLEN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I do thank you for the privilege of presenting your programs – very meaningful programs, and I know that we have a wonderful evening ahead as we have had this Grand Chapter session. You wanted to serve in peace and harmony, and certainly we have enjoyed peace and harmony. May it remain with us.

We in District 5 appreciate your dedicating this evening to our district. We all love our districts, and certainly District 5 is one of my loves. The Order of the Eastern Star is a fraternity comprised of Master Masons and their female relatives, and it is not a religion. Its membership is, however, made up of people with deep religious convictions. We recognize all faiths except those who profess no faith. This

evening you will witness the true principles of the Order of the Eastern Star, and that is charitable and beneficence and exemplifying charity, truth and loving kindness.

Our first presentation will be our Humanitarian program for the year of 1995-96 and represents the charitable givings of our Fraternity. The second presentation will be our ESTARL program for the year 1995-96, which provides thousands of dollars each year to deserving students in the religious field. Our third, and our final, presentation will be our annual memorial where we will take time to pause and remember our wonderful and dedicated members of the Order of the Eastern Star who have left their earthly place of service and have exchanged it for an eternal life with our Lord. We hope that you will enjoy witnessing these programs which will move quickly from one to the next. Your presence is deeply appreciated by the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron, and it is their sincere desire that you remain with them for the entire evening.

Now at the close of this Grand Chapter session, which has been dedicated to the membership of District 5, Sister Alma Carter will have her Installation practice here in the arena area. The membership may go through the arena doors into the Cardinal Room where they may meet and greet those who allow their names to be placed in nomination for an elected position tomorrow during our annual elections. We thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for your presence, your participation and support of our Grand Chapter charitable and benevolent work.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Nancy Allen. Now I wish to invite Brother Robert Parke, General Chairman of the Humanitarian Committee, and his Committee to present the Humanitarian program.

## REPORT OF THE HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE

**MR. ROBERT PARKE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

Grand Marshal you will escort the District Chairman and the Chapter Representatives representing those Chapters whose contributions to the 1995-1996 Humanitarian Program were 100% or more into the Grand Chapter Room.

As the Chapter representatives enter the Chapter Room, I will present the interim report for the first eleven months of the 1995-1996 Humanitarian effort.

The Worthy Grand Matron selected four areas for concentration in the 1995-1996 Humanitarian Program: the Eastern Star Home of Texas; the OES Home Endowment; ESTARL; and Home Renovation. Contributions have been tremendous and I am pleased to announce that through 30 September \$27,378.44 has been donated to the Eastern Star Home of Texas Fund; \$30,014.75 to the OES Home Endowment Fund; \$28,251.63 to ESTARL and \$22,457.37 to the Home Renovation fund for a grand total of \$108,102.69. This amount was only possible through the efforts, dedication, and support of the various chapters throughout the state and by individual contributions of the membership. Contributions by the district are:

District One consisting of 151 chapters with a membership of 19,650, through their generosity donated \$28,567.43. District 1 had 129 - 100% chapters, 14 - 200%

chapters, 5 – 300% chapters, and 1 – 500% chapter.

District Two consisting of 94 chapters with a membership of 10,699 through their generosity donated \$11,008.00 with 63 chapters 100%, 5 – 200% chapters, and 1 – 300% chapter.

District Three consisting of 103 chapters with a membership of 12,847 through their generosity donated \$21,473.00. District 3 had 50 – 100% chapters, 9 – 200% chapters, 5 – 300% chapters, 2 – 400% chapters and 1 – 600% chapter.

District Four consisting of 145 chapters with a membership of 21,099 through their generosity donated \$29,392.12 with 136 chapters 100%, 9 – 200% chapters, and 1 – 300% chapters.

District Five consisting of 99 chapters with a membership of 12,077 through their generosity donated \$17,212.24 producing 85 – 100% chapters, 8 – 200% chapters, 7 – 300% chapters, and 1 – 500% chapters.

This year the committee presented certificates of achievement, signed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to each chapter achieving distinction by contributing 100% or better to the Humanitarian Program. The certificates have been well received and will be treasured by the membership in the coming years.

Sisters and Brothers, join with me in saluting the Chapter Representatives for their participation in the 1995-1996 Humanitarian Program. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Isn't this a beautiful sight? (Applause) Especially to the heart of your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron who asked you to believe with us, open up your hearts and give, and you have done so. If you'll continue to get a little closer together, we still have those coming into the arena. Sister Grand Marshal, you may have to start the second row, and it will be okay because that is a joyful sight to know that my membership gave so generously. We want to be sure and get your picture. Brother Cleo Ellison is working to get you, but we want to be sure all of you are in.

Could I ask now the five Humanitarian Chairmen just to step out for one more picture, Brother Cleo. Brother Cleo would like for you all now to look toward the West.

Grand Marshal, I know these dear ones are looking forward to returning to their places in the Grand Chapter room. Sisters and Brothers, let's thank them again. (Applause)

**MR. ROBERT PARKE:** At this time I invite the District Chairmen to proceed to the Grand East for introduction.

It is my pleasure to introduce: Sister Bobbye Ann Dyer, District 1; Sister Dell Gray, District 2; Sister Nancy Brown, District 3; Sister Gail Smith, District 4; and Sister Janell Trees, District 5.

Sisters and Brothers, join with me in recognizing these sisters, who served as your District Chairmen, for their hard work, long hours, dedication and untiring labors in support of the benevolent projects of our great Fraternity. (Applause).

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the District Chairmen and

I thank you for the confidence you placed in us by appointing us to the Humanitarian Committee. Serving on this Committee has been a tremendous challenge and a most rewarding year of service. We have witnessed a united team effort on behalf of the membership of Texas to "pull together" in peace and harmony to support, grow and become a positive and powerful influence in the 21st Century. It has been our pleasure and honor to serve you and the Grand Chapter in this manner. We thank you for your support and trust the membership will continue to generously support the Humanitarian Programs in the future through their Chapter and individual contributions.

We leave you with this thought:

*Life is a blend of the good and the bad,  
A bit of the glad and a bit of the sad;  
A pinch of contentment, a time of unrest,  
A dash of the worst and a lot of the best;  
A little of failure, a little of luck,  
A bit of disaster and plenty of pluck;  
And who would live long  
must be willing to know  
That God is our Master  
wherever we go.*

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Robert Parke. I want to also thank the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patrons for this wonderful presentation and your most generous gifts and participation in our 1995-96 Humanitarian Program. It has exceeded our greatest expectations. Thank you, one and all.

It is now time for us to share in another very special event of our evening, our ESTARL program. But before we begin, I wish to invite our Sister Grand Conduress to open our Holy Bible. (Bible was opened.)

I now lovingly invite the Reverend Don Long to present our ESTARL service and awards, and I wish to have him address my membership. Thank you, Reverend Don, for a wonderful year of service in this very important capacity. Your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron deeply appreciate the efforts of you and your Committee, and we look forward to your presentation.

# *"Touch Through Me"*

## ESTARL Service and Awards



Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

Mr. Don Long  
ESTARL Chairman  
October 25, 1996



**REV. DON LONG:** Would you please stand and sing two verses of "How Firm a Foundation." It's found on page 49 of your program, as we are led by Sister Juanita Gregory, our Grand Choir Director, and our Grand Choir.

You may be seated.

**MRS. VIOLA LEE:** "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not in your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your path straight." Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it is my pleasure to introduce the ESTARL Committee: Reverend Don R. Long, General Chairman; Sisters Opal Martin, District 1; Leah Hayes, District 2; Mary Nell Ramsey, District 3; Viola Lee, District 4 and Robyn Merchant, District 5.

**MRS. OPAL MARTIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Members and Friends: I have the pleasure to introduce Mr. Rusty Dollar who is in his second year at Southwest Theological Seminary, who will bring our invocation. Will you please stand.

**MR. RUSTY DOLLAR:** Let's pray. Our Father in Heaven, we come before You tonight with humble heart, thanking You for taking us as we are and then using us in Your will. I thank You for the members of Eastern Star here tonight who have given so much to help others like myself and so many others in the community. We do ask Your blessings on tonight's program. May all we do here tonight and all that is done in our lives bring glory and honor to Your Holy Name. This we pray in Your Son's Name, Jesus. Amen.

**REV. DON LONG:** Would you remain standing while we have the Scripture reading.

**MRS. LEAH HAYES:** It is my very great pleasure to present to you Brother Mitchell Wilson who will give us our Scripture reading for tonight. He is attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

**MR. MITCHELL WILSON:** Our Scripture reading tonight comes from the Gospel of Matthew, the 5th Chapter. "Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him and he began to teach them, saying, You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled by men. You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men that they may see your good deeds and praise your father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have not come to abolish them, but to fulfill them. I tell you the truth. Until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen will by any means disappear from the law until everything is accomplished. Anyone who breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven, for I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

**REV. DON LONG:** You may be seated. Sister Rennie Ofton, will you please introduce our ESTARL speaker.

Dr. Patricia Louise Lane is a mature young woman who has served, is serving, and always will serve her God.

Born in El Paso, Texas, she was educated in the Public Schools and, after graduation from High School, she attended the University of Texas, El Paso. Her membership and participation in the Presbyterian Church there awakened her spiritual being at an early date and so came her call to service for her Lord. Through the work in the barrios and other areas of need, she gained an insight into the plight of some members of humanity.

Patty, the name she prefers, entered Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary for further religious education. After her graduation and ordination, she was Pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Crestholme Presbyterian Church, San Antonio.

This is when Eastern Star entered her life through the beautiful friendships of many Eastern Star members in San Antonio. Though she had no affiliation for membership, she attended social, installation, and other open activities as faithfully as many members.

Harlandale Chapter No. 750 and San Antonio Chapter No. 3 were given the opportunity to assist Patty, through ESTARL and love gifts, gain her Doctorate from the San Francisco Theological Seminary in California.

She always has preached the message of the Bible clearly and fervently, with a loving and compassionate heart. It was this compassionate heart that led her to give up her Pastorate and enter the position which she now holds in the Presbyterian General Assembly Headquarters, Louisville, Kentucky, as the Associate for Program Development, Committee on the Self-Development of People, Worldwide Ministries. In this position, she travels far and wide to assist the less fortunate regain their hope for the future. So it is, the desire to serve humanity born in her youth has come full circle, strengthened by the experience of pastoral relationships.

Paul and I have enjoyed a very special friendship with Patty and love her deeply as do the many Eastern Stars with whom she has become acquainted – she is a fun-loving lady with a great capacity for caring and sharing her life to make the world a better place.

I said she's fun loving, so if y'all can't hear and start clapping, she may stop and take a bow, so be careful. (Laughter) Tonight I am honored to present Dr. Lane to this assembly, and I know we will be blessed by her message. Dr. Lane. (Applause)

**DR. PATRICIA LANE:** Are you salty? Are you luminous?

Matthew 5:1-2;13-20

Let me invite you to consider with me a challenge to a life worth living. It is a challenge which Jesus of Nazareth gave to a multitude almost two thousand years ago. The challenge is called the Beatitudes. It comes from a famous sermon of Jesus, the Sermon on the Mount. It's a very radical challenge, because Jesus turns upside down the traditional understanding of righteousness and calls his followers to be "doers of the Word," demonstrating their belief in the way they live their lives. In other words, Christian life is not saying, but doing.

At the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said to his disciples: "You

are the salt of the earth." We all know what happens to food when we don't add salt to it. It lacks flavor. That is how life is when it has no meaning. And when life is lived in the shadows or in the dark, it is no longer life, but a living death.

"You are the light of the world. You do not light a lamp and put it under a basket; that would be dumb. You light a lamp and put it on a lamp stand where it gives light to the house." A lamp under a basket is a senseless waste; a lamp on a lamp stand is a priceless treasure. This is why Jesus wants his disciples to be like salt which makes life flavorful, and to be like light which makes life a reflection of the presence of God.

There is here a very important detail. Our Lord does not say, "You **will** be salt... You **will** be light." No, what Jesus says is "You **are** salt... You **are** light." This shows how natural it should be to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We cannot force ourselves to be what we are not. Few things are more disagreeable than to see a would-be follower of Jesus trying so hard to impress us that she or he succeeds only in scaring us off. It is for this kind of exhibitionism that Jesus criticizes the teachers of the law and the Pharisees in this same passage.

So, as you can tell, it is not a matter of attracting attention to ourselves, but rather that **others** detect the goodness and mercy of God in the things we do. Let me share an example to make my point about allowing others to detect the goodness in us. The criticism I've heard about the Order, which you are all aware of, is that Eastern Star is a secret order, because you have secret work. Well, I have never been able to believe this kind of gossip, because I have watched the way so many of you live your Christian faith. I've seen and experienced how you apply the teachings of your faith to the Order's commitment to compassionate acts of service not only among yourselves, but on behalf of all humankind. I've seen your commitment in everyday activities. From a personal perspective, you provided me a scholarship so I could earn my doctorate and it's opened doors I never dreamed of walking through. But more than this it is the friendship, love, laughter, the sense of belonging and having a family which both the Masons and Eastern Stars share with me, which brings to my mind Jesus' words, "Make your light so shine before others that, when they see the good you do, all may praise your Creator who is in heaven."

Thank God, we all know individuals who are for us salt and light, people who give flavor and sense to our lives, and who do it in a way which is totally natural. We don't have to go far. We have here tonight among us persons who are salt and light to the rest of us. We know it because we detect the presence of God in their smile, touch, love, appreciation, and their desire to help us. They make us feel worthwhile, not the boring and bad people or failures we sometimes think we are. By their salty and luminous examples, they reawaken in us the desire to live right, and to thank God for the gift of life.

The announcement Jesus makes that we are **already** salt of the earth and light of the world is based on his having made us friends of God forever, even if we turn out rebellious and not entirely reliable. The great consolation is, no matter how many times we may stumble, fall or fail, the God of Jesus will not let us go. We don't need to worry about God's faithfulness.

What we need to worry about is how much we neglect being salt and light to those who surround us in daily life. Remember, it is not a matter of perfection, but a matter of simplicity, sincerity and kindness in acts such as forgiving grievances, developing positive attitudes, participating in concerted efforts for the good, reaching out to the lonely, inactive members who have been hurt through previous misunderstandings and inviting them to return to Chapter. The magnificent thing

is the more we are salt and light, the happier we become, the more cheer we bring to others, the closer we draw to God, and are blessed by God. A beatitude is exactly that, a blessing. A blessing which gives us a sense of belonging to God, of being comforted despite whatever happens in life.

I am again reminded of Eastern Star and of the numerous ministries in which you participate: ESTARL scholarships, over five thousand hours of volunteer service in hospital projects, and in nursing homes, books collected for children, dolls and toys donated to Police to give to children injured in accidents, your assistance in cancer, heart, and arthritis research, and on and on. You serve thousands of your neighbors – children, youth, adults, the elderly, and many of them are among the most forgotten and needy of the cities where you live.

I am convinced the reason Eastern Star can serve so many people each day with such great effectiveness, is because you do it with gladness, in the confidence that as long as you demonstrate the compassion of Jesus, He will provide you with everything you need. I sincerely believe that through all the good things you do in the cities and towns where you live, you are becoming more and more salt and light to the communities in which God has placed you.

My dear sisters and brothers, I don't have the slightest doubt each of you has incredible talents which will appear the moment you risk being salt and light to those around you at home, at work, at school, at church, at play, at Chapter meetings. Whatever you need to do, do it with simplicity, humility and grace, and also with a passion for justice and peace. If you take the risk, you will be amazed at the results.

Don't fret about the past. The past is finished and gone. We can't do anything about it, bring it back or change it. You are **already** light which reflects the presence of God. Believe it, and live it out in your personal life and in the life and work of your Chapter.

It is never too late to start living as salty and luminous Christians. If you do, I can tell you on the authority of Jesus of Nazareth, it will be the beginning of such a good adventure that no calamity or enemy can ruin it for you, not even death itself.

So, why not take up the challenge and try it? What have you got to lose? But you have Oh, so much to gain!

God's blessing to you all. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** Thank you, Dr. Lane. It's so good of you to come and take time out of your busy schedule to come and share this testimony with us. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it makes me feel like – and I'm sure the Committee feels like – that it has all been worth it, all the hours and the paperwork that we have done on your ESTARL Committee.

In just a few moments you are going to have an opportunity to further the ESTARL awards fund in our great State because we're going to take a love offering. I have asked Brother Kenneth Gregory, our Arrangements Chairman, to have our Pages in their place. And, Pages, if you want to move to your places at this particular point in time, it will be about a minute or two and we will be ready to take our offering.

On April 19th, 1995, at 9:20 a.m. in the morning, some misguided people

detonated a huge bomb that blew away the front of the Federal Building in Oklahoma City taking 167 lives, many being children in a day care center. From that great tragedy there came an outpouring of love and care very seldom seen in modern America. There was also a rush to pass new laws to protect our citizens from terrorists. Yet we must realize that our hope of safety from these acts lays not in new laws, but in the changing of attitudes. We as members of this beloved Order have an opportunity to do just that as we contribute to the ESTARL fund. Tom Dooley, the missionary doctor who spent his life in service to the people of Indochina, and who died at a young age with cancer, wrote at a time when he was very discouraged, money was not coming in, supplies were too few, the work was hard and tedious -- he wrote these words. "Every time I get discouraged and down in the dumps, someone comes along and rings the rusty bells of hope, and I have encouragement to get back to the task at hand." I think that's a very powerful statement, ringing the rusty bells of hope. We can do that this evening for some people who are concerned about finishing their education in order that they may do an honorable work for the Lord in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world.

Paul wrote to the church at Rome and said, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things." Paul also asked the church there in Rome this question, "How shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent?" I ask each of you this same question this evening: How shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent? Will you ring the rusty bell of hope for some ministerial students this evening? The Pages are in their place in the arena, and they will quietly pass the collection boxes among those present to collect a free will offering for the Grand Chapter ESTARL fund while our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, sings a very beautiful song entitled "Touch Through Me."

(Applause followed the singing.) Worthy Grand Matron, I know that you have had a long, hard and difficult day, and I thank you so much for singing this song. I know it's not too easy to sing after a difficult day, but I think I introduced this song to you about five or six years ago and it deeply touched my heart that you would consent to do this. We appreciate you so much. Thank you, ma'am. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, my Sisters and Brothers and Friends of Eastern Star: We want you to know that we gave some 58 recipients \$500 scholarships for the 1996-1997 year. Unfortunately, we could only have three of those recipients here tonight, but we want you to hear the names of those recipients that we have for you. And when the names of those three who are here tonight are called, they will come and greet you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. So at this time I will ask the District Chairmen to come and read the names of those recipients and what school they will go to. First of all, I would introduce to you Sister Opal Martin, ESTARL, District 1.

**MRS. OPAL MARTIN:** Joe Mason, Texas Baptist Institution & Seminary; Dale Edward Shaker, Texas Baptist Institution & Seminary; Mark David Clements, Texas Baptist Institution & Seminary; Martine Stemerick, SMU School of Theology; Stuart Brimmage, SMU School of Theology; Corey Allen Knott, Perkins School of Theology; Charles Matthew Huffman, Perkins School of Theology; John Coleman Gibson, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary; James Frederick Kessler, Dallas Theological Seminary; Blake Edward Switzer, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Shawn Stovall, Perkins School of Theology; Billy Kim Maxey, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Sterling Dwayne Claypoole, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Randale Homer Robison, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Chad Brandon Burton, Assembly of God Theological

Seminary; Jeffrey Craig Gantz, Brite Divinity School of TCU; Michael John Eddy, Hendricks College; Edward Matusek, Dallas Theological Seminary; Frank Graham, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Jason Andrew Drury, Duke University Divinity School; James Keith Broyles, Perkins School of Theology; and Rusty Dollar, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** At this time Sister Leah Hayes of District 2.

**MRS. LEAH HAYES:** The recipients from District 2: Jason Bankhead, Howard Payne University; LaShay Bankhead, Howard Payne University; Chris Barnett, Angelo State University; Betsy Heavener, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary; Karen Jeffcoat, St. Paul School of Theology; Andy Magnum, Brite Divinity School of TCU; Sharon O'Quinn, Asbury Theological Seminary; Gene Weinnette, Garrett Evangelical Seminary; and Mitchell Wilson, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** From District 3, Sister Mary Nell Ramsey.

**MRS. MARY NELL RAMSEY:** William Junior Cameron, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; James Gregory Bowman, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Paul H. Davis, Hardin Simmons; Douglas Greathouse, III, Texas University; Rosa Izaguirre Gredera, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Jeffery Alan Raines of Truitt Seminary; David James Samples, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Kay Ann Terrell, Fuller Seminary; Todd Milton, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Karl McBride of Brite Seminary, TCU; and Kelly Wright, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Thank you. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** At this time Sister Viola Lee of District 4.

**MRS. VIOLA LEE:** Ellen Lynne Ely, Harvey Edward McCrary, Kevin Dewayne Trinkle, Trampus Lee Black. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** This is Kevin Trinkle and his precious wife who are here tonight.

**MRS. VIOLA LEE:** Jan Singletary, Regina M. Mass and Matthew Lee Hines. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** From District 5 Robyn Merchant.

**MRS. ROBYN MERCHANT:** The recipients from District 5 are: Roy Joe Ham, Georgewestern Seminary; Kelly Lewis, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest; Cathleen Ann Alexander, Perkins School of Theology; Glen Thomas Brunk, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Lee Floyd, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Kevin Griffith, Baylor University; Sheila Griffith, Baylor University; Craig Strum, Trinity Lutheran Seminary; and Randy Marc West, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. (Applause)

**REV. DON LONG:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I have received many, many letters from these recipients, and I wish you could read all of them. But they express their appreciation and thanks to this Order and to you as the leader of this Order for sharing part of what God has given to us in a financial manner in order that they might finish their school. We appreciate you, as our Committee, for letting us serve in this capacity. And outside of my dear sweet wife Johnnie, these are five of the most precious women I've ever worked with in my life, and I appreciate them greatly. I appreciate you appointing them and letting me

serve with them this year. Thank you, ma'am. (Applause) At this time Sister Robyn Merchant from District 5 will come and introduce the one who will do our benediction. After our benediction our Choir Director, Mrs. Juanita Gregory, and the Grand Choir will lead us in one verse of "Sweet, Sweet Spirit."

**MRS. ROBYN MERCHANT:** I am very pleased to introduce to you Kevin Trinkle. He is in his third year attending New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and he's working towards his Master's. He drove in today, a five-hour drive from New Orleans. He said he fought the rain and bad weather from that direction as well as most of us did to get here. So Kevin has been praying all day long, and he is ready now to give the benediction because he has felt the power of God with him all day, Kevin.

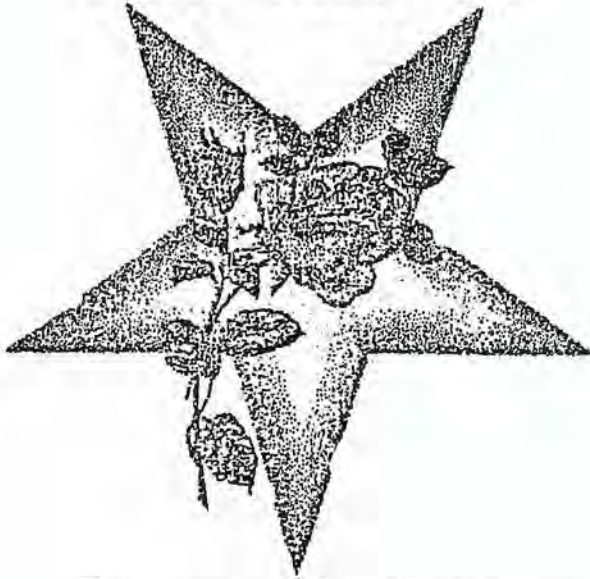
**MR. KEVIN TRINKLE:** Would you please stand. Let us pray. O most kind and gracious Heavenly Father, we do thank You for the blessings of life, Father. Thank You for the many blessings, Father, and the things that You have done for us, Lord. I thank You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, and His life and His blood He shed on Calvary's cross and His resurrection, Father. Lord God, I just thank You for these ones here that have given so graciously, Father, to help others around the world. Lord, thank You for the challenge that we heard tonight about being the salt and the light. Father, help us to demonstrate that belief by doing. Lord, You are just worthy to be praised. It reminds me of what the Psalmist said when he says, "Praise, O ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise ye the Lord from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. The name of the Lord is to be praised." In the precious and strong name of Jesus Christ we pray, amen. (Assembly sang "Sweet, Sweet Spirit.")

**REV. DON LONG:** You may be seated. This concludes our program. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, what a beautiful, tender and loving membership you are to stay here and to participate in three of the most valuable parts of our Grand Chapter session: the Humanitarian Program for the generousness of our charitable work, for ESTARL, for the ongoing service of the Word of Christ in the world, and to be so uplifted by one that received a scholarship long ago, Dr. Patty Lane. And now, Sisters and Brothers, I lovingly invite our beautiful Grand Chaplain to offer to us her memorial service entitled "The Rose Still Blooms."

Until one month ago we had no deaths in the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas. However, our Father God in His infinite wisdom and in His divine plan reached down and selected a beautiful sweet spirited rose for His Garden of Peace, and called our beloved Sister Marcella Curry to His side. We are now going to pause in celebration of Sister Marcella's new life that was so lived that its fragrance will continue in our hearts and minds forever, and to be remembered for those that we have lost throughout our General Grand Chapter, Grand Chapter and Subordinate Chapters. Sister Betty Warlick.

# *The Rose Still Blooms*



*A rose once grew where all could see,  
sheltered beside a garden wall,  
And, as the days passed swiftly by,  
it spread its branches, straight and tall . . .*

*One day, a beam of light shone through  
a crevice that had opened wide - -  
The rose bent gently toward its warmth  
then passed beyond to the other side . . .*

*Now, you who deeply feel its loss,  
be comforted--the rose blooms there--  
Its beauty even greater now,  
nurtured by God's own loving care.*



**“THE ROSE STILL BLOOMS”  
MEMORIAL SERVICE  
and  
GRAND CHAPLAIN’S REPORT**

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers, friends all:

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron, for this sweet honor and privilege of serving in your Grand Family as Grand Chaplain. This year has been most rewarding and I appreciate the honor you have bestowed upon Henderson Chapter 597 and Troup 421.

We welcome each of you to “The Rose Still Blooms” Memorial Service. It is fitting that we pause and pay a loving tribute to the memory of all our beloved members of the Order who have been called to that heavenly garden of peace since we last me. We do not wish this memorial service to foster a spirit of sadness, but rather a spirit of peace, that peace which passeth all understanding and that God would bless each one with cherished memories. Heartfelt sympathy is extended to all our Sisters and Brothers who have suffered the loss of loved ones and to the Chapters in which they served.

This year, as Grand Chaplain, has been dedicated to my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. I humbly asked my Heavenly Father to grant me the wisdom and guidance to perform my duties in a manner pleasing to Him and to bring honor to our beautiful Order. It is in a spirit of humbleness that I present the following partial report:

On October 30, 1995, it was my distinct honor to serve as Grand Chaplain in the constituting of Klein Chapter 1141. I attended both fraternal visits of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I was privileged to attend 24 schools of instruction, at least one in each district. I also attended six combined fraternal visits. As Grand Chaplain, I was pleased to present twelve programs to Chapters.

In our Subordinate Chapters, a total of 2,529 members have been called to their heavenly reward. Our hearts are saddened by their going, but our lives are enriched by the memories of those we have known and loved. Letters of sympathy were sent to the Chapters of deceased members that were known about. I humbly apologize for those not known to me.

During the year it has been my duty in the name of Grand Chapter to send sympathy cards to 95 Grand Jurisdictions and 95 personal letters of sympathy to each of the families. Sympathy cards and letters were sent for: 47 Past Grand Matrons; 41 Past Grand Patrons; 3 Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and 1 Past Most Worthy Grand Patron. 1 Grand Electa; 1 Past Grand Treasurer and 1 Associate Grand Patron.

May each one who has felt a loss of a friend or a loved one receive comfort from God above, and have that blessed assurance that one day we will be reunited in God’s garden, where the rose still blooms, and our loved ones wait to welcome us to our eternal home.

## IN LOVING TRIBUTE

This is a time of loving remembrance as our thoughts and prayers are turned to those who have passed beyond the realms of this life and are abiding in the greater joy and peace of their eternal home. Let it not be a time of sorrowing or sadness, for our Heavenly Father has promised "let not your hearts be troubled; ye believe in God, believe ye also in Me; I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am, there ye may be also." Although, we miss them more than words can say, we do not wish for their return from a place where eternal happiness and peace reigns supreme.

Sister Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, will light the candle of sweet remembrance and love.

Memories grow more precious still when loved ones have to part, and remain forever blooming in the garden of the heart.

Our beautiful memories are like the roses whose perfume still lingers when the blossoms are faded and gone. May your treasured memories give you comfort and keep the one you love very close to you. Their memory shall live on, like the fragrance of the rose, forever in our hearts.

## TRIBUTE TO OFFICERS OF GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

With grateful hearts, we humbly pause, to pay tribute to the memory of departed loved ones of General Grand Chapter during the past year. The beauty of the roses in their fullness of bloom is significant of the lives of those for whom we pay our love and respect.

Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas will light a candle in sweet remembrance of those who have lost loved ones.

God has promised us "that peace which passeth all understanding", remembering His precious promise of life eternal. "I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die". To the great numbers associated with the General Grand Chapter throughout our Eastern Star world, who have lost loved ones from the family circle, we send our love and our sincere sympathy.

## TRIBUTE TO THE MEMBERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Our Sister Grand Jurisdictions have known heartache and sorrow during the past year as members were called to that home not made of hands, eternal in the heavens. Although, they no longer live in our earthly garden of love, their memory will forever be in our hearts.

Doctor Effie Mae Davis, Chairman of Appeals and Grievance, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, will light the candle of love in sweet memory of these loved ones.

To each one who has suffered a sorrow, we extend to them, our sincere sympathy and trust that they may have that blessed assurance that their loved ones are now resting in the arms of our blessed Lord.

**TRIBUTE TO  
TEXAS GRAND CHAPTER  
IN SPECIAL DEDICATION**

*“Every year the Father calleth  
Some loved one to endless rest;  
And our hearts, though filled with anguish,  
Can only say, He knoweth best.”*

In the stillness of this hour, we pause to pay tribute to our own Texas Grand Chapter. Our hearts were saddened when, on September 29, 1996, God called our beautiful and courageous Past Grand Matron, Sister Marcella Curry to her eternal home. Her service to our Order will ever be a cherished memory filled with beautiful hours of personal contributions to all who were blessed with the privilege of knowing our beloved Past Grand Matron. “The Rose Still Bloom” Memorial is lovingly dedicated to the sweet memory of “our” Marcella.

To her beloved husband and family, we extend our sincere sympathy in the loss of one who spread joy and love wherever she went. One who was mild in manner, yet strong in conviction, soft spoken, yet firm in her beliefs. One who touched our lives in so many special ways. A beautiful friend and a dedicated member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Sister Sherrill Cain, Member Scottish Rite Language Disorder, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, will light the candle of peace in loving memory of our Past Grand Matron of Texas.

“Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me.” “Be though faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

**TRIBUTE TO  
MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS**

The Grand Jurisdiction of Texas has been saddened by the loss of many loyal and devoted members since we last met. In this sweet hour of remembrance, let us pause to pay a loving tribute to our Sisters and Brothers of Subordinate Chapters, who have been called to their eternal home of peace; even so, we hear the gentle voice saying, “I will not leave you comfortless”.

Sister Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Matron of Texas will light the candle of love in sweet remembrance of our loved ones.

They have walked the labyrinth of life with us and now they are at peace in God’s Garden of Eternity where the roses never fade.

(“Where the Roses Never Fade” sung by Juanita and Kenneth Gregory.)

## THE ROSE STILL BLOOMS MEMORIAL

No one hears the door that opens; when they pass beyond our call. Soft as the dropping petals of a rose, one by one, our loved ones fall; but the fragrance of a rose, God sends to linger with us, till our own life's door shall close.

Although there's very little now that we can do or say, may these few words of sympathy help comfort you today; and may you meet each day ahead with hope and courage, too, in knowing others understand and share your loss with you. Be still, and know I am God. Rather than mourn for them, we can rejoice that they are in the light of the cross and can hear our Heavenly Father say to them "well done thou good and faithful servants; enter into the joys of Thy Lord."

God, in His infinite plan, gave us the rose as His message of love, friendship and peace. With its beauty and perfection, we are reminded that every good and perfect gift is from God.

We are told of a beautiful and perfect rose that lived in a beautiful and perfect garden. This perfect rose received the best of care and was tendered with much love and affection from a loving caretaker. Life was wonderful. Material things were not needed, as it was grown in good soil, had plenty of water and sunshine . . . . one day the gardener moved away and the beautiful rose was left all alone. The rose was sad, but felt self-sufficient, being the most beautiful rose in all the world and thinking it needed no one to give it love or care.

The weeks grew into months and the neglected rose looked very sad. The weeds began to grow and there were brambles and grass everywhere. The once beautiful rose began to get scared as it was about to be covered and overgrown with the debris of a neglected garden. The once beautiful rose realized it needed care and love. It needed sunshine, water and yes, light to guide it. The rose, in great despair, lonely and afraid, called out to the one who provides the essentials to live. The rose listened as it heard a small gentle voice saying, "come unto Me all ye who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." Believe on Me and I will lift your spirit and help you to face the challenges of the day. I can give you sunshine on a stormy day and bring solace into your life. Fear not, for I am with you. I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believeest thou this? (John 11:25,26)

The little rose listened intently to the beautiful words of faith and encouragement and said, "I know my help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.

Does Jesus really care when my burden is so heavy? In my darkest hour, is there light for me?

Yea Lord, I believe. There is only one way to look when the day is dark, and that is forward, where the sun is shining behind the clouds. But Lord, I am so tired, weary and lonely, but yet I know, that a child of God has eternal life and is preserved in Christ Jesus. The Lord gently reminded the rose, "let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you,

and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come gain, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

God looked around His garden and He found an empty place. He then looked down upon this earth and saw the tired rose's face. He put His loving arms around the rose and lifted it to rest. God's Garden must be beautiful, He always takes the best. He knew the rose was suffering; He knew it was in pain. He knew it would never bloom on earth again. He knew that the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb. So He plucked the rose gently and whispered "Peace be thine. Come on Home."

A beam of light shone through a crevice that had opened wide . . . the rose bent gently toward its warmth, then passed beyond to the other side. Now, you who deeply feel its loss, be comforted . . . the rose blooms there, its beauty even greater now, nurtured by God's own loving care. It's hard to see tomorrow, when someone you love is gone. And it's harder still to realize, that your life will still go on. But the Lord won't give you burdens, which He knows you cannot bear, and He will not leave you comfortless . . . you'll always find Him there. We're all our Father's children, here on earth and up above. And your loved one now walks close to God, surrounded by His love.

There's an open gate at the end of the road, through which each must go alone. And there, in a light we cannot see, our Father claims His own . . . beyond the gate your loved one finds happiness and rest, and there is comfort in the thought, that a loving God knows best.

The rose was called to glory, adding a spot of beauty rare. A needed flower in the heavenly gardens, a rose that will bloom eternally, in greater beauty there. Amen.

Knowing that only God can unfold the beautiful rose, I lovingly invite the Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages to present "The Unfolding of a Peaceful Rose".

("The Rose Drill" presented by Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages accompanied by Miss Carrie Huber, Harpist. "God's Beautiful Garden of Peace" sung by Mrs. Rebecca Schaefer.)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Chaplain, you will now drape our Holy Altar.

(Benediction in song, "The Lord's Prayer," by Mrs. Sharon Harbison and "signed" by Mrs. Evelyn Reiffert.)

Sisters and Brothers, you have now witnessed this evening the very heart of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. I now lovingly invite Dr. Effie Mae Davis to voice our benediction after which we will close our Holy Bible.

**DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS:** Our Father God, for all Thy goodness and all Thy abundance of love that we have felt today, we give Thee thanks. We thank Thee as we walked together and talked together and worked together and sang together that Thy love was in the hearts of our Sisters and Brothers. We thank Thee now with overflowing hearts for Thy goodness and Thy love. Keep us now as we go to a place of rest and bring us back to walk and talk and work and love each other tomorrow. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible.

Sister Alma Carter, my friend and Associate Grand Matron, we wish for you now a happy evening of practice. Do you have any special announcements for your people?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I would only say that I would like to have everyone that possibly feels like it to stay for the practice. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You're welcome dear friend. And to our candidates, I believe that your room is now ready. I wish to invite my membership to leave the arena to the West and enter into the Cardinal Room and visit with those who will allow their names to be placed in nomination tomorrow morning at our Grand Chapter session, which will resume at 8 a.m.

And now an announcement with regard to our elections. We have designated Sections A, B and C in the West for our non-voting delegates tomorrow morning.

Sisters and Brothers, enjoy now the remaining portion of your evening. And may the peace of God guard your hearts and minds always in Christ Jesus. Farewell.

**“PEACE BRINGS QUIETNESS  
AND ASSURANCE”  
Saturday Morning Session  
October 26, 1996**

7:45 a.m. Musical Harmonies ..... Mrs. Marilyn Lee  
Grand Harmonizers/Music

8:00 a.m. Call to Order ..... Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green  
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Charles Morris  
Past Grand Patron

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** Remember, this is balloting day. All of those who are non-voting delegates are asked to sit in Sections A, B and C. If you are a non-voting delegate, please sit in A, B and C. The voting delegates must sit on the sides. Thank you very much.

Will the assembly please come to order. Truly this is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. We are going to ask those who are entering, please move quietly to your places so that we may proceed with this beautiful day. As we have come in this morning, we have enjoyed the music of Mrs. Marilyn Lee. Will you join with me in expressing our gratitude and appreciation to her. (Applause)

We have come to this important and exciting day in the history of the 114th Grand Chapter session, “Living in Peace and Harmony.” Soon the accomplishments of the dedicated servants of 1995-1996 will be but a cherished memory. By the gra-

ciousness of our Worthy Grand Matron, it is Brother Charles Morris' and my privilege to call this "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" session to order. Grand Marshal, you will invite and direct the Officers and Pages in their beautiful drill. They will be presenting this drill for the last time, a memory for them and for us. ("Peace and Harmony" drill presented.)

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** The Officers will enter and form their formation for the opening of this session.

Dear ones, because of your devoted service, we in the Grand Chapter of Texas have been challenged to live in peace and harmony. It is my privilege and delight to present our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Reverend Billy Combest. Please join with me in expressing our gratitude and appreciation for this beautiful drill of "Peace and Harmony." (Applause)

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron to the East. (Worthy Grand Patron presented sheaf of white mums by Associate Grand Conductress, and Worthy Grand Matron presented peace roses by Grand Conductress. Applause and standing ovation as they came to East.)

Sisters and Brothers, it gives me a great deal of honor and privilege to present our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Reverend Billy Combest. You will join with me in saluting them with Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.)

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I know from past experience what mixed emotions both of you have today. I am also keenly aware that some very important decisions must be made today and that there are those of our Sisters and Brothers whose lives will be forever changed as a result of decisions made here today. This morning a dedicated Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron are finishing a year of devoted service to us, the culmination of many years of dedicated service. We are aware that both of you give to God the glory for guiding you and to this membership who holds you in their thoughts and prayers. If I might share one personal memory with our Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Rosemary, you were elected as Associate Grand Conductress and began your service to this Grand Chapter during the year Brother Garland Rattan and I served in the East. It is only fitting that we share this last milestone in your service, this the last day of the session. I appreciate that you would permit me to accomplish one more task, that of presenting you your gavel which was presented to you and made for you by Brother James Wilson of Beckville Chapter No. 273.

Your journey began four years ago as you were elected in 1992. As Associate Grand Conductress of Texas, it was our joy to serve with you. Then you served with our precious Marcella Curry as the Grand Conductress. Again, it was her joy to serve with you. The next year as Associate Grand Matron with Wanda. Then there was one by your side by request. You offered the Grand Chapter of Texas a blessing when the Associate Grand Patron was Billy Combest. It is now time for your star to rise throughout this year and all through your travels. For calling to order this last session of peace, Worthy Grand Matron, I present to you your gavel.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Virginia Lynn Green, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron, for calling this session to order. The Grand Officers will now take their respective stations and prepare for the active duties of this Grand Chapter.

Sister Grand Warder.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will inform the Grand Sentinel that we're about to call this Grand Chapter from rest to labor and you are to direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to engage in the ceremony of calling this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" Grand Chapter Session from rest to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** There will be no interruptions, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Associate Grand Matron.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order and entitled to sit with us in this Grand Chapter Session.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of this Order and are entitled to sit in this Grand Chapter session. (The Grand Chapter was proved.) Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order and are entitled to sit in this Grand Chapter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will open our Holy Bible.

I wish now to lovingly invite our Sister Patricia Major Neinast, Past Grand Matron, to voice our petition for the presence of our Father God among us. Sister Patricia.

**MRS. PATRICIA MAJOR NEINAST:** Let us pray.

Our Father, we come in the name of Jesus Christ, to give Thee praise for this morning and for life itself.

We thank You for our Grand Chapter, the officers and the membership. May Thy richest blessings be given to Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy on this last day of their Administration. When their work is completed, may they have peace.

Bless our leaders of tomorrow – Sister Alma and Brother Richard. Along this road of life may they find priceless gems of service that will touch their hearts and the lives of many for good.

Holy Father, today is a very significant day in our Grand Chapter. It is the day following hours of business sessions and many social activities. It is the day we choose new leadership. To renew our strength let's each recall that God said; "Be still and Know that I am God." Lord Jesus, let us forget for a moment all our problems, sorrows and anxieties. And now may peace rule in our hearts. Amen.



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I now declare this "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" Session from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" Grand Chapter Session is called from rest to labor. Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Your Worthy Grand Matron wishes to deviate just slightly from the printed program this morning. It is necessary for the calmness of my heart and for the respect of my State, I believe that we have at least one Past Grand Matron present that has not been formally introduced at our altar. Are there other Past Grand Matrons or Past Grand Patrons of Texas that were not here on Thursday afternoon for their formal introduction? If they are, would they please stand?

Sister Mary Katharine, I know you're here. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present our Past Grand Matron of Texas at the altar.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with much pleasure that I introduce Sister Mary Katharine Smith, Past Grand Matron of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Mary Katharine, we are so pleased that you have been able to attend our Grand Chapter session. We understand that you were enroute to be here with us on Thursday and because of the very difficult storm, you were unable to be with us. This Worthy Grand Matron wanted you remembered and recognized as you are very loved. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Past Grand Matron to the East. (Applause and standing ovation.) Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to introduce to you this Past Grand Matron of Texas. You will join me in saluting her with Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.) Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, she will remain in the East.

Sisters and Brothers, we have much to do today, but with the spirit of cooperation and peace that you exemplified yesterday, I have no doubt that we will complete our duties in a timely fashion, and hopefully I can sound the gavel of closing this session just shortly in the area of three o'clock, because I do intend to have Sister Alma Carter installed!

Worthy Grand Patron, it is now my privilege to invite you again to calm our hearts and minds in providing our morning devotional.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Each one of you lift up your hearts to Him who can calm our hearts, just as He calmed the angry sea. We pause at this time to let Him do his miraculous work in us. I've said often – and as a matter of fact as recently as yesterday – it's not the person speaking or the words that he says that causes a time to become worshipful – to the one that needs the worship, but it's the hearts of everyone that is participating, and you are participating by your presence today.

This year I've often been reminded of a prayer that we had when we started this way. It says, O Lord, help me for the sea is so big and my boat is so small. Yes, it's our prayer today. Our Grand Chapter sea is so large, and we that are trying to be of service so small that we depend upon You. I was reminded of an illustration that

would be understood by most people here in our different fraternities, the difference of light and darkness. This is a lesson taught in many of our Appendant Bodies and the Masonic Lodge, the difference of light and darkness: being knowledge and ignorance, being sin and goodness. When do we know that we're in that place where we're in the light of God and where we can expect Him to bless us?

It reminds me of the story of this wise teacher that taught his pupils. He says, "When can we tell that it is no longer night and has become day so that we're in the light?" One of them thought seriously on this question and he says, "Well, Master, it's when we can look on yonder hill and we can see some animals and we can know if it's a sheep or a sheep dog." He said, "No, that's not when it is." And he says, "Well, I know" – another one spoke up. "Master, it's when we can look over on the other hill and we can see a tree and we can tell if it's a fig tree or a pear tree." He says, "No, that's not when you know you're in the true light." And they thought a while and they said, "Master, when is it that we know that we're no longer in darkness and the night has ended and we're in the light of day?" And he says, "Simply look at your sister and brother next to you. If you can truly see that it is your sister and your brother, then you are in God's light. You're in the light of day. You're no longer in darkness."

That's what we need to take into our heart now. As each one of you can look next to you, you can realize it is your sister or your brother there, and you love one another as God has commanded us.

Dear Heavenly Father, we ask You to take this short time that we pause to pay worship to You, take the words of Your inadequate servant, cover them with enough love that they can see what was intended at this place. We leave it now in Your holy hands, knowing that You are in charge of even this meeting today. We ask all this in the name and in the power of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** One of the sweetest joys of a Worthy Grand Matron as she travels over the great State of Texas is to recognize and find beautiful young people who are the future of our fraternity. Throughout this entire session, you have been richly blessed, the same as the Worthy Grand Matron, with some of the most wonderful, talented, young people to provide our music. Such is the case again this morning. This is Sister Georgeann McClean. She is going to do a special request of the Worthy Grand Matron, "The Shepherd of My Heart". Sister Georgeann McClean is Grand Charity of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and my Sister in Pearland No. 1065. Georgeann, I love you and I'm awaiting your beautiful gift. (Musical tribute by Ms. Georgeann McClean.) Membership of Texas, the Order is in good hands for the future.

Now then, Sisters and Brothers, there are still several reports, and it is just ten till nine. We're going to try to take care of a little bit more business this morning before we move into our elections. At this time I wish to invite lovingly those who have served so diligently this year on the Grand Chapter Committee of Grievance and Appeals. Sister Lallah Mae Vollus is Chairman. She will introduce to you her members and present to you her report for the year 1995-96. Sister Lallah Mae Vollus.

While we're waiting, I might mention to you, those of you that are studying with us at this Grand Chapter session, you will find in our Code of Laws, Article 152f, pages 106 and 107, the duties of this extremely responsible Committee. I feel we're most fortunate this year to have such dedicated members serving on this Committee. They are prepared to give their report.

I'm sorry, I was notified the Grievance & Appeals Committee was ready, but they are not. Is our International Temple chairman ready on stage this morning? Sister Ruth Jameson, I invite you to the East to present your report. Now, Sisters and Brothers, we wish to move our Grand Chapter session today in an orderly fashion, keeping our reports going, keeping our election going for you the membership so that you can rest a little this afternoon. We want everything to go smoothly. Sister Ruth Jameson, if you will please come now to present your report.

## **REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE FUND COMMITTEE**

**MRS. RUTH LOWE JAMESON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

This year of service to the International Temple and contact with the Chapters and members has been most pleasant and rewarding. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as Chairman of the International Temple Committee.

In the year of 1919, at the General Grand Chapter Session held in Seattle, Washington, it was voted to erect an International Temple for the Order of the Eastern Star. Today the Temple is a reality. The plan remains that each member be given the opportunity to contribute one dollar (\$1.00) in their lifetime to this fund.

The fund is for the preservation and maintenance of the beautiful Temple, located in Washington, D.C., the Capital of the United States. The Temple is a symbol of our Eastern Star heritage, spreading its rays of beauty, light and love to all Eastern Stars around the world, inviting them to come see this dream that became a reality. It is a monument of our high ideals and purposes, passed on to us by the Founder of our beautiful Order, Brother Rob Morris. As the soft rays of the Star within a Pentagon within a Circle, which lights the International Temple Building, sends a glow through the darkness of night toward all mankind, so our Grand Chapter of Texas sends a glow through the hearts of those privileged to be members of our Order.

The slide presentation of the grand architecture and priceless international furnishings is a series of 71 slides. I shared this presentation with a number of Chapters and encourage other Chapters to request the slide show as an inspiring program.

I am pleased to report that 159 Chapters responded with a total of nine-hundred and forty-two dollars (\$942.00). I delivered this money to the office of the Grand Secretary. She and the other staff in the office were very helpful to me all year. My deepest gratitude and love is extended to these Sisters.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Fraternally submitted,  
Ruth Lowe Jameson, Chairman  
International Temple Committee

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second to adopt the report of the International Temple Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Ruth.

Now I lovingly invite Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, Chairman, Grievance & Appeals Committee.

## REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE & APPEALS COMMITTEE

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Good morning to you all. The thirsty earth has been watered, as we all are aware, but this is a new day. This is the day the Lord hath made, so let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Texas, it is my distinct pleasure and privilege to present to you two distinguished members and servants of the Grand Chapter of Texas whom I am honored to call "friends", and who have served with me on this important Committee of the Grand Chapter of Texas: Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast, Past Grand Matron, and Mr. Murray Watson, Past Grand Patron.

When members of the Grand Chapter are asked to serve on this Committee and accept the appointment, they are aware that they will be facing problems. They also recognize that their action should be based on law and not on personal opinions. It is in that spirit that we, as a Committee, entered into our labors and have prayerfully faced the problems that have come before us.

To present the first report of our Committee, I present Sister Patricia Neinast.

**MRS. PATRICIA MAJOR NEINAST:** Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. At the last session of Grand Chapter, the membership accepted the recommendation of the Grievance & Appeals Committee that Bluebell Chapter No. 856 be placed on probation and be monitored regularly during the year. This decision followed problems within the Chapter that caused the lifting of the Charter. The monitoring procedure has been followed. The report from those monitoring the Chapter is that they are in excellent condition with sizeable finances and that perfect harmony exists between the Chapter and the Masonic Lodge where they meet. Exemplary relationship exists among the membership. Our Committee recommends that the probation directive be lifted and that the Chapter be admonished to labor towards those goals for which we are organized. Worthy Grand Matron, we move the adoption of this portion of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Patricia. I believe we will work on adopting each portion and then the report as a whole. You have heard it moved and seconded that we adopt this first portion of the Grievance & Appeals Committee. All of those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. This portion of the Grievance & Appeals Committee report is adopted.

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** As will be reflected in the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, a trial was held in Rusk Chapter #79, with the vote of the Chapter against two of its members . . . LATER, grievances were filed against 2 members of Rusk Chapter and the Worthy Grand Matron. Mr. Murray Watson will

bring the report on these matters.

**MR. MURRAY WATSON:** Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae.

There are two matters that have been brought to the attention of the Grievances and Appeal Committee relating to circumstances and events that have happened at Rusk Chapter No. 79 in Cherokee County, Texas. These are as follows:

1. A grievance was filed by certain individuals, L.D. Mize and his wife, Peggy Mize, against the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Rusk Chapter, Patsy Kinchen and E. L. DeFoor.

2. An appeal by the said L.D. Mize and Peggy Mize from a trial which resulted in their expulsion from the Order.

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals has the responsibility of reviewing the record that is presented to it by the Grand Chapter and to rule thereon by the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter.

We are not a fact-finding committee nor are we a trial de novo body with the authority to hold a second trial. Our responsibility is to review the record.

There has been much hearsay and comments outside the record which we neither considered nor ruled upon as to their authenticity.

Based upon the record and files it is the recommendation of this Committee:

1. That the grievance filed is a grievance that is personal in nature and does not pertain to the affairs of this Grand Chapter. Therefore, no action is recommended.

2. The appeal record as presented indicates that the rules of this Grand Chapter have been followed and that no deviation has been granted nor special exception made for or against anyone. Therefore, it is the recommendation of this Committee that the appeal is without merit, and no action is recommended.

As a supplemental report to these two recommendations your Committee has learned of events that we believe the membership of this Grand Chapter is entitled to know that there are other events which have happened outside the control of this Grand Chapter or its membership as a whole. This information relates to the fact that the matter has been filed in the courts of Cherokee County and that criminal charges have been filed and that certain parties are awaiting trial on those charges.

We do not comment on the validity of the charges nor do we support the charges. We feel that the membership is entitled to know that this event has happened. The charges in the courts are outside and the control and jurisdiction of the membership of this Grand Chapter. We will have to await the outcome of the courts of Cherokee County.

This ancillary information has been brought to this Committee by the mother of L.D. Mize, Mrs. Lona Bradley, and we appreciate her taking the time to bring this to our attention but this matter is outside of our control and jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this portion of our report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the

second report of the Grievance and Appeals Committee. There has been a motion and a second to adopt this portion of the Grievance and Appeals Committee report. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting this portion of the Grievance & Appeals Committee please raise your voting card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Now, Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the entire report of the Grievance and Appeals Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The motion has been made and seconded that we now adopt the entire Grievance & Appeals Committee report as a whole. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting the entire report of the Grievance and Appeals Committee, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Would my Grievance and Appeals Committee please come forward.

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Worthy Grand Matron, this Committee wishes to express to you – I suppose – our appreciation for the opportunity of serving this Grand Chapter. But as all Committees and all individuals who serve on this Committee, it is not a pleasant place in which to serve. We have served you, my Sisters and Brothers, earnestly and to the best of our ability, seeking constantly the guidance of our Heavenly Father. I would express to Pat and to Murray deep and grateful appreciation for their service and assure this Grand Chapter that each recommendation has been with the word and support of the entire Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae. I wish to have a picture of this fine devoted Committee.

We're going to move right along now. Museum Committee, would you please come forward, Sister Wanda O'Kelly and your Committee members.

## REPORT OF THE MUSEUM COMMITTEE

**MRS. WANDA O'KELLY:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members and my Sisters and Brothers:

It is my privilege to present this year's report. First I'd like to present the members of the committee – Mrs. Helen Erskine, Mrs. Gladys Woolsey, Mrs. Frankie Head, Mrs. Magdalen Cardwell and Mrs. Bobbie Chamberlin. It has been our pleasure to serve this year in caring for our Eastern Star Museum.

The Committee had the Museum open for the Spring Family Reunion on Friday and Saturday. We were delighted to have one hundred twenty-five members visit us and sign the register. Some members failed to sign even when asked. All visitors were able to see our Jr. Past Grand Matron's Dress as they came down the hall to the Museum. A new mannequin donated by Trey Smith and Lisa Shriver made this display more enjoyable. Thank you Trey and Lisa for this addition to our Museum. We were fortunate to have four members of the Committee present for the Spring Family Reunion. These members decided at that time to contribute tulle dress covers for the Past Grand Matrons dresses so these lovely reminders of special moments in our O.E.S. History will be preserved longer.

Founders Day weekend the Committee opened the Museum on Saturday.

Friday of that weekend was devoted to taking inventory. Four members of the Committee were present for this undertaking. We were so pleased to have one hundred seventy of our members come in to look at all the memorabilia stored in our Museum. As a result of questions asked us about dresses of Past Grand Matrons not in the museum, the Committee decided a letter should be written to these Past Grand Matrons. Past Grand Matron Joyce Roberts very Graciously sent her dress and it will be a lovely addition to the museum. Past Grand Matron Lallah Mae Vollus wrote a most gracious and informative letter as to why her dress was not in the museum. It is my hope that this letter will be framed and placed in the Museum so all will understand.

Mrs. Bobbe Chamberlin brought a quilt donated by her Chapter, Radiant San Antonio Chapter #3, which has been hung in our museum. It is a beautiful Star Quilt that is a special design and was hand quilted.

The three years on this Committee have been an education in the history of our Order. I have enjoyed every moment I have spent working in the Museum and with the ladies I have served with. I would like to express my thanks to this Committee for a Job well done. We have contributed 33 areas covers this year. There are still some dresses without covers. Hopefully the new Committee will be able to finish this task.

This Committee appointment has been special to me for many reasons. Because of my love of history, the O.E.S. Home and the fact that Eastern Star has been a part of my world most of my life, I am grateful to have been given this opportunity to serve at a task that has been such a joy.

Respectively submitted  
Wanda O'Kelly, Chairman 1995-1996

I move that we adopt this report, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Museum Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting this report, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Museum Committee.

I want to make a couple of announcements and I'm going to be ready for the Titles, Deeds & Properties. Those who will allow their names to be placed in nomination have been asked to be in the East by ten o'clock with those that would nominate them.

Sister Jerre Lucas, I recognize your Committee.

## REPORT OF THE TITLES, DEEDS & PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

**MRS. JERRE LUCAS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I am pleased to present the following members. From District 1, Sister Jo D. Dibrell; District 2,

Sister Norma Brown. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of Grand Chapter all:

The report from the Titles, Deeds & Properties Committee for 1995-1996 year is basically no report.

We would recommend a property inventory be established, followed by a checklist for property taxes, school, city and county taxes for each piece of property Grand Chapter owns. Taxing entities are not required to "track down" taxpayers for property taxes. Taxes are levied yearly. This Committee could alleviate problems in this area as well as do a lot of the "legwork" for our attorneys.

This Committee has the ability to save Grand Chapter many thousands of dollars yearly; however, it has not been utilized.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerre S. Lucas, Chairman

Thank you, Sister Jane Gregory, for this very special appointment; and thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for your every courtesy. I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Jerre Lucas. Sisters and Brothers, it has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Titles, Deed & Properties Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I now wish to recognize Sister Sheryl Koltermann and her Committee for the Development & Marketing report. I'm looking forward to hearing this very fine report from this Committee.

## **REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT & MARKETING COMMITTEE**

**MRS. SHERYL KOLTERMANN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

This year as chairman of the Development Committee, working with Barbara Grosvenor, Linda Stein, Gerry Issacs and Nancy Sims has been very productive.

The work of our Committee was limited to planning until the 1994-95 Grand Chapter Session. Then the Grand Chapter Membership made a commitment to the future of the Eastern Star Home and released funds to begin repairs.

This year we have researched and identified funding sources that make contributions to organizations under either Tax Code 501C(3) or 501-C(83). Thirty-one such organizations have been approached by letter. We have received replies from several stating that we do not meet the criteria under which they grant funds. Others have indicated that no funds are available at this time but we should feel free to contact them again in the future. Basic information questionnaires have been completed for two and hopefully a grant application will be forthcoming. No grant proposals have been submitted through the Board of Grand Trustees to date. The



grooming of potential grantors is an ongoing process and no doubt will provide some of our needed funding in the future.

Matching fund gifts have been received by the Grand Secretary's Office. We continue to encourage those members who work for organizations that have this program to apply for matching funds when they make a gift to our Order.

In developing new fund raising strategies we have found that it is helpful to work with the Grand Line Officers at least two years in advance of their serving as Worthy Grand Matron and hope to continue to do so. This will establish a team effort and maintain a united approach.

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Development and Marketing Committee for the past three years.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sheryl F. Koltermann

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Development & Marketing Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you.

I need Sister Melynda Geisenschlag, please, for her Final Credentials report. While we are waiting on Sister Melynda, I would like to go ahead and have the adoption of our reports. Is Brother Robert Parke in the East? Brother Robert, I invite you to come. What a wonderful report, Brother Robert. I believe we're very close to \$110,000 in our Humanitarian this year, aren't we, sir?

**MR. ROBERT PARKE:** Yes, we are, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Isn't that wonderful!

**MR. ROBERT PARKE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Humanitarian report which was read at the evening session last night.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept the report of the Humanitarian Committee as it was presented last evening. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of accepting that report, show your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Robert.

I believe we have Reverend Don Long for the ESTARL report. And I'm looking forward to the report of how well we did last evening. Brother Don, that was a magnificent ceremony, and I know that everybody was richly blessed by hearing Dr. Patty Lane.

**REV. DON LONG:** Thank you, ma'am. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bob Walker, my long and dear friend, and members of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star: Your ESTARL Committee sought to carry out to the best of its ability Article 152h of the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter of Texas. The ESTARL Committee for the 1995-96 Grand Chapter year met in Arlington, Texas, in the Grand Secretary's office on August 2nd, 1996, to review all the applicants and

to award the scholarships for the 1996-97 academic year. The report from that occasion is as follows: Applications completed - 89, applications incomplete - 31 for a total of 120. Awards issued as of August 2nd, 1996: 58. The total monies available on August 2nd, 1996 was some \$27,350. The ESTARL Committee responded to all requests for awards with explanations to applications and sponsoring Chapters according to Article 152h, subsection 2.

The ESTARL Committee of 1995-96, Grand Chapter of Texas year, planned the "Touch Through Me" ESTARL program at the annual Grand Chapter Session on Friday evening, October 25th, 1996, in Beaumont, Texas. The speaker for the program was Dr. Patty Lane, Associate for Program Development for the Presbyterian Church, USA, in Louisville, Kentucky, and a former ESTARL recipient.

Worthy Grand Matron, this is a supplementary report. The ESTARL Committee did conduct the "Touch Through Me" ESTARL program on Friday evening, October 25th, 1996, at the 114th annual session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, in Beaumont, Texas. There was in attendance three ESTARL award recipients: Rusty Dollar - if that boy doesn't make a full-time evangelist, I don't know what will. With a name like that, he ought to do all right - Mitch Wilson and Kevin Trinkle. There was a free will offering taken. Listen up, everybody. And you gave \$3,303. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Isn't that wonderful!

**REV. DON LONG:** And, Worthy Grand Matron, let me say this, that this was from the membership and also visitors because we had some checks come in that were from people who were not members of the Order of the Eastern Star, so I wanted you to know that. In my report it will have what was received from members and visitors present. We respectfully submit this report, your ESTARL Committee for 1995-96: Don R. Long, Chairman; Opal Martin, District 1; Leah Hayes, District 2; Mary Nell Ramsey, District 3; Viola Lee, District 4; and Robyn Merchant from District 5. I move ma'am, that this report be accepted as given.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the final report of the ESTARL Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting the ESTARL Committee, please show your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, ESTARL Committee. Fraternal Correspondent, I recognize Sister Nita Bolster.

**MRS. NITA BOLSTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Fraternal Correspondent's report which was presented yesterday afternoon.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Fraternal Correspondent as was presented yesterday afternoon in the Friday afternoon session. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting the Fraternal Correspondent's report, raise your voting card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. I recognize Sister Betty Warlick, our Grand Chaplain.

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move that we adopt the Grand Chaplain report and the memorial service, "The Rose Still Blooms," as presented last night.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Grand Chaplain as presented last evening. Any discussion? All those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Sister Betty, come stand by my side. Last evening was a completion of your Worthy Grand

Matron's dream of a beautiful rose designed by God unfolding to its fullest. Sisters and Brothers, last evening the rose of design of the life of Cynthia May Watts unfolded. We say good-bye to a dear, gentle friend, but she stayed with me for my final walk in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers as her funeral will be Monday, and she was my Past Grand Matron and we used her gavel on Thursday to call this session to order. She stayed with me that long. Thank you, Grand Chaplain.

I'll go ahead and announce for you, please, that any of our 50- year members that are present in the room, we wish for you to go to the West so that we can make preparations for presenting our 50-year members this morning.

It's a quarter of ten, Sister Alma. We're going to start getting ready. I want to ask you: How late did you stay up last night, Sister Alma?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Well, Worthy Grand Matron, I stayed up a little later than I had intended, but my family got in last night.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, I guess, Sister Alma, that's a priority.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Yes. Three of them are here this morning. The other one isn't a member, but three of them are here this morning.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. Well, did your practice go well last night, Sister Alma?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Very well indeed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, you know, usually a dry run doesn't go real good. So if it went real well last night, then we shouldn't have a bit of problems today. What do you think, Sister Alma?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Well, I had a few sergeants that did very well last evening, so we got out of here.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, if you need any of my Peace Patrol to take care of anything at this Grand Chapter, you just feel free to report to the Worthy Grand Matron.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** I see they're pretty well armed, so I may have to use them.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** What I want you to do for me is to stay calm because we're getting ready to nominate you very quickly.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** I'm ready.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I want to mention to you one last time about our exhibits. They've gone very well. If there's any time that you want to take for just a minute or so, you will be privileged to go and take a look before they close up today.

We are going to take care of our Final Credentials report in just a moment, because I want to get started with our elections, and then we will continue with our reports. But I do want to also say that we will be giving reports throughout the day. We would wish that the General Chairman and the District Chairmen, please be ready if you wish to give a report. Also, I'd like to announce to you that if for any

reason, you would wish to just turn your report in to the Grand Secretary's station, you may do so. But please notify the Worthy Grand Matron that you would rather not give an oral report. Otherwise, I know that you would wish to give your oral report.

To begin our preliminaries today, I'm going to go ahead and do a thing or two to keep us moving, because you've been so wonderful and we want to continue this in a timely fashion. We are having just a slight delay in the Credentials, and we are going to wait on them, but we're going to continue with some other business. I have appointed Sister Lallah Mae Vollus as the Election Judge for this Grand Chapter. I appreciate Sister Lallah Mae Vollus' support throughout the year in all positions where she has been needed. She is a trusted friend of the Grand Chapter of Texas. She is known, loved, respected and revered by this membership. I wish now to lovingly invite her to come and stand by my side as we begin the processes of our election. And also I want to say again to my Arrangements Committee: You know, Sisters and Brothers, we had not had a Grand Chapter in Beaumont in 88 years. Therefore, there was a lot we had to learn. But we have worked together in peace and harmony. We have put our membership first and their needs and feelings, and I hope that we have met your every need. (Applause) Thank you. If we have not been able to do so, please help us by making notes of things that could be made better in the future at our coming Grand Chapters so that our Grand Line Officers will know things that you may need.

I want you to take a look at your Grand Chapter floor. To the left, on the south side, are four tables. They have numbers on them: 1, 2, 3 and 4. On the north side you will see four tables with the numbers -beginning in the West - 5, 6, 7 and 8. I'm going to invite lovingly the following Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to serve as judges for these respective tables. I have done so prayerfully. If, for some reason, you feel physically unable to do this today, if you would notify me immediately before I continue to assign assistants to those tables. For table number 1, I wish to invite Sister Lena Maye Cook as the table judge; table number 2, Sister Rennie Ofton; table number 3, Sister Doris Efird; table number 4, Sister Patricia Major Neinast; table number 5, Sister Betty Phillips Hager; table number 6, Sister Elsie Paladino; table number 7, Sister Joyce Roberts; table number 8, Brother Harry Cunningham. Are there any of these dear ones that cannot physically serve as the table judge? I thank you, dear ones. I chose you from my heart. It looks like each one of them will accept their responsibilities, and I'd like for you to please note that I have Brother Harry Cunningham on table number 8 so that I can personally keep an eye on him. (Laughter)

Now then, I wish to lovingly invite the following Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to assist the table judges as follows - and could you please let me know if for any reason you would wish not to serve in this capacity. It has been my joy to select each one of you. At table number 1, I wish for Brother Ralph Davis and Sister Mary Brown to assist. At table number 2, I wish for Sister Virginia Lynn Green and Wanda Fairchild to assist. At table number 3, I wish for Sister Jane Gregory and Sister Jean Nesbitt to assist. At table number 4, I wish for Brother Garland Rattan and Dr. Effie Mae Davis to assist. At table number 5, I wish for Dr. O. D. Christian and Sister Nancy Bailey Allen to assist. At table number 6, I wish for Sister Sherrill Cain and Sister Lois Bell to assist. At table number 7, I wish for Sister Elise Hammack and Sister Beulah Speer to assist. At table number 8, I wish to have Brother Murray Watson and Brother Joe Jeffers to assist. Now what I have here on table number 8 could be a potential disaster! However, with Sister Lallah Mae's care and direction, we're going to be all right.

Now then, I know that there have been those Past Grand Matrons and Past

Grand Patrons whose names have not been called. That does not mean that I do not wish your services to either assist or relieve any of these other special ones if they wish to get up and rest a little bit. This is helping us out. You are each loved, respected and appreciated. Thank you today for the service you'll render.

It's now my joy to reach out among my membership and call the tellers for this Grand Chapter session. I respectfully request that you assume your positions quickly and quietly. I have arranged for there to be plenty of alternates so that no one is required to sit for long periods without some type of rest and refreshments. I understand that we do have food concession booths open today so that you need not go without nourishment. I would rather you not be too tired. Therefore, I have plenty that will assist me. All right. I'm now ready to appoint the tellers for each of the tables.

At table number 1 – as your name is called, please go quickly and quietly – Ruby Jo Grant, Patricia Arnold, Marie Sutton, Rhonda Beamesderfer, Lemma Clark, Cindy Osborne, June Potts, Sammie Faye Baker, Jean Mitts, Roberta Russell, Agnes Smith, Jerry Trees, LaVonne Hinkson, Margaret Clary, Hazel Nesmith, Paul Allen, Katie Pickens, Marie Casey, Daphne Essl and Susie Broughton. That is the first 20 names. We will check again quickly.

Table number 2. Joyce Gilbert, Mildred Wommack, Toinette Kidd, Mary Rogers, Lisa Clark, Pat Grant, Catherine Lewis, Sheryl Wylie, June Carter, Billie Branch, Mary Kittoe, Pattie Hicks, Anita Durden, Dorothy Harvey, Joyce Tallant, Zora Peddicord, Sally Valentine, Terri Reynolds, Barbara Roundtree, Edna Jeffries. That completes the first 20 names.

Table number 3. Carolyn Bell, Johnnie Weldert, Wanda Smoak, Adelle Isaacs, Karen Kennedy, Audrey Cox, Leatha Adams, Geneva Jernigan, Dee Reynolds, Kay Ballentine, Opal Farley, Lucille Dameron, Beth Hart, Alice Collyer, Carol Patton, Virginia Crawford, Frankie Glaze, Eunice Buckner, Lisa Johnson and Rosemary Franklin. I would stop here and say that I notice a couple of these names are also my Grand Pages. If you wish to stay put, I do have plenty of alternates. I will check in a moment.

Table number 4. Charlotte Beall, Tonya Meadows, Lou Mohon, Kathryn Cox, Helen Marsh, Claudia Webb, Mary L. Clements, Jean Crawford, Lillian Parker, Doris Fincher, Betty Jones, Irene Coulter, Lill Kophman, Patsy Schmidt, Rama Butler, Nada Crouch, Bea French, Jean Shipley, Frances Priester, Ann Phillips. That completes the first 20 names.

Table number 5. Betty Shepherd, Judith Cook Fowler, Evelyn Homesley, Charlene Green, Frances Watts, Evelyn Rucker, Deborah Hand, Ann Blanks, Margaret Wommack, Eileen Torrence, Pamela Watson, Dorothy Pearle, Thelma Moore, Edna Parks, Betty Townsen, Gayle Seal, Barbara Ann Smith, Louise Pierce, Marcia Roberts and Elaine Schultz. This completes the first 20 names.

Table number 6. Janette Fisher, Christolene Dickson, Nona Gibson, Fae Boutotte, Brita Northcutt, Ladois West, Judy Thayer, Christina Melton, Beverly Ann Gordon, Tally McAferty, Fay Pfeffer, Geneva Cook, June Story, Bonnie Mathison, Addie Climer, Glenda Kerr, Juanita Peterson, Kathey Crews, Mary Wolfe, and Elaine Abston. This completes the first 20 names.

Table number 7. Ethelene Henry, Christeen Ledbetter, Gail Gay, Jeanne May, Evelyn Tolbert, Margaret Chaney, Roberta Eisenhower, Dorothy Avery, Joyce Tallant, Alice Moore, Judy Burchard, Jo Ann Sanders, Heloise Long, Janice Corley, Margaret

Berry, Lorraine Nix, Jack Day, Frances Key, Ara L. Nelson and Gene Lowe. This completes the first 20 names.

Table number 8. Charlotte Stevens, Carolyn Rutledge, Jane Mohon, Antoinette Crawford, Betty Sidebottom, Milton Branch, Velta Tischhauser, Alana Benson, Mary Gibbs, Peggy Black, Linda Harmon, Beth Allen, Tava Smith, Janet Tippett, Anna Jacobs, Dolly Evans, Deanna Reed, June Bates, LaVonna Owen and Charlotte Soape.

I have now called the first 20 to be at each table on the tellers, and in a moment we'll check with our judges. We're going to have now the final report of our Credentials Committee. Sister Melynda Geisenschlag, you have been a faithful friend; you are a talented young lady and very capable. I know that you have had a super Committee that has assisted you. Please offer us your final report.

## REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

**MRS. MELYNDA GEISENSCHLAG:** Worthy Grand Matron, may I present these members of the Credentials Committee:

Sister Marijo King, District One  
Sister Margie Daniel, District Two  
Brother Walter E. "Trey" Smith, III, District Three  
Sisters Laura Loucille Holden, Joyce E. Huey, and  
Gwen Huskey, District Four, and  
Sister Mary Jo Rosamond, District Five

To the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, it is with pleasure that we present the following report:

Total Number of Chapters Represented	480
Total Number of Voting Delegates Registered	2,780

Delegates divided as follows:

Number of One-Vote Ballots issued	2,276	=	2,276
Number of Two-Vote Ballots issued	408	=	812
Number of Three-Vote Ballots issued	98	=	294

<b>Total Ballots Issued</b>	<b>2,780</b>
<b>Total Number of Eligible Votes Issued</b>	<b>3,382</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Melynda Geisenschlag  
Credentials Committee Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this final report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the final report of your wonderful Credentials Committee for 1995-96. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of adopting this report, show your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. What a wonderful job! I recognized this Committee in here on Monday when going to work.

I now lovingly invite Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, our Election Judge, to give you her preliminary greetings at this time. Sister Lallah Mae.

**MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

Each year we bring these same instructions. I know that most of us think that it is unnecessary to repeat them, but we must remember that there are some, each year, who have never been to a Grand Chapter. Then too, we all need to be reminded of a few directions again and again.

All of the information that I shall give is within our constitution. The election shall begin at 10 a.m. Our law states that there are two ways to arrive at an election.

First: By acclamation which means "by voice". This manner is used if there is but one nominee.

Second: By ballot. This is the manner used if there is more than one nominee. Each of your ballots has sections that are numbered. The presiding officer will announce which numbered ballot will be used in that election. I caution you not to write your choice until you are told which number to use.

A majority vote is required for an election. This means at least one more vote than half of the number cast.

If there are three or more nominees and no one receives a majority on the first ballot, the person receiving the lowest number of votes is dropped and we proceed to take a second vote. Should there be two receiving the same number of votes, both are dropped, provided at least two names are left should there not be two names remaining, all names will remain for the next vote.

Pages and others who are collecting ballots, please listen to these instructions. No person can cast **more** than one vote. In other words, you cannot leave the room and leave your ballot with someone else to cast.

There will be no votes cast outside of the Chapter Room and no one can enter or leave during the casting of a ballot. We are aware that it is necessary at times for a person to leave the Grand Chapter Room for a moment. You may do so during the counting of a ballot. Beside your registration card and dues card, take your ballot with you. You will need **all three** to return to the room. Both the Sentinels and Warders will ask for them. Assisting Sentinels will step inside the room to cast their votes and then return to their stations.

Pages will pick up their boxes when directed to do so. The boxes will **not** leave your hands. We are aware that the steps are steep and the rows close together. I am asking the membership to assist the Pages to pass down the row. It may be necessary for you to stand.

When the presiding officer declares the ballot open, Pages will begin the collection of votes. They will be told to which table to take their ballots when she/he has ascertained that all have voted, the ballot will be declared closed and no further votes can be deposited.

Membership in order to expedite the voting and to assure no errors, I am requesting those who will be serving as "tellers" to please list on your sheets, the

names of the nominees as they are listed on the boards.

The boards are prepared to assist you in spelling the names of the nominees. I feel sure that most of you know for whom you are going to vote and how to spell the name. We will however, attempt to have the boards turned so that you can all see them.

I am asking that only the Table Judges of the table that is being counted come to the adding machines. With the noise of business that will be in progress and too many standing around the machines, it is very difficult for the operators to hear. Both machines must tally with their figures. There will be one judge reading from the sheets and two watching as she or he calls the numbers and names. I will be watching the operators to be sure that they enter the number called.

Referring to the Code of Laws, persons making a nomination will come to one of the mikes . . . they are in the North, South and West . . . identify themselves by giving their name and chapter and proceed to make the nomination giving the name, chapter and office for which they are being nominated.

Table judges will execute the sheet with names of the tellers. This is for the Proceedings. You will also instruct them to first divide the ballots into groups of one . . . two . . . and three votes . . . then each stack into groups of the person whose name appears on the ballot. Be sure that they understand that if there are 10 two votes, that will count as 20 votes . . . if there are 10 "Three Votes", that will count as 30 votes.

FINALLY, I wish to express appreciation for the splendid assistance given by the Arrangements Committee in furnishing all of the needs necessary for the election. If we will work together, we will expedite the election and have the auditorium available to the Associate Grand Matron for preparation for the installation.

Are there any questions? If none, Worthy Grand Matron, I suggest that you direct the Pages to obtain their boxes and return to their directed posts.

This final statement. The constitution states that when an election has been declared, it is the duty of the election officer to destroy the ballots. I will attend to this.

I wore my hiking shoes today, so I'll be hiking all around the auditorium, Worthy Grand Matron. If you need information, I hope that I'll be able to furnish it to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae Vollus. I want to take just a moment before we continue forward. She's going to be going down on the floor and checking some things. I want to see how many we need at the tables so that I can continue to appoint tellers so we will have full tables.

Sister Lena Maye Cook, how many do you need at table number 1? You need three. All right. Sister Fern Sandlin, Sister Iva Holman and Sister Katherine Keenan. At table number 2, Sister Rennie, how many do you need? None. Great! Thank you. Table number 3, how many do you need? You need six, Sister Doris. All right. Table number 3: Juanita Mills, Barbara McNair, Oma Faye Carter, Nell Smith, Judith Cooper and Mildred Harvey. There goes six. Table number 4, you need five?

**MRS. PATRICIA MAJOR NEINAST:** Send some men!



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** And I thought table number 8 was going to be my problem! Well, Sister Patricia, I'm looking at the tellers list right now, and you know my mind is blank. I cannot come up with any names of any men. Will it be okay if I just send you a few Sisters.

Just people, Okay? How many? Five. Carole Dole, Dorothy Gann, Suzanne Kirby, Frances Latham, Sylvia Richie.

Table number 5, Sister Betty, how many do we need?

**MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER:** Four men.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Betty Hager, I wish to remind you, Past Grand Matron, that anything that is said in this Grand Chapter room goes into the Proceedings! (Laughter) And in so doing can be misconstrued, believe me. Table number 5: Donna Rings, Alice O'Neal, Sandra Hesse, Exa Mae Howell, Carolyn Broom, Annie Ruth Camp.

Table number 6? Now I like the finesse of Sister Elsie Paladino, "Worthy Grand Matron, we're fine." Isn't that wonderful? That's two of our tables that had them the first time.

Now, Sister Joyce, table number 7? Three men. Wayne Peek, Jack Kimbell, Laura Slacom, Alvin Moore.

Easy, Brother Harry! You'll take anybody. You're not hard to please, are you, Brother Harry? How many do you need, Brother Harry, on table number 8? Three, okay. Jane Ramos, Robbie McKay and Mary Menzies.

Our ballot boxes are in the Southeast corner, and I wish for the Pages now to go ahead and get their boxes to have with them. I'm sorry, we have some in the Northeast. Northeast, Southeast and then I want to see my wonderful Pages that are assisting us this day. Make sure they all have their ballot boxes. Make sure they're in their places and safe and ready to begin.

I see Sister Pat is still waving her hand. You need two, Sister Pat? Bill Holt, Ruth Knott. At table number 3, you need four. Jo Ann Dyke, Beulah Millsbaugh, Elizabeth Newell and Jimmie Britt at table number 3 that needed four. Table number 5, you need one. Table number 5, Laura Geyer. Table number 6 – Oh, you're still fine. I forgot about that, Elsie. Table number 7, we need one. Table number 7, Joanne Burbridge. Table number 8. Okay!

While we're doing that, I'm most pleased to appoint those now that will operate and oversee the adding machines. I have invited Sister Laurel Roth, CPA, to be in charge of the machines today. Sister Laurel, are you in the room and would you show me your hand, please? Sister Laurel Roth. Thank you, Laurel. And I believe that you have asked to have on your adding machines Sister Kathleen Johnson and Brother Ed Pickett. Do you need anyone else on your adding machine at this time, Sister Laurel? Thank you. Please notify me if you do.

I'm going to check one more time. Sister Lena Maye Cook, table number 1, do you need anyone? Thank you. God bless you.

Sister Rennie Ofton, table number 2, you're okay, right?

Sister Doris Eñird, table number 3, you still need two at table number 3. All

right. Sisters and Brothers, when you're called, please help us. Sister Vickie Hardee, Sister Shirley Ann Cook.

Table number 4 still needs two. Sister Jackie Akemann and Carolyn Abercrombie.

Table number 5, okay.

Table number 6 has been okay.

Sister Joyce, table number 7, are you okay? You're fine. All right.

Brother Harry, are you okay, sir? God bless you! This is wonderful.

Sisters and Brothers, this is a most serious time in the history of our Grand Chapter and the decisions which we as members make on this day will be a written record for years to come. May our actions, words and deeds reflect the dedication we have within our hearts for this great fraternity. You have doubtless well considered your candidates, and you are now ready to make your decisions. We will make every attempt to express kindness to each one who has offered their lives in service to you, the membership of Texas. I myself made this walk years ago. We will also do our utmost to conduct this election in a professional, accurate and legal manner.

Still need one at table number 4. Virginia Hodges.

Still need two at table number 3. Linda Meyers and Corinne Thorson at table number 3.

I understand that Dr. Effie Mae Davis has had to go to the airport in Houston to take a couple of Distinguished Members back. Bless her heart! She's just doing triple duty. Brother Harold Todd, are you up to assisting for Dr. Effie Mae Davis at this time? And when she comes, if you wish to, have her take over so that you can come back. I thank you, Brother Harold Todd.

Table number 4 -- now I'm going to take a look at table number 4. Here we have Sister Patricia Neinast and Brother Garland Ward Rattan. Everyone in this room should want to serve at table number 4 because these two have a lot of fun. So you're missing an opportunity if you're not going to table number 4. Table number 4, I want to ask for Jimmie Warner and Pat Petit.

Jean Nesbitt, you still need two people? Okay. We'll get them. Mary Horan, will you go to table number 3. Virginia Schmidt, will you go to table number 3. Now we want to get this election started because Sister Alma Carter wants to be nominated. She's sitting back there wondering, but I have to get my tellers finished. Sister Cheryl Albrecht, will you go to table number 3. Now Cheryl has to give a report later, and she's going to make a nomination -- Well, sorry! I love my Past Grands, I really do. Betty Joyce Patterson, will you go to table number 3. If I'm calling Pages, that may be what's the problem.

I'd also say to my sweet ones that are going to be nominated for an elected position, you may choose to remain in the East with us after you're nominated, or you may return to your places in the Grand Chapter room. All right. I'm going to check one more time. Table number 1 is all right; table number 2 is all right. Sister Jean, how is table number 3 going? We're okay. Praise the Lord! Table number 4, are you okay, Brother Garland and Sister Patricia? Table number 5 is okay; table number 6 is okay; number 7 is okay and number 8 is okay. Sister Lallah, may we begin?

Thank you. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to preside.

I'm glad that Sister Lallah Mae has moved her chair closer to table number 8. I feel like that was a wise decision, such as she usually makes.

Ten o'clock. Actually it's a little after, but that's all right. It's time. One way or the other Alma is going to get nominated.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Nominations are now in order for the Worthy Grand Matron for this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there any nominations?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I recognize the Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. I'm Rosemary T. Swetland, a Past Matron of Burke Chapter No. 1098. It is my joy to place the name of Sister Alma Carter, Past Matron of Plano Chapter No. 703, for the office of Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** You have heard the nomination of Alma Carter for Worthy Grand Matron for this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare that nominations cease, and we shall elect by acclamation. All those in favor of Alma Carter for Worthy Grand Matron say aye. Those opposed, no. Sister Alma Carter is unanimously elected. Sister Alma, do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron, it is with much love and gratitude to this membership for placing me in this place of service, and I graciously accept. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I now return the gavel to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. Nominations are now in order for the office of Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there any nominations?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I am Billy Combest, Past Patron of Princeton Chapter No. 1126, and I would like to place in nomination for the Worthy Grand Patron for the Grand Chapter for the ensuing year Richard L. Ochs, a Past Patron of Amarillo Chapter No. 787.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Brother Richard Ochs has been placed for the office of Worthy Grand Patron for the ensuing year. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All those in favor of Brother Richard Ochs for Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year will say aye. All opposed, no. Brother Richard Ochs, you have been elected Worthy Grand Patron for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON:** Yes, ma'am, Worthy Grand Matron. And thank you, Worthy Grand Patron, for the nomination. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now in order for Associate Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there any nominations? I recognize the Associate Grand Matron.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Alma Carter. I'm a Past Matron of Plano Chapter No. 703. I have the pleasure of placing in nomination the name of Yvonne Brownfield, a Past Matron of Copperas Cove No. 1070, for Associate Grand Matron for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Yvonne Brownfield for the office of Associate Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year will say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Yvonne Brownfield, you have been elected Associate Grand Matron. Do you accept?

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. And I thank this sweet, sweet membership for the honor they have bestowed upon me. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now in order for Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**MR. DUAN NORTH:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize this gentleman.

**MR. DUAN NORTH:** I am Duan North, Past and Present Patron of Walter Baldwin Chapter No. 929. It is my honor to nominate Claude Ervin, a Past Patron of Walter Baldwin 929 and Dual Member of McClellan 637, for the office of Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for this ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nomination closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Brother Claude Ervin for the position of Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year will say aye. All opposed, no. Brother Claude Ervin, you have been elected Associate Grand Patron. Do you accept?

**MR. CLAUDE ERVIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, membership: With gratitude, humility and love, I accept this place of service. Thank you very kindly. Today is homecoming at Baylor. Sic 'em, Bears! (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now in order for Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**MRS. NELL OXFORD:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the lady in the East.

**MRS. NELL OXFORD:** I am Nell Oxford, Worthy Matron of South Hills Chapter No. 835. It is my honor and privilege to place in nomination the name of Sister Frances Burbank, Past Matron of South Hills Chapter, for the office of Grand Secretary of Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Frances Burbank has been nominated

for the office of Grand Secretary for the ensuing year. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nomination closed. We shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Frances Burbank as our Grand Secretary for the ensuing year, say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Frances Burbank, year number ten. Do you accept?

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Worthy Grand Matron, gratefully and in deep appreciation to this membership, I accept for this tenth and final year. Thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Frances Burbank. Nominations are now in order for our Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**MRS. BETTY CARTER:** I am Betty Carter, Past Matron of Bryan Chapter 222. It is my honor and privilege to place the name of Patsy Wilson as the nominee for Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Patsy Wilson has been nominated for the office of Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nomination closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Patsy Wilson as our Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year will say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Patsy Wilson, you have been elected Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**GRAND TREASURER:** Yes, thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Now then, before we continue with the two next nominations, it is now time to place the boards. I would ask my Arrangements Committee to please begin to place the boards quietly. Then we're going to take a look at them in a minute, and we're going to make sure that my membership can see throughout the entire room. We're going to set the boards up at this time. I want to also thank my Arrangements Committee because they have made the signs for those who will be nominated. I ask this year that only the last name be printed, because over the years we've had some confusion in first names of one and last names of another, and that cancels your ballot. So this year all you have to worry about is a last name. We want to be sure that you can see it. Now as they work quietly, I would ask for nominations for the office of Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Yvonne Brownfield.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** I'm Yvonne Brownfield, a Past Matron of Copperas Cove 1070. I place in nomination for the office of Grand Conductress Sister Alma Lynn Bane, a Past Matron of Waco 7.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Alma Lynn Bane has been placed in nomination for Grand Conductress for this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nomination closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Alma Lynn Bane for Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year will say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Alma Lynn, you have been elected Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with an humble heart that I accept this position of continued love and service for our membership. And today is homecoming at Texas A&M at Commerce. Go, Aggies! (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, well, well! (Laughter) Sisters and Brothers, give me one moment, please.

I understand that some of our 50-year members in the West to be presented this morning, have left their ballots with friends or in their purse or whatever. We're going to need to take a minute. Your Worthy Grand Matron wants you to have your ballot. Therefore, if any of you are traveling with these 50-year members, please quietly go to the West and give them their ballots immediately. There's about twenty 50 year members that are going to be presented shortly after we get into the first ballot. That's the way we have it listed in our session program. But some of them don't have their purses, so we want to get them their ballots.

Do we have any other concerns at this time before we go into the next nomination? Take a look at the boards, and we will be putting the names up. Now all I want you to do is, once those names are up, let me know by raising your hand when I ask you if you cannot see. We're going to fix this to where you can see. Does everybody have their ballots now under their care? You do know that those in the West are non-voting delegates, but everyone else throughout our assembly is voting delegates. Do we have any more concerns before we move forward? All right.

Nominations are now in order for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. And, Sisters and Brothers, the order in which these lovely, dedicated members will be nominated was the order which they drew in the Worthy Grand Matron's suite at six o'clock on Wednesday evening. Each one of them drew for their position of nomination. Nominations are now open.

**MR. JACK PEEBLES:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother Jack Peebles.

**MR. JACK PEEBLES:** My name is Jack Peebles, Past Patron of Park Place Chapter No. 731. I have the honor of placing the name of Sister Penny Vletas, Affiliated Past Matron of Park Place Chapter No. 731, District 4, Section 5, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there other nominations?

**MRS. LAURA HOLDEN:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Laura Holden.

**MRS. LAURA HOLDEN:** I am Laura Holden, Worthy Matron of Andral Vann Chapter No. 741, Houston. I'm pleased to place the name of Naomi Wolfe, Past Matron, Hurst Chapter 1099, Dual Andral Vann Chapter 741 and Past Matron, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year for this Grand Chapter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Naomi Wolfe has been placed in nomination. Are there other nominations?

**MRS. BETTY GIBBONS:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Betty Gibbons.

**MRS. BETTY GIVENS:** I am Betty Gibbons, a Past Matron of Duncanville Chapter No. 1014. I am pleased to place in nomination the name of Jimmie Lee McMahon for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Jimmie Lee McMahon has been placed in nomination. Are there other nominations?

**MRS. PAMELA JAMESON:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Pamela Jameson.

**MRS. PAMELA JAMESON:** I am Pamela Jameson, Worthy Matron of New Braunfels Chapter No. 771. It is my distinct honor and privilege to nominate Mrs. Betty Friend, a Past Matron of New Braunfels Chapter No. 771, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Betty Friend has been placed in nomination. Are there other nominations? Are there any other nominations for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for this Grand Chapter? Hearing none, I now declare the nomination closed, and we will proceed to ballot on ballot number 1 for one of the four names placed on your boards. Now let's look at the boards. Vletas, Wolfe, McMahon, Friend. Is there any voting delegate anywhere in this room that cannot see one of the boards? Simply raise your hand.

Will these four please come forward? I apologize. I need to introduce them. I want to say something before I introduce these beautiful ladies. I made this walk. I know that at this moment their hearts are pounding, they're excited; and each of you, their supporters, are excited. We're going to do our elections in a beautiful, peaceful manner because all four of these ladies are dedicated, capable and deserving, but only one of them will be privileged to carry the title. Show your love and respect always to each one of these gentle ones. Now I'd like to introduce them to you in the order of their nomination: Sisters Penny Vletas, Naomi Wolfe, Jimmie Lee McMahon, Betty Friend.

Can you see the boards? I now declare the ballot open. The Pages will proceed to collect the ballots. Sister Grand Warder, were you calling me?

**GRAND WARDER:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. We'll take one crisis at a time. What is this one?

**GRAND WARDER:** Would you like for me to secure the doors?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** That's not a crisis; that's an error on my part! Sister Grand Warder, will you ascertain and report if the doors of this Grand Chapter are secure.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, you will instruct the Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels that the doors are closed for the purpose of balloting, and that no one will enter or leave during balloting except the Assistant Grand Sentinels to cast their ballots.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Your order will be obeyed.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, the doors are secure.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, it's time for me to make a decision, but I'd like your concurrence. (Pause as Worthy Grand Matron confers.) Sisters and Brothers, listen to me a moment, please. I want to do what is best for my membership. I want to do what's best for all concerned because I love you dearly. This is a valuable day in the history of Grand Chapter, and you are my membership and I'll do as you say. I'm going to ask for a vote. I may not can do this – Donna, can I do this while a ballot's open? She says we're going to say you can. I'm hearing that it's almost an impossibility for my Grand Pages to carry that ballot box all the way down an aisle. If that's the case, Grand Pages, if you cannot get up and down through there to hand it to each member to cast their one ballot, then we'll need to be able to release that ballot box out of your hand to go down an aisle, which we know is something we would rather not do. But if we need to do it for the safety of my membership and those trying to get down through there, for those that are serving, my Grand Pages that have given this day of their life to serve you, we'll do it. So, all of those in favor of wishing the ballot box to be passed down a row without the Grand Page having hold of it, raise your cards. All of those opposed, same sign. I could probably declare that unanimous. Therefore, Grand Pages, with all due respect, you may turn loose of that ballot box for my membership. (Applause)

All right. Now then, each Grand Page works to pass this ballot. If we could have another one on this side, if we have enough Grand Pages to pick them up, please try to do so. One ballot. We want everybody to ballot. We're going to take our time this morning. We're right on schedule; we're not behind. Therefore, we can take our time receiving that one ballot. Grand Pages, collect your ballots.

At this time while we are collecting the ballots, I would like to go ahead, please, and have my 50-year members standing by, Grand Marshal. I would like to say to my membership that this year alone, we were privileged to grant 983 50-year memberships. Isn't that wonderful! (Applause) Now, I want to tell you something else that's dear to the heart of your Worthy Grand Matron. In your session program, you notice that I dedicated this session to two beautiful ladies that had meant so much in my life. One of them I said good-bye to last evening. The other one, Sister Sally Matranga, was getting her 50-year membership just this last week during my tenure of service. I thank God; He is very good to me.

All right. We're still in the process of collecting ballots. I need to know who has not balloted. Show me a section that has not balloted. My word! Do you mean everybody has cast their ballot? Aren't my Grand Pages wonderful! (Applause) All right. I now declare ballot number 1 closed. Grand Pages, please deposit your ballots on tables 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Our next group of elections will be from the Board of Grand Trustees. Now stay with me because I think we can do some of this. On the Board of Grand Trustees, you know that they are elected for a five-year term unless for some reason they resign. So some of these sweet members on the Board of Grand Trustees will not have to be nominated because they're serving a five-year term. However, this year we have the opening from District 1. So at this time I wish to call for nominations for the Board of Grand Trustees from District 1. Are there any nominations?

**MRS. LEATHA WEST:** I am Leatha West, a Past Matron of Atlanta Chapter No. 151. I wish to place in nomination the name of Patsy "Pat" Washington, a Past Matron of Atlanta Chapter No. 151, for the Board of Grand Trustees for District 1.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. The name of Sister Patsy



Washington has been placed in nomination for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 1. Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 1? Hearing none, I declare the nomination closed and we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All those in favor of Sister Pat Washington for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 1, say aye. All opposed, no. You have elected Sister Pat Washington. Sister Pat, are you in the room? Do you accept? Would you come to the mike and accept?

**MRS. PATSY WASHINGTON:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with a humble heart, an open mind and a willingness to serve Grand Chapter that I accept this position. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Would you welcome Sister Pat Washington. (Applause) Now then, as I mentioned to you yesterday in our session, Brother Claude Ervin needed to resign his position as Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees for District 3 as he had been invited to serve by the side of Sister Yvonne Brownfield. Therefore, I opened it yesterday for nominations for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 3, one-year unexpired term. Are there any nominations for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 3, unexpired term?

**MR. JIMMY MONTGOMERY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Jimmy Montgomery, Past Patron and present Worthy Patron of Ridglea Chapter No. 999. I wish to place in nomination the name of Lola "Peaches" Wallace, a Past Matron of Ridglea Chapter No. 999, for the one-year term of the District 3 member on the Board of Grand Trustees.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. The name of Sister "Lola" Peaches Wallace has been placed in nomination. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed. We shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Lola "Peaches" Wallace filling the unexpired term on the Board of Grand Trustees from District 3, say aye. All opposed, no. Sister "Peaches," you have been elected. Do you accept?

**MRS. LOLA WALLACE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I do accept. With the help of the other members of the Board, I hope that we can have a very successful year. Thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister "Peaches." Now that takes care of our Board of Grand Trustees. We will move on to our Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences. These also are five-year terms. However, this year we have an opening position for District 5. Are there any nominations for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, District 5?

**MRS. MARY FRANCES CADE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Mary Frances Cade, Past Matron and present Worthy Matron of Uvalde Chapter No. 297. It is my pleasure to place the name of Sister Maxine Nance, a Past Matron of Uvalde Chapter No. 297, in nomination for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Maxine Nance has been placed in nomination for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, District 5. Are there any other nominations?

**MRS. MARY WOLFE:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Mary Wolfe.

**MRS. MARY WOLFE:** My name is Mary Wolfe. I'm a Past Matron of Weslaco Chapter No. 772 in Weslaco and Valley Hi Chapter No. 1104 in San Antonio. I wish to place in nomination the name of Rose D. Forrest, a Past Matron of Valley Hi 1104 in San Antonio, for the office of Member of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for District 5.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Rose Forrest has been placed in nomination for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, District 5. Are there any other nominations for this position? Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we shall proceed to elect on ballot number 2. On ballot number 2 you will need to place one of these two names that you see on your board: Nance or Forrest.

All right. Sisters and Brothers, it has been brought to the attention of your Worthy Grand Matron that several ballot number 2s were used. Sister Lallah, can I move to ballot number 3? All right. Sisters and Brothers, I've now declared – I've gone ahead and declared that this will be on ballot number 2. So please don't use ballot number 3 or you'll lose it the next time. You've lost your first ballot for the Grand North if you used ballot number 2. So please now, don't use ballot number 3 on this one. We're balloting on ballot number 2, for either Nance or Forrest. And I would like to introduce them.

Sisters and Brothers, I wish to introduce to you Sisters Maxine Nance and Rose Forrest. I now declare the ballot open. Pages, you will collect ballot number 2 for this position.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, we're going to go ahead and collect this ballot, declare it closed, and we're going to have a third ballot, so stay with me.

Is Sister Jacque Cates in the room? If she is in the room – Sister Jacque Cates – please come to the Grand Choir place. Just as soon as Sister Jacque Cates gets in her place, I will recognize the 50-year members.

Brother Robert – the Honorable Brother Judge Robert P. Walker, are you in the room? If you're not busy, sir, in that yellow jacket of yours, my dear friend, I would be pleased if very shortly you would come to the East. I want to say in front of my membership that four years ago I did not know this gentleman. I did not know that our paths would cross, and I did not know that I would come into his fair city to have our Grand Chapter. God designed that, and He designed this relationship of friendship that has developed between Brother Judge Walker, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and myself. And I thank God for that sweet relationship. He is truly a Christian, fine gentleman. And because he has on a yellow jacket, nobody will escort him. (Laughter) They think he's working.

Have we received every voting delegate's ballot? Is there anybody that has not balloted on this second ballot. Could I see a show of hands if you have not balloted?

I now declare this ballot closed. Grand Pages, will you please deposit your ballots on table number 5. I wish for table number 5 to handle this ballot. Go to table number 5 to deposit your ballot.

Brother Walker, this has been a challenging year, but a positive year, a productive year, and a peaceful year. Much of it I give to these people that you see, and you're one of them, because they've been willing to work with the Worthy Grand Matron in her dreams. Now I wish for you in your final hours – actually you've got a few more months and days, I'm the one with final hours – I will lift you up in

concerted prayer that Father God will grant you the wisdom to preside over your fraternity and your Grand Lodge in a manner pleasing to Him and in honor and credit for your Master Masons, as He has done for me over this Grand Chapter. You are a special gentleman. I love you, and I respect you. Membership, would you stand and thank our Most Worshipful Grand Master. (Applause and standing ovation) Now, Honorable Judge, go back to work!

We're going to take a breather a minute. I was ready to go with the next ballot, but I'm told that our 50-year members are now ready; we would like to have them at this time. I want you to listen with me, please. Be very careful because just as soon as I complete the honoring of these very special ones this morning, we're going right into the next ballot. Then we will begin reports. All right?

In our Code of Laws, Article 174, page 125, it is our joy each year to recognize 50-year members of our great Order. What a milestone in the lives of those who have served so faithfully and now are privileged to be rewarded for that faithful service. It is now my joy to recognize those who are able to be with us at this 114th Grand Chapter session. Sister Grand Marshal, you will escort our 50-year members to the East. I know that our gentlemen Arrangements members are escorting and assisting. I'm going to ask the Grand Choir at this time if they would please sing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." (Applause and standing ovation as 50-year members go to the East.)

I want to give a little loving tribute here to my 50-year members. As long as you have memories, yesterday remains. As long as you have hope, tomorrow awaits. As long as you have dear friendships, today is beautiful. So as you look back on yesterday, may your memories be warm. As you enjoy today, may your heart be filled with happiness. And as you look ahead to tomorrow, may your fondest hopes and dreams come true. And may the peace of Christ that passeth all understanding keep your hearts and minds in His care forever.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you wish to greet these sweet members?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron. I know that with age comes certain privileges, but there are also responsibilities that come with it because you have influenced people over these last 50 years of your service, and in the future you will influence many more people than you probably realize. They are looking to you, so do what you have been doing in the past, and our Order will remain. Welcome, welcome, welcome!

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Once again as it has been my joy to travel over this state, God has placed in my vision beautiful young talented members. One such one was my Peace Roses from Weatherford Chapter No. 21. Her name is Mrs. Jacque Cates. When I heard Jacque sing, I knew what I wanted her to do for this day. I have chosen a special song to be sung to these our dedicated 50-year members and in honor of my white-haired angel, 50-year member, Sister Sally Matranga, who cannot be with us. Sister Jacque Cates, will you now share with my membership your God-given talent of "Angels Among Us." (Applause followed the singing of "Angels Among Us.") Sister Jacque thank you, my sweet child. Your name isn't in my session program because of deadlines. My session program was already at the printers when I realized that you had not sung in over 12 years. Thank you. Sister Jacque was a music major, and she had a turn in her life, but she's back now. And don't you think that she's going to be an asset in the music field? (Applause)

We have 19 beautiful members that are present. These are not in order, I don't think, but I'm going to try. Sister Selma Fones, Beaumont 71; Sister Lonique

Bright, Lockhart 210; Sister Helen Rice, Kirbyville 263; Sister Mell Milner, Jasper 291; Brother Lanear Hester, El Campo 535; Sister Mary Dale Hester, El Campo 535; Sister May Delle Grubbs, Dal-Cliff 574; and these next two, they do it in a real big way. They not only celebrate 50 years of marriage, but they both celebrate 50 years in the Order of the Eastern Star, Brother Bill Wommack and Sister Hulene Wommack, Everman 624; Sister Mildred Suber, Jefferson 627; Sister Eather Delk, Quitman 695; Sister Bernice Winfrey, Woodland 696; Sister Edith Moore, Love Field 875; Sister Mary Mason, Hawkins 908; Sister Olga Mohon, Whitney 930; Sister Dorothy Homan, Groves 953; Sister Lillian Sandahl, Fidelis 963; Sister Annie Mae Locklin, Shepherd 1003; Sister Estelle Windsor, Floyd Easterling 1074; Sister Dru Elaine Copes from Beaumont 71. God bless you, my dear ones. We're very proud of you, and I know that you've received your certificates. You have a little gift and a long-stemmed yellow rose from the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron of Texas. We honor you, we respect you and we congratulate you on this day. Thank you so much. Certainly you are welcome to stay in the East with us, or you may return to your places in the Chapter room, whichever you so desire. Do you have a preference? You want to go back? All right. Sister Grand Marshal, if you would escort our wonderful members back to their places in the Chapter room. (Applause)

Now, Sisters and Brothers, we're going to move now to the Board of Grand Examiners. As you know, they need to be nominated each year. So at this time nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner, District 1.

**MRS. JANET TIPPETT:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Janet Tippett. I am Worthy Matron of Dal-Cliff Chapter No. 574 in Dallas. It is my honor and pleasure to place in nomination the name of Marlene Dibrell, a Past Matron of Dal-Cliff Chapter No. 574, for the office of Grand Examiner, District 1, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Marlene Dibrell has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner of District 1. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All those in favor of Sister Marlene Dibrell for Grand Examiner of District 1, say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Marlene, you have been elected Grand Examiner from District 1. Do you accept?

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Worthy Grand Matron, I do accept, and I sincerely thank the membership for the privilege of serving Grand Chapter. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Marlene. Nominations are now in order for the office of Grand Examiner, District 2.

**MRS. FRAN JOHNSON:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Fran Johnson.

**MRS. FRAN JOHNSON:** I am Fran Johnson, Past Matron of Friendship Chapter No. 1008, Odessa, Texas. I have the honor of placing in nomination Sister Joyce Ball, Past Matron of Friendship Chapter No. 1008, for the office of Grand Examiner, District 2 for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Joyce Ball for the office of Grand Examiner, District 2. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Joyce Ball for the office of Grand Examiner, District 2, for the ensuing year, say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Joyce Ball, you have

been elected Grand Examiner of District 2. Do you accept?

**MRS. JOYCE BALL:** Yes, Worthy Grand Matron, I do accept with a humble heart and thank the membership for this privilege of service. (Applause )

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner, District 3.

**MRS. CHERYL ALBRECHT:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Cheryl Albrecht.

**MRS. CHERYL ALBRECHT:** My name is Cheryl Albrecht. I am the Worthy Matron and a Past Matron of Crescent Chapter No. 820 in Fort Worth. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Sharon Fentress for Grand Examiner, District 3, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Sharon Fentress has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner, District 3. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we shall proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Sharon Fentress for Grand Examiner of District 3 will say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Sharon, you have been elected Grand Examiner, District 3. Do you accept?

**MRS. SHARON FENTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is again my joy to serve the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction, and I thank you. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sharon. Since there is an opening for Grand Examiner for District 4, I wish to go ahead and have the nominations in order for Grand Examiner from District 5. Do we have any nominations?

**MRS. DOROTHY WHITE:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Dorothy White.

**MRS. DOROTHY WHITE:** I am Dorothy White, a Past Matron of Beeville Chapter No. 422. It is my pleasure to place the name of Sister Doris Hester for the office of Grand Examiner for District 5 for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Doris Hester has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner, District 5. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All of those in favor of Sister Doris Hester for Grand Examiner of District 5 will say aye. All opposed, no. Sister Doris Hester, you have been elected Grand Examiner of District 5. Do you accept?

**MRS. DORIS HESTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, yes, I do accept and with a grateful heart to the membership of Texas for allowing me again to serve in this capacity as Grand Examiner for District 5. Thank you so very much. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner for District 4. Are there any nominations?

**MR. JOHN ELKINGTON:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother John Elkington.

**MR. JOHN ELKINGTON:** I am John Elkington, Past Patron of Pearland Chapter No. 1065. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Karen Morgenthaler, Past Matron of Pearland Chapter No. 1065, for Grand Examiner, District 4.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Karen Morgenthaler has been placed in nomination for the office of Grand Examiner for District 4. Are there any other nominations?

**MRS. MARY KAY REX:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Mary Kay Rex, Past Matron of Channelview 954, Dual with Archives 1095. I am honored and pleased to place the name of Sister Jean Hodson, a Past Matron of Archives 1095, for the office of Grand Examiner, District 4, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Jean Hodson has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner, District 4. Do we have any other nominations? Hearing none – no other nominations, I now declare the nomination closed. I would invite Sisters Karen Morgenthaler and Jean Hodson to the podium so that I might introduce them before I declare the ballot open. Sisters and Brothers, it's the privilege of your Worthy Grand Matron to introduce these two fine dedicated members who have been nominated for the position of Grand Examiner of District 4: Sisters Karen Morgenthaler and Jean Hodson. I wish you good luck.

Can you see the boards? All right. I now declare the ballot open for Grand Examiner, District 4, and we will proceed to use ballot number 3. Ballot number 3 for Grand Examiner, District 4. Grand Pages, please collect the ballots.

Just as soon as these ballots are collected, Sisters and Brothers, and deposited at a specified table, we're going to have another ballot.

There are no words adequate in my heart to express to my devoted friend, Martha I. Mosele, for the past four years of her dedicated, untiring and unselfish service that she has offered to your Worthy Grand Matron as her personal secretary. Never one time has Martha complained, at least not to me, nor denied me her time to help me reach this pinnacle of service. Martha, you know in your heart what you truly mean to this Worthy Grand Matron; and we have a lasting and trusting friendship. Will you now please come and offer your report on behalf of those dear ones who have served your Grand Line in maintaining some semblance of order and structure. And if there are other Secretaries, you would wish to join Martha as she gives her report.

## **REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAL COMMITTEE**

**MRS. MARTHA MOSELE:** My very special thanks to the Worthy Grand Matron for the opportunity to have served in this coveted position:

Secretaries:

- Martha I. Mosele ..... Secretary to Worthy Grand Matron
- Syble T. Yost ..... Secretary to Worthy Grand Patron
- Betty Prater ..... Secretary to Associate Grand Matron
- Sandra Fitch ..... Secretary to Associate Grand Patron

Ann Relly ..... Secretary to Grand Conductress  
 Lillian Cozby ..... Secretary to Associate Grand Conductress  
 Lillian A. Sandahl ..... Secretary to Board of Grand Trustees  
 Wanda Faye Gilmore ..... Secretary to Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished members and guests, all of the Secretaries are extremely pleased to have been selected to fill their challenging positions. The duties were varied and complex, but were filled in an exemplary manner, and to the satisfaction of their respective Officers.

I served 4 years as Secretary to Sister Rosemary T. Swetland, from the time she was elected as Associate Grand Conductress through this year as Worthy Grand Matron. I had the privilege of attending all 50 Schools of Instruction and Fraternal Visits, Grand Chapter in Louisiana and other Eastern Star Functions. The past 4 years have been personally rewarding. Many lasting friendships have been made. I appreciate the many courtesies that were extended to me, especially the Certificates of Appreciation.

Our Worthy Grand Patron, Billy H. Combest, and his wife, Freda, Grand Esther, have certainly found a special place in our hearts, and we were honored to have them traveling with us. Brother Billy's devotionals were humbling, and his humor was refreshing.

Our Worthy Grand Matron is a fine example of a qualified leader, which is reflected in her many accomplishments for the benefit of the Membership and the Eastern Star Home. I consider Sister Rosemary a valued friend. Our friendship has been sealed and strengthened by this four year association. I respectfully submit this report and move for its adoption.

Submitted By:  
 Martha I. Mosele, Secretary to  
 Worthy Grand Matron

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of the Secretarial Committee of this Grand Chapter. It has been moved and seconded. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of adopting this report, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you. We'll want a picture. And I bet you, Sisters and Brothers, if you could get to one of these girls, they could tell you a lot! (Laughter and applause.)

Sisters and Brothers, I wish to make a report on ballot number 1. Total votes cast: 3,279. Number of votes to elect: 1,640. Vletas, 495; Wolfe, 675; McMahan, 491; Friend, 1,618. No, Sisters and Brothers, there is no election. Therefore, it is necessary that we drop the name of McMahan and proceed on our next election.

All right, Grand Pages. This is for Grand Examiner, District 4. I wish for the Grand Pages to deposit their ballot boxes on table number 6. Table number 6 only for Grand Examiner, District 4.

All right, Sisters and Brothers. We will now be using ballot number 4. Ballot number 4. On ballot number 4, you will be writing one of these names: Vletas, Wolfe or Friend. Do you need to see the names again? You do? Let's put them up. Vletas, Wolfe, Friend. Does everyone see the names? On ballot number 4, I declare the ballot open. Grand Pages, collect the ballots.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Do we have Brenda McDaniel here for Registration? Will you please come?

## REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

**MRS. BRENDA McDANIEL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

On behalf of the Registration Committee, I offer sincere thanks to you for the opportunity of serving our Grand Chapter. We have worked very hard to accommodate the membership and trust our services have proven to be acceptable and worthy.

Pre-Registrations .....	2784
Voting Delegates, Registered since October 21, 1996 .....	266
Non-Voting Members, Registered .....	461
Visitors of Other Grand Jurisdictions, Registered .....	183
Ladies of the Home, Registered .....	13
Texas Masonic Retirement Center, Registered .....	1
<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS .....</b>	<b>3708</b>

Less: Exempt from Registration Fees:

Ladies of the Home .....	13
Texas Masonic Retirement Center .....	1
<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS WITH FEES .....</b>	<b>3694</b>

Total Registration Fees, collected:

3711 x \$10.00 .....	\$37,110
Less - Returned checks .....	\$170
<b>TOTAL MONIES DEPOSITED .....</b>	<b>\$36,940</b>

Respectfully submitted:

Brenda McDaniel, Chairman	Lucia W. Trammell, Dist. 3
Mark Dieckmann, Co-Chairman	Donna Haltom, Dist. 4
Dr. Linda Jay "Doc" Pucket, Dist. 1	Malyna Jameson Miller, Dist. 5
Woody Fitch, Dist. 2	

Worthy Grand Matron, I move for the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, the motion has been made that we adopt the report of Registration. There has been a second. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of accepting this report, raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Brenda, I want to thank you and your fine Committee. Many of you had never served on this Committee before, but it's a growing experience because we have some youth in here; this is what we wish to do for our Grand Chapter in the future. Thank you, my dear ones. Let's get a picture. (Applause)

Has everyone balloted on ballot number 4? Have the Grand Pages collected every ballot for ballot number 4? I now declare the ballot closed. Once again, Grand



Pages, I wish you to deposit your ballots on tables 1, 2, 3 and 4. It's okay, Harry. We're coming! 1, 2, 3 and 4.

You have completed your second ballot for the Grand North. Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner-at-Large.

**MR. RICHARD COATES:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother Richard Coates.

**MR. RICHARD COATES:** My name is Richard Coates, better known as Dick Coates. I am a Past Patron and present Patron of Richland Hills Chapter No. 1040. I'm a Windwalker even with my weight! It's my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Lucia Trammell, Past Matron of North Fort Worth Chapter No. 684 and a Dual Member with Richland Hills Chapter No. 1040, for the office of Grand Examiner-at-Large for the ensuing year. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Lucia Trammell has been nominated. Are there other nominations?

**MRS. VIRGINIA STRONG:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Virginia Strong.

**MRS. VIRGINIA STRONG:** I am Virginia Strong, Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter No. 1028 in Fort Worth. I wish to place in nomination the name of Nancy Brown, Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter No. 1028, for the office of Grand Examiner-at-Large for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The name of Sister Nancy Brown. Are there other nominations?

**MRS. JETTY FERRIN:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Sister Jetty Ferrin.

**MRS. JETTY FERRIN:** I am Jetty Ferrin, Past Matron of Killeen Chapter 490. I wish to nominate Sister Faye Long of Killeen, Past Matron and Dual Member of Lometa Chapter No. 871, for the office of Grand Examiner-at-Large for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sister Faye Long has been nominated. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to ballot on ballot number 5. Would these three ladies please come for introduction, Sisters Lucia Trammell, Nancy Brown, Faye Long? Sisters and Brothers, I wish to introduce to you now Sisters Lucia Trammell, Nancy Brown, Faye Long, for the office of Grand Examiner-at-Large. We are balloting on ballot number 5, and I now declare the ballot open. Ballot number 5. Would the Grand Pages please collect those ballots?

Sisters and Brothers, while the ballots are being collected, I wish to share with you a couple of joys of your Worthy Grand Matron. First of all, we had a round-up in Bruceville/Eddy this year of the Peace Roses and Caretakers. We had a weekend out on a beautiful center out from Bruceville, Eddy. It was a beautiful retreat area. My Peace Roses and Caretakers celebrated with me in two ways: first of all, to show their love to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, but also to present

in our honor \$660 to Home Endowment from that one round-up. I'm very pleased, Peace Roses and Caretakers, that you wanted to do this for our programs. Then we had a beautiful District 4 banquet in Humble, Texas, with 552 present, and a lot of fun and fellowship. And from this banquet, there was \$684 given to the Home Endowment Fund in honor of the District 4 Grand Line Officer. Now at my luncheon yesterday from this beautiful section, District 4, Section 2, right here in Beaumont, my Peace Roses and Caretakers have given to the Home Renovation Fund to continue the upgrading of our Eastern Star Home, one of the loves of your Worthy Grand Matron. Their love offering yesterday to the Home Renovation was \$1,200. Thank you, Peace Roses and Caretakers. (Applause)

All the voting delegates, have you been able to cast your ballot on ballot number 5? I now declare ballot number 5 closed. Grand Pages, please deposit your ballots at tables 7 and 8. Brother Harry is so proud!

All right, dear ones, stand up just a moment. Let's listen to a beautiful happy song by our Grand Choir.

Thank you, Grand Choir. All right, Sisters and Brothers, let's be seated, and let's talk about something wonderful that's going to be coming up in the Grand Chapter of Texas. Texas is privileged after many, many years to have an elected General Grand Chapter Official. We have a Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter. You know her as Mama Redbird, Sister Rennie Ofton. As you know, at our last Grand Chapter session, we had a Steering Committee appointed that would begin to formulate some plans for sharing in the excitement of our Sister Rennie. Now it's my pleasure to invite Brother Oliver Chamberlin of this Committee, and he will introduce his Committee, which is throughout the room here working, and tell us what we're beginning to do for Sister Rennie. Brother Oliver.

## **REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPTER STEERING COMMITTEE**

**MR. OLIVER CHAMBERLIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to report on the activities of the Grand Chapter Steering Committee formed to support Sister Rennie Ofton, our candidate at the General Grand Chapter Session at Memphis, Tennessee, in 1994, where she was elected Right Worthy Grand Trustee, which is the customary first step toward the office of Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, as well as bringing to Texas the hosting of a Triennial Session of General Grand Chapter, to be presided over by our beloved Sister Rennie Ofton.

It is for this reason that I have the honor to stand before you as the chairman of the Steering Committee to bring a report to this Grand Chapter at this, our 1996 Session. You will remember that the other members of the Committee are Sister Wanda Fairchild Co-Chairman, Brother Harold Todd Secretary/Treasurer, and ex-officio members Sister Rennie Ofton and the Chairman of the Board of Grand Chapter Trustees as Financial Coordinator.

In accordance with the customs prevailing in these matters, the Steering

Committee deemed it to be in order to form a not-for-profit corporation under the provisions of Texas law, and has selected the name of TEXAS CARDINALS, INC. and may also operate under the name of RENNIE'S PARDNERS. The funds on hand are in an interest bearing account in a San Antonio, Texas financial institution, subject to draft under one of two signatures, either the Chairman or the Secretary/Treasurer on the Steering Committee.

Members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star and friends thereof are invited to join with the Steering Committee in this endeavor in support of bringing to Texas and sponsoring the General Grand Chapter Session over which our beloved Sister Rennie Ofton is to preside. In view of the size and importance of this effort, the time is short for the tasks which lie before us in organizing and financing the Triennial Session of General Grand Chapter. At the same time, it will be a labor of love and a joyful experience for all of us who make the choice of being a part of this action. It can be and should be a means of growth for our Order through the enthusiasm naturally generated by the opportunity presented for individual participation on a national and international scale.

Upon approval of this report, the Steering Committee will operate as a Texas not-for-profit corporation, by name, TEXAS CARDINALS, INC. and will assume the duty of focus to lead the work of the project we have, as a Grand Chapter, promised we would do. Additional support committees will be appointed as necessary.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be approved as presented and that we continue to provide support for our Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Sister Rennie Ofton.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you can see that the Worthy Grand Matron has left me somewhat in charge. You've heard the motion here to accept this report. We do have a second. All those in favor, please lift your yellow voting cards. Down cards. Opposed, same sign. Thank you. It is accepted. Thank you very much.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Sisters and Brothers, thank you very, very much. You know, 13 years and 20 days sounds like a long way off, but it will be here before we know it. With you by my side, we will do this to the honor of Texas, and let General Grand Chapter know that we are a viable part of a very important organization. Thank you for your love and support. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right, Sisters and Brothers. We've got some reports to give you so that you'll know about the year of 1995-96. Your Worthy Grand Patron and I started out last year with some goals. The first goal was we wanted our membership to pray for us, and we would pray for them. You have done so. Then we wanted to work in peace and harmony with one another throughout the state, and you have done so. We wanted to be productive in the goals of Grand Chapter and to set some standards for these wonderful ladies behind me, and we would continue to be a positive asset to the Grand Chapter of Texas in the years to come, and I believe we've accomplished that. I would now ask that you lovingly give your attention as these reports are quickly given. I've asked each District Chairman to give about a three-minute or less report. The other will be written in the Proceedings, all of their factual things. But I wanted you to meet the Committee members that have worked so hard, so we're going to begin now with our very first group. The Endowed Membership report has been already turned in and will not be given orally. If there are any others that wish not to give it orally, please let the Worthy Grand Matron know.

## REPORT OF THE ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to introduce the members of the Endowed Membership Committee:

Mrs. Donna Douglas, District I  
Mrs. Geneva Goolsby, District II  
Mrs. Jean Hunt, District III  
Mrs. Marilyn Knowlton, District IV  
Mrs. Elizabeth Young, District V

At the 1987 Grand Chapter Session an amendment was presented to the membership establishing a procedure for purchasing an Endowed Membership, thereby raising available funds for Grand Chapter as well as for the subordinate chapters.

From November 1, 1987 thru October 31, 1995, 1025 memberships were purchased, which is an average of 125 per year. Through September 30 of the 1995-1996 year 164 Endowed Memberships were purchased, for an investment of \$82,000.

This year each Endowed Membership earned \$22.46 for their chapters.

This Committee wishes to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for selecting us for this place of service. The Committee worked hard to accomplish our goals and we each wish to thank the members for their support and participation in this vital Grand Chapter program.

Respectfully submitted,  
Phyllis Macon, General Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** That brings us next to our Poet Laureate, Sister Wilyne Laughlin. Sister Wilyne, will you present your report.

## REPORT OF THE POET LAUREATE

**MRS. WILYNE LAUGHLIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a great honor to serve as Poet Laureate for the 1995-1996 Grand Chapter year. During these months I submitted a poem for each month's edition of the *Bulletin*. Truly, it has been an honor to have my poems published in such a quality publication and to have been given the opportunity to share my thoughts concerning this Order we all love with the wonderfully warm and receptive members of Texas. In addition to the poems for the *Bulletin*, I was delighted to be able to provide a poem for our Worthy Grand Matron's breakfast in Fort Worth, a poem honoring the Worthy Grand Matron at the banquet at the School of Instruction for District 4, Section 5, and for the Texas-Louisiana Exchange in Beaumont.

Additionally, I have prepared an illustrated book of the poems I have written this year for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Included in this book is a new poem dedicated to our Worthy Grand Matron as she ventures along new pathways.

What a privilege it has been for me to serve as Poet Laureate! Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and all the members of Texas who have been so supportive.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilyne Laughlin, Poet Laureate

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Wilyne. It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Poet Laureate. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor show your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

We have Sister Mary Katharine Smith on stage to present the Grand Historians report. But before she presents that report, I have asked Sister Mary Katharine to report on our Telegram Committee. Sister Mary Katharine, will you speak on that first, and then we'll go on into the Grand Historians.

## REPORT OF THE TELEGRAM COMMITTEE

**MRS. MARY KATHARINE SMITH:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: We regret that some of our Past Grand Matrons and Patrons could not be with us for this session in Beaumont. I have the list of those who could not be here. Our Committee is named the Telegram Committee, and I think we've always loved to receive telegrams. So my traveling companion, Jo Ellen Hall, and I spent most of yesterday trying to get in touch with Western Union and checking with the hotel if we could send telegrams there, as I had done in previous years. But they're too expensive, and they didn't want to send the number that we had, 16 who could not come.

So I thought – and talked with Jo Ellen – and had not yet had opportunity to discuss the matter with the other members of my Committee, Sister Thelma Joyce Alsup and Sister Molly Goodpasture West. Both of these Past Grand Matrons were my appointees as I served as Worthy Grand Matron, and I want to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for giving them to me to assist. So this morning I conferred with them, and we all came to the decision that I would just go home and write letters to these. I had already written some verses to tell them we're sorry you're not here, we miss you. And then I had the thought, how nice it would be to send them a program of the session. And so the Registration Committee has graciously given to us the correct number to mail to them. And so, Worthy Grand Matron, that is our report.

And now I will go into the Grand Historians report.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIANS COMMITTEE

**MRS. MARY KATHARINE SMITH:** It is with pleasure and pride that I in-

roduce the members of the Grand Historians. Some of them could not be here. There is illness and obligations with family that have kept them away.

Mrs. Mary H. Steinmetz, Dist. I  
 Mrs. Barbara L. Reynolds, Dist. II  
 Mrs. Colleen Gasparini, Dist. III  
 Mrs. Yvonne White, Dist. IV  
 Mrs. Bobbie Jo North, Dist. V.

Worthy Grand Matron, this has been a year of research, enlightenment, glean- ing and gathering, recording and writing which has enriched and enlightened our lives, and we thank you for the golden threads of opportunity we have woven.

Gathering and working together we have bound three beautiful historic albums. I was privileged to be nearer geographically to Colleen Gasparini and our books are richly endowed by her artistry.

And now it is my privilege to present to our beloved Worthy Grand Matron, her historic book tied with ribbons of roses, and to our Worthy Grand Patron his history book; then we have not forgotten our beloved ladies in our O.E.S. Home; they also have a special book.

These commemorative volumes of your year are a special gift to each of you from your Committee of Grand Historians.

Lovingly Submitted,  
 Mary Katharine Smith,  
 Past Grand Matron and General Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Mary Katharine, we appreciate so much what you have done. Would you wish to move that we first adopt your Telegram Committee report?

**MRS. MARY KATHARINE SMITH:** Yes, I would, Worthy Grand Matron. That concludes my two reports: the Telegram and Grand Historians. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the report of the Telegram Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept the report of our Telegram Committee. Any discussion? All in favor, raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Now Sister Mary Katharine, on your Grand Historians report.

**MRS. MARY KATHARINE SMITH:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adop- tion of the Grand Historians Committee report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept the Grand Historians report. Is there any discussion? And under discussion I'd like to tell you that Sister Mary Katharine and her Committee worked very hard all year to present to us these beautiful treasured albums from all over the State of Texas. If there's no discussion, all in favor of accepting the report of the Grand Historians, lift your cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

We now are ready for another report from the Spring Family Reunion. I under- stand that Brother Arris Whitehead could not be here today, so I believe that Sister

Donna Gilbert will be making the report on behalf of him. We're going to get a picture, and then we'll be right back with you. Sister Donna, would you continue with your report now, please.

## REPORT OF THE SPRING FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE

**MRS. DONNA GILBERT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it has been my honor and privilege to serve on the Spring Family Reunion Committee. I would like to thank my District Chairmen: Mary Ann Edwards of District 1; A1 Martin of District 2; Newton Ceat of District 3; Jean Nimbee of District 4; M. L. Koons, Jr., of District 5. Also, I would like to thank all of the Committee Members that have sold many, many of the sun catchers, and so many of the volunteers that were not on our Committee that worked for us all on April 26th and 27th.

Due to the illness of Arris Whitehead, I will read his report.

SPRING FAMILY REUNION	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	PROFIT
Suncatchers .....	\$10,821.00	\$4,000.00	\$ 6,821.00
Spring Family Reunion Day .....	<u>20,237.30</u>	<u>2,509.23</u>	<u>17,728.07</u>
	\$31,058.30	\$6,509.23	
		<b>Total Profit</b>	<b>\$24,549.07</b>

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT** - Following Grand Chapter, an additional \$185.00 was turned in, making a **FINAL TOTAL PROFIT of \$24,734.07.**

Thank you very much for all of your support. We needed everyone of you, and I do thank you. Respectfully submitted, Donna Gilbert, General Co-Chairman. I move that this report be adopted.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, it has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Spring Family Reunion. Is there any discussion? And this is what we had, a Spring Family Reunion at our Home, and it was a delightful event. All those in favor of accepting this report, raise your voting delegate cards. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. What we're so excited about, Donna told me just now that we have more money to turn in. Sisters and Brothers, this has been a wonderful, positive and productive year. We will have the final reports for you in the Proceedings once all the reports are turned in.

Sisters and Brothers, we have an election on ballot number 2. On ballot number 2 for the Board of Grand Trustees, total votes cast - 3,078. Needed to elect - 1,540. Nance - 2,415; Forrest - 663. By your vote, membership, you have elected Mrs. Maxine Nance to the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolence, District 5. Sister Maxine, if you would come to the East, I would introduce you. Do you accept?

**MRS. MAXINE NANCE:** Worthy Grand Matron, with gratitude to the members and an humble heart, I accept this position of responsibility. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Maxine Nance for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolence, District 5. Would you now welcome her? (Applause)

Sister Lois Bell says all is well on her Long Range Task Force, so we will go on.

## REPORT OF THE LONG RANGE TASK FORCE

None was prepared as no action was taken during 1995-96.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I invite now Sister Williadee Edwards and her Committee for Star News/Bulletin. If there are any others now that wish not to give your report orally, all you need to do is let the Worthy Grand Matron know and she will check. Is Sister Williadee not on stage? All right. We'll go right on. Sister Kay Drescher, Star Fellowship/Visitation, are you on the stage? All right. Sister Kay. We're looking forward to your report on the calendars. And, by the way, Sister Kay Drescher, do we have some calendars left out there? Well, I'm here to say that they're no good any longer. However, there is a picture of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on the front. So if anyone would like one of those pictures, we would just be more than happy to offer those calendars for a dollar, and we'll sign them. So you can tell your Committee that if any of my sweet membership wants a calendar as a souvenir since all things have gone behind us now, we'll do that and that'll get rid of the rest of our calendars. Would you report for me, please, Kay?

## REPORT OF THE STAR FELLOWSHIP/VISITATION

**MRS. KAY DRESCHER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

I am very pleased to introduce the District Chairmen on the Star Fellowship/Visitation Committee. They all did an exceptional job this year:

Kathleen Sapundjieff, District 1  
Faye Murphy, District 2  
Jane Yenger, District 3  
Joy Bentley, District 4  
Charlotte Dana, District 5

Would all the members of the Star Fellowship/Visitation Committee please stand at this time? Your untiring efforts are certainly appreciated. Thank you.

The Star Fellowship/Visitation Committee monitored visitation in the subordinate chapters and was given the opportunity of raising money for the General Fund of our Grand Chapter. This was accomplished through the sale of calendars listing the activities of our Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Chapter. Through this project, \$8,741.00 was turned in to the Grand Secretary's Office.

Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of each member of the Star Fellowship/Visitation Committee, I thank you for giving us the privilege of serving our Grand Chapter and move for the adoption of this report.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kay Drescher, General Chairman



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** There has been a motion and a second to adopt the report of the Star Fellowship/Visitation Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Kay. And we will sign a calendar or two.

Sisters and Brothers, we have a report on ballot number 5, and we have no election. On ballot number 5, we were voting on the Grand Examiner-at-Large. Total number of votes cast - 3,078. Number of votes needed to elect - 1,540. Trammell - 1,227; Brown - 1,339; Long - 512. It is necessary that we drop the name of Faye Long and proceed to ballot again. We're going to use ballot number 6. Ballot number 6 for these two names on the board: Trammell, Brown, for Grand Examiner-at-Large. Ballot number 6, I now declare open. Grand Pages, collect the ballots.

I now call on Sister Cheryl Albrecht to be prepared to give her report in just a moment on the Rob Morris Founder's Day.

Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to take just a moment here because I'm allowing my Grand Pages to collect ballots. We're going to continue with our reports right on through, but I want to tell you that still out in the foyer are a few items left from mine and the Worthy Grand Patron's year, and we would be pleased if you would take a look at those items in case you've missed them. Also, I lovingly invited Sister Alma Carter to have all of her items back there so that you could begin to look at them while you're here at this Grand Chapter and you don't have to wait until they come around in your area. Mine are all paid for now and in the clear. We don't have a final report yet of these special projects, but the Grand Secretary I know will tell us. It's nearing very close or is over \$100,000 now on our special projects. And, you know, Sisters and Brothers, isn't that wonderful? (Applause) That is because of each of you being willing to give.

All right. I see my Grand Pages are nearing the floor. Can I just check to see if everybody has cast ballot number 6? Has everyone in the room been privileged to cast ballot number 6? I now declare the ballot closed. I wish to have ballot number 6 carried to tables 7 and 8.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, they got to count the other one. They're accustomed to those names, so I'm just going to let them count this one. Tables 7 and 8, ballot number 6.

All right. Sister Cheryl Albrecht, come give us that powerful report from that Founder's Day Committee that has worked diligently.

## **REPORT OF THE ROB MORRIS FOUNDER'S DAY COMMITTEE**

**MRS. CHERYL ALBRECHT:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to introduce my wonderful Co-Chairman and District Chairmen:

Sula Reilly-General Co-Chairman  
 Patricia Kettle-District 1  
 Claudette Carroll-District 2

Rose Ann Lowry-District 3  
 Nova Guynn-District 4  
 Ruby Faw-District 5

Would all the members of the Founder's Day Committee, please stand.

Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy, I wish to thank you for giving me these wonderful members to work with this year. With their assistance, and the assistance of many other volunteers, Our Founder's Day Activities were a great success. A VERY SPECIAL Thank you to Sister Freda Combest for all her assistance while traveling on the School Schedule.

It is my pleasure to submit the following report:

Sale of Devotional Books	\$18,085.00
Donations from Chapters	\$26,004.59
Founder's Day Celebration	\$ 6,341.41
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$50,431.00</b>

I would like to thank the members who generously supported our Silent Auction and Garage Sales with their donations and purchases; The Board of Grand Examiners for the "Painted Shirt Boutique"; Wayne Gaddis, and the staff at the Home for all their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Cheryl Albrecht, General Chairman  
 Founder's Day Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Rob Morris Founder's Day Committee. Is there any discussion? That's what youth will do for us! All those in favor of accepting it, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Congratulations, my fine Committee. Picture time.

Sisters and Brothers, we do have an election. On ballot number 3, ballot number 3 was for Grand Examiner, District 4. Total votes cast - 3,105. Number of votes needed to elect - 1,553. Morgenthaler - 2,012; Hodson - 1,093. By your vote, you have elected Sister Karen Morgenthaler to Grand Examiner, District 4. Sister Karen, will you come so that I may introduce you to my membership. Sisters and Brothers, it is my joy to introduce to you the Grand Examiner from District 4, Sister Karen Morgenthaler. Would you welcome her, please. (Applause)

I wish now to invite Brother J. W. Clark to come and present his report of the Home Laborers/Volunteers. This was a dream of your Worthy Grand Matron that we would be able to have some volunteers work at our Home, take care of it, make it better at no cost. Brother J. W., would you and your fine Committee please come.

## REPORT OF THE HOME LABORERS/VOLUNTEERS COMMITTEE

**MR. J. W. CLARK:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

This has been a very rewarding year as this Committee has tried to make a DIFFERENCE by working at the Eastern Star Home painting rooms, chapel, kitchen and trimming trees.

I would like to thank our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, for giving the Committee the opportunity to serve the ORDER in a positive way. It is my belief that the membership of Eastern Star is proud of the Home and would be very happy to donate their labor to help beautify it and make the Home a "show place". The project was very successful this year as the Home and grounds have been improved; however, we still have a lot of work to be done.

If you share the same idea, please come by the table where I am taking donations for the button for HOME ENDOWMENT, and tell me what you would like to do to improve the Home.

#### SUMMARY OF DONATIONS

J. W. Clark General Chairman	\$1,710.00
Robert Coursey Co-General Chairman	500.00
District I - Chairman Wayne Gaddis	\$1,924.00
District II - Chairman Mack Crowder	330.00
District III-Chairman Vance Martin	\$1,055.00
District IV-Chairman Richard Evans	\$1,065.00
District V-Chairman Hank Knepp	\$1,003.00
TOTAL	\$7,587.00

#### SUMMARY of WORK on EASTERN STAR HOME

In November, 1995, District I Chairman, Mr. Wayne Gaddis, and several men from District I – Joe French, Jack Beall, W. Joe Wilson, Alfred Bell, Jack L. Edwards, Oliver Pearson, Jr., Harold C. McMahon – Kathryn Clark and myself trimmed trees, cleaned-up the-yard, and worked in rose garden in back.

During the month of January, 1996, Robert J. "Tom" Warner, Wayne Gaddis, Hank Knepp and myself cleaned, repaired and painted the kitchen at the Home.

Hank Knepp, Kathryn and myself spent several days in February, 1996 at the Home. We painted four (4) rooms.

During the month of April, 1996, Ray White, Wayne Gaddis, Jimmie and Tom Warner, Joe French, Delbert Shoemaker, Kathryn and myself repaired, painted and cleaned the Chapel. Everyone seemed impressed with the job that the Committee accomplished.

During the months of May and June, 1996, eight (8) rooms were painted.

During the months of July and August, 1996, six (6) rooms were repaired and painted.

During the month of September, Joe French, Wayne Gaddis, Kathryn and myself painted two rooms, and started work on the Apartment building in the back. Old paneling was taken out, front entrance on one apartment was repaired, painted and installed.

Overall, I feel that we accomplished a lot of work on the Home during this year; however, there are still improvements to be made. I hope more members will feel committed and volunteer to help keep our Eastern Star Home beautiful.

Respectfully submitted,  
John W. (J.W.) Clark,  
General Chairman  
Home Laborers/Volunteer Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this partial report because I have some more money to turn in after this report has been given.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt this partial report because Brother J. W. Clark says he has some more money to turn in at a later date. Is there any discussion? How I appreciate you fine gentlemen. Sisters and Brothers, all in favor of accepting this report, raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, gentlemen. (Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, we're just moving right along here. And so is the microphone, which just kind of swings and does its own thing! Sister Alma Carter, it's ten after one. I told you I'd tried to have us done so we could go rest by three. You know, we're just well on the way to doing that. Will you be a good girl in the West and give me a little more time?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** I certainly will.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sister Alma. Sisters and Brothers, do you want to stand just a second and stretch? We're going to keep moving. You've got your session programs in front of you. You see what we're up against. Good going, Brother Joe! He's ready to do the *macarana*. Is there anybody that can play that? Grand Organist, can you do anything like that? Brother Joe, we're sorry; we realize that we can't do it as good as you and Brother Harry, but we are working on it. I saw you at the District 5 banquet. I saw you at the General Banquet too, and I'd like to give you a message. Quack quack. Quack quack quack. (Laughter)

Yes, Brother Joe? He does *macarana* and cheese! (Laughter) I want to tell you: Brother Harry came up here just a minute ago while we were all standing and relaxing. He said, "Worthy Grand Matron, I don't know how to count this ballot." And I said, "What do you mean you don't know how to count this ballot?" He said, "Well, it's a fortune cookie!" (Laughter) Have you relaxed now? Okay. Be seated.

Brother David Dibrell, I lovingly invite you to give your report.

## REPORT OF THE UNITED WE STAND MASONIC AMBASSADORS COMMITTEE

**MR. DAVID DIBRELL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matron, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

The United We Stand / Masonic Ambassadors Committee Chairmen were:

General Chairman, David B. Dibrell  
General Co-Chairman, J. C. Gilmore  
District I, Joe Hays  
District II, Milton Skipper  
District III, Bill Bane  
District IV, Carl E. "Gene" Starkey  
District V, Winfred Harbison

The Committee was provided a distinctive white and gold lapel pin to sell. The pin contained the Square and Compasses of the Masonic fraternity united with the emblem of the Order of the Eastern Star. Around the edge was inscribed "Fraternal Family – United We Stand".

The Committee Members worked diligently and sold \$11,402 of these pins during the year. Every District Chairman worked to be sure that every member had an opportunity to obtain one of these pins. These District Chairmen reminded and cajoled their committee members and each reported promptly. It was indeed a pleasure to serve with these fine Masons.

The Committee wishes to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for selecting us for this place of service. The Committee worked hard to accomplish our goals and we each wish to thank the membership for their support and participation in this vital Grand Chapter program.

Respectfully submitted,  
David B. Dibrell,  
General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the United We Stand/Masonic Ambassadors Committee. Your Worthy Grand Matron appreciates you. Any discussion? All in favor by your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Report adopted. Picture time!

Brother Bill Irwin, we're ready for your report of the Benevolent Cultivators. Have we got any more bumper stickers left, Brother Bill Irwin? You have 24. All right. There's 24 bumper stickers left, "In God We Trust." If you want them, get out there and get them.

## REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT CULTIVATORS/COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

**MR. BILL IRWIN:** Would the District Chairmen of the Benevolent Cultivators and Community Services Committee please come to the East.

To: Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron, 1995-1996.

Worthy Grand Matron, it has been a great honor for the members of this committee to have served you during this Grand Chapter year. With members in all Districts selling the Bumper Stickers, and working within their respective communities and Chapters to provide whatever Services possible, I feel we have made significant progress during the year. 92% of all the Bumper Stickers have been sold, for a total of \$4,715.15 turned in to Grand Chapter to date. There remains about 390 stickers still not in, and we are going to continue working to sell them all, if we can find them. A portion has been lost in the mail, and/or stolen, and a few of the committees have not responded as yet to whether they will try to sell their stickers, or pay for the stickers, or send the stickers back in to their District Chairperson. We will continue to obtain as many as we can on through 1996.

In general, I feel this committee has been exceptionally good to work with during the year under the District Chairs' leadership. District 1 Chair, Deleita Sechrist brought in \$1089; District 2 Chair, Ernestine Winterrowd, turned in \$356 (sold out); District 3 Chair, Ellen Miller, cleared \$674 (essentially sold out); District 4 Chair, Jane Stoltenberg, turned in \$1456; and District 5 Chair, Ann Teague is essentially out after bringing in \$698.15, for a Grand Total of \$4,716.15. A District 1 member, Dorothy Walling, has simply been outstanding in obtaining donations for a total of at least 437 stickers – we could not supply her with as many as she needed. The Worthy Grand Patron, with the Worthy Grand Matron's assistance, sold 446 stickers. My personal thanks and appreciation goes out to such outstanding contributors as well as all the other members who have done their best – a JOB WELL DONE! I feel the entire committee has done a great job this year, and some have brought stickers to Grand Chapter for donations. We wish to thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for your hard work and long hours invested to sustain and improve our Order this 1995-1996 Grand Chapter year.

Name	Total
Combest	\$ 446.00
Irwin	16.00
District 1	1,089.00
District 2	356.00
District 3	674.00
District 4	1,436.00
District 5	698.15
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$4,715.15</b>

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT** – Turned in after Grand Chapter  
\$ 596.15

**FINAL TOTAL      \$5,311.30**

Respectfully submitted:  
Bill Irwin, General Chairman, 1995-1996  
Benevolent Cultivators/Community Service Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The motion has been made and seconded that we adopt the report of the Benevolent Cultivators/Community Services. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of accepting the report, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

And while we're getting ready for our picture, I invite Sister Coweta Engel to be ready for her report.

## REPORT OF THE TIME AND TALENT COMMITTEE

**MRS. COWETA ENGEL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Sisters and Brothers:

I wish to thank the other members who have served as my Co-Chairman and Chairmen of the Districts. Because of them and the other committee members, we have had a very successful year for the Time and Talent Committee/Home Support Group.

The members are:  
 Julia Hill-General Co-Chairman  
 Gertrude Richardson-District 1  
 Jo Dennis-District 2  
 Elwanda Spindor-District 3  
 Connie Barron-District 4  
 Crystal Roper-District 5

As of October 17, we had received a total of \$7,675.62 from donations for the rose stickers and from special donations for the Mothers Day Party for the Ladies. The membership gave generously for the party, \$1,874.62. Expenses for the tea were \$1,166.26 which included a monetary gift of \$15.00 for each lady. \$708.36 was added to the special needs fund for the residents. After the expenses were met, the total remaining was \$6,509.36.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing us to serve on this very special committee. To all members who donated to the effort, we wish to thank you on behalf of our lovely ladies who reside in our home.

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT** - Following Grand Chapter, an additional \$50.00 was turned in, making a Total Donation of \$7,725.62.

Respectively submitted,  
 Coweta Engel  
 General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move for adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Co. It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Time and Talent Home Support Group. They've done such a wonderful job this year. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you.

We have an election. On ballot number 6 for Grand Examiner-at-Large, total votes cast - 2,908. Number of votes needed to elect - 1,455. Trammell - 1,312; Brown - 1,596. By the vote of this membership, you have elected Sister Nancy Brown to Grand Examiner-at-Large. If she would come, I would like to introduce her to the membership. As she comes, I want to speak to my membership. I'm going to go out on a limb here. There has never been a Worthy Grand Matron that has had the spirit of cooperation and peace that I have witnessed the last two and a half days in this Grand Chapter room. You have lovingly sat quietly; you have listened. In fact, you've caught your Worthy Grand Matron in a couple of bobbles. You have laughed with me; you have smiled with me; you have participated in our deliberations. I shall never forget my two and a half days of presiding with my membership. I appreciate you.

Sister Nancy Brown, do you want to accept first?

**MRS. NANCY BROWN:** Yes, thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Certainly I would accept and I appreciate the membership's support. Thank you very much.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** This is Sister Nancy Brown, the Grand Examiner-at-Large. Would you welcome her? (Applause)

I gave you a compliment. Now in giving you that compliment, I'm going to trust that you'll stay with me for about another hour. I want to do this for you. We have an election on ballot number 4. This way I can release my tellers; I can let them go back and be with their friends and families, and I hope I don't see this arena empty itself because we have a few more reports and some special tributes and things that your Worthy Grand Matron would like to do, so I hope you'll stay with me. But in all fairness to you, I wish to give you the final election. I wanted to wait until all the ballots had been completed, and so now I wish to give you an election on ballot number 4 for the Grand North. Now, Sisters and Brothers, you know I'm going to ask you to be respectful and quiet, and I know you will. Total number of votes cast - 3,155. Numbers of votes needed for an election - 1,578. Vletas - 403; Wolfe - 721; Friend - 2,031. Sister Betty Friend, by the election of this membership, you have been elected to the Grand North. I would ask you to come now so that I can introduce you and they may lovingly welcome you.

As she comes, I want to speak to my tellers, election judge and assistants: You've been wonderful, Sisters and Brothers. You've been loving; you've been thoughtful. I want you to be able to get up from those tables now and go and sit and relax. (Applause) My parliamentarian reminds me that in order to complete this Grand Chapter session we must have a quorum. Sisters and Brothers, it's just 1:30 on Saturday afternoon. Please consider staying with us, but it will be your choice.

Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce to you your choice for Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I waited until the Grand Line got up here because I know they too would wish to greet her. Sisters and Brothers, I introduce to you Sister Betty Friend. Please greet her. (Applause) Do you accept, Sister Betty?

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. It is with a very grateful heart and tremendous love for the membership of this Grand Chapter that I accept this position. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. We will now continue with our reports. I invite Brother Arvol Willingham to come and give us his Grand Harmonizers report. And I would say to you that that's the music and a



special love of the Worthy Grand Matron. After he gives his report, we're going to hear a special tribute that has been written for the Worthy Grand Matron entitled "Rosemary." We don't hear that very often throughout the State of Texas, so we're going to get to hear that song today. Brother Arvol, your report, please.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND HARMONIZERS/MUSIC COMMITTEE

**MR. ARVOL WILLINGHAM:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members and Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

I invite all 152 Members of the Grand Harmonizers/Music Committee to stand while I give this report. This Committee was responsible for distributing the Worthy Grand Matron's A PEACEFUL JOURNEY MARCH, which she composed herself, the Cassette Tape Recording of Peaceful Remembrances, and the Cassette Tape Recording of all the Worthy Grand Matrons of Texas Marches from 1940 through 1995. All put together by Worthy Grand Matron Sister Rosemary Swetland. These Music and Tapes were easy to sell because of the historical value of things of the past. In fact, I was asked this morning if we still had some available. Yes, you can find them in the special room for that purpose.

The Grand Harmonizers/Music Committee had a very successful year 1995-1996, and I am happy to report that as of this date, the 152 Members of the Committee have sold \$20,183.57, and we are still selling. Sisters and Brothers, you had better hurry and get these tapes and music as we are just about sold out. I would like to especially thank my five District Chairmen for their cooperation and help during this Chapter Year:

- District 1 - Sister Gayle Doyle
- District 2 - Sister Dorothy Hodges
- District 3 - Sister Madylene Andrews
- District 4 - Sister Victoree Hendricks
- District 5 - Brother John Esquivel

Worthy Grand Matron, I have enjoyed the privilege of serving this year as your General Chairman of this Committee.

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT** - Following Grand Chapter, an additional \$334.00 was turned in, making a **Final Total of \$20,517.57**.

Respectfully submitted:  
Arvol Willingham,  
General Chairman

I move that this report be adopted.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt this wonderful report of the Grand Harmonizers/Music. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Arvol. We'll get a picture and have Mrs. Joann Squyres ready.

## REPORT OF THE PROFICIENCY/RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE

**MRS. JOANN SQUYRES:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers all:

Will all those who served on the Proficiency/Ritualistic Committee please stand.

It is with pleasure that I introduce the District Chairman of this Committee:

Linda Jackson, District 1  
Maurine Skipper, District 2  
Cathy Rose, District 3  
Inez Stacey, District 4  
Dorothy Wade, District 5

We the members of this Committee appreciate the opportunity to serve the Grand Chapter of Texas under the leadership of Rosemary Swetland, Worthy Grand Matron and Billy Combest, Worthy Grand Patron during Grand Chapter year 1995-1996.

The purpose of this Committee was to have available to the membership of Texas, clarifications and suggestions of our laws, rules, and regulations of the Grand Chapter of Texas, better known as "the green sheets", to be able to perform our work in a proficient and ritualistic manner.

I wish to give a special "thank you" to Freda Combest, who worked the sales table at the different Schools of Instruction, the District Chairmen and all the committee members for the effort and cooperation from you in the sale of these "green sheets."

Many of these "green sheets" were distributed and sold directly through the Grand Secretary's Office.

The following report reflects only the sales reported and recorded through this committee's General Chairman:

1293 green sheets were sold through this committee for a total of \$3,899.00 turned in to the Grand Secretary's Office.

Joann Squyres  
General Chairman,  
Proficiency/Ritualistic Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept the report of the Proficiency/Ritualistic Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, show your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Joann.

On our Grand Chapter Committees, I now lovingly invite Sister Sherrill Cain to give you a brief report for her Scottish Rite Language Disorder.

## REPORT OF GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE DISORDER

**MRS. SHERRILL CAIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of speaking to the group. Membership, I sell a small gold lapel cross that can be worn by a lady or a gentleman. The \$5 donated for this cross goes to the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorders. When we send it in to General Grand Chapter, it is credited back to the Scottish Rite in Texas. So if any of you need one, I still have a few left. I cannot order more for next year until these are all gone. We have sold over 400 in Texas, but I still need to get a few more sold so I can get those that Sister Alma needs for her group. Thank you. I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept that report of the Scottish Rite Language Disorder. Any discussion? All those in favor, raise your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I recognize now Sister Pearl Mills from the Youth Committee.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER YOUTH COMMITTEE

**MRS. PEARL MILLS:** It is with much pleasure that I bring this report on the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls from this Committee. I have appreciated the honor of serving our Grand Chapter in this place and working with our girls.

The Supreme Assembly Session of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls was in Seattle, Washington in July, 1996. In 1998 it will be in St. Louis, Missouri and in 2000 in New York.

We invite all of you to attend our 1997 Grand Assembly Session in Beaumont, June 15, 16, 17 and 18th.

We are working on our 75th Anniversary for 1998.

We participated in the decorations for the Masonic Float in the Rose Bowl Parade on New Years Day, it will be decorated with a Rainbow and the Pot of Gold. Rainbow Girls and members of the Amaranth will be on the float.

We are continuing with our Pledge Sisters program in Texas for the Eight, Nine and Ten year old girls.

We have reissued the Charter to Oso Assembly in Corpus Christi, working on the Reopening of Bay City Assembly and have organized a new Assembly in Shallowater. We are now ready to issue the Charter to Hillsboro Assembly.

We are pleased to be having a part in the Installation Ceremony tonight, our Grand Worthy Advisor, Cindy Ensminger will make our Bible Presentation to the

Worthy Grand Matron. Many girls from over the State will be in the drill as some of the girls from the Worthy Grand Matrons Assembly in Plano will be the special escorts of the Worthy Grand Matron and will make a special gift presentation.

Thank you for allowing me this privilege of bring this report from the General Grand Chapter Youth Committee.

Pearl Mills, Member, General  
Grand Chapter Youth Committee

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Pearl. It has been moved and seconded that we adopt this report. All those in favor, show your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I invite Betty Scott to present her Cancer report.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER CANCER COMMITTEE

**MRS. BETTY SCOTT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, other Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers :

The Report of the General Grand Chapter Cancer Committee for the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas is the result of the diligent efforts of the members of this committee. All are aware of the fact that cancer is a major killer in our society today and that most of our lives have been touched in one way or another by the impact of this dreaded disease.

The sale of bear pins and individual donations for this cause are as follows:

Bear Pins:	Sold 470 @ \$5.00 ea.	\$2,350.00
Donations:		<u>1,005.00</u>
Total Amount Collected		\$3,355.00

The members of this committee sincerely appreciate the opportunity and special privilege of serving our Grand Jurisdiction on this project. Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this honor and the loving membership for your participation and contributions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty M. Scott, Chairman  
General Grand Chapter Cancer Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the acceptance of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the Cancer report. Is there any discussion? All in favor show your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Sister Kathleen Johnson, are you in the room for the Ambassadors of Peace Committee? Sister Kathleen.

## REPORT OF THE AMBASSADORS OF PEACE COMMITTEE

**MRS. KATHLEEN JOHNSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

A great visionary once remarked "You can dream, create, design, and build but it requires PEOPLE to make the dream a reality". The dream to which I am referring is the PERPETUAL PRAYER CALENDAR. You selected the 1995 -1996 Worthy Matrons of Texas Subordinate Chapters to be the PEOPLE and entitled them "Ambassadors of Peace". From among this prestigious group, you selected the "Special Seven" you desired to lead and guide the AMBASSADORS OF PEACE in their goal to awaken this dream and make it a reality. It is my pleasure to introduce them to you at this time:

Kathleen Johnson	General Chairman
Daisy Rogers	General Co-Chairman
Edna Adams	District 1 Chairman
Alma York	District 2 Chairman
Pat Turner	District 3 Chairman
Pat Edwards	District 4 Chairman
Shirley Hainline	District 5 Chairman

We, the "Special Seven", along with the 1995 - 1996 Ambassadors of Peace Committee are pleased to make the following report:

Total Disbursements:     \$ 6,948.50

Revenues (thus far):

	Dollars
District 1	\$ 3,955.00
District 2	\$ 910.00
District 3	\$ 1,620.00
District 4	\$ 4,753.00
District 5	\$ 2,520.00
Multi-District Sales	\$1,282.00
Grand Secretary's Office	\$ 35.00
"Adopted" Calendar Sales	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
	\$15,640.00

Net Profit (thus far):         **\$ 8,692.00**

We are particularly proud that our first transmittal was \$7,040.00.

I move the adoption of this partial report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Johnson,  
General Chairman

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT:

Revenues as submitted in Partial Report:

	<b>Dollars</b>
Reported at Grand Chapter	\$15,640.00
Funds Received Following Grand Chapter	1,240.00
Total Calendars Sold	1,680.00
1995-1996 GRAND TOTAL	<b>\$16,880.00</b>

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this partial report as I have other funds that are in the mail to me at this time, and I wish them to be included. When you sound the gavel signifying the close of your Grand Chapter session, then and only then will we close the record book on the 1996 Ambassador of Peace Committee and the funds that I have in the mail make us a net profit of \$10,000. I move the adoption of this partial report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we adopt this partial report of the Ambassadors of Peace Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, signify by your voting card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my sweet Worthy Matrons, my Ambassadors of Peace.

Brother John Esquivel, you have paid the Worthy Grand Matron of Texas a very, very high honor in that you have written a song for me entitled "Rosemary." The words are in your program just for your viewing. However, Brother John will play on this beautiful, brand new Baldwin Grand that we've been allowed to use this two and a half days. He's going to present to you "Rosemary." (Applause followed the playing of "Rosemary.") Thank you, Brother John Esquivel. I hope I'm that bouncy tonight, Sister Alma Carter!

We are now preparing for my appreciation and recognition of the Executive and Arrangements Committee, my Yellow Jackets as I lovingly call them. You'll notice that they're going to the West. I've also invited Brother Henry Martin and his Executive crew to be in the East.

Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the reports of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Our goals have been positive, productive and peaceful, and I am so pleased that each of our reports have been able to be given. Now we still have a report that we will give shortly, the Resolutions Committee; then we will have the Jurisprudence final acceptance of all business. We're structured now at four minutes of two -- Sister Alma, I'm going to get us out of here before three.

Okay. May I now see my Yellow Jackets, my 1995-96 Executive and Arrangements crew across the West in back of Esther's station. Sister Grand Marshal, would you go lead them, please? I'm going to let my Grand Conductresses rest.

Now what you see, Sisters and Brothers, are my precious Arrangements and Executive crew members that took with me four years ago a dream that we could have a Grand Chapter in Beaumont, Texas. Have we had a Grand Chapter in Beaumont, Texas? (Applause) Not one time did they ever say to me, "No, ma'am, we can't." What they said to me is, "We'll handle it." Not one time did they ever say to me, "I don't believe we can do that." They said, "We'll get it done." Not one time did they ever say, "That's just asking too much." They just said, "We'll handle it, Worthy Grand Matron." I've watched them stand in the rain the last two days to direct traffic, soaking wet. I've watched them drive courtesy cars, to be sure that everybody was brought here safely. I've watched them smile when someone stepped on their toe. I've watched them offer the loving hand of friendship to the membership of Texas into a little smaller area. I have never felt so much love. I have never seen so much peace. These are my guardian angels over this Grand Chapter. This is the

way I see you. There's nothing more I can say, so I'm just going to ask the Heavenly Father that He will grant to each of you your deepest heart's desire, that in the days ahead He will grant you perfect health, joy, happiness, but most of all, deep within your hearts, a feeling of His presence and His peace. I will be eternally grateful to this Committee. Sisters and Brothers, please stand and thank them. (Applause and standing ovation.)

Thank you. And, Sister Alma Carter, they're going to stay with you. They will be here to help you and your Executive Committee, and I'm going to let them stand back there, because I know that they're going to be with you tonight, and I'm going to now invite the Executive Chairman for 1996-97 Grand Chapter session in Dallas, Texas, Brother Henry S. Martin. I want to say that I know what's ahead for you fine people, but I know they're in good hands. Brother Henry, would you wish to extend us an invitation?

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** I would. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Before we extend our invitation, could I get these fellows up in the top to play a little something for us? (Theme song from "Dallas" played as a large black banner was unfurled across the East. The outline of the Dallas skyline, the figure of "Big Tex" and the lettering in gold of "DALLAS" were displayed on the banner).

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Boy, Brother Henry Martin, whatever you say now is going to be anticlimactic!

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Well, does that song tell you where we're from? If you happened to miss it, we're from Dallas, just a few hours north of Beaumont, and Sister Alma, a few minutes south of Plano; right? But seriously, before I say anything else, I would be remiss if I didn't recognize Sister Pauline Haussner Walker and her Executive and Arrangements Committees. I know you've been recognized, but I want to recognize you and I want to thank you personally for all of the cooperation and the helpfulness you've extended to us – Sister Alma's Committee – while we've been here in Beaumont. I know it's going to continue, but you have just bent over backwards to do everything we asked. We've been working with you for a number of months, and everything has been great. I just want to say "Thank You", Sisters and Brothers, give them another hand. They deserve it. (Applause)

And now, Sisters and Brothers, it will come as no surprise to you, but tonight here at the Montagne Center in Beaumont, Texas, our most Elegant Eagle will assume the mantle of leadership of our beautiful Order, and with the number one Windwalker begin her year-long journey to the far corners of this great State of Texas. Throughout this year, Sister Alma and Brother Richard Ochs will enjoy the opportunity to meet and greet you, the membership, the individual members who make this Order great. At the end of those 12 months, on October 9th through 11th, 1997, our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron will arrive at the Dallas Convention Center to open Grand Chapter 1997. The plans for this Grand Chapter began some three years ago with the desire to have the most enjoyable and productive Grand Chapter session possible for you the membership.

I can promise you there will be some surprises and some innovations, which we believe you will enjoy. With the help of the dedicated and talented members of the Executive and Arrangements Committee – and, Sisters and Brothers, that's this red, white and blue you see around the arena here – these people have generously donated their time and talents. And with that, these plans, we believe, will be very successful. So on behalf of Sister Alma Carter and Brother Richard Ochs, it is my privilege and my pleasure to extend a most cordial invitation to each one of you to

join us in Dallas next year, October 9th through 11th, 1997, for Grand Chapter '97. (Applause)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Grand Marshal, do the best you can at conducting all of these wonderful members off the floor. All those that went home, aren't they missing something? (Applause) I told you we were going to go out with a bang.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, I wish for you now to perform a very special duty for the Worthy Grand Matron. I wish for you to present in back of Esther's station the following members. Please stand when your name is called and be ready for the Grand Conductresses. Sisters Jackie Pointer, Martha Mosele, Syble Yost and Brothers J. W. Clark and Russell Swetland. And, Sisters and Brothers, he did not know!

Thank you, Sisters Grand Conductresses. Membership of Texas, you see before you five gentle souls that in some way have deeply touched the life of your Worthy Grand Matron. I was allotted 25 Grand Representative appointments this year, and five of them were to be done at this Grand Chapter session. It was my desire not to duplicate this year, so therefore all 25 are first-timers and in many ways have served the Grand Chapter of Texas in a positive, powerful, and productive manner for 25 years plus. This is what I have to say to you, my friends. O, the comfort of feeling safe with a person, having neither to weigh the thoughts nor measure the words, but pouring them all out just as they are, chaff and grain together, certain that a faithful hand will take them, sift them, keep what is worth and then with the breath of kindness, blow the rest away. Thus, you have done. Thus, this is my gift to each of you for being so tender, gentle and generous to the heart and spirit of your Worthy Grand Matron. So shall be your reward.

I shall read one commission only, and each one of them are basically the same. "Whereas, the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Alabama and the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, seeking to promote fraternal relations between their Grand Jurisdictions, and believing that the ties of affection may be strengthened, the prosperity of the Order promoted and its unity and integrity and strength be protected, and its utility and honor confirmed by the appointment and reception of Grand Representatives from each of the afore Grand Chapters, be it known that as evidence of our trust and confidence, we by these presents do constitute and appoint Mrs. Jackie Pointer Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Alabama." Now then, Sisters and Brothers, the same like commissions. To Sister Martha I. Mosele, Arizona; to Brother J. W. Clark, Nebraska; to Brother Russell Swetland, Tennessee; and to Sister Syble T. Yost, Vermont.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our newest commissioned Grand Representatives to the East for introduction. (Applause and standing ovation as they go to East.)

Sisters and Brothers, it's my pleasure to introduce to you Jackie Pointer, Alabama; Martha Mosele, Arizona; J. W. Clark, Nebraska; Russell Swetland, Tennessee; Syble Yost, Vermont, Order of the Eastern Star. Would you give them a hearty welcome. (Applause) And now would you extend to the newest Grand Representatives Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.)

Okay. Let's present pins. Sisters and Brothers, this is such a happy time in the life of a Worthy Grand Matron to be able to do this for those that have been so loving and dedicated to her. I'm looking forward to them enjoying their commissions.



We have just a little more business. Sister Mary Brown, I would wish now for you to go ahead and present your Resolutions report. We've waited this long to do this because this is a very special resolution that Sister Mary Brown wishes to offer on behalf of this Grand Chapter. She's going to read it to you the way it's written, and it will be published in our Proceedings. Sister Mary, would you wish to come? And she has Sister Nancy by her side. Two beautiful, treasured friends. I invite you to preside, Mary and Nancy.

## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

**MRS. MARY BROWN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my beloved Sisters and Brothers. I am pleased to present to this membership your Resolutions Committee.

Robert Woods - District I  
Molly Goodpasture West - District II  
Marjorie Moffitt - District III  
Nancy Bailey Allen - District V  
And I am, Mary Brown - District IV

Your Committee thanks you for the privilege of serving you and our Grand Chapter, and we wish to present the following Resolution:

**Whereas** the 114th Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, the "Living in Peace and Harmony Session", was held in Beaumont, Texas on October 24 - 26, 1996, for the first time since 1908, and,

**Whereas** the City of Beaumont, the hotels, and the people of this city have welcomed us with open arms, and assisted us in every way possible, and

**Whereas** the Executive and Arrangements Committees have planned well and received us with concern for our welfare and happiness, and

**Whereas** the members of this Grand Chapter have expeditiously conducted the business of this session with courtesy and thoughtfulness of each other, and

**Whereas** the members have participated generously in the benevolent projects of our order,

**Therefore Be It Resolved** that this Grand Body commend the Executive and Arrangements Committee for the endless hours of Labor expended for our comfort and pleasure,

And that this Grand Chapter send letters of appreciation to the cities of Beaumont, Visitors Center and Hotels in Beaumont and Port Arthur and Montagne Center - Lamar University,

And that this grand body commend the members for their prayerful consideration of their Sisters and Brothers during this session and recommend this action of brotherly love continue in the future for the uplifting and progress of our Beautiful Grand Chapter of Texas,

And be it resolved that this membership express our appreciation to the

Executive and Arrangements Committees by a standing and thunderous ovation – followed by a big hug for the Sister or Brother standing beside you.

And furthermore, that we bow our heads in silent prayer to our Lord for the peaceful blessing of this 114th Annual Session, until the sound of the Gavel at the 115th Annual Session.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Mary Brown and your Committee for this beautiful resolution. How pleased we are that you've worded it thusly. It will be in the Proceedings, and we thank you so much.

Now I'm going to invite Sister Elsie Paladino, Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee. This is necessary, Sisters and Brothers, to complete the business of Grand Chapter, which is what we have done.

## FINAL REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers.

Worthy Grand Matron, this is the final report of your Jurisprudence Committee. First, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you again for the proficient manner in which you have conducted the business of this Grand Chapter. In the days ahead, may you, the Worthy Grand Patron, and your families find that perfect peace that surpasseth all understanding. May God surround you with His light, enfold you in His love, protect you by His power and watch over you by His presence. God bless you in your further journeys.

There's standing with me, of course, Sister Betty Hager, Sister Virginia Lynn Green, Brother Harry Cunningham is with Sister Doris Efird because John Efird was not feeling well. We certainly excuse them, and thank you again, the membership, for your patience, your understanding and your kindness. You'll never know – when I looked out at you during the legislation, you were so attentive. You were listening to what was happening. You were not visiting with your neighbor because you wanted to know what was voted on at your Grand Chapter. I appreciate that.

Sisters and Brothers, we have carefully reviewed the decisions and actions of our Worthy Grand Matron and find them to be consistent with the powers delegated to her by our Constitution and Laws.

We highly commend the Worthy Grand Matron, as well as the Worthy Grand Patron. Under distressing circumstances they have served with patience, understanding and courage. They have both been tireless in their efforts of service to our Membership.

We commend the Membership of this Grand Chapter for your participation in the legislation and for your interest and concern for the best interest of this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, we, your Jurisprudence Committee, standing with me, thank you for the privilege of service. We love you both.

Worthy Grand Matron, we move the adoption of this Final Report.

Jurisprudence Committee  
 Virginia Lynn Green  
 Betty Phillips Hagar  
 Doris M. Efird  
 Harry G. Cunningham  
 Elsie M. Paladino, Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It has been moved and seconded that we accept the final report of the Jurisprudence Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, show your voting cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my dear friends.

We have three items left: the greetings of the Worthy Grand Patron, the greetings of the Worthy Grand Matron and the benediction. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to bring final greetings to your membership.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Distinguished Members, I realized sometime ago when I thought about final greetings that it was an exercise in futility because you can't condense two years of your life where something was going on all the time into short greetings, and that's necessary at this time. If I could borrow from the Honorable Brother and Past Grand Patron from West Texas, I could sing it to you. If I did – was able to do that, it would be, "It's crying time again," because I'm going to leave you, Sisters and Brothers. It's sad when we come to that place.

But I thought where all of this started sometime back in Nacogdoches, Texas, there at that time that I was lifted up so high, and I never was let down by this membership. I don't think I will be in the future – Well, I know that I will not be in the future let down. But I brought some greetings as I started out there, and my cup was running over that night. It has continued to run over.

*I've never made a fortune,  
 and it's probably too late now.  
 But it don't matter too much  
 because I'm happy anyhow.*

*I'll go along life's journeys,  
 I'm reaping better than I've sowed.  
 I'm drinking from a saucer  
 because my cup has overflowed.*

*I don't have a lot of riches  
 and sometime the going is tough.  
 But I've got kids and friends that love me  
 and that makes me rich enough.*

*I want to thank God for all the blessings  
 that He has bestowed  
 because I'll go on drinking from the saucer  
 'cause my cup has overflowed.*

*If He gives me strength and courage  
when the way grows steep and rough,  
I'll not ask for other blessings  
because I've already been blessed enough.*

*May I never become too busy to help others carry their load.  
And I'll go throughout my life  
drinking from a saucer  
'cause my cup has surely overflowed.*

There's so many people I could thank – there would be 71,000 at this time I would like to thank personally, but that's impossible. I'd just leave you at this time with what I have left you with: May the sweet Lord Jesus lead each and every one of you by those still waters. May His strength be the joy that you find there. May His power be the victory that you live in. As we go from this place, my prayer is that He'll hold each and every one of you safely in the palm of His almighty hands. I love you, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for loving me. (Applause and standing ovation)

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers all: My tenure of office as your Worthy Grand Matron has now come to complete fruition. With vacillating emotions, I bring you my last greetings. Over eight years ago I had a dream within my heart. I hoped for a renewal and a rededication of the great purposes of our fraternity to occur at the core of our membership, that we could and would renew our faith and belief in Him whose star we follow and that we would learn to live in peace and harmony with one another. I believed we were facing new times, but with enthusiasm and positiveness we could grow without fear, but with faith in God to bless our endeavors.

I believed that if we developed a positive attitude, coupled with a willing spirit to work hard and recognize that we could do all things through Christ who strengthens us, that we could turn stumbling blocks into stepping stones. I believed that we could be willing hands, lips and hearts to reach out to one another for Christ's sake and that we would learn to walk in peace. I believed that our Heavenly Father had a divine plan for each of our lives in this great membership and that we were preparing for the walk that He had designed us to do. Therefore, there was no need to be afraid, just a willingness to follow Him. My membership of Texas united with me in this dream and in these beliefs, and today our record stands. We have walked in peace as much as was possible within us. We have given our very best to make our Order a little better for those who would follow, and we do not need to be afraid of the future, looking positively ahead.

It is beyond my power to pay you back, my membership of Texas, for all your kindnesses and gentlenesses to your Worthy Grand Matron. But I'll just try to pass it on to others when I see a need, or I'll try to be more gentle and loving kind toward others. This will eventually bring about much needed peace.

To pursue a dream is to touch the wind, and to reach out and fly on the wings of the breeze to new horizons never before seen, but often and lovingly imagined. To capture that spirit and keep it always alive in the hearts of those about us is to know true fulfillment, for it brings every dream within our reach. So to my wonderful membership, I say that I hope that you will find His peace. And to my supportive Grand Line of Texas – Alma, Yvonne and Alma Lynn – I pray that God will grant you good judgment in all you decide, enough self-assurance to take change in stride, that God will bless you with courage to adjust and do all the things that you must, and that God will help and inspire you to be the best you and fill each of your hearts

with His peace all your life through.

To my faithful helpmate and friend, Mr. Russell: Once in a while someone comes into our life and gives us both love and friendship wrapped into one. That's what you have done for your wife. I'm ready now to take your hand and return home to my responsibilities.

One last greeting, Sisters and Brothers: What I do best is at the keyboard. I have written a song in honor of you, my membership; and I would like to offer it to you humbly at this time. This will close the greetings of your Worthy Grand Matron of Texas. Place a silent prayer in your hearts for me, for I would like to do this to the glory of our Lord and not be emotional. I now go to the keyboard.

### MY FATHER'S PEACE

Written by: Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Grand Chapter of Texas, OES  
1995 - 1996

and lovingly dedicated to her membership of Texas

*PEACE*, My Father's Peace, I pray that you will find.

*PEACE*, My Father's Peace, Filling both your heart and mind.

(Chorus) Seek, and you will find, that special tie that still does bind;  
Your heart just open wide, and His peace (joy/love) I know you will find.

*JOY*, My Father's Joy, I pray that you will find.

*JOY*, My Father's Joy, for you to share with all mankind. (Chorus again)

*PRAYER*, a whispered prayer, with all your heart, just deeply care.

*PRAYER*, a loving prayer, and offer *HIS LOVE* with all to share. (Chorus again)

*PEACE*, My Father's Peace, I truly pray that you will find.

*PEACE*, My Father's Peace, living always in your soul and mind.

(Applause and standing ovation followed the playing and singing of "My Father's Peace.")

Sisters and Brothers, the hour has arrived for us to complete our duties, rest for a few moments and then return to welcome into office our new regime under the capable leadership of Sister Alma Carter and her Grand Officers. So I now lovingly invite Dr. O. D. Christian, Past Grand Patron, to voice our praise of thanksgiving and benediction.

**DR. O. D. CHRISTIAN:** Let us pray. Holy and righteous God who has watched over the proceedings of this Grand Chapter session, we humbly thank You for Your guidance. We thank You, our Father, today for our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron that have done such a marvelous job. Thank You for the membership that stayed with them and helped get these proceedings to the place that we are now. Father, bless the new regime that shall be coming in this evening: Sister Alma, Brother Richard and their corps of officers. As we have done this year, may we continue next year, to hold them up before Thy throne of grace that You might protect them throughout their journeys. Direct our minds, our hearts and our footsteps, for it's in the Master's name that I pray. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the

Grand Sentinel that we're about to engage in the ceremony of calling this Grand Chapter session from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruption while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to engage in the ceremony of calling this 114th "Living in Peace and Harmony" and "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" Grand Chapter session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Sister Grand Warder, there will be no interruptions.

**GRAND WARDER:** There will be no interruptions, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. (The Holy Bible was closed.) I now call this "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" session from labor to rest until 5:30 p.m. at which time we will have our installation of Grand Officers for 1996-97. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Grand Sentinel, this "Peace Brings Quietness and Assurance" Grand Chapter Session is called from labor to rest.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I respectfully request that the Grand Officers please turn in their badges to the Grand Secretary or her Page before you leave the arena. And to my wonderful membership of Texas, may Father God grant within each of you His peace. Farewell.

## WRITTEN REPORT OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER HEART COMMITTEE

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I would like to recognize the members of the General Grand Chapter Heart Committee. Would you please stand at this time as our report is being given.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

It has been indeed a pleasure and honor to serve on the General Grand Chapter Heart Committee and to work with those chosen to represent each District. We began the year as a team and we finished the year as a team, each helping one another.

We are pleased to report that we received 431 Cherub Pins from General Grand Chapter and returned 4 that were broken. Thanks to these lovely ladies and the wonderful membership of Texas, the other 427 were distributed for donations in the amount of \$2,135.00. A complete breakdown by District for the distribution of these pins is attached to this report.

Thank you, ladies, and thank you membership of Texas for supporting this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Archer, Chairman

## WRITTEN REPORT OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER YOUTH COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, the members of this committee and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for our appointments to serve our Grand Chapter and the youth of Texas this year.

The committee consisted of eighteen (18) members. We finally received the Clown Pins from General Grand Chapter the end of December, 1995. Since that time we have sold a total of 343 pins at \$6.00 totalling \$2,058. These funds have been sent to General Grand Chapter and, as I understand it, the profit from these sales will be forwarded to the Grand Chapter of Texas at the end of the Triennium for scholarships for our Texas youth. A breakdown of sales of each committee member is attached.

Our major problem was obtaining pins from General Grand Chapter in a timely manner not only in the beginning, but throughout the year. I also experienced difficulty in being advised on questions regarding the purpose of our sales. Since many of our committee members did not respond monthly per my request in my initial letter sent with the pins in December, reconciling our receipts/sales was difficult but has been successfully completed.

Thank you again for asking us to serve this past Grand Chapter year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen H. Ostrom, Chairman  
General Grand Chapter - Youth

## WRITTEN REPORT OF THE STAR/NEWS BULLETIN COMMITTEE

On behalf of the STAR/NEWS BULLETIN Committee we would like to express our thanks and appreciation to have served during this Grand Chapter year 1995-1996.

From the District Chairmen and Committee members, we say thank you to the membership of Texas for their support of the Bulletin.

### Bulletin Report

New Subscriptions	784
Renewals	2,688
Miscellaneous	421
Total	3,472

A special thanks to the Grand Secretary's office for maintaining the Bulletin records.

Respectfully submitted,  
Williadee Edwards, General Chairman  
Ammond Bowden - District 1

Evelyn Berry – District 2  
Faye Long – District 3  
Janell Lowe – District 4  
Karen Wright – District 5

## **WRITTEN REPORT OF THE RESTORATION COMMITTEE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

It has been a pleasure to serve with Brother Ray White.

Several aspects to the restoration of the Eastern Star Home have been discussed.

Two items of importance have been resolved. The outside woodwork, including fascia board, wooden frames of the windows and the sun porches, have been replaced where needed and painted.

The four columns at the front entrance have been replaced and painted. The outside appearance of our Home is beautiful.

Two sections of deteriorated plumbing have been replaced.

Bids and applications for the roof repairs are almost complete, and we hope to proceed on this project before the winter months.

After the roof is fixed, several items inside need to be fixed.

We would like to thank each of you for your support in making our Home a more beautiful place for our Ladies.

Fraternally,  
Wayne M. Gaddis, Chairman





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1996-1997

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Dedicated to my children,  
Jeannie Hinsley  
and Michael Stinson

October 26, 1996  
Montagne Center  
Campus of Lamar University  
Beaumont, Texas  
6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Alma Carter  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

Mr. Richard Ochs  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

**HONOR GUESTS**

Texas' Own General Grand Chapter Officer  
and Committee Members

**Mrs. Rennie Ofton**  
*Right Worthy Grand Trustee*

**Dr. Effie Mae Davis**  
*Chairman, Appeals and Grievances*

**Mrs. Sherrill R. Cain**  
*Member, Scottish Rite Language Disorder*

Mrs. Mary Brown  
*Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
to New York*

**Mrs. Molly Goodpasture**  
*Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron*

*and*

**Past Grand Matrons And Past Grand Patrons Of Texas**

Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus  
Mrs. Eunice Connell  
Mrs. Ruby Enloe  
Mrs. Katherine Poulis  
Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith  
Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard  
Mrs. Molly Goodpasture  
Mrs. Edna Earl Duke  
Mrs. Mildred Sharpe  
Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen  
Mrs. Sally Matranga  
Mrs. Frances Key Herrin  
Mrs. Katherine Harbour  
Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop  
Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast  
Mrs. Joyce Roberts  
Mrs. Mary Brown  
Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Mrs. Lena Maye Cook

Mrs. Elise Hammack  
Mrs. Lois Bell  
Mrs. Beulah Speer  
Mrs. Elsie Paladino  
Mrs. Jean Nesbitt  
Mrs. Sherrill R. Cain  
Mrs. Doris Efird  
Mrs. Betty Phillips Hager  
Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
Mrs. Jane Gregory  
Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green  
Mrs. Wanda Fairchild  
Mr. E. F. "Van" Plumlee  
Mr. Herbert L. Arnold  
Mr. J. T. Sanders  
Mr. Richard T. Porter  
Mr. Harold Todd  
Mr. C. A. "Bill" Holmes  
Mr. Paul Huffhines

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas (Continued)

Dr. O. D. Christian  
 Mr. Murray Watson  
 Mr. T. L. "Duke" Weaver  
 Mr. Oliver B. Chamberlin  
 Mr. Gene Belk  
 Mr. Ralph A. Davis  
 Mr. Wayne P. Jones  
 Mr. B. F. Hutson

Mr. Harry G. Cunningham  
 Mr. Joe E. Jeffers  
 Mr. Graham H. Childress  
 Mr. Glenn Whitaker  
 Mr. Garland W. Rattan  
 Mr. Leland G. Benefield  
 Mr. Charles Morris

### Distinguished Guests

General Grand Chapter Officers and Committees

Present and Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons  
 of Other Grand Jurisdictions

Visiting Grand Officers

M. W. Robert P. Walker  
 Most Worshipful Grand Master  
 Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas  
 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

R. W. Joseph W. Regian  
 Deputy Grand Master  
 Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas,  
 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

Mrs. Pearl Mills  
 Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas,  
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning  
 Texas Jurisdictional Guardian  
 International Order of Job's Daughters

### Special Guests

Plano Chapter No. 703

Amarillo Chapter No. 787

*Note to all Distinguished Guests and also our own  
Distinguished Members of Texas:*

Please be seated in the West at 5:30 p.m. so you can be presented in  
the Processional through the Labyrinth to your place of honor.

### Installation Program 5:30 p.m.

MUSICAL PRELUDE ..... Mrs. Joyce Gilbert  
Past Matron, Princeton Chapter No. 1126

MASTER OF CEREMONIES ..... Mrs. Mildred Sharpe  
Past Grand Matron

ASSISTING GRAND MARSHAL ..... Mrs. Jane Gregory  
Past Grand Matron

CALL TO ORDER ..... Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Worthy Grand Patron

PROCESSIONAL ..... Distinguished Members of the  
Grand Chapter of Texas

Texas' Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons  
Distinguished Guests  
M. W. Robert P. Walker  
Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.  
R. W. Joseph W. Regian  
Deputy Grand Master  
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.  
Other Masonic Dignitaries

PROCESSIONAL (continued) ..... Mrs. Pearl Mills  
 Supreme Drill Leader & Supreme Deputy in Texas  
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls  
 Family  
 Plano Chapter No. 703  
 Amarillo Chapter No. 787

**PRESENTATION OF GRAND OFFICERS OF 1996-1997**

Mrs. Alma Carter ..... Worthy Grand Matron  
 Escorted by Mr. Michael Stinson

Mr. Richard Ochs ..... Worthy Grand Patron  
 Escorted by Mrs. Lee Ann Bartolino

Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield ..... Associate Grand Matron  
 Escorted by Mr. Robert Brownfield

Mr. Claude Ervin ..... Associate Grand Patron  
 Escorted by Mrs. Martha Ervin

Mrs. Frances Burbank ..... Grand Secretary  
 Escorted by Mr. Hobie Henderson

Mrs. Patsy Wilson ..... Grand Treasurer  
 Escorted by Mr. Herbert Wilson

Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane ..... Grand Conductress  
 Escorted by Dr. Charles W. (Bill) Bane

Mrs. Betty Friend ..... Associate Grand Conductress  
 Escorted by Mr. Jack Friend

Mrs. Betty Prater ..... Grand Chaplain  
 Escorted by Mr. James B. Stewart

Mrs. Joyce Fields ..... Grand Marshal  
 Escorted by Mr. Dan Fields

Mrs. Sara Rozean ..... Grand Organist  
 Escorted by Mr. B. F. Hutson

Mrs. Beulah Warner ..... Grand Adah  
Escorted by Mr. Edward Warner

Mrs. Marvolyn Province ..... Grand Ruth  
Escorted by Mr. Terry Mayfield

Mrs. Barbara Ochs ..... Grand Esther  
Escorted by Dr. Robert Ochs and Mr. Raymond Ochs

Mrs. Mildred Blair ..... Grand Martha  
Escorted by Mr. Joe Blair

Mrs. Hazel Smith ..... Grand Electa  
Escorted by Mr. Jack Peebles

Mrs. Johnnie Dyer ..... Grand Warder  
Escorted by Mr. James W. Dyer

Mr. Don R. Long ..... Grand Sentinel  
Escorted by Mrs. Johnnie Long

Mrs. Ethel Powell ..... Fraternal Correspondent  
Escorted by Mr. Aaron Rife

PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE ..... Mr. Michael Stinson

PRESENTATION OF SQUARE & COMPASSES ..... Mr. Bruce Brown  
Past Patron, Amigo Chapter No. 76, Oklahoma City, OK

PRESENTATION OF BIBLE MARKER ..... Mrs. Jeannie Hinsley  
Plano Chapter No. 703

FLAG PRESENTATION

United States ..... Mr. Harry G. Cunningham  
Past Grand Patron

Tribute to America ..... Narrated by Mr. Joe E. Jeffers  
Past Grand Patron

Texas ..... Mr. Charles Morris  
Past Grand Patron

Christian .....	Mr. Garland W. Rattan Past Grand Patron
Eastern Star .....	Mr. J. T. Sanders Past Grand Patron
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE .....	Mr. Billy H. Combest Worthy Grand Patron
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM .....	Assembly

## PRESENTATION OF STAR POINT EMBLEMS

Narrator .....	Mrs. Katherine Harbour Past Grand Matron
Adah .....	Mrs. Elise Hammack Past Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Oliver Chamberlin Past Grand Patron
Ruth .....	Mrs. Elsie Paladino Past Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Harold Todd Past Grand Patron
Esther .....	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild Past Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Charles Morris Past Grand Patron
Martha .....	Mrs. Sherrill Cain Member, Scottish Rite Language Disorder, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas Escorted by Mr. B. F. Hutson Past Grand Patron
Electa .....	Mrs. Mary Brown Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York and Past Grand Matron of Texas Escorted by Mr. Murray Watson Past Grand Patron



OPENING OF THE HOLY BIBLE ..... Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
Grand Conductress

INVOCATION ..... Dr. O. D. Christian  
Past Grand Patron

SPECIAL DEDICATION TO PAST GRAND MATRONS  
AND PAST GRAND PATRONS ..... Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter  
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

SOLO: "GOD BLESS THE U.S.A. " ..... Mr. Donny Broughton  
Past Patron, Caddo Mills Chapter No. 82

PRESENTATION OF INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS  
INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER..... Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green  
Past Grand Matron

ASSISTING INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER  
..... Mr. Harry G. Cunningham  
Past Grand Patron

INSTALLING GRAND CHAPLAIN ..... Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith  
Past Grand Matron

INSTALLING GRAND MARSHAL ..... Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast  
Past Grand Matron

INSTALLING GRAND ORGANIST ..... Mrs. Jackie Culp  
Past Matron, North Ft. Worth Chapter No. 684

INSTALLING GRAND SECRETARY ..... Mrs. Jean Nesbitt  
Past Grand Matron

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

CLOSING OF THE HOLY BIBLE ..... Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane  
Grand Conductress

GREETINGS ..... M. W. Robert P. Walker  
Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas  
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

GREETINGS ..... R. W. Joseph W. Regian  
 Deputy Grand Master  
 Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas  
 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

JOB’S DAUGHTERS DRILL AND  
 PRESENTATION ..... Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning  
 Texas Jurisdictional Guardian  
 International Order of Job’s Daughters  
 and Texas Bethels

GREETINGS ..... Mrs. Pearl Mills  
 Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Deputy in Texas  
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

RAINBOW DRILL AND PRESENTATION ..... Miss Cindy Ensminger  
 Grand Worthy Advisor, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls  
 and Dallas Area Rainbow Assemblies

SOLO: “THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER” ..... Mrs. Sharon Harbison  
 Grand Soloist, District 4

**PRESENTATIONS**

WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S JEWEL ..... Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland  
 Immediate Past Grand Matron

WORTHY GRAND PATRON’S JEWEL ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest  
 Immediate Past Grand Patron

PAST GRAND MATRON’S JEWEL ..... Mr. Russell T. Swetland

PAST GRAND PATRON’S JEWEL ..... Mrs. Freda Combest

MESSAGE AND DEDICATION OF WORTHY  
 GRAND MATRON ..... Mrs. Molly Goodpasture West  
 Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
 and Past Grand Matron of Texas

**PRESENTATION OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S YEAR**

Theme, Aim, and Scriptures ..... Mrs. Betty Phillips Hager  
Past Grand Matron

Emblems ..... Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
Chairman, Appeals & Grievances, General Grand Chapter  
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

Colors and Flowers ..... Mrs. Lena Maye Cook  
Past Grand Matron

**DEDICATION OF**

*“THE ELEGANT EAGLE MARCH “* ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Immediate Past Grand Patron

**PRESENTATION OF MUSIC** ..... Mrs. Joyce Gilbert  
Composer and General Chairman  
Music Committee

**PRESENTATION OF**

**HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM** ..... Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen  
Past Grand Matron

**ADDRESS** ..... Mr. Richard Ochs  
Worthy Grand Patron

**ADDRESS** ..... Mrs. Alma Carter  
Worthy Grand Matron

**PRESENTATION OF FORMATION UNDER THE  
DIRECTION OF MRS. JOYCE FIELDS, GRAND MARSHAL**

**SOLO: “AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL “** ..... Mr. B. F. Hutson  
Past Grand Patron

**BENEDICTION** ..... Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Immediate Past Grand Patron

**RECESS**

CALL FROM REST TO LABOR..... Mrs. Alma Carter  
Worthy Grand Matron

RITUALISTIC CLOSING OF GRAND CHAPTER ..... Members Only

CLOSING ODE: "GOD BLESS AMERICA " ..... Assembly

*A special thank you to the Assistant Grand Warders, Assistant Grand Sentinels, and Grand Pages for your service throughout the hours of this Grand Chapter Session.*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The breakfast honoring the newly elected Associate Grand Conductress will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza, Sunday, October 27, 1996.

The School for Deputies will begin at 10:00 a.m., October 27, 1996 at the Hilton Hotel. Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Floor Officers, and Elected Boards are invited to attend.

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**INVITATIONS**

Plano Chapter No. 703 cordially invites you to attend the "Spirit of '96" banquet and Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Saturday, November 2, 1996. The banquet will be at 5:30 p.m. and the Fraternal Visit at 7:30 p.m. at the Harvey Hotel, 1600 North Central Expressway, Plano. Banquet Ticket Chairman is Mrs. Betty Davis, Box 703, Frisco, TX 75034; phone: 972-335-2536. Tickets \$24.00. (Please send SASE.)

Amarillo Chapter No. 787 cordially invites you to attend a banquet and Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Saturday, November 9, 1996. The banquet will be at 6:00 p.m. and the Fraternal Visit at 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen United Methodist Church, Amarillo, Texas. Banquet Ticket Chairman is Mrs. Sandra Fitch, 5105 Leland, Amarillo, TX 79110; phone: 806-352-0389. Tickets \$16.00. (Please send SASE.)

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Installation pictures and video may be ordered from our Photographers:

Mr. Cleo Ellison, Photographer  
4025 Field Street  
Fort Worth, TX 76117

Mr. Eddie Perdue, Videos  
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Arlington, TX 76013

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**Worthy Grand Matron's Schedule**

- November 2            Banquet and Fraternal Visit of Worthy Grand Matron and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Plano Chapter No. 703.
- November 9            Banquet and Fraternal Visit of Worthy Grand Matron and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Amarillo Chapter No. 787.
- November 11-12        School in Georgetown - District 3, Section 8
- November 13-14        School in Burnet - District 3, Section 6
- November 15-16        School in Copperas Cove - District 3, Section 7
- November 18-19        School in Comanche - District 3, Section 5
- November 20-21        School in Hillsboro - District 3, Section 10
- November 22-23        School in Ft. Worth - District 3, Section 1
- November 25-26        School in Dublin - District 3, Section 4
- November 28            Worthy Grand Matron home for Thanksgiving
- December 9-10         School in Mineral Wells - District 3, Section 2
- December 12            School in Albany - District 3, Section 3
- December 13-14        School in Waco, District 3, Section 9
- December 15            Christmas Party at the O.E.S. Home

For installation the Montagne Center had been transformed into a patriotic arena with colors of red, white and blue dominating. The Worthy Grand Matron's theme of "God Bless the USA:" was displayed. A sign saying "Liberty and Justice for All", and featuring the U.S. Flag and the Statute of Liberty had been placed in front of the backdrop in the East.

A large golden eagle sat upon a white column at the right of Lady Liberty.

The covering for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron podiums featured an eagle.

The front of the stage had been draped by a covering of red, white and blue stripes. On the floor, and to the right, was a life-size figure of Uncle Sam; in the middle a large "USA" sign and to the left a figure of the Statute of Liberty.

The altar cloth was of a quilted white shimmery fabric.

The Lady Officers wore a long red formal with a full flowing skirt. The chiffon dresses were adorned with red, white and blue sequins on the bodice and cuff. Gentlemen Officers wore black tuxedos.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** May I have your attention, please, and we'll get the show on the road. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: We have been enjoying the music of the talented Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Past Matron, Princeton Chapter No. 1126. We do thank you, Sister Joyce, for sharing your musical talents with us. I'm sure many of you recognize that intermingled in this talented Lady's musical presentations were selections relating to the theme of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, the purposes and plans for the coming year. Will you show your appreciation to Sister Joyce Gilbert. (Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, time has brought us to the close of another year and to the time when we bid farewell to those Grand Officers who have guided our Order for the past year. Through the kindness of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, I am privileged to greet you and to bid you welcome to the 115th "Life, Liberty and Pursuit of Happiness" installation. Calvin Coolidge, President of our country, 1923-29, advised, "Be brief. Above all things, be brief." I shall try to follow his advice.

Mrs. Jane Gregory, Past Grand Matron, will be serving as the Assisting Grand Marshal. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Billy H. Combest, to the East. (Applause) Sisters and Brothers, will you join in saluting our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron with the Grand Honors. (Grand Honors given.)

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, as we reflect on the accomplishments of the year 1995-96, we are indebted to you and all those who assisted in the many facets carrying out the plans and programs of the past year. We congratulate you and those who have assisted in your plans. As the time approaches that you will be joining the ranks of the Texas Past Grands, may the memories of this past year ever remain a blessing to your lives. I now present you the gavel, Worthy Grand Matron, that you might call this session to order.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Mildred Sharpe. I now have the privilege and joy of calling to order the 114th Grand Chapter Session for the purpose of the ceremony of installation.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our own Texas Honored Guests: Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee; Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman, Appeals and Grievances Committee; Mrs. Sherrill Cain, Member, Scottish Rite Language Disorder Committee; Mrs. Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York; and Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter, lovely Past Grand Matrons of Texas, to their seats in the East. (Applause)

Assisting Grand Marshal, listed in the honor group designated by our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect is a distinguished group, Texas' very own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, all of whom have given much and continue to lend their support to the activities and work of our Grand Chapter. You will present these beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas to their honored places in the East. (Applause)

Our Grand Chapter has been signally honored by the distinguished group from our General Grand Chapter. If we have those present – any of the members of General Grand Chapter Committees, et cetera – we would invite you to places in the East. Should we have them, Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort them to the East.

If we are honored with Present and Past Grand Matrons and Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions, we would be delighted to have you join us in the East. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present them. (Applause)

Assisting Grand Marshal, should we have Elected and Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, we would invite them to join us in the East. Will you so escort them?

I know that we are honored to have in attendance our distinguished Masons, as well as leaders of our youth groups. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present to the East Most Worshipful Robert P. Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and also Brother Joseph W. Regian, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, as well as other Brothers who might be serving as the presiding officers in Texas of appendant bodies of Masons. Please present also Mrs. Pearl Mills, who is the Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Deputy in Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning, Texas Jurisdictional Guardian and Mr. Reese L. Harrison, of the International Order of Job's Daughters to their honored seats in the East. (Applause)

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will now present the families of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect and Worthy Grand Patron-Elect to their special seats, as well as, following them, the members of Plano Chapter No. 703 and Amarillo Chapter 787 to their seats of honor. I'm sure it brings a song of joy to the hearts of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron-Elect to have their families as well as the members of their Chapters in attendance, and we welcome all of you. (Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, time marches on and we turn our thoughts to a new era. Our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect has chosen a challenging theme for our membership. She is fully aware of the values provided by ritual, tradition, ethics and above all by religion, and that our Order is deserving of its place in life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, by the very examples exemplified by the teachings of our Order. Our destiny depends on our working together to preserve those values. Now with much pride, I present the Grand Officers of 1996-1997.

Mrs. Ethel Powell, Fraternal Correspondent, escorted by Mr. Aaron Rife; Mr. Don R. Long, Grand Sentinel, escorted by Mrs. Johnnie Long; Mrs. Johnnie Dyer, Grand Warder, escorted by Mr. James W. Dyer; Mrs. Hazel Smith, Grand Electa, escorted by Mr. Jack Peebles; Mrs. Mildred Blair, Grand Martha, escorted by Mr. Joe Blair; Mrs. Barbara Ochs, Grand Esther, escorted by Dr. Robert Ochs and Mr. Raymond Ochs; Mrs. Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth, escorted by Mr. Terry Mayfield; Mrs. Beulah Warner, Grand Adah, escorted by Mr. Edward Warner; Mrs. Sara Rozean, Grand Organist, escorted by Mr. B. F. Hutson; Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal, escorted by Mr. Dan Fields; Mrs. Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain, escorted by Mr. James B. Stewart; Mrs. Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress, escorted by Mr. Jack Friend; Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress, escorted by Dr. Charles W. (Bill) Bane; Mrs. Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, escorted by Mr. Herbert Wilson; Mrs. Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary, escorted by Mr. Hobie Henderson; Mrs. Claude Ervin, Associate Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Martha Ervin; Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Robert Brownfield; Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Lee Ann Bartolino; Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Michael Stinson. Let's greet our Grand Officers to be installed. (Applause)

The Holy Bible is the basic foundation of the forefathers of our country, the country they carved with patience and skill. As our Assisting Grand Marshal directs the presentation of the Holy Bible by the son of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, Mr. Michael Stinson; the square and compasses by Mr. Bruce Brown, the Worthy Grand Matron's brother and Past Patron, Amigo Chapter No. 76, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; the Bible marker by Mrs. Jeannie Hinsley, Plano Chapter and the daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect. May our hearts be filled with pride and thanksgiving for our individual rights and freedom to worship God. As we remember the outstanding signers of our Declaration of Independence who were members of the noble fraternity of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, may we also remember our own indebtedness to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas for the high privilege extended to the Grand Chapter of Texas in the honor of the use of their emblems. As Jeannie presents the Bible marker, let us remember the meaning of this tradition of our Order and know the memories of the heart of this Worthy Grand Matron-Elect. After this picture is taken, Assisting Grand Marshal, these loved ones of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect will be presented to their seats in the East.

"When in the course of human events" were the seven famous words that began our Declaration of Independence. When Thomas Jefferson penned that noble document, it was the dawn of a new era. It changed the map of the world and altered our own lives. Another tradition we follow in our Grand Chapter is the flag presentation. Each flag to be presented has its own significance to our Order and in our individual lives. There is no nation which has had a history comparable with ours in its marvelous beginning and accomplishments, and there is no state in the Union to compare with the uniqueness and romance as that of the State of Texas. A mighty nation has moved onward and upward to the pinnacle upon which it now stands. Listen carefully to our Past Grand Patron, Mr. Joe E. Jeffers, as he narrates the tribute to America and the flag presentation as listed in your program.

**MR. JOE JEFFERS:** The beautiful flag of our country, our Texas Lone Star, the Christian flag and the Eastern Star flag are presented by Past Grand Patrons of Texas. The American flag by Brother Harry G. Cunningham, the Lone Star by Brother Charles Morris, the Christian flag by Brother Garland Rattan and the Eastern Star flag by Brother J. T. Sanders.



### OLD GLORY SPEAKS

What you see when you look at the Flag of our country is a fairly personal thing; but I'd like to tell you what I see when I look at our Flag.

I see a broad chest full of medals and ribbons and shiny brass buttons; a proud head held high, with well weathered but tear-stained cheeks; bright eyes piercing straight into the teeth of the future. In her left hand, she holds an olive branch extended in peace, and in her right, the two edged sword of justice-at the ready.

Had she vocal cords, a tongue, and lips, I think she would speak. And this is what I believe she would say: I am the Flag of the United States of America. I was conceived in dreams of liberty and in hopes of freedom. I was designed by Betsy Ross, and her sewing basket was my cradle. I was adopted by the Continental Congress in 1777, and proclaimed the official Flag of a nation newly born on this Continent, fighting valiantly for survival, destined to bring to all mankind a new concept of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

I have been many places and have seen many things. I have witnessed every major event in American history. I was there when they fired the shot heard 'round the world. I was there in the twilight at Fort McHenry and inspired Francis Scott Key to write the "Star Spangled Banner."

I saw Molly Pitcher take the cannon swab from the hands of her dead husband and help carry on the fight for freedom. I felt the biting cold at Valley Forge and gave warmth and comfort to General Washington and his tired and hungry continental army.

I rode with Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys, and I saw the signal that started the midnight ride of Paul Revere. I was flown over the decks of old iron sides, and from the masts of the Yankee and China clippers. I blazed trails with Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett. I led the settlers West, and I crossed Death Valley in a covered wagon.

I was carried through the Halls of Montezuma, to the shores of Tripoli by the United States Marines, and I fell to the ground at Custer's last stand where there were no living hands left to pick me up. I galloped up the slopes of San Juan Hill with Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders of the United States Cavalry. I stayed with the boys till it was over, over there, and on the battlefields of the Marne, Chateau-Thierry, St. Michael and the Argonne Forrest; I saw many of the youths of our nation fall and lie still. In death, they had given their last full measure of devotion. For them war was over forever, but I kept my lonely vigil over their graves and stayed to watch the poppies grow between the crosses, row on row, in Flanders Field. I was raised by five brave men during the "hell" of Iwo Jima, and I waved farewell to the four gallant chaplains who went down with their ship to honored glory. I remember the unbelievable cold of Chosin, Korea, and the sweltering jungles of Vietnam. I know the lonely desolation of the moon and the fiery oil fields of Kuwait in Desert Storm.

I am many things to many people. I am an inseparable link in the chain that binds men to God and Country, each link welded in the fires of purity by the sacred hands of Almighty God. And because I am on the side of God, the Godless would destroy me, but they dare not, because I am protected by the mighty armies of the nation, the powerful and deadly fleet of the Navy, and the screaming eagles of the Air Force, watching and waiting to swoop down and destroy anything that would harm me.

To some, I am yesterday, today and tomorrow. To others, I am a precious child. To some a grand old man or a most gracious lady. I have several names. I am called

"the Red, White, and Blue," "The Star Spangled Banner," The Stars and Stripes." But I am most commonly known by a nickname lovingly given me by an old sea captain who called me "Old Glory."

I have not changed much in the past two hundred and twenty years. I still have my original thirteen stripes, but as each State came into the union, a new star was proudly added to the constellation of my blue field. I started with thirteen, now there are fifty.

Many more things I would like to tell you about North Africa, Sicily, and Italy – Normandy, the Battle of the Bulge, and the surrender ceremonies in Berlin. About Pearl Harbor, Wake Island, the Solomons, the Marshalls, the Marianas, and the Phillipines – about the mighty battleship Missouri riding at anchor in Tokyo Bay, but we haven't the time. I do want to see you again and I am easy to find, because I am everywhere. I am in the homes of the poor and the mansions of the rich, in Independence Hall with the Declaration of Independence and the Liberty Bell, in the White House with the President of the United States, in churches, cathedrals, and synagogues, in the council of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, and in the schools where they Pledge Allegiance to me.

I drape the caskets of our nation's heroes borne to their last resting place, the caskets of presidents, generals, admirals, humble privates and seamen, and the unknown soldier. Wherever free men gather, wherever there is justice, and equality, or faith, hope, and charity, or truth and brotherly love, there, too, am I.

Not long ago I was flown over our nation's capitol, gazing proudly over the land of the free and waving to the homes of the brave; then I was lowered, carefully folded and given to a congressman, who carried me across the continent to the shores of the Pacific, where he presented me to a group of veterans at Patriotic Hall, in the city of the angels, to become their official Flag, and with fitting ceremonies, I was carried by tired, old, but warm hands and posted in a place of honor near the Holy Bible. There I shall remain until, like the old soldier, I'll simply fade away, retired by time alone. May history never, ever write my obituary, for I am the Stars and Stripes forever.

I Am Old Glory!

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. (Pledge given in unison.)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Will you join now in the singing of our National Anthem. (National Anthem sung in unison.)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Ritual is important to us as a pattern or design for living. The one who is to narrate the presentation of our Star Point emblems served our Grand Chapter as Worthy Grand Matron in 1972-73, presiding over the "Drama of Excellence" session. I'm proud to present the very talented lady of excellence, Mrs. Katherine Harbour, Past Grand Matron.

**MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR:** I am pleased to introduce the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas who will present the emblems of the five points of our central star:

ADAH, presented by MRS. ELISE HAMMACK, Escorted by OLIVER CHAMBERLIN.

RUTH, presented by MRS. ELSIE PALADINO, Escorted by HAROLD TODD.

ESTHER, presented by MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD, Escorted by CHARLES MORRIS.

MARTHA, presented by MRS. SHERRILL CAIN, Escorted by B.F. HUTSON.

ELECTA, presented by MRS. MARY BROWN, Escorted by J.C. GILMORE, Past Patron.

God's Best Gifts come quietly like the opening of a tiny seed, the first growth of a crop, the beginning of flowering in a garden, the hushed resurrection of Hope in a soul where it had seemed to die.

No ear can hear their coming: these cautious steps of thoughts in the mind that begin to grow. They are as a Hint from God, and one must follow it, as the Light from a Star.

The RAYS OF THIS LIGHT touched five Women in History. It changed their striving, their seeking, their finding. It changed the temper of their heroic hearts.

The emblems to be presented are significant of their lives:

*THE FIDELITY OF ADAM: THE SWORD AND VEIL*  
*THE CONSTANCY OF RUTH: THE SHEAF OF GRAIN*  
*THE ROYALTY AND POWER OF ESTHER: THE CROWN AND SEPTE*  
*THE FAITH OF MARTHA: THE BROKEN COLUMN*  
*THE LOVE OF ELECTA: THE CUP*

For these Heroines, as well as for each of us, the RAYS OF LIGHT will lead to the BEAUTY and WONDER, and THE POWER OF LIFE!

This is the PURSUIT OF THE KIND OF HAPPINESS that fills the heart with JOY! LIFE IS SO WONDERFUL! LIFE IS SO FREE!

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Grand Conductress, you will open the Holy Bible.

Sisters and Brothers, the deepest wishes of the heart find expression in prayer. May we seek to know that which is true, hide it close in our hearts and make it our own as our very fine Past Grand Patron, Dr. O. D. Christian, brings our invocation.

**DR. O. D. CHRISTIAN:** Our loving Heavenly Father, we thank You this evening that we can assemble ourselves in this capacity. We pray, Father, to honor and glorify Thee. May the things that are said, and the reflections of our love, be toward each other as it is to Thee. Direct our hearts as we go further into this installation service. I pray that You will guide the officers-elect into whose hands we are about to repose the government of this Grand Chapter, and, Father, that you might indue them with that special challenge to lead our Grand Chapter throughout this year. Now go with us to our separate places. Walk with us and challenge each of us to walk in the love of our Father, for it's in His blessed name that I pray. Amen.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** The Worthy Grand Matron-Elect has been most thoughtful and kind to include in her program a dedication to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas. To present this dedication is one of our own beloved Past Grand Matrons who now holds the high honor of serving as Right Worthy Grand Trustee in our General Grand Chapter, Mrs. Rennie Oton. Following her dedication will be a solo by a talented Brother, Donny Broughton of Caddo Mills

Chapter No. 82, singing "God Bless the USA."

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** As the strength of a great country comes from dedicated service of its citizens, so is the strength of our great Order of the Eastern Star built on service. The services of our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons have created a strong heritage for the Grand Chapter of Texas.

In palaces, castles, museums and mansions of note, one always is impressed with the beauty of priceless tapestries. The masterpieces were created by talented artists through many hours of dedicated effort. They still are beautiful, and their lovely colors have withstood the ravages of time.

If you will, join me in considering a beautiful tapestry of service which has been woven to represent the Grand Chapter of Texas. The talented and dedicated artists who have created this colorful masterpiece are the beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas.

The tapestry is woven of the brilliant colors of our Order of the Eastern Star.

Strong threads of blue represent fidelity to the convictions of right and duty which our disciplined Past Grands demonstrated in their respected years of service.

Soft threads of yellow carry the empathy and kindness bestowed upon the membership by caring and servile Past Grands who lovingly considered the needs of the membership.

The Past Grands used white threads to illustrate purity of thought and loyal consideration for the protection of the membership and preservation of the principles of our Order.

The green threads of faith represent the individual religious beliefs of our Past Grands which enabled them to accept life's experiences as challenges for understanding God's guidance in their lives as they served.

Bright red was chosen by the Past Grands to show the fervency of their love for and desire to serve the membership of Texas.

Priceless threads of silver and gold represent the precious memories each member has of these beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas.

Thus, our Grand Chapter tapestry, so carefully woven by the service of these dedicated leaders, stands in glorious beauty to represent the valuable heritage bequeathed, in love, to the present and future membership of Texas.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas, we love you, we respect you and you have our deepest appreciation for your dedicated service to us and to our beautiful Order of the Eastern Star.

(Applause followed singing of "God Bless the USA" by Donny Broughton.)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Thank you, Brother Donny. Our membership and our guests have shown their appreciation of you, and we do thank you.

Before I introduce the lovely lady to serve as Installing Grand Officer, may I first, on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of District 1, express gratitude to the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect for her thoughtfulness in inviting all of the

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of her home district, District 1, to participate in some capacity in the installation or the installation program. Some were unable to do so, but this is a kind and thoughtful gesture to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of your home district, Sister Alma Carter, and we do thank you.

Now I hear the whispering of angel wings. Our Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green, served as Worthy Grand Matron in 1992-93, presiding over the "Whispering of Angel Wings" Session. Proudly I present Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green who will serve as the Installing Grand Officer and will be naming her assistants. Sister Virginia.

**MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. It is with a great deal of joy and happiness that I introduce those whom Sister Alma Carter has honored by their selections as Installing Grand Officers: Mr. Harry Cunningham, Assisting Installing Grand Officer; Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith, Installing Grand Chaplain; Mrs. Patricia Major Neinst, Installing Grand Marshal; Mrs. Jackie Culp, Installing Grand Organist; and Mrs. Jean Nesbitt, Installing Grand Secretary.

There will be a very brief recess while we prepare for the ceremony of the installation of Grand Officers for the Order of the Eastern Star for 1996-1997.

(Brief recess followed by ritualistic installation.)

Worthy Grand Matron, we celebrated the 25th anniversary of the moon landing by Astronaut Neal Armstrong on July 20th, 1969. There's no way possible that we as individuals can even comprehend the feelings Neal Armstrong had when he viewed the majestic splendor from his vantage point on the moon. He must have had an awesome feeling as he viewed his canopy of stars. The feelings we all share for this accomplishment by Americans brought chill bumps to our bodies, lumps in our throats and tears to our eyes. Can't we just imagine the canopy of stars Neal Armstrong beheld? There are many qualities our Worthy Grand Matron shares with Astronaut Sandra Lucid: faith in God, in His omniscient power, patriotism, pride, dedication, commitment, persistence, challenges, so on and so on. Our Elegant Eagle's favorite verse is "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up on wings as eagles. They shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

Sister Alma, you began your mission to the stars in 1994 as America celebrated the 25th anniversary of Neal Armstrong's moon landing.

*I wish for you much success  
and the best that life brings.  
You will achieve whatever you will,  
for to have faith is to have wings.*

*You have spread your wings for your family  
and soared high when you fought for right.  
Your intellect and compassion you widely share  
no matter if day or if night.*

*You have been on many missions  
for your church, community and nation.  
Your contributions have produced rich returns  
along with deep and grateful appreciation.*

*Now you're entering on a new phase of service,  
one of the most challenging you'll ever take.  
Your credentials are impeccable,  
a real difference you're going to make.*

*Like Neal Armstrong saw his canopy of stars,  
you have paved the way for yours.  
You have taken flight on the wings of faith,  
your flight plans precise and secure.*

*We who love you have waited in Mission Control  
as you took your wings to fly.  
The moon and stars are achievable if you believe  
God was your co-pilot as you soar so high.*

*Houston, Tranquility Base here.  
The Eagle has landed.  
That's one small step for man,  
one giant leap for mankind.*

*Yes, that was one giant leap for mankind  
and one small leap for man.  
It was also one large step for a woman,  
Sandra Lucid proving women could and women can.*

*You've made your next step.  
With assurance and love, you have commanded.  
Mission Control, she's on her way.  
Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, your Eagle has landed!*

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Sisters and Brothers, the great Masonic concepts of liberty, equality and brotherhood, its emphasis on the dignity, worth and integrity of the individual, the idea of self-determination, the emphasis it places upon individual performance and responsibility are as interwoven in the legal documents of our nation, its Constitutions, federal and state, as to be apparent to the most casual observer. Proudly I present Most Worshipful Robert P. Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Most Worshipful Robert P. Walker.

**MR. ROBERT P. WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Patron, Richard Ochs, and the Officers of the Grand Chapter, we the Masons of 909 Lodges in Texas applaud your installation in the esteemed office of the Order of the Eastern Star. It is a pleasure to greet you as leaders in our fraternity, recognizing the outstanding support the Order has lent during the past years to Masonry, the relationship that is cherished and valued as we view our mission ahead. Jefferson County and Beaumont is indeed privileged to be the beginning of the Spirit of '96 that will carry into '97 as the Order commences its work for the ensuing year.

During the coming year as you travel the road of life in the pursuit of happiness, the liberty of all individuals will be extended, causing us to understand that liberty is the foundation of happiness, while happiness gives meaning to life. Through your service in the Order, you will learn as you demonstrate to the members of the Order and those outside the Order that it is one's duty in life to render service to

mankind, that liberty is achieved through service, and it is in service itself that gives us true happiness. Happiness engenders a desire and a feeling of a duty to share our time, our substance, our talents with those in need. It helps in a small way to fill another's life and extend his liberty of freedom. Thus, we begin to understand as we emulate those outstanding attributes that will be demonstrated in your leadership what lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.

May God bless and magnify those attributes in each of us through your leadership as the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron. (Applause)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Most Worshipful Grand Master, certainly you have added dignity to this occasion, and we do appreciate immensely your being in attendance. Now, another distinguished Mason, soon to attain the high honor in the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, from our own Metroplex area, the City of Garland – may I present Right Worshipful Joseph W. Regian, Deputy Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. (Applause)

**MR. JOSEPH REGIAN:** Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful Grand Lodge Officers and Distinguished Officers of the Order of the Eastern Star: A privilege it is for me to come and bring greetings also from the Masons of Texas. Earlier this evening we heard Brother Jeffers refer in his tribute to the flag – one of the references that is occasionally made to the flag, when it's referred to as Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. That has application for us as members of this great and honorable fraternity. The Master of Ceremonies referred to the mighty words that create the Preamble to the Constitution as they were penned by Thomas Jefferson and alluded to the fact that it opened a new era. So it is yesterday that we relish, but it is today that we again open a new era as we prepare for tomorrow and for those who will come after we are gone.

So I bring you greetings from those who are not yet a part of this fraternity, but who will be, those who shall be, and each of us can play a part and make a difference, from those in the highest reaches of this balcony to those on the floor. And you, and you, and you, and you, and all in between can make a difference, some great, some smaller, but all important. And as you choose, so shall our destiny be, so shall tomorrow be. It is in your hands. And as we go toward tomorrow, I believe it is in good hands. When the pages of today are read tomorrow as history, only then will we know the answer to those questions that are important to us as a fraternity: Did we do all we could, did we do all we should, have we done all we will? I believe that history will look upon us in a favorable way.

I also have the opportunity and the great privilege to bring special greetings through the diligence and efforts of one of our members in North Texas, Sister Gerry Isaacs, who has asked that these words be presented to our illustrious leaders just installed.

To the Worthy Grand Patron, Richard Ochs, and the Worthy Grand Matron, Alma Carter, I bring you these words: "Congratulations on your installation as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Your commitment to community service and charitable projects is commendable. Your hard work and dedication benefits many Texans, and you can be proud of your honorable efforts. Best wishes for your continued success, George W. Bush, Governor of the State of Texas." (Applause) Thank you very much.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Thank you, Right Worshipful Joe Regian. You honor this occasion by your presence, and certainly we extend good wishes to you in your endeavors in your great fraternity.

Our Order has always given support to the youth organizations with much respect to the adults who work with our youth. I'm pleased now to present Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning, Texas Jurisdictional Guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters.

**MRS. REBECCA KOENNING:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master: To the Order of the Eastern Star, I would like to extend a very heart-felt thanks for inviting the International Order of Job's Daughters in Texas to come and put on a program. Recently, our Supreme Jurisdiction decided we needed to have our own jurisdiction in Texas. So I have the honor of being the Jurisdictional Guardian, but I have a co-partner. At this time I would like to introduce Reese Harrison, who is my Associate Jurisdictional Guardian.

At this time would the two ladies come? I'm going to give Reese the opportunity to introduce what we call our narrator for this program for the evening. One of the things that we're proud of in Job's Daughters is the tie of the Masonic heritage. I know in our Bethel – Bethel No. 2 in Houston, which is mostly the Daughters that you will see here tonight – 8 of the 12 Past Honor Queens that have come through have now become Eastern Stars or have become members of other Masonic organizations. I would like to thank you for the job you have done to encourage our young ladies to want to become members of our fine organization. Reese, would you introduce them?

**MR. REESE HARRISON:** It's my privilege now to present our narrator for this evening. She is one of seven Job's Daughter Past Honor Queens of Bethel No. 1 in San Antonio to become a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and one of four who became Worthy Matron of her Eastern Star Chapter. Tonight I present to you Miss Melissa Paceleo, who is a majority member of Bethel No. 1 in San Antonio, Texas, a Past Honor Queen of that Bethel, and a Past Matron of Texas Chapter No. 35 in San Antonio.

**MISS MELISSA PACELEO:** At this time I would also like to introduce our Junior Miss Texas Job's Daughter' Tiffany Warren from Bethel No. 2 in Houston. (Applause) On behalf of the Job's Daughters Bethels of Texas, I thank you for inviting us to share this program with you this evening. We now have four Bethels in Texas: Bethel No. 1 in San Antonio, Bethel No. 2 in Houston, Bethel No. 3 in Dallas and Bethel No. 4 in Georgetown. We hope each and every one of you will take the time to visit one of our Bethel meetings if you are able. Our ritual is based on the Book of Job in the Bible with special emphasis on the 15th verse of the 42nd chapter, "And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job, and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren."

Our members are very proud of their Masonic heritage and that they are a part of the Masonic family. They show it in the way they conduct themselves and their respect for their country, God and their elders. As Job's Daughters we have certain emblems which are very dear to us. The cornucopia, or as we term it the horn of plenty, is a symbol of Job's abundance of riches, the Urn of incense which gives us light of courage and reminds us to have faith in God as Job did during his trials, the white dove which teaches us peace and thoughtfulness and love, like Job who thought not of himself but gave a helping hand when needed. On the altar is a very dear possession of ours: the open Holy Bible. In our Bethels we have the privilege of meeting with it always open before us. The privilege was acquired by many



Master Masons, some of who gave their life to allow us and you to use the open Holy Bible. Our flag shows the emblem of our Order. The three corners of the triangle remind us of the three main teachings of Job's Daughters: love of God, love of country and love of home. The queen and two princesses reminds us of the three daughters of Job. Our colors are purple and white, purple for royalty and motherhood and white for the purity of a beautiful womanly life.

As the Job's Daughters form the cross, we are reminded of our Christian faith. In our Order, the Honor Queen always opens her meeting in the East. And at the close, she goes to the West to the Cross, a constant reminder of Jesus who was born in the East and traveled West to the Cross. The Cross is the beacon light of the Master Masons, the love symbol of the Order of the Eastern Star, and the symbol of hope for us, the youth of today. As you see from the meanings our emblems and symbols hold for us, we are inspired by our love of God, our love of country and our fellow man to be an integral part of the Masonic fraternity.

Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, we look to you as adult leaders for guidance so we may truly say, "We are the fairest in all the land." (Singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee.")

**MRS. REBECCA KOENNING:** Daughters, before we let you go, one thing I would like to say: I would like to thank our musician tonight who is actually a member of our Bethel. Tara, thank you for playing tonight. It's nice to have a Daughter who can play. And thanks to her mom for bringing her and encouraging her to do so. I promised Misty that she could dismiss the Daughters in a minute which is a real neat thing to get to do. At this time we do have a token for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We hope you'll remember us and do come and see us sometime. The Daughters do beautiful work. This is just a little dab! We encourage all of you to visit a Bethel.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Isn't that beautiful? Thank you, ladies? (Applause)

**MISS MELISSA PACELEO:** This concludes our ceremony. (Applause as Job's Daughters march out.)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** The hope of the world certainly rests with the youth of today. Now, the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, organized under the auspices of the Masonic bodies, offers opportunities unlimited in the field of humanity and upholds every noble and redeeming ideal. I present one whose leadership and inspiration to the youth of today is unexcelled, Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Chaplain and Supreme Deputy in Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. Following Mrs. Mills' greetings and the presentation of the Grand Worthy Advisor and Dallas Area Assemblies and the retiring of those participating, the Grand Soloist, Mrs. Sharon Harbison, will sing "The Star Spangled Banner." Mrs. Mills.

**MRS. PEARL MILLS:** Thank you, Sister Mildred Sharpe, for that beautiful welcome. With the youth that you're seeing tonight, you know our organizations are in great hands. I bring you greetings from the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. It's always an honor to be able to speak on behalf of the International Order. Tonight I give thanks to each one of you for accepting these greetings from the Grand Assembly of Texas. Many of you tonight are members of the sponsoring bodies of the Assembly in Texas. You know the joys that you have received, not only from knowing these girls, but having the opportunity of attending their meetings, availing yourself of that opportunity, knowing of their ideals and ideas. They are our future.

If you are not aware of their ideals, you will not know of our own future or theirs, nor will you know of our civic, social and fraternal lives in our daily living. We cordially invite you to attend meetings, and especially to attend our Grand Assembly session here in Beaumont June 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th in 1997. Believe me, the girls need you and I need you also.

The Worthy Grand Matrons and the Worthy Grand Patrons over the years, just as this year, have been ardent supporters of our Rainbow, not only to me personally, but to all of our girls. We value that help given us. Thank you for this privilege of bringing these greetings from our girls. By your support and action, my Sisters and Brothers, I'm reminded of the words written by E. B. Browning about autumn, and it reminds me of all of you: "Earth crowned in heaven and every common bush afire with God." Thank you so very much.

Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I present you this \$500 check from the Grand Assembly of Texas, as I present these Rainbow Girls of Texas in their Rainbow formation back of the altar for the usual presentation of the Bible to our Worthy Grand Matron. Girls, if you will enter now. Mrs. Janell Trees will play for the girls. The Bible presentation will be made at the altar by our Grand Worthy Advisor, Cindy Ensminger. To escort our Worthy Grand Matron to the altar, we have four girls from her assembly, from Plano Assembly. They will escort her.

**MISS CINDY ENSMINGER:** Many pleasant duties have fallen to me during my association with this Order, but none more pleasant than that which I am privileged to discharge at this time. There comes a time in the affairs of everyone when it seems no one can be depended upon and we are left to our own resources. But that all-wise and Supreme Being has furnished us a way for our own consolation. Upon reflection you will doubtless remember that among the first things brought to your attention in this Order was a copy of this old Book, which you placed next to your heart, and have been taught that it alone was to be the rule and guide of your faith and practice. At each succeeding step in your advancement, you have been reminded that it will guide you to all truth, direct you to the temple of happiness and point out to you the whole duty of mankind.

And now at this most propitious hour, surrounded by those who take you as a Sister and whose very hearts have no doubt of the sincere wish for your future happiness, let me impress upon your mind in the most lasting and substantial manner possible that this old Book contains the mind of God, the state of mankind, the way to salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are tried and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise; believe it to be safe; practice it to be holy. It contains the light to direct you, strength to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the Rainbow Girl's light, the Christian's character. Through it heaven is opened, paradise is restored and the gates of hell are disclosed. The Messiah is its grand subject, your good is its design and the glory of God is its end.

And now on behalf of Grand Assembly, I have the distinct honor, as well as the supreme pleasure, of presenting to you this beautiful white Bible, the gift of Grand Assembly. May it be a beacon light to direct you through life to that assembly above, where all is love and religion and nature and immortality and fidelity and patriotism and service. (Applause) (Singing of "My Rainbow.")

**MRS. PEARL MILLS:** Thank you, girls; you were beautiful. (Applause as the Rainbow Girls marched out.)

**MISS CINDY ENSMINGER:** Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of the Plano Assembly No. 320, Rainbow Girls, I would like to present you with this gift as a token of our appreciation for the service and friendship you have given to our assembly. I would also like to read this poem as a token of our friendship for you. It's called "A Friend's Greeting."

*I'd like to be the sort of friend  
that you have been to me.  
I'd like to be the help  
that you have always been glad to be.*

*I'd like to mean as much to you  
each minute of the day,  
as you have meant, O Friend of Mine,  
to me along the way.*

*I'd like to do the good things  
and the splendid things for you,  
to brush the gray from out of your skies  
and to leave them only blue.*

*I'd like to say the kindly things  
that I so oft have heard,  
and feel that I could rouse your soul  
the way that mine you've stirred.*

*I'd like to give you back the joy  
that you have given me.  
Yet that mere wishing,  
you need not hope will ever be.*

*I'd like to make you feel  
as rich as I who travel on  
undaunted in the darkest hours  
with you to lean upon.*

*I'm wishing at this Christmas time  
that I could but repay  
a portion of the gladness  
that you've strewn along my way.*

*And could I have one wish this year,  
this only would it be,  
I'd like to be the sort of friend  
that you have been to me.*

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, girls, and thank you, Mrs. Mills, for allowing my own assembly, Plano 320, to be my escorts for this lovely, lovely Bible presentation. And thank you, Cindy. I shall treasure it.

**MRS. SHARON HARBISON:** Please stand and face the flag as I sing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** How beautiful and inspiring and challenging! Thank you, Sharon. (Applause)

We follow a lovely tradition in our Grand Chapter, that of the jewel presentations. The customary procedure will be followed as listed in your program with the jewels presented as indicated. Mrs. Swetland, immediate Past Grand Matron, and Mr. Billy H. Combest, immediate Past Grand Patron, presenting the jewels of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron; Mr. Russell T. Swetland and Mrs. Freda Combest presenting the Past Grand Matron's and Past Grand Patron's jewels.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron of Texas. I wish to say first that the inspirational height of tonight was performed by one of my Peace Roses, Sister Sharon Harbison, which indicates to me and to this Grand Chapter that our relationship will continue on and on, sharing throughout life. Alma, my friend, I have a beautiful jewel to present to you, a jewel that signifies great responsibility, but the joys are immense.

I wish to share with you a thought, Alma. Have you always been led in pastures green? No, not always. Sometimes He who knows best in kindness leadeth you in weary ways where heavy shadows be. And by still waters? No, not always so. Often-times the heavy tempest around you will blow, and over your soul the waves and billows will go. But when the storm beat the loudest, and you cried aloud for help, the Father God and Master stood nearby and whispered to your soul, "Alma, it is I." So, my dear friend, wherever He leads you this year, you will safely go. And in the blest hereafter, someday you will know why the Father God has led you so.

I love you, my dear friend, and now I present to you, with a little touch of yellow -

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Naturally ! Naturally!

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** - your jewel of office as Worthy Grand Matron of this State. I know you will wear it proudly in the duties you will perform. I shall pray for you, Alma, my friend.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Rosemary. I shall try to wear this with much honor and as much dignity as I possibly possess. (Applause)

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, before I present our Worthy Grand Patron this, I need to explain a little something about this. There has been a long line of people before me that has worn this particular badge of office. This will be the 115th Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas that has worn this same badge. I think our Most Worshipful would let me borrow something from the Masonic Lodge, that round after round of the ladder that you tread up in this fraternal organization, and even the purple of our fraternity may rest upon your shoulders. Borrowed from the Masonic Lodge, that fits us great today, Richard. I'm proud to give this to you. You can wear it with pride, and remember that you've always got to add a little something to it, maybe to add a little pressure to the situation. I got through this year without losing it, Richard; it's your challenge to go through the 115th year! (Applause and laughter.)

My Brother, I will support you in any and every way I can. I greet you now as a Brother in Christian love. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Immediate Past Grand Patron, you just hung an awesome responsibility on me. 115 years! I just hope to be able to serve near as well as you and the other Past Grands. Thank you very much. (Applause)

**MR. RUSSELL SWETLAND:** Immediate Past Grand Matron. Boy, that sounds great! We've got Sister Kate Hall with us because this pin is from both of us. Kate's sister Inez is a Past Grand Matron of Louisiana, and she has shared that pin with us. We took it and added to it. So from both of us tonight, here is your pin. Something old and something new.

Now four years ago on a Sunday morning, you looked at me and you said, "Honey, we've just completed a four-year run. Now we've got a four-year walk." I'm here to tell you we just got through with the four-year walk, and now it's time to fly. So here's your tickets to go to St. Croix and spend a month with me. (Applause)

**MRS. FREDA COMBEST:** My beloved friend and husband of 42 years, a beloved father and grandfather, I'm proud of you. It is my honor to present you with your Past Grand Patron's pin. And welcome home, because you're got a bunch of "honey do's." (Applause)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Well, happy flying, immediate Past Worthy Grand Matron, and our immediate Past Grand Patron, you know what's awaiting you. Freda just told you.

Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, served this great Grand Chapter as Worthy Grand Matron in 1963-64, presiding over the "Building a Pinnacle of Life" Session, inspiring the membership to reach and strive for greater goals, higher ideals, striving for excellence and inspiring the membership to reach the pinnacle of life. Mrs. Molly Goodpasture will present the Message and Dedication of the Worthy Grand Matron. Molly.

**MRS. MOLLY GOODPASTURE:** This is the Message from our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter.

## MESSAGE FROM THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

A faith in God, a love of Country, a respect for all mankind, and a Great Love for our Sisters and Brothers is the basic premise of this year.

If we believe in and understand the sovereignty of God, we must know He placed us here and gave us dominion over the earth; therefore, we must be good stewards of His creation.

We are challenged to remember the values that are included and practiced in true patriotism – all those things which made the United States of America the greatest nation on earth! There is something almost divine in our love for our country. Patriotism and the Star in the East are woven together with an acknowledgment of our patriotism in our Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag at each meeting.

The foundation of this Great Nation is no stronger than its people. True peace and strong moral fiber must come from each of us. Wherever free men gather; wherever there is justice, equality, faith, hope, charity, truth, or brotherly love – there, too, should be our vows to love our Country, and our God.

ALMA CARTER  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

## DEDICATION OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

To my children:

My daughter, Jeannie, whose strength and courage are beyond description; and my wonderfully gentle son, Michael, I dedicate this year. No mother could ask for more than my children have given to me.

To the memory of my husband, Jack, and my daughter, Jo Elaine, whose spirits are with me every day of my life. Their love helped to give me the understanding and courage to face this year.

To Plano Chapter No. 703, without you this year would not be possible.

A very Special Dedication to the memory of my friend, and Sister in Love, Dorothy Vernon. Dorothy's life was cut short when she was Grand Conductress; however, to many of us, she reached the pinnacle in our lives.

ALMA CARTER  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

Our Worthy Grand Matron said to me that any personal remarks I wanted to make, to go ahead and make them. I think it is very fitting that she has dedicated her year to her family. But I also want to commend her for dedicating this year to Dorothy Vernon who was her good and precious friend and was my very good, dear and special friend. And thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for including her in your dedication. (Applause)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Each year we eagerly await the outlining of the Worthy Grand Matron's plans and programs, for herein we see the inner heart of the Worthy Grand Matron. To present the theme, aim and Scriptures, Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Betty Hager, followed by the emblems by Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman of Appeals and Grievances Committee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas, and then the colors and flowers by Past Grand Matron Mrs. Lena Maye Cook, these beautiful ladies all serving the Grand Chapter in the various and respective years. Sister Betty.

## PRESENTATION OF THEME, AIM, SCRIPTURES

**MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies.

It is not enough to attain liberty. It must be protected vigilantly, nourished lovingly, maintained unblemished and without compromise, if it is to be kept for posterity. It is because of this fundamental belief that Americans have given great sacrifices of freedom and justice over the past two centuries.

Freedom has given us the opportunity of loving and being loved, of giving and receiving, of serving and being served, of living in a free country, where one's horizons are limited only by ones' talents and vision.

Because of freedom, justice, and vision, Americans have given our nation the

gospel, for letting the Bible be the book of our land.

Our Worthy Grand Matron is proud of her heritage and proud to live in a free America. With these ideas in mind, I am proud to present the thoughts and reasoning of our Worthy Grand Matron for selecting her theme, aim and scriptures for the 1996-1997 year.

### THEME

#### Freedom and Justice for All

Every human being deserves to be free; every human being deserves to have justice. There is a spirit in us that causes us to defend our freedom. A commitment to freedom and justice influences our behavior and fuels our aspirations.

### AIM

#### Vision With a Purpose

While vision may nourish the heart, it is purpose that feeds the soul. All life should be lived with a purpose and each one of us should be a contributing factor. A vision will give you goals in life and a purpose will give you the confidence to strive and move forward.

### SCRIPTURES

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings as eagles;  
they shall run, and not be weary;  
and they shall walk, and not faint.

*Isaiah 41:31*

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,  
from whence cometh my help.

*Psalms 121:1*

## PRESENTATION OF EMBLEMS

**DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS:** It is a joy and pleasure to announce the symbols for 1996-97. Reverently we salute the American Flag and the American Eagle. Our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter, has written a poetic tribute to the flag.

*Today I saw a wondrous, peaceful sight.  
It was our flag showing strength and might  
as it waved from its staff for the world to see.  
I thought of all the things that it meant to me.*

*I knew it stood for the country young in time.  
O, but what a country! Beautiful and sublime.  
The stars and stripes so proud and so bold,  
holding each one of us securely in its folds.*

*It has not always been treated with gentle care.  
But to all of us who love it, it's always there.  
Our flag may not be respected in all the world,  
but it stands for freedom wherever it's unfurled.*

*It has been fought and died for on land and sea.  
This has provided freedom for you and me.  
As long as Old Glory waves o'er the great land,  
Our Defenders of Freedom will always have a plan.*

And then Mrs. Carter wrote this tribute to the eagle: The eagle has achieved delicate beauty and power. As he dances and walks on the wind, we feel his freedom as he touches the mountain-tops and as he soars o'er the valleys in the morning sun. We're moved with wonder in the beauty of our country's majestic symbol. He is an inspiring, feathered creature as he floats on outstretched wings to magnificent heights which are his true home and kingdom. As we watch him spiraling ever upward, making circles within circles, the way all things flow, we think of the unity of our universe being drawn together as one. We think of ourselves as being raised upon eagles' wings into the air of the eternal spirit. Thank you, Alma. (Applause)

## PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND FLOWERS

**MRS. LENA MAYE COOK:** Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, has placed much color and beautiful talks of her beautiful flowers. All we have to do is look up and see the colors our Worthy Grand Matron has chosen this year: the blue sky, the puffy white clouds and the brilliant red of sunset. These are the colors God put above us. They are the magnificent colors of the American Flag, and they are three of our Star Point colors. Red is the color of courage and love; white, loyalty; and blue, unity. These should be the benchmark of our Order: loyalty, unity and love.

### FLOWERS

Twas flowers I beheld on the mountain-top,  
and flowers I beheld on the ocean floor.  
God put their beauty in the desert sand,  
and again the sandy seashore.

He gives us full blossoms early spring,  
with life's renewal of all living things.  
The fall foliage before the long winter's sleep,  
covered with soft snow and sleet that strings.

From prairie flowers to streams and swamps,  
We choose them all – God's own creation 'tis true.  
Their beauty we all behold – but if we must choose  
Place an emphasis on those of red, white and blue.

Thank you, Alma.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** The presentation and dedication of the Worthy Grand Matron's march is always a highlight in our installation program. We look forward with interest and eager anticipation as the immediate Past Grand Patron, Brother Billy Combest, presents the dedication, to be followed by Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, composer and General Chairman, Music Committee, in the presentation of the music.



## DEDICATION OF MUSIC

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Sisters and Brothers, before I make this presentation, I'd like to make mention of or inform you of the fact that our Worthy Grand Matron's Music Committee is selling a tape of patriotic songs, which just happens to have the first song on this as her march. It's available through the Music Committee, and it would be invaluable to your Chapters if you don't have an organist. So contact somebody in your area on the Music Committee and obtain one of these tapes. It would be of great benefit to you.

The "Elegant Eagle March" was lovingly written by Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Past Matron of Princeton Chapter No. 1126 and is dedicated to our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter. Sister Joyce is a member of Sister Alma's own section.

"Mine eyes have seen the Glory." My soul has been calmed by the music of life. Some music soothes the troubled heart; some can make the heart sing. Music can give us courage, self-worth, and a love of God, country, and home. We can envision the American dream and feel the freedom that is ours from every joyous cord. Our heart soars as we think about this sovereign nation and the blessings our Creator has bestowed upon us.

We hope this march will reinforce not only the joys in life, but make you realize that we are all endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights, among these are life liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Joyce Gilbert, who just happens to be my niece, will now play "The Elegant Eagle March."

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** Thank you, Brother Billy and Sister Joyce. (Applause) I can just visualize and know the many happy steps that will be taken by many as they march to the tempo of this beautiful march.

The Humanitarian Program of our Worthy Grand Matron for our Grand Chapter is naturally first in the hearts of the membership. I know that you will listen attentively as Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen, Past Grand Matron who presided over the "Arts of Creation" Session in 1968, outlines for us the planned and adopted Humanitarian Program for the coming year. My sweet friend, Nancy.

## PRESENTATION OF HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM

**MRS. NANCY BAILEY ALLEN:** Our Worthy Grand Matron has given much thought to her Humanitarian Program for the year 1996-97. It is my pleasure to present this program to you, the membership. For over 40 years our dream has been to endow our Eastern Star Home. In order to do this, it is my wish that the Home Endowment Fund be our number one benevolent project. As we soar into the next century, it is our dream that our Home will be fully endowed.

Under the careful supervision of the Board of Grand Trustees, these funds are invested in interest-bearing securities. The principal cannot be spent, but shall be invested. Personal contributions to the Home Endowment Fund shall be kept invested, and personal contributions to the Home Endowment Fund of gifts, wills,

trusts or any other donations will be added to the principal of this fund. Donations of money, securities, real estate, stocks and bonds may be made payable to the Eastern Star Home Endowment Fund. Contributions to this fund ensure that the stability and the needs of our Home are met, not only today but for future generations.

The next is the Eastern Star Home. The center of our Eastern Star life has always been the coming together at our Home in Arlington. It is the heart of our benevolent program, and it represents all that is loving and compassionate in our Eastern Star lives. Our love and our dedication to our Home are exemplified by our gifts and participation in providing a secure and peaceful family atmosphere. These funds will be used to cover monthly expenses of operating our Home.

Next is ESTARL. Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership is an investment in the future in religious service. This may include ministers, religious music, education and missionaries. The religious education and the values of our younger generation are more important than ever in today's world.

Her special projects are the Home Renovation Fund and the Breast Cancer Research. The Home Renovation Fund is no part of the Humanitarian Program this year and will not count toward becoming 100 percent. Each Chapter and individual is encouraged to contribute to this fund. However, your contribution should be sent directly to the Grand Secretary and not to the Humanitarian Chairman. The renovation and maintenance of our Home is the lifeblood of preventing it from deteriorating and keeping the beautiful edifice that we desire it to be.

The Breast Cancer Research Fund also will be no part of the Humanitarian Program and will not count toward you being 100 percent. This project will receive funds intended as special donations or gifts for the Worthy Grand Matron in lieu of flowers, corsages, favors, et cetera, at all of our banquets. You are also encouraged to send all donations for any cancer program to this special fund.

Thank you, Alma, for this privilege. (Applause)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** As I present the Worthy Grand Patron for his greetings, let me simply say to this membership: The more I see of this gentleman and the more I listen to him and visit with him, the more appreciative I am of Richard Ochs. Truly, the steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord and He delighteth in his ways. Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, the membership of Texas holds you in high esteem, and we have complete confidence in your abilities. Worthy Grand Patron.

## ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Those are mighty nice remarks you made!

Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers, Family, Guests. It's a special honor to have our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge representatives with us also tonight.

It is an indescribable honor to be installed as Worthy Grand Patron and to address you tonight. Worthy Grand Matron, I appreciate your confidence in me, in asking the membership of Texas to allow me to serve with you last year. I pledge to you, Worthy Grand Matron, my support and will do all in my power to help you this year. Thank you, members, for confirming Sister Alma Carter's request by electing me to this office. I desire and ask you, the membership of Texas, to join me in fully supporting our Worthy Grand Matron's programs, especially the Humanitarian. I believe one of the most important teachings we have in our Order is "truth is eternal and unchanging".

To each one of you who has helped in this installation, thank you. You have given encouraging words, and this has been a beautiful installation ceremony. Thank you, Brother Harry Cunningham, Past Grand Patron and Grand Senior Warden of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, for installing me. I look forward to your personal counsel, as well as the general counsel of other Past Grands.

I was excited to see such a nice group of Rainbow Girls here this evening who are assisted in our State by our Sister Mills of the Order of the Eastern Star, and Job's Daughters, also assisted by Sister Koenning of the Order of the Eastern Star. Some of you might not have noticed, but I noticed several young men from DeMolay. A couple of them came up and said "Dad Ochs." That is common. I've been working with the boys for 25 years.

Well, I guess it's only 23, but it has been a pleasure. Blaine Koenning was made the new Executive Officer of Texas at our Texas Conclave this year, and he was also here. I'm sure he's still here, but I noticed that most of the other youth had gone. I strongly believe that the youth, with our help, can make a big difference in America. This country needs leadership from people like them. I hope we, as Eastern Stars, get more involved and encourage more youth to become active. It does not have to be your children or grandchildren. It can be a neighbor child who is a worthy person.

I will strive to improve my love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, as identified as the fruit of the spirit in Galatians 5:22 and 23.

Our Worthy Grand Matron's number one project that you just heard about in the Humanitarian Program is our Home Endowment Fund for the OES Home and the ladies of the Home. We have seven of the ladies who are with us tonight, and all seven of them are still here. Would you seven Sisters please stand. (Applause) Thank you for coming. Please be seated. We have several who are caregivers that have traveled with them and are looking after them. Would you please stand quickly for just a short moment. Thank you for your help with these ladies. (Applause)

I am very grateful to each of the Committee Members who chose to donate \$50 or more to the Home Endowment Fund in lieu of spending it on a formal. I hope the program will be expanded each Grand Chapter year in the future. Thank you, Brothers, who donated and expressed, "I don't want a dress," and have on their button tonight. Committee Members, we look forward to your help in making a great and memorable year for the Grand Chapter of Texas.

God, country – and to make the country be better, family. The Order of the Eastern Star must come before ourselves. I believe American courts and some citizens have gone way beyond acceptable limits of what the Founding Fathers' strong beliefs in oral expressions were about our country. They believed, and they said publicly, that Christianity is essential to the governing of America in this world.

Windwalkers, please stand. Brothers, you are serving in a very important station within your Chapter. Elegant Eagles, please join them in standing. Brothers, let's do all we can to assist these Elegant Eagles as they assist our Most Elegant Eagle. Thank you. Be seated. (Applause)

How well the Subordinate Chapters go reflects how well Grand Chapter will go. I thank each of you for being willing servants to your Chapter and to the Grand Chapter of Texas.

My Worthy Matron at Amarillo Chapter No. 787 is Trudy Buford. Please stand. And the Worthy Patron is Royce Wommack. Please join her. Will all other members of Amarillo Chapter please stand. We had 15 earlier, and there's a couple here and there. (Applause) Thank you. I'm excited you are here. I am grateful to each of you who have encouraged me, several of you for over 20 years, in Chapter and Grand Chapter participation.

District 2, Section 2, my home section. Members, please stand. They're scattered about, and some of them may have stepped away. There's some of you in Committees, and they kind of blend in. Many of them were from a couple of other Chapters in Amarillo: Bonita and A. E. Shirley, and then Dumas Chapter is also here. Thank you very much for coming. Be seated. (Applause)

I am very fortunate to have family members here tonight. Will each of you stand when I call you by name. Barbara Lee, our Grand Esther, my wife and the mother of our three children: Lee Ann Bartolino, our only daughter is from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and is a math teacher in Los Lunas. Her husband Jim was unable to be here. Robert Lee, who is a pediatric dermatologist who just began his practice in San Antonio in July. Raymond Lee, who is a potter living in Denton who is receiving his Master's degree in Fine Arts on December 14th. He is now teaching art history and ceramics in Dallas at Jesuit Catholic School. I might not have said it exactly right. I love each one of you. Please be seated. (Applause)

My mother and father are here with us: Alice and Herman Ochs. (Applause) They are members of Dumas Chapter No. 653. Our Masonic heritage within the family does not go back as many generations as some of you. My dad joined Masonry at Isom Lodge in Borger. My mom joined the Order of the Eastern Star in Borger 49 years ago. I became a DeMolay in Borger 43 years ago. Borger members, y'all have a special place in my heart. Thank you for being here. My mother's parents, Jeannie and George Murdy, joined in Hoisington, Kansas, and were the earliest, to my knowledge, as far as Masonic ties. My sister is also with us, Audrey Powell, who is a music teacher in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. My little brother George, a middle school principal in Hereford. Thank you all for making the extra effort to be here with us tonight. (Applause) I love you all.

Sisters and Brothers, my lady Barbara is also our Grand Esther this year. I thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for her appointment to this beautiful office. Barbara is a very loving, supportive wife and mother. She has been very helpful in assisting me in service to our Worthy Grand Matron. Barbara is truly one who lives the words of Ecclesiastes 4:9 and 10, quote, "Two are better than one because they have a good return for their work. If one falls down, his friend can pick him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up."

Sisters and Brothers of the Order of the Eastern Star, I look forward to serving God, country, family, you, and with you the Grand Chapter of Texas and others. May we have the vigor to soar like the eagle into the coming year with our Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you all for coming tonight. Worthy Grand Matron, thank you

for your trust in me. May the Holy Spirit surround you, your family and all Grand Chapter of Texas members with the love of Jesus Christ, to be benevolent and charitable to others during the coming year under your leadership, Worthy Grand Matron. (Applause and standing ovation)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** The "Life, Liberty and Pursuit of Happiness" installation is fast drawing to a close. Many of us have experienced and were taught profound teachings which helped build character into our lives. I remember so well a quotation, "When the need arises, God will provide the leader." As in the building of our country, for each crisis there have been noble statesmen who brought us through the time of need. So it is for this Order of ours for this year of 1996-97. A Worthy Grand Matron has been provided who has the attributes of fairness, an iron-clad sense of duty and a calm manner, giving her a touch of greatness. As our leader, she will guide, direct and bless our Order, challenging all of us in a new direction, a direction of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. I am so very pleased to present to you Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, for her greetings.

## ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Mrs. Millie Sharpe, who I did serve a half year with and the other half with my friend, Nancy Bailey Allen.

Worthy Grand Patron; Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter; General Grand Chapter Committee Members; Past Grand Matrons; Past Grand Patrons; Mr. Robert Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master; Mr. Joe Regian, Deputy Grand Master; Mr. Arvol Willingham, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Texas and your wife Louella; Distinguished East; Sisters; Brothers; Guests and those beautiful ladies of our Eastern Star Home who this year will be called the Regal Eagles, thank you for being here.

Love, joy, gratefulness and much trepidation are some of the emotions I feel this evening. The love of the membership for extending me this great honor; joy and gratefulness I feel for your faith and trust in my ability to serve you, the membership of Texas. I do not believe anyone can stand here and not feel an enormous amount of trepidation at the awesome responsibility of leading the Grand Chapter of Texas. I ask for your prayers that I might meet the challenge with proficiency, honor and dignity.

I would like to thank all of my Installing Grand Officers, my own Past Grand Matrons of District 1. And to Brother Harry Cunningham for being the Assisting Installing Grand Officer, and to Sister Jackie Culp serving as Grand Organist. Thank you, Jackie, for your beautiful music during the installation.

To those Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who had any part in my installation, thank you for having participated in this beautiful and inspiring evening. You have truly honored me with your presence. Sister Rennie Ofton, thank you for honoring the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons with your tribute. I could not give everyone a part in the installation. However, I wanted each one of you to be a part of this joyous time for me.

Brother Joe Jeffers, words are never adequate to describe your beautiful

tribute to our flag. I know you, as I, love our flag and honor those who have fought and died to keep it waving over this, our beloved country. I can think of no one who could have given it more respect and a more beautiful salute.

Mr. Robert Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, what an honor it has been for me to have you present this evening. I know each member feels that not only the office you hold, but you yourself, have added distinction and dignity to our meeting. Thank you. (Applause)

Mr. Joe Regian, Deputy Grand Master, thank you for being here. Your presence alone always makes a statement as to your purpose of working in harmony with all the Masonic bodies. I'm looking forward to next year and sharing any time possible with you and Sue. Thank you, Sue, for coming up here and sitting through this long evening. (Applause)

Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Deputy in Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, for your work with our young ladies and for being a good friend for many years, I thank you. To Cindy Ensminger, Grand Worthy Advisor, and all the Rainbow Girls for your drill and presentation here this evening. Thank you, Cindy, for the beautiful Bible presentation. I shall treasure it always.

Mrs. Rebecca Koenning, Texas Jurisdictional Guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters and the Texas Bethels, thank you for your work and for the beautiful drill and presentation.

I would like to introduce my family. My son Michael Stinson, my daughter Jeannie Hinsley who is a member of Plano Chapter and was a Rainbow girl. Thanks! (Applause) My brother, Bruce Brown, a Past Patron of Amigo Chapter No. 76 in Oklahoma City. Thank you. (Applause) And to Donna Hill, my niece, and a member of North Fort Worth Chapter No. 684, thank you all for filling my life with love and beauty. (Applause)

I would like to introduce the members of my Chapter, Plano Chapter No. 703. Thank you for being here and for all the hard work and support you have given me. Would you please stand. There may be some scattered around; so many are on Arrangements. (Applause) I love you all.

Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy, thank you for every courtesy you have shown me this year. Your thoughtfulness and graciousness for your Associate Grand Matron have been much appreciated. Brother Billy, it has been wonderful with you and Freda this year. It has been a joy to represent District 1, Section 2 with you, and as you go home, I'll be on the road.

In Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural address, he said, "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to bind up our nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace." I love those words and their meaning and would like them to be the benchmark for excellence this year. With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on with vision and purpose to work in accord for the good of our Order. To bind up our differences, to let hurts heal and never let them become divisive.

This year is a dedication to God, family and country. Just as we love our God

and families, we should love this country and its freedoms. My emblems are the symbols of that freedom: the American bald eagle and the flag of our country. The eagle's power rests in its strength of physical and mental force. The American symbol has in its beak the words, "*E pluribus unum*," our motto, "One out of many."

Our flag, the symbol of freedom the world over, however the love of America is found deepest in the hearts of the American people. God has given us dominion over the world and our faith in Him and the skills He gave us as man to think, to reason, to care, should make us good stewards of all his creation. May we endeavor to do this with the soul and heart of a creative mind. The soul gives a meaningful purpose to our lives. It is my hope that each one of you will dedicate yourself to making this Order uphold the highest standards and inspire non-members to want to be a part of an Order that focuses on charity, truth and loving-kindness.

If we accomplish this, it will then become a vision with a purpose, the purpose of building a solid foundation, to first build upon the principle of contribution. Rewards follow service. Getting follows giving. Making a difference follows having a mission. Our governor, George W. Bush, said, "What Texans can dream, Texans can do." I would like to paraphrase that and say, "What Eastern Stars can dream, Eastern Stars can do." Those who have gone before have left us a good foundation. The cornerstone has been laid. It is up to each one of us to take our principles and discover our wings and soar into the future.

May light always give us light unafraid; may truth always give us a life of faith. And may love always give us a light of peace.

My dedication to this Order will not change. I will continue to work for the principles that have made this Order great; I will just have a different role and work even harder. In the words of Robert Browning, "My business is not to remake myself, but to make the absolute best of what God has made."

Sisters and Brothers, it is my wish that each one of you will soar to your mountain-top, that God's grace and mercy will be the wind that will furnish the power that will cause you to fly, that your faith and courage not diminish, but that your love for the Order and for each other will be as strong as the heart of the eagle.

Thank you, my Sisters, Brothers and Friends. (Applause and standing ovation.)

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** The selection of those to join in her plans as Worthy Grand Matron is a privilege. Each one is selected for a specific duty and for a specific reason. The Grand Marshal, Mrs. Joyce Fields, will direct the formation. And at its completion, we will listen to a special rendition of "America the Beautiful" by one of our beloved Past Grand Patrons, Brother B. F. Hutson. Then while the formation is still on the floor, the immediate Past Grand Patron, Brother Billy Combest, will come forward to pronounce the benediction. Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal.

**MR. B. F. HUTSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, at this time we have two presentations to make. Sister Alma, Brother Richard, these two flags of the United States of America have certificates attached which read, "This is to certify that the accompanying flag was flown over the United States Capital on August 1, 1996, at the request of Honorable Larry Combest, Member of Congress. These flags were flown for Alma Carter and Richard Ochs on the occasion of their installation as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, at the request of the 1996-1997 Grand Floor

Officers." Personal letters of congratulations from Congressman Larry Combest to Sister Alma and Brother Richard are enclosed. (Applause)

("America the Beautiful" sung by Mr. B. F. Hutson after formation formed.)

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Sisters and Brothers, as you are now at attention before Holy God, shall we pray. Supreme Grand Master of the Universe, we acknowledge Your power and Your magnificence at this time. We acknowledge that You are in control of all Your universe, yes, even this meeting today. Your Holy Spirit has been present during this time, entering into one Sister or one Brother or one friend that's here today and reach out and touch another. May You truly be the Lord of our life and the light of our life. Dear Heavenly Father, I know at this time, a benediction has been offered up to You so many, many times in the form of a blessing. As we all go from this place, may the road rise gently to meet us; may the wind be ever at our back; may the sun shine warmly upon our face and the rain fall gently upon our fields. Until we meet again in Heaven above, may You hold each one in Your almighty power. Amen.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** We have just a bit more. This has been a beautiful closing to a tremendous installation ceremony. We have been very pleased to have each of you in attendance. We hope you've enjoyed our ceremonies. At this time we will have a short recess that our visitors may retire and we may prepare for the ritualistic closing of our Grand Chapter. We ask your attention that all may be in readiness for the ritualistic closing.

(Brief recess.)

I believe the Chapter room is now in order. If those of you will return to your seats that our Worthy Grand Matron may proceed with our ritualistic closing, we will appreciate your attention.

I'm going at this time to recognize Brother Rippey from the Board of Grand Trustees for a presentation to the Worthy Grand Matron. Brother Jim.

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of the Board of Grand Trustees, it is my pleasure to transfer to you the keys to the custom van, and many, many wishes for all safe, happy and productive miles ahead.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Brother Jim Rippey. And please give my thanks to each member of the Board of Grand Trustees and tell them that I'm expecting great cooperation and much love in working with the Board this year. Thank them for this courtesy.

**MRS. MILDRED SHARPE:** I told the Worthy Grand Matron it's earlier than we think because you know this is the night that we turn our clocks back; right? So it's five till ten, according to our interpretation.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will open our Holy Bible.

I now declare this session of Grand Chapter called from rest to labor. Sister Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Sentinel, this Grand Chapter is called from rest to labor. Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order. (The Grand Chapter was proved.)

Grand Secretary, is there anything else that needs to come before this Grand Chapter?

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Not to my knowledge.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Marshal, you will retire the flag of our country.

Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we're about to close this Grand Chapter Session and direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we're about to close this Grand Chapter, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** There will be no interruptions, Sister Grand Warder.

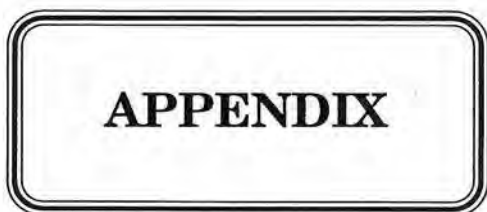
**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Let us unite in singing our closing ode, "God Bless America."

(Ritualistic closing of Grand Chapter.)

I now declare this Grand Chapter closed.

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**APPENDIX**

*IN MEMORIAM*

**MRS. MARCELLA CURRY**  
**PAST GRAND MATRON**  
**"THE QUEST OF THE SPIRIT" SESSION**  
**1993 - 1994**  
**Died September 29, 1996**



*"While we each strive in our own particular way to reach spiritual goodness, none of us knows when we will reach that final quest. God, the Father, is the only one who knows when and how that final moment will come. Rest assured it will come. How wonderful it is that we will have a guide through that part of our journey. In seeking this final quest, we know that through the death of Christ on the cross, we will find the way home to that great Grand Chapter above."*

*IN MEMORIAM*

**MRS. CYNTHIA MAY WATTS**  
**PAST GRAND MATRON**  
**THE "PEACE" SESSION**  
**1943 - 1944**  
**Died October 25, 1996**



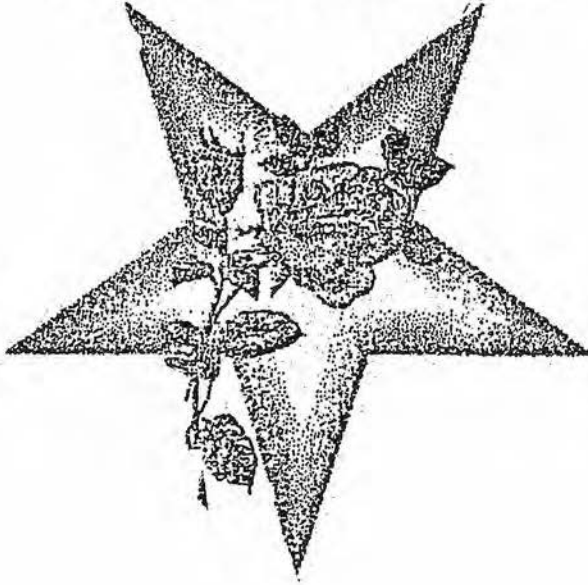
*"And now I end a journey of joyous, pleasant miles,  
Adorned with many friendships and gracious smiles,  
The days were golden mileposts, the stations were good friends;  
Friends whose love I cherish, The kind the Master sends."*

*The Rose  
Still Blooms*



IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF  
THE TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE  
MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS  
OF TEXAS  
WHO ENTERED THEIR ETERNAL HOME  
1995 - 1996

*The Rose  
Still Blooms*



IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF  
OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS OF OTHER  
GRAND JURISDICTIONS  
WHO WERE CALLED TO THEIR ETERNAL HOME  
1995 - 1996

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FLORIDA	Mrs. Juanita Ewers, Rt. 6, Box 6516, Palestine 75801	12-31-96
GEORGIA	Mr. Max Fairchild, 1105 Emerald Lake Ct., Ft. Worth 76103	9-30-97
IDAHO	Mrs. Dorothy O'Neal, P.O. Box 5496, Laguna Park 76634	2-13-97
ILLINOIS	Mrs. Mary K. Easterling, P.O. Box 129, Jefferson 75657	1-31-97
INDIANA	Mrs. Mildred S. Priddy, 1745 Hill Top Cir., Ft. Worth 761174	2-31-96
IOWA	Mrs. Patsy Jacobs, 2128 Travis, Carrollton 75006	4-1-97
KANSAS	Mr. Don Burbank, 1111 E. Division St., Arlington 76011	1-1-97
KENTUCKY	Mr. Charles Moore, 2329 Clearview Dr., Ft. Worth 76119	9-30-97
LOUISIANA	Mr. Gayle Brown, 532 So. Judd St., Ft. Worth 76108	10-1-97
MAINE	Mrs. Elizabeth Ripple, 2652 Colorado Ave., San Angelo 76109	3-1-97
MANITOBA	Mr. H. L. "Shorty" Johnson, 116 Royal Dr., League City 77573	6-30-98
MARYLAND	Mrs. Betty Morris, Rt. 2, Box 184, Carrollton 75010	8-23-97
MASSACHUSETTS	Mrs. Mildred I. Hancock, 204 N. Popp St., Nacogdoches 75964	12-31-97
MICHIGAN	Mrs. Allene Thompson, Rt. 1, Box 33, Paradise 76073	1-1-97
MINNESOTA	Mrs. Elsie Mae Tolley, P.O. Box 233, Stephenville 76401	12-31-96
MISSISSIPPI	Mrs. Willie Mae Shaw, 223 W. Exchange Pkwy., Allen 75013	12-31-97
MISSOURI	Mrs. George Ann Moxley, 2301 Ridgmar Plaza, #11, Ft. Worth 76116	3-24-97
MONTANA	Mrs. Toye Farrington, 3201 40th St. Lubbock 79413	7-1-98
NEBRASKA	Mr. John W. Clark, 302 Valley Drive, Liberty 77575	10-1-98
NEVADA	Mrs. Allene Barnhill, 3701 Wayland Dr., Ft. Worth 76133	12-31-96
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mrs. Geraldine "Gerry" Dusek, P.O. Box 508, Rio Hondo 78583	12-31-96
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mrs. Bettie L. Porter, 5701 Woodcastle, Waco 76710	1-1-97
NEW JERSEY	Mrs. Dorothy Glasscock, 202 Main Park Ln., Duncanville 75137	1-1-98
NEW MEXICO	Mrs. Mary Jo Turner, 7600 Castillo, Ft. Worth 76112	1-1-97
NEW YORK	Mrs. Zena Wilson, 2237 Stanley Ave., Ft. Worth 76110	8-1-97
NORTH CAROLINA	Mrs. Pansy Read, Rt. 2, Box 7B, Grapeland 75844	1-1-98
NORTH DAKOTA	Mr. D. A. Morris, 14051 Cedar Mill, San Antonio 78231	1-1-97
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	Mrs. Mary Lou Piedlau, 213 Georgian Rd., Ft. Worth 76134	11-18-96
OHIO	Mrs. Mildred G. Thompson, 603 E. Bowie St., Mexia 76667	1-1-97
OKLAHOMA	Mrs. Ieona Andrews, 1421 Oak Knoll, Ft. Worth 76117	11-2-96
ONTARIO	Mrs. Charlene Stimits, P. O. Box 100, Evadale 77615	12-31-96
OREGON	Mrs. Ozelle Scarborough, 1213 N. Bowie Dr., Corsicana 75110	1-1-98
PENNSYLVANIA	Mrs. Mary Alice Alberts, 101 E. Sioux Rd., #1314, Pharr 78577	12-15-97
PUERTO RICO	Mr. Ed Squyres, P.O. Box 14092, San Antonio 78214	3-31-97
QUEBEC	Mrs. Louise Norman, Rt. 2, Box 699F, Lexington 78947	1-1-99
RHODE ISLAND	Mrs. Blanche "Sandy" Kukkuck, P.O. Box 217, Shepherd	12-31-96
SASKATCHEWAN	Mrs. Margie C. Percival, Rt. 1, Box 12, Bronson 75930	12-31-97
SCOTLAND	Mrs. Martha Grissom, Rt. 1, Box 63, Gordon 76453	12-31-96
SOUTH CAROLINA	Mrs. Eloise Flanagan, P.O. Box 275, Beckwille 75631	7-15-98
SOUTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Dorothy Roose, 313 Greer St., San Antonio 78210	6-1-98
TENNESSEE	Mr. Russell Sweetland, Rt. 2, Box 165, Diboll 75941	10-1-98
UTAH	Mrs. Gladys Morgan, P.O. Box 812, Highlands 77562	12-31-98
VERMONT	Mrs. Syble Yost, Rt. 1, Box 87C, Pottsboro 75076	9-1-98
VIRGINIA	Mrs. Virginia Caudill, 2598 Goshen Rd., Springtown 76082	12-31-96
WASHINGTON	Mrs. Genevieve "Smitty" Jones, 112 E. Vilbig, Irving 75060	10-31-97
WEST VIRGINIA	Mrs. Mary H. Beach, 3418 Monte Carlo, Dallas 75224	12-31-96
WISCONSIN	Mrs. Billie Glover, HC 75, Box 694, Andrews 79714	11-19-97
WYOMING	Mrs. Hattie Stanmire, P.O. Box 515, Tennessee Colony 75861	12-31-96

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF TEXAS IN OTHER  
GRAND JURISDICTIONS 1995 - 1996**

STATE	NAME/ADDRESS	EXPIRES
ALABAMA	Mr. Floyd Philpot, 325 Mozelle Cir., Gardendale, AL 35071	10-1-97
ALBERTA	Mrs. Margaret Pinsky, 203 Birch Ave., Cold Lake, AB T9H 2V2	3-1-97
ARIZONA	Mr. Richard Darnell, Rt. 1, Box 198, St. David, AZ 85630	1-14-98
ARKANSAS	Mrs. Marie Robison, P. O. Box 116, Emerson, AR 71740	3-24-97
AUSTRALIA	Mrs. Valerie King, 32 Olivet St., Glenbrook, NSW 2773	6-1-98
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON	Mrs. Betty L. MacPherson, 55 Lebarz Rd., Nanaimo, BC V9X 1 A7	6-1-98
CALIFORNIA	Mrs. Bobbie Nunn, 933 Estrada Ct., Salinas, CA 93906	10-9-97
COLORADO	Mr. Richard "Dick" Hays, 820 Nickel, Broomfield, CO 80020	9-6-97
CONNECTICUT	Mrs. Leahdell L. Davis, 3130 Turtle Dove Trl., Deland, FL 37724	2-13-97
DELAWARE	Mr. Jeffrey Dennis, 15 Cognac Dr., Newark, DE 19702	12-31-97
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Mr. Ronald A. Wagner, 4 So. Montana St., Arlington, VA 22204	4-15-98
FLORIDA	Mrs. Estelle Hernandez, 2708 W. Louisiana Ave., Tampa, FL 33614	4-15-98
GEORGIA	Mrs. Rollene Tucker, 538 P.W. Clifton Rd., Brooklet, GA 30705-1913	4-9-97
IDAHO	Mr. James Rideley, 2798 Sagebrush Dr., Twin Falls, ID 83702	2-13-97
ILLINOIS	Mrs. Rosalie Ballinger, 6900 Red Oak Ln., Garden Prairie, IL 61038	3-3-97
INDIANA	Mrs. Alice Swogger, 10212 E. 415 N, Kendalville, IN 46755	12-31-97
IOWA	Mr. John A. Jones, 2144 G Marsh Ave., Marshalltown, IA 50158	1-1-97
KANSAS	Mrs. Evon Boyles, 403 S. Bay, Greensburg, KS 67954	8-2-97
KENTUCKY	Mrs. Sue Ruddell, 4999 Riverbend Rd., Hopkinsville, KY 42240	12-31-97
LOUISIANA	Mrs. Lillie Bernard, 80069 Watts Thomas Rd., Bush, LA 70431	4-1-97
MAINE	Mr. Herschel McIntosh, 3 Weeks St., Houlton, ME 04730	5-10-97
MANITOBA	Mrs. Mariorie Hay, P.O. Box 22, Austin, Manitoba R0H 0H0	5-15-98
MARYLAND	Mrs. Donna W. Davis, 6484 Quarters Rd., Woodford, VA 22580	3-1-97
MASSACHUSETTS	Mr. John A. Miller, Mohawk Lane Rd., Glendale, MA 01229	12-31-97
MICHIGAN	Mr. Edwin Parker, 12197 W. Greenfield Rd., Lansing, MI 48917	9-20-97
MINNESOTA	Mrs. Sandra Driscoll, 1320 Manning Ave., So., Woodbury, MN 55125	12-31-97
MISSISSIPPI	Mrs. Vita Jolly, 1110 Highway 494, Meridian, MS 39305	6-1-97
MISSOURI	Mrs. Phyllis Kolb, 21 Connemara Rd., St. Peters, MO 63376	10-17-97
MONTANA	Mrs. Grace Osborn, P.O. Box 106, Alder, MT 59710	6-15-97
NEBRASKA	Mrs. Yeteive Nielsen, 1335 Idaho, Superior, NE 68978	7-10-97
NEVADA	Mr. Tom George, 4480 E. Elm, Winnemucca, NV 89445	12-31-96
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mr. Malcolm, MacDonald, 44 Glengarry Dr., Saint John, NB E2J2Y3	1-31-97
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mr. Wayne D. Flood, 19 Corning Rd., Litchfield, NH 03103	7-25-97
NEW JERSEY	Mrs. Lillian Phillips, 8 Whaleback Terr., Ringwood, NJ 07456	6-1-97
NEW MEXICO	Mrs. Kathleen Walker, 2321 Union Ave., Alamogordo, NM	1-1-97
NEW YORK	Mrs. Norma Davies, 142-1661 Old Country Rd., Riverhead	2-13-97
NORTH CAROLINA	Mrs. Ella "Peggy" Oliver, 1120 Westridge Rd., Greensboro, NC 28540	1-1-97
NORTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Delores Schlosser, 3509 94R Ave. SE, Jamestown, ND 58401	6-10-98
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	Mrs. Jean Coombes, 7 Horizon Ct., Apt. 1205, Dartmouth, NS B3A 4R2	3-25-98
OHIO	Mrs. Louise L. Frantz, 138 King Tree Lane, Springfield, OH 45506	2-25-98
OKLAHOMA	Mrs. Ruby Dollar, 1721 7th St., NW, Ardmore, OK 73401	4-1-97
ONTARIO	Mrs. Pat Shaw, 133 First Rd., E, Stoney Creek, ON L8J 2V6	7-30-98
OREGON	Mrs. Avis Kircher, 10100 NE Crooked River Dr., #11, Terrebone, OR 97760	4-1-97
PENNSYLVANIA	Mrs. Lucille T. Parry, 1709 Melrose Ave. Irwin, PA 15642	11-1-96
PUERTO RICO	Mrs. Iris V. de Rivero, P.O. Box 3377, Carolina PR 00984-3377	2-28-98
QUEBEC	Mrs. Grace Singer, 165 Davignon, Dollard des Ormeaux, Quebec H9B 1Y4	2-26-98
RHODE ISLAND	Miss Mildred Dawley, 7 Stokes St., Warwick, RI, 02889	12-1-96
SASKATCHEWAN	Mrs. Eleanor Rozdebs, P.O. Box 153, Wynyard, Sask. S0A 4T0	3-1-97
SCOTLAND	Mrs. Nancy Ness, 217 Station Rd., Kelty, Fife K64 0BP	4-29-97
SOUTH CAROLINA	Mrs. Mary Etta Helms, 716 Ridgedale Dr., Spartanburg, SC 29301	7-28-98
SOUTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Doris Jones, 358 E. 5th St., Miller, SD 57362	9-1-97
TENNESSEE	Mrs. Christine Watson, Rt. 4, Box 170, Smithville, TN 37161	3-1-97
UTAH	Mrs. Fran Townsend, P. O. Box 451, Moab, UT 84532	3-10-97
VERMONT	Mrs. Kathy Cotrofeld, P.O. Box 235, East Arlington, VT 05252	6-3-97
VIRGINIA	Mr. Daniel R. Childress, 9526 Alfaree Rd., Richmond, VA 23237	12-31-96
WASHINGTON	Mrs. Patricia Amdahl, 1502 Hostmark, Poulsbo, WA 98370	10-5-97
WEST VIRGINIA	Mrs. Joyce Kineaid, HC7, Box 11, Alderson, WV 24910	8-6-98
WISCONSIN	Mr. Merlin Bollinger, 71 No. River Rd., Buffalo City, WI	7-1-97
WYOMING	Mr. William Kramp, 2025 Shoshone Tr., No., Cody WY 82414	1-30-97



**RECAP ON ELECTIONS**

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Worthy Grand Matron .....	Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Patron .....	Mr. Richard Ochs
Associate Grand Matron .....	Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
Associate Grand Patron .....	Mr. Claude Ervin
Grand Secretary .....	Mrs. Frances Burbank
Grand Treasurer .....	Mrs. Patsy Wilson
Grand Conductress .....	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Board of Grand Trustees, District I .....	Mrs. Patsy Washington
Board of Grand Trustees, District II .....	Mrs. Patsy Neepner
Board of Grand Trustees, District III .....	Mrs. Lola "Peaches" Wallace
Board of Grand Trustees, District IV .....	Mr. James O. Rippey
Board of Grand Trustees, District V .....	Mrs. Shirley Jones
Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District I .....	Mr. Delbert Showmaker
Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District II .....	Mr. Lindsey Pynes
Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District III .....	Mrs. Betty Capps
Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District IV .....	Mr. R. J. "Tom" Warne
Board of Grand Examiners, District I .....	Mrs. Marlene Dibrell
Board of Grand Examiners, District II .....	Mrs. Joyce Ball
Board of Grand Examiners, District III .....	Mrs. Sharon Fentress
Board of Grand Examiners, District V .....	Mrs. Doris Hester

ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS

	<b>1st Ballot</b>	<b>2nd Ballot</b>
Mrs. Penny Vletas	495	403
Mrs. Naomi Wolfe	675	721
Mrs. Jimmie McMahan	491	
Mrs. Betty Friend	1,618	2,032 (Elected)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES-DISTRICT V

Mrs. Maxine Nance	2,415 (Elected)
Mrs. Rose D. Forrest	663

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS, DISTRICT IV

Mrs. Karen Morganthaler	2,012 ( Elected)
Mrs. Jean Hodson	1,093

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS-AT-LARGE

Mrs. Lucia Trammell	1,227	1,312
Mrs. Nancy Brown	1,339	1,596 (Elected)
Mrs. Faye Long	512	

## GRAND SECRETARIES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

- ALABAMA  
ALBERTA  
ARIZONA  
ARKANSAS  
AUSTRALIA  
BRITISH COLUMBIA  
CALIFORNIA  
COLORADO  
CONNECTICUT  
DELAWARE  
DISTRICT OF  
COLUMBIA  
FLORIDA  
GEORGIA  
IDAHO  
ILLINOIS  
INDIANA  
IOWA  
KANSAS  
KENTUCKY  
LOUISIANA  
MAINE  
MANITOBA  
MARYLAND  
MASSACHUSETTS  
MICHIGAN  
MINNESOTA  
MISSISSIPPI  
MISSOURI  
MONTANA  
NEBRASKA  
NEVADA  
NEW BRUNSWICK  
  
NEW HAMPSHIRE  
NEW JERSEY  
NEW MEXICO  
NEW YORK  
NORTH CAROLINA  
NORTH DAKOTA  
NOVA SCOTIA AND  
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND  
OHIO  
OKLAHOMA  
ONTARIO  
OREGON  
PENNSYLVANIA  
PUERTO RICO  
QUEBEC  
  
RHODE ISLAND  
SASKATCHEWAN  
  
SCOTLAND  
  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
SOUTH DAKOTA  
TENNESSEE  
UTAH  
VERMONT  
VIRGINIA  
WASHINGTON  
  
WEST VIRGINIA  
WISCONSIN  
WYOMING  
GENERAL GRAND  
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Mrs. Elaine O'Brien, 92 First Avenue, Berala NSW 2141, Australia  
Mrs. Lillian Massey, 33537 Blueberry Dr., Mission, B.C., Canada V2V 6J1  
Mrs. Shirley Orth, 870 Market St., Room 722, San Francisco, CA 94102  
Mrs. Donna Haas, 2445 South Quebec, Denver, CO 80231  
Mrs. Meryon S. Miner, 281 Hartford Turnpike, Ste. G4, Vernon, CT 06066  
Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey, 106 Mullin Rd., Wilmington, DE 19809  
  
Mrs. Helen C. Martin, 122 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001  
Mrs. Bobbie P. Davidson, P.O. Box 1056, Havana, FL 32333  
Mrs. Louise S. Wells, 1230 Johnson Ferry Rd., Ste. H-10, Marietta, GA 30068  
Mrs. Wanda Hinrichs, 7195 S. Meridian Rd., Meridian, ID 83642  
Mrs. Eileen Cole, P.O. Box 317, Macon, IL 62544  
Mrs. Beulah F. Jones, P.O. Box 86, Franklin, IN 46131  
Mrs. Donna Hodge, P.O. Box 158, Marion, IA 52302  
Mrs. Nancy A. Wentling, 1109 S. Topeka Ave., Topeka, KS 66612  
Mrs. Deanna Krahulek, P.O. Box 7, LaGrange, KY 40031  
Mrs. Margie A. Wheelchel, P.O. Box 603, Westlake, LA 70669-0603  
Mrs. Barbara C. Russell, P.O. Box 99, Lincoln, ME 04457  
Miss Elizabeth Evans, 52-525 Cathcart, Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada R3R 0S6  
Mrs. Leona Vincent, 1055 Taylor Ave., Ste. 305, Baltimore, MD 21286-8334  
Mrs. Joanne H. Langevin, P.O. Box 325, Newtonville, MA 02160  
Mrs. Geraldine Roe, P.O. Box 26, Comstock, MI 49041  
Mr. Glen Carlson, 6121 Excelsior Blvd., Ste. 210, Minneapolis, MN 55416  
Mrs. Louise Putt, P.O. Box 142, Booneville, MS 38829  
Mrs. Muriel D. Jannusch, 3681 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108  
Mrs. Norma Berry, 107 N. Main, Box 306, Bridger, MT 59014  
Mrs. Shirley Frink, P.O. Box 156, Fremont, NE 68026  
Mrs. Barbara L. Redmond, 1825 Pocomo Ct., Sparks, NV 89434  
Mrs. Laura Swift, 701 Blythwood Ave., Riverview, New Brunswick, Canada E1B 2H3  
Mrs. Emily M. Johnson, P.O. Box 3114, Boscawen, NH 03303  
Mrs. Anita R. Erickson, 111 Fierne Ave., Bridgewater, NJ 08807  
Mrs. Mary Francis Whitlock, P.O. Box 99, Hatch, NM 87937  
Mrs. Elizabeth Pounder, 71 West 23rd St., New York, NY 10010  
Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Oakley, P.O. Box 1398, Mooresville, NC 28115  
Mrs. Betty N. Bold, P.O. Box 473, Carrington, ND 58421  
  
Mrs. Hilda M. Powroz, 26 Redbank Rd. Bedford, Nova Scotia, Canada B4Z 2V2  
Mrs. Jean Beck, P.O. Box 309, Mt. Blanchard, OH 45867  
Mrs. Theda M. Wise, 4515 S. Western, Oklahoma City, OK 73109  
Mrs. Carol Featherstone, 253 Dominion St. Strathroy, Ontario N7G 3G9 Canada  
Mrs. Dottie Inman, 1507-B SW Morrison, Portland, OR 97205  
Mrs. Delores M. Hartland, 518 Main St., Ste. 201, Irwin, PA 15642-3432  
Mrs. Maria P. Mulero, VIA 17 LR 1 - Villa Fontana, Carolina, PR 00983  
Miss Hazel Alexander, 2460 Benny Crescent, #414, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H4B 2P9  
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Miss Grace Montague 7-708 Ave. R North, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada S7L 2Z2  
Mr. James T. Smith, Regent House, Ste. 201, 113 W. Regent St., Glasgow G2 2RU Scotland  
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Mrs. Ruth E. Lay, 2100 E. 6200 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84121  
Mrs. D. Christine Bigelow, P.O. Box 81, Randolph Center, VT 05061  
Ms. Karen Trivette, P.O. Box 6633, Richmond, VA 23230  
Mrs. Jean Sundet, 212 Wells Ave., So., Ste. D, Renton, WA 98055  
Mrs. Tillie Marcum, P.O. Box 1097, Ceredo, WV 25507  
Mrs. Lois A. Nyman, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118-9349  
Mrs. Betty Duncan, 1212 Turkey Track Lane, Gillette, WY 82716  
  
Mrs. Betty Briggs, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, 1618 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009

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Year	WORTHY GRAND MATRON	WORTHY GRAND PATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON	GRAND SECRETARY	GRAND TREASURER
1884	†Mrs. E.J. Talbot	†W.L. Holt	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†W.J. Wickham	†R. R. McPhail	†Mrs. A. McGregor
1885	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†P. Hawkins	†Mrs. May Swayne	†Carr Forest	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. A. McGregor
1886	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†P.H. Stevens	†Mrs. Sallie Wayde	†D.H. Hightower	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. M. Hightower
1887	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†J.J. Kendrick	†Mrs. B. McElroy	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. A. Schwartz
1888	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†J.J. Kendrick	†Mrs. M.M. Neeley	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. Sarah L. Berliner
1889	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†J.W. Ellender	†Mrs. M.M. Neeley	†T.J. Neely	†Stephen Gould	†Mrs. M.R. Marsh
1890	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†Stephen Gould	†Mrs. Belle Moon	†A.F. Hicks	*Mrs. Jennie Cassill	†Mrs. M.R. Marsh
1891	†Mrs. Belle Moon	†A.F. Hicks	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†J.L. Miller	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter
1892	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†J.L. Miller	†Mrs. M. Strehorn	†J.W. Felbaum	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter
1893	†Mrs. P.C. Harris	†Tom Murrah	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter	†D. Ludlow	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. R.M. Swaim
1894	†Mrs. R.M. Swaim	†D. Ludlow	†Mrs. S.A. Hoskins	†L.S. Garrison	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Kate Birch
1895	†Mrs. Sadie A. Hoskins	†L.S. Garrison	†Mrs. Kate Birch	†J.K. Bowman	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph
1896	†Mrs. Kate Birch	†J.K. Bowman	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Ree Alvord
1897	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph	†J.T. Atchinson	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†N.M. Karney	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. W.P. Baugh
1898	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†N.M. Karney	†Mrs. A.A. Garrison	†S.D. Moore	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. W.P. Baugh
1899	†Mrs. A.A. Garrison	†W.S. Hoskins	†Mrs. A.V. Young	†W.S. Hellyer	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. M.A. Sherburne
1900	†Mrs. Agnes V. Young	†W.S. Hellyer	†Mrs. K.M. Bryan	†A.C. McDaniel	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. M.A. Sherburne
1901	†Mrs. K.M. Bryan	†A.C. McDaniel	†Mrs. M.E. Smith	†R.W. Lemond	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. M.A. Sherburne
1902	†Mrs. M.E. Smith	†R.W. Lemond	†Mrs. A. Walker	†P.S. Park	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. E.J. Randolph
1903	†Mrs. Alma M. Walker	†P.S. Park	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle	†E.C. Canon	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman
1904	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle	†E.C. Canon	†Mrs. E.J. Randolph	†John Orchard	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman
1905	†Mrs. E.J. Randolph	†John Orchard	†Mrs. M.E. Gray	†F.M. Walker	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman
1906	†Mrs. Mollie E. Gray	†F.M. Walker	†Mrs. Carrah Johnson	†T.J. Tucker	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman
1907	†Mrs. Carrah Johnson	†T.J. Tucker	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†J.H. Anderson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman
1908	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†C.H. Thorn	†Mrs. Carrie E. Lane	†M.T. Bell	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle
1909	†Mrs. Carrie E. Lane	†G.W. Glasscock	†Mrs. Edith Findlater	†E.J. Hosey	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Anna Johnson
1910	†Mrs. Edith Findlater	†E.J. Hosey	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman	†L.A. Heil	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Anna Johnson
1911	†Mrs. Laura F. Seaman	†L.A. Heil	†Mrs. Mattie I. Hill	†Sam P. Cochran	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen
1912	†Dr. Mattie I. Hill	†Sam P. Cochran	†Mrs. Carrie A. Chase	†M.T. Bell	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen
1913	†Mrs. Carrie A. Chase	†M.T. Bell	†Mrs. B.B. Huddleston	†S.B. Miller	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. M.B. Moody
1914	†Mrs. B.B. Huddleston	†S.B. Miller	†Miss Cora Posey	†G.W. Hester	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. M.B. Moody
1915	†Miss Cora Posey	†G.W. Hester	†Mrs. M.L. Eldridge	†W.A. Christian	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. M.B. Moody
1916	†Mrs. M.L. Eldridge	†W.A. Christian	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen	†Dr. W.B. Halley	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1917	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen	†Dr. W.B. Halley	†Mrs. Flora Penix	†Frank W. Lynn	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1918	†Mrs. Flora Penix	†Frank W. Lynn	†Mrs. Maggie B. Moody	†C.P. Patrick	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1919	†Mrs. Maggie B. Moody	†C.P. Patrick	†Mrs. M.L. Hosey	†John Findlater	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson

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## LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR OF TEXAS, 1884-1995

Year	WORTHY GRAND MATRON	WORTHY GRAND PATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON	GRAND SECRETARY	GRAND TREASURER
1920	†Mrs. Margaret L. Hosey	†John Findlater	†Mrs. Mary E. Roach	†W.H. Mercer	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1921	†Mrs. Mary E. Roach	†W.H. Mercer	†Mrs. Mattie A. Sebitts	†S.A. Penix	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1922	†Mrs. Mattie A. Sebitts	†S.A. Penix	†Mrs. Norton B. Wellborn	†T.J. Holbrook	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1923	†Mrs. Norton H. Wellborn	†T.J. Holbrook	†Mrs. Stella C. Vodrie	†J. Dixie Smith	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1924	†Mrs. Stella C. Vodrie	†J. Dixie Smith	†Mrs. Velma B. Halley	†J.D. Todd	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1925	†Mrs. Velma B. Halley	†J.D. Todd	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Frank Holt	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1926	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Frank Holt	†Mrs. LuLu LeFan	†L.E. Tennon	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1927	†Miss LuLu LeFan	†L.E. Tennon	†Mrs. Birdie J. Easterling	†W. Gregory Hatcher	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1928	†Mrs. Birdie J. Easterling	†W. Gregory Hatcher	†Mrs. Beulah Rawlings	†Capt. Dan O'Connell	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1929	†Mrs. Beulah Rawlings	†Capt. Dan O'Connell	†Mrs. Bessie B. Garth	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1930	†Mrs. Bessie B. Garth	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Mrs. Belle P. Tomlinson	†Geo. S. Dowell	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1931	†Mrs. Belle P. Tomlinson	†Geo. S. Dowell	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†W.F. Easterling	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1932	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†W.F. Easterling	†Mrs. Rose Potter	†A.P. Holbrook	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1933	†Mrs. Rose E. Potter	†A.P. Holbrook	†Mrs. Mattie M. Mitchell	†W.W. Caves	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1934	†Mrs. Mattie M. Mitchell	†W.W. Caves	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†C.D. Miller	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1935	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†C.D. Miller	†Mrs. Florence Read	†M.A. Childers	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1936	†Mrs. Florence Read	†M.A. Childers	†Mrs. Norma Allen	†Clyde E. Smith	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1937	†Mrs. Norma Allen	†Clyde E. Smith	†Mrs. Mildred Harris	†John Temple Rice	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1938	†Mrs. Mildred Harris	†John T. Rice	†Mrs. Freda Bernhard	†E.C. Couch	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1939	†Mrs. Freda Bernhard	†E.C. Couch	†Mrs. Robbie Dyer	†A.E. Shirley	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1940	†Mrs. Robbie Dyer	†A.E. Shirley	†Mrs. Viva Huffman	†Victor Keller	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1941	†Mrs. Viva S. Huffman	†Victor Keller	†Mrs. Hallie Anglin	†James L. Lee	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1942	†Mrs. Hallie Anglin	†James L. Lee	†Mrs. Cynthia May Watts	†Walter B. Baldwin	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1943	†Mrs. Cynthia May Watts	†Walter B. Baldwin	†Mrs. Lillian Barnard	†E.B. Gauntt	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1944	†Mrs. Lillian Barnard Parker	†E.B. Gauntt	†Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus	†Norman H. Read	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford
1945	†Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus	†Norman H. Read	†Mrs. Hattie D. Gilbert	†Frank R. Phillips	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss Blanche Earl
1946	†Mrs. Hattie D. Gilbert	†Frank R. Phillips	†Mrs. Cheba Dewees	†Pat Boone	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss Blanche Earl
1947	†Mrs. Cheba Dewees	†Pat Boone	†Mrs. Esther B. Graves	†Dr. T.G. Rogers	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Miss Blanche Earl
1948	†Mrs. Esther B. Graves	†Dr. T.G. Rogers	†Mrs. Mabel Harle	†Dean Gauldin	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Miss Blanche Earl
1949	†Mrs. Mabel Harle	†Dean Gauldin	†Mrs. Lucile Dufner	†Dr. H.C. Sloop	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1950	†Mrs. Lucile Dufner	†Dr. H.C. Sloop	†Mrs. Flora Best Boone	†Earl G. Manning	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1951	†Mrs. Flora Best Boone	†Earl G. Manning	†Mrs. Mildred Garlitz	†John A. Rawlins	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1952	†Mrs. Mildred Garlitz	†John A. Rawlins	†Mrs. Mary Ella Schoverling	†Fred W. Dewald	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1953	†Mrs. Mary E. Schoverling	†Fred W. Dewald	†Mrs. Eunice Connell	†Chauncey Penix	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1954	†Mrs. Eunice Connell	†Chauncey Penix	†Mrs. Lois Burnett	†C.E. Bairfield	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1955	†Mrs. Lois Burnett	†Chas. E. Bairfield	†Mrs. Pauline Smith	†Ed. Sharpe	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1956	†Mrs. Pauline Smith	†Ed. Sharpe	†Mrs. Ruby Enloe	†Dr. Russell Holt	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton

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Year	WORTHY GRAND MATRON	WORTHY GRAND PATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON	ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON	GRAND SECRETARY	GRAND TREASURER
1857	Mrs. Ruby Enloe	†Dr. Russell Holt	Mrs. Katherine Poulis	†Lewis T. Davis	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1858	Mrs. Katherine Poulis	†Lewis T. Davis	Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	†Dr. R.O. Fuqua	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1859	Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	†Dr. R.O. Fuqua	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Gerald C. Allen	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1860	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Gerald C. Allen	†Mrs. Pearl Hall	†Paul C. Stoneman	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1961	†Mrs. Pearl Hall	†Paul C. Stoneman	†Mrs. Thelma McReynolds	†Hal Burnett	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1962	†Mrs. Thelma McReynolds	†Hal Burnett	Mrs. Molly Goodpasture	E.F. (Van) Plumlee	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1963	Mrs. Molly Goodpasture	E.F. (Van) Plumlee	†Mrs. Amy Goebel	†James H. Goettee	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1964	†Mrs. Amy Goebel	†James H. Goettee	Mrs. Edna Earl Duke	†Marvin B. Simpson	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1965	Mrs. Edna Earl Duke	†Marvin B. Simpson	Mrs. Mildred Sharpe	†H.F. Harrington	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1966	Mrs. Mildred Sharpe	†H.F. Harrington	Mrs. Nancy Bailey	Herbert L. Arnold	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1967	Mrs. Nancy Bailey	Herbert L. Arnold	†Mrs. Robbie Yates	J.T. Sanders	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1968	†Mrs. Robbie Yates	J.T. Sanders	Mrs. Sally Matranga	Richard T. Porter	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1969	Mrs. Sally Matranga	Richard T. Porter	Mrs. Frances Herrin	†Victor Jones	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1970	Mrs. Frances Key Herrin	†J. Victor Jones	†Mrs. Aliene Houston	Harold Todd	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1971	†Mrs. Aliene Houston	Harold Todd	Mrs. Katherine Harbour	C.A. Bill" Holmes	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1972	Mrs. Katherine Harbour	C.A. Bill" Holmes	Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop	Paul Huffhines	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1973	Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop	Paul Huffhines	Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast	Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1974	Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast	†Mrs. Doris Easterling	Mrs. Joyce Roberts	O.D. Christian	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1975	†Mrs. Doris Easterling	O.D. Christian	Mrs. Mary Brown	†Perry Smithwick	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1976	Mrs. Joyce Roberts	†Perry Smithwick	Mrs. Rennie Olfon	Murray Watson, Jr.	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1977	Mrs. Mary M. Brown	Murray Watson, Jr.	†Mrs. Kathy Johnston	Thurman L. Weaver	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1978	Mrs. Rennie Olfon	T.L. Weaver	Mrs. Lena Maye Cook	†Leslie G. Burnett	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1979	†Mrs. Kathy Johnston	†Leslie G. Burnett	Mrs. Elise Hammack	†Thurman H. Perry	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong
1980	Mrs. Lena Maye Cook	†Thurman H. Perry	Mrs. Lois Bell	Gene Belk	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong
1981	Mrs. Elise Hammack	†Oliver B. Chamberlin	†Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	Ralph A. Davis	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1982	Mrs. Lois Bell	Gene Belk	Mrs. Beulah Speer	Wayne P. Jones	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1983	†Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	Ralph A. Davis	Mrs. Elsie Paladino	†Arnold Paul	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1984	Mrs. Beulah Speer	Wayne P. Jones	Mrs. Jean Nesbitt	†Arnold Paul	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1985	Mrs. Elsie Paladino	†Arnold Paul	Mrs. Sherrill Cain	†Leonard M. Ellington	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1986	Mrs. Jean Nesbitt	†Leonard M. Ellington	Mrs. Doris Efrid	B. F. Hutson	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1987	Mrs. Sherrill Cain	B. F. Hutson	Mrs. Betty Phillips	Harry G. Cunningham	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1988	Mrs. Doris Efrid	Harry G. Cunningham	Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	Joe E. Jeffers	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1989	Mrs. Betty Phillips	Joe E. Jeffers	Mrs. Jane Gregory	Graham H. Childress	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1990	Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	Graham H. Childress	Mrs. Virginia L. Green	Glenn Whitaker	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1991	Mrs. Jane Gregory	Glenn Whitaker	Mrs. Marcella Curry	Garland W. Rattan	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1992	Mrs. Virginia L. Green	Garland W. Rattan	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Leland Benefield	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1993	Mrs. Marcella Curry	Leland Benefield	Mrs. Rosemary Sweetland	Charles Morris	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1994	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Charles Morris	Mrs. Alma Carter	Billy Combest	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1995	Mrs. Rosemary Sweetland	Billy Combest		Richard Ochs	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Patsy Wilson

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Grand Trustees,  
 Grand Chapter of Texas,  
 Order of the Eastern Star

We have audited the accompanying combining statements of financial position of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Grand Chapter") (a nonprofit organization) and the Eastern Star Home of Texas (the "Retirement Home") (a nonprofit organization) as of October 31, 1996, and the related combining statements of activities and combining statements of cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements and the schedules referred to below are the responsibility of the Grand Chapter and the Retirement Home's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and the schedules referred to below on our audits. Information for the year ended October 31, 1994, is presented for comparative purposes only and was extracted from the financial statements presented by fund for that year.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

It was not practical for the Grand Chapter to establish controls over special fund-raising activities prior to their initial entry in the accounting records, nor was it practical for us to perform other auditing procedures to satisfy ourselves that all special fund-raising contributions were received and recorded. Accordingly, our examination relating to special fund-raising contributions was limited to the amounts recorded in the accounts.

In our opinion, except for the effect of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to verify whether all special fund-raising contributions were received and recorded in the accounts, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star and the Eastern Star Home of Texas as of October 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and its changes in cash for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. Exhibits I through IV are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effect, if any, of the matter discussed in the third preceding paragraph, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*George Morgan & Sneed, P.C.*

Weatherford, Texas  
January 20, 1997

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND  
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS  
COMBINING STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
OCTOBER 31, 1996  
(With Comparative Totals for 1995)

	Endowment Fund	Endowed Membership Fund	All Other Funds	October 31, 1996 Total All Funds	October 31, 1995 Total All Funds (Memorandum Only)
<b>ASSETS</b>					
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS (Note 1)	\$	\$ 25,832	\$ 576,543	\$ 602,375	\$ 423,615
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT (Note 3)		16,062	232,225	248,287	219,142
INVESTMENTS HELD IN TRUST (Note 2 & 11)					
Cash and equivalents	430,419	27,908	796,329	1,254,656	1,489,850
Marketable equity securities	337,657			337,657	282,000
U.S. Government obligations	4,396,103	546,047		4,942,150	4,199,266
U.S. Government agencies	802,656			802,656	802,656
Marketable debt securities	15,000			15,000	15,000
Total investments held in trust	5,981,835	573,955	796,329	7,352,119	6,788,772
REAL ESTATE NOTES RECEIVABLE			38,210	38,210	51,625
PREPAID INSURANCE			14,869	14,869	11,051
LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT (Note 1)					
Land and buildings			1,979,236	1,979,236	1,974,651
Equipment			221,848	221,848	221,849
Less - Accumulated depreciation			(2,135,893)	(2,135,893)	(2,109,795)
Land, buildings and equipment, net			65,191	65,191	86,705
ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE	95,872	13,696	4,394	113,962	111,348
DUE (TO) FROM	(31,071)		31,071		
OTHER ASSETS			104,966	104,966	175,379
Total assets	\$ 6,046,636	\$ 629,545	\$ 1,863,798	\$ 8,539,979	\$ 7,867,637
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>					
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$	\$	\$ 67,014	\$ 67,014	\$ 63,242
DEFERRED REVENUE (Note 1 & 12)			485,127	485,127	568,507
FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS (Note 1 & 5)		629,545		629,545	536,216
Total liabilities		629,545	552,141	1,181,686	1,167,965
NET ASSETS					
Unrestricted			1,163,773	1,163,773	813,758
Temporarily Restricted (Note 3)			147,884	6,194,520	5,885,914
Permanently Restricted (Notes 1 & 3)	6,046,636		1,311,657	7,358,293	6,699,672
Total net assets	6,046,636		1,311,657	7,358,293	6,699,672
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 6,046,636	\$ 629,545	\$ 1,863,798	\$ 8,539,979	\$ 7,867,637

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GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND  
 EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS  
 COMBINING STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
 For the Year Ended October 31, 1996  
 (With Comparative Totals for 1995)

	Endowment Fund	All Other Funds	October 31, 1996 Total All Funds	October 31, 1995 Total All Funds (Memorandum Only)
<b>Unrestricted net assets</b>				
Support				
Dues	\$	\$ 773,561	\$ 773,561	\$ 384,717
Interest and dividends		21,273	21,273	22,554
Gifts and donations (Note 1)		107,903	107,903	52,400
Pension receipts		489,540	489,540	480,933
Supply sales		109,653	109,653	165,981
Bulletin sales		79,674	79,674	66,027
Grand Chapter session registration (Note 10)		37,030	37,030	42,375
Other Grand Chapter session revenue (Note 10)		30,410	30,410	20,622
Gain on sale of property		4,800	4,800	
Special funds (Note 8)		201,678	201,678	236,683
Home member receipts		123,004	123,004	114,359
Other		42,304	42,304	64,389
<b>Total unrestricted support</b>		<b>2,020,830</b>	<b>2,020,830</b>	<b>1,651,040</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
General fund-				
Grand Officer's, Examiner's and Committee expense		9,059	9,059	9,188
Grand Chapter session (Note 10)		38,236	38,236	40,467
Other Grand Chapter session expense (Note 10)		21,521	21,521	11,251
Printing, postage and supplies		224,744	224,744	257,173
Grand Chapter automobile expense		2,846	2,846	3,119
Jewels expense		450	450	1,200
Administration expense		118,694	118,694	138,579
Board of Grand Trustees' expense				347
Other expenses		18,948	18,948	23,380
Home fund-				
Salaries and benefits		727,282	727,282	702,008
Food		152,371	152,371	143,371
Drugs and supplies		110,018	110,018	119,313
Professional care		58,244	58,244	57,627
Utilities		103,744	103,744	116,593
Insurance		120,722	120,722	199,374
Home maintenance		28,497	28,497	50,229
Other expenses		93,710	93,710	127,616
Chapter benevolence		35,200	35,200	42,349
Depreciation (Note 1)		26,098	26,098	20,128
Special funds (Note 8)		84,039	84,039	124,169
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>1,974,423</b>	<b>1,974,423</b>	<b>2,187,481</b>
Revenue over (under) expenses		46,407	46,407	(536,441)
Interfund transfers		303,608	303,608	293,614
<b>Increase in unrestricted net assets</b>		<b>350,015</b>	<b>350,015</b>	<b>(242,827)</b>

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GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND  
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS  
COMBINING STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Year Ended October 31, 1996  
(With Comparative Totals for 1995)

	Endowment Fund	All Other Funds	October 31, 1996 Total All Funds	October 31, 1995 Total All Funds (Memorandum Only)
<b>Temporarily restricted net assets</b>				
Support				
Interest and dividends		25,461	25,461	
Other (Note 12)		113,578	113,578	2,004
<b>Total temporarily restricted support</b>		<b>139,039</b>	<b>139,039</b>	<b>2,004</b>
Expenses				
Renovation expense		130,540	130,540	2,004
Refund of donations		8,499	8,499	
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>139,039</b>	<b>139,039</b>	<b>2,004</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets</b>				
<b>Permanently restricted net assets</b>				
Support				
Interest and dividends	354,412	3,791	358,203	370,108
Gifts and donations (Note 1)	107,225		107,225	43,100
Gain on sale of securities	15,262		15,262	241,485
Fund raising	163,762		163,762	
<b>Total restricted support</b>	<b>640,661</b>	<b>3,791</b>	<b>644,452</b>	<b>654,693</b>
Expenses				
Investment trust fees	29,877		29,877	26,212
Scholarships		1,550	1,550	1,000
Bad debt expense		650	650	
Other		161	161	120
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>29,877</b>	<b>2,361</b>	<b>32,238</b>	<b>27,332</b>
<b>Revenue over (under) expenses</b>	<b>610,784</b>	<b>1,430</b>	<b>612,214</b>	<b>627,361</b>
<b>Interfund transfers</b>	<b>(303,608)</b>		<b>(303,608)</b>	<b>(293,614)</b>
<b>Increase in permanently restricted net assets</b>	<b>307,176</b>	<b>1,430</b>	<b>308,606</b>	<b>333,747</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets</b>	<b>307,176</b>	<b>351,445</b>	<b>658,621</b>	<b>90,920</b>
<b>Net assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>5,739,460</b>	<b>960,212</b>	<b>6,699,672</b>	<b>6,608,752</b>
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 6,046,636</b>	<b>\$ 1,311,657</b>	<b>\$ 7,358,293</b>	<b>\$ 6,699,672</b>

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GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND  
 EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS  
 COMBINING STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
 For the Years Ended October 31, 1996  
 (With Comparative Totals for 1995)

	Endowment Fund	Endowed Membership Sales	All Other Funds	October 31, 1996 Total All Funds	October 31, 1995 Total All Funds (Memorandum Only)
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Increase in net assets	\$ 307,176	\$	\$ 351,445	\$ 658,621	\$ 90,920
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation			26,098	26,098	20,128
(Increase) decrease in prepaid insurance			(3,818)	(3,818)	51,512
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable	(3,480)	(5,228)	6,094	(2,614)	
(Increase) decrease in due (to) from	31,071		(31,071)		
(Increase) decrease in other assets			70,413	70,413	(66,839)
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities			3,773	3,773	
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue			(83,380)	(83,380)	45,702
Increase (decrease) in funds held for others		93,329		93,329	90,553
Transfers between funds					
Cash provided by (used in) operations	334,767	88,101	339,554	762,422	231,976
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchases of certificates of deposit and investment securities held in trust	(2,950,123)	(562,109)	(351,315)	(3,863,547)	(1,875,110)
Proceeds from sale/maturity of certificates of deposit and investment securities held in trust	2,615,356	416,372	239,327	3,271,055	1,508,778
Origination of new real estate notes receivable			13,415	13,415	(12,500)
Principal paydowns on real estate notes receivable			(4,585)	(4,585)	10,846
Purchase of fixed assets, net			(4,585)	(4,585)	(14,377)
Cash provided by (used in) investing	(334,767)	(145,737)	(103,158)	(583,662)	(382,363)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS		(57,636)	236,396	178,760	(150,387)
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, beginning of year		83,468	340,147	423,615	574,002
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, end of year	\$	\$ 25,832	\$ 576,543	\$ 602,375	\$ 423,615

"See Accompanying Notes to Combining Financial Statements"

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1. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star and the Eastern Star Home of Texas. The Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star ("Grand Chapter"), is a not-for-profit organization chartered on July 22, 1884. As set forth in its charter, the organization was established for charitable and benevolent purposes and to cement bonds of good fellowship and brotherly love among its members and adherents. In addition, the Grand Chapter owns a retirement home in Arlington, Texas (the "Retirement Home").

The Eastern Star Home Association was formed to operate the Retirement Home. Effective November 1, 1988, the operations of the Retirement Home were transferred to the Home Association; however, the facilities and certain other assets included in the home fund remain under the ownership of the Grand Chapter. In 1993, the Home Association received authorization from the Internal Revenue Service to change their name to the Eastern Star Home of Texas. See Note 4 for additional financial information regarding the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

Grand Chapter revenues are derived from annual dues paid by members of various chapters located throughout the State of Texas. The Grand Chapter also sponsors various fund-raising activities.

The purpose of the Retirement Home is to provide lodging, meals, health and other care to its residents for life. Upon entering the Retirement Home, a resident is required to transfer substantially all of his or her assets to the Retirement Home. Because the financial value of the transferred assets varies from resident to resident, the Home records the amount received as a contribution rather than as an advance fee for services to be provided. The Retirement Home also obtains revenues from pension receipts of its residents, donations from members, endowment fund interest and other monies designated by the Grand Chapter. The Retirement Home has deemed it impractical to calculate the net present value of the excess of costs over revenues for future services to be provided to current residents and therefore the amount of this liability has not been recorded in the financial statements.

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FUND ACCOUNTING

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual method of accounting and include the following separate funds of the Grand Chapter:

Endowment Fund

The endowment fund is used to account for restricted endowed contributions. Endowment fund principal shall not be spent but is to be invested in perpetuity. Interest earned on endowment funds may be transferred to the home fund, if authorized by the Grand Chapter, to support operations. Any interest earned by the endowment fund not transferred to support home operations is added to the endowment fund principal.

Endowed Membership Fund

The endowed membership fund, a custodial fund, is used to account for all endowed memberships (lifetime memberships) purchased by Eastern Star members. Endowed membership fund principal shall not be spent but is to be invested in perpetuity. Interest earned on the principal is remitted pro rata to each endowed member's chapter. After an endowed member dies, the member's chapter continues to receive the interest earned for perpetuity. In the event that a chapter demises, the interest earned on the principal associated with that chapter is transferred to the General Fund. The Grand Chapter charges an administration fee to the local chapters for certain transactions performed in connection with each endowed memberships.

Other Funds:

General Fund

The general fund is the general operating fund of the Grand Chapter. It is used to account for all financial resources and transactions other than those required to be accounted for in other funds.

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Home Fund

The home fund is used to account for operations of the Retirement Home and includes the accounts of both the Grand Chapter and the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

Benevolent Fund

The benevolent fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the care of deserving and needy members of subordinate chapters and their orphans or dependent children.

Educational Fund

The educational loan fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for making educational loans to members of the order or their family relations. This fund also includes a certificate of deposit whose interest is used to perpetuate the fund.

Fannie V. Ward Fund

The Fannie V. Ward fund is used to account for financial resources to be used to make grants to further the education of deserving students.

Humanitarian / Special Projects Fund

The humanitarian / special projects fund is used for all support and revenue and expenses accumulated from approved humanitarian projects, special events and fund-raising activities. The Worthy Grand Matron designates how net special fund revenues are allocated and transferred to the other funds.

Home Renovation Fund

The home renovation fund is used to account for all contributions to be used for repair and renovation of the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

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OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Grand Chapter considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market determined by first-in, first-out method.

Buildings and Equipment

Buildings and equipment are depreciated on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, generally ranging from 3 to 50 years.

Gifts and Donations

The Grand Charter reports gifts of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Federal Income Taxes

The Grand Chapter is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Eastern Star Home of Texas is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Summarized Financial Information for 1995

The financial information for the year ended October 31, 1995, presented for comparative purposes, is not intended to be complete financial statement presentation. Some amounts for the year ended October 31, 1995 have been reclassified to provide comparability with current year information.

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2. INVESTMENTS HELD IN TRUST:

Investment in trust balances as of October 31, 1996 were comprised of the following:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Gains</u>
<u>Endowment Fund</u>			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 430,419	\$ 430,419	\$
Marketable equity securities	337,657	538,065	200,408
U.S. Government obligations	4,396,103	4,434,662	38,559
U.S. Government agencies	802,656	828,688	26,032
Other	15,000	15,059	59
Total Endowment Fund	<u>5,981,835</u>	<u>6,246,893</u>	<u>265,058</u>
<u>Endowed Membership Fund</u>			
Cash and equivalents	27,908	27,908	
U.S. Government obligations	546,047	554,672	8,625
Total Endowed Membership Fund	<u>573,955</u>	<u>582,580</u>	<u>8,625</u>
<u>All Other Funds</u>			
Cash and equivalents	796,329	796,329	
Total	<u>\$ 7,352,119</u>	<u>\$ 7,625,802</u>	<u>\$ 273,683</u>

Marketable debt securities are carried at amortized cost. Marketable equitable securities are carried at lower of cost or market. Write-downs of cost due to market declines are made when the aggregate market value of a fund group is below the carrying value.

3. RESTRICTED ASSETS:

Assets held by the endowment fund are restricted. Endowment fund principal must be invested in perpetuity, and the income from endowment investments may be spent for the benefit of the retirement home as authorized and approved by the



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3. RESTRICTED ASSETS (Continued)

Grand Chapter. The endowment fund also includes deposits totaling \$191,415 which are owned by the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

A certificate of deposit in the Fannie V. Ward fund totaling \$35,000 is restricted for funding scholarships. Two certificates of deposit totaling \$65,000 and \$15,000 in the educational fund is restricted for funding educational loans. The educational fund also holds another certificate of deposit totaling \$6,262, which is restricted for funding certain scholarships.

The home renovation fund holds investments totaling \$461,736. Assets held in the home renovation fund are restricted for the repair and renovation of the home.

4. THE EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS

The Eastern Star Home of Texas maintains separate checking and investment accounts. These assets are combined for reporting purposes herein, with assets owned by the Grand Chapter (see Note 1). The following summarizes the separate cash, investment accounts and operations of the Eastern Star Home of Texas as of October 31, 1996, and for the year then ended:

ASSETS	
Cash, Certificates of Deposit and Government Securities	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 219,750
Certificates of deposit	5,912
Investments held in trust	340,900
	<u>566,562</u>
Other Assets	
Real estate notes receivable	38,210
Prepaid insurance	3,659
Other	31,296
	<u>73,165</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 639,727</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Accounts payable	\$ 27,663
Home member's cash fund	37,747
Deferred revenue	2,284
Fund balance	572,033
	<u>572,033</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 639,727</u>

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4. THE EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS (Continued)

REVENUE:	
Dues	\$ 591,029
Pension receipts	489,540
Donations	107,903
Special fund raising	20,407
Interest	11,932
Home member receipts	123,004
Other	<u>21,350</u>
Total Revenue	<u>1,365,165</u>
EXPENSES:	
Salaries	727,282
Food	152,371
Drugs and supplies	110,018
Professional care	58,244
Utilities	103,744
Insurance	120,722
Home maintenance	28,497
Fund raising expenses	8,003
Other	<u>79,188</u>
Total Expenses	<u>1,388,069</u>
Excess of expenses over revenue	(22,904)
Beginning fund balance	434,236
Transfers from the Grand Chapter	<u>160,701</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>\$ 572,033</u>

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5. FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS

“Funds Held For Others” consists of the net assets of the Endowed Membership Fund. The funds are held for the benefit of a members local chapter. Interest earned on the principal is remitted pro rata to each endowed members chapter. The Grand Chapter receives the interest in the event of the chapter’s demise. Transactions for the year are as follows:

	Endowed Membership		
	Principal	Income	Total
Balance at October 31, 1995	\$ 514,000	\$ 22,216	\$ 536,216
Endowed membership sales	86,500		86,500
Interest income		31,219	31,219
Gain on sale of investments		1,455	1,455
Distributions to local chapters		(19,469)	(19,469)
Trust fees		(3,787)	(3,787)
Administration fees		(2,589)	(2,589)
Net increase in funds held for others	86,500	6,829	93,329
Balance at October 31, 1996	\$ 600,500	\$ 29,045	\$ 629,545

6. CONTINGENCIES

- A. A legal claim has been made against the Grand Chapter by a former employee of the retirement home. The employee claims that he is entitled to lost compensation. Subsequent to the year end this claim was settled. The net cost to the Grand Chapter is approximately \$8,600 plus forfeit of \$7,696 previously deposited with the Texas Employment Commission.
- B. The Grand Chapter from time to time maintains higher account balances at banks than is covered by FDIC coverage. In the event of the failure of these banks, the excess funds on deposit would be at risk.
- C. The Grand Chapter dropped its workmen’s compensation insurance and replaced it with long and short term liability insurance and accidental disability coverage in order to reduce cost. The Grand Chapter would be liable for any claims in excess of this coverage.

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7. COMMITMENTS

On October 27, 1995, the Grand Chapter entered into a fund raising program agreement with an outside fund raising group. The term of the agreement is for one year and shall continue from year to year unless canceled in writing by either party before May 1 of each year. In the event the Grand Chapter conducts negotiations for the promotion of a fund raising program with anyone else, after the expiration of the agreement or any renewal thereof, the Grand Chapter has agreed to give the fund raising group the option of meeting the same terms and conditions as such other person, firm or corporation shall offer to conduct said program for the Grand Chapter for the duration of the agreement. This agreement was canceled by a letter by the Board of Grand Trustees on January 25, 1997.

8. FUND RAISING EXPENSE

In addition to special projects included in the Special Projects Fund, the Grand Chapter contracted with an outside fund raising group to handle a direct mailing campaign. The Grand Chapter reported the net proceeds of the campaign in the Endowment fund. Results of campaign operations were as follows:

Gross donation	\$ 176,217
Expenses:	
Postage	16,637
Label packages	59,817
Other	8,760
Total expenses	85,214
Net donations	\$ 91,003

9. ADOPTION OF SFAS NO. 117

In 1996, the Grand Chapter elected to adopt Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under SFAS No. 117, the Grand Chapter is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets:

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9. ADOPTION OF SFAS NO. 117 (Continued)

unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. In addition, the Grand Chapter is required to present a Statement of Cash Flows.

10. GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

Once a year, the Board of Grand Trustees meet in what is called a Grand Chapter Session. This year's session was held in Beaumont, Texas. The following is a synopsis of revenues and expenses from this session.

Revenues:		
Registration fees		\$ 37,030
Other Grand Chapter Session revenue:		
Exhibitor fees	\$ 10,410	
Program advertising	900	
Banquet fees	850	
Parking passes	4,470	
Estarl offering	3,304	
Social functions	4,656	
Hotel rebates	<u>5,820</u>	
Total other Grand Chapter Session revenue		<u>30,410</u>
Total revenues		<u>\$ 67,440</u>

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10. GRAND CHAPTER SESSION (Continued)

Expenses:

Grand Chapter Session:

The session	\$	19,665
Entertain visiting grand officers		890
Registration forms/postage		908
Ballots and voting cards		1,903
Advanced reports		6,952
Session and memorial programs		7,578
Sentinel books		200
Invitations/postage		<u>140</u>
Total Grand Chapter Session	\$	<u>38,236</u>

Other Grand Chapter Session expenses:

Social division		1,850
Systems division		5,140
Services division		3,845
Arrangements division		8,696
Exhibits		1,961
Miscellaneous		<u>29</u>
Total other Grand Chapter Session expenses		<u>21,521</u>
Total expenses	\$	<u><u>59,757</u></u>

11. CASH, CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES HELD BY THE EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS

Cash, certificates of deposit and government securities owned by the Eastern Star Home of Texas are being held by several different funds. The total amount (as shown in Note 4) was \$566,562 and is held as follows:

Endowment Fund		\$ 191,415
Home Fund		362,570
Home Renovation Fund		2,284
Special Fund		<u>10,293</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>566,562</u></u>

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12. HOME RENOVATION FUND - OTHER SUPPORT

The home renovation fund recognizes income only when actual renovations are made to the retirement home. The residual income is placed in a deferred revenue account and kept there until other renovation expenditures are made. The following is a reconciliation of deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue 11/01/95	\$ 568,507
Add donations received in 1996	30,198
Less income recognized in 1996	<u>(113,578)</u>
 Deferred revenue 10/31/96	 <u>\$ 485,127</u>

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Benevolent Fund	Educational Fund	F. V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Total All Other Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>								
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	\$ 171,062	\$ 260,088	\$ 67,693	\$ 7,841	\$ 520	\$ 66,956	\$ 2,284	\$ 576,543
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	40,051	70,912		86,262	35,000			232,225
INVESTMENTS HELD IN TRUST (Note 2) Cash and equivalents	187,392	147,201					461,736	796,329
REAL ESTATE NOTES RECEIVABLE		38,210						38,210
PREPAID INSURANCE	2,853	3,659				8,357		14,869
LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT (Note 1)								
Land and buildings	118,333	1,860,903						1,979,236
Equipment	87,584	134,264						221,848
Less - Accumulated depreciation	(185,080)	(1,950,813)						(2,135,893)
Land, buildings and equipment, net	20,837	44,354						65,191
ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE	244	267		1,840			2,043	4,394
DUE (TO) FROM	31,071					(19,064)	19,064	31,071
OTHER ASSETS	57,702	30,903		16,361				104,966
Total assets	\$ 511,212	\$ 595,594	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,620	\$ 56,248	\$ 485,127	\$ 1,863,798
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>								
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 1,564	\$ 65,410	\$	\$	\$ 40	\$	\$	\$ 67,014
DEFERRED REVENUE (Note 1)							485,127	485,127
Total liabilities	1,564	65,410			40		485,127	552,141
NET ASSETS								
Unrestricted	509,648	530,184	67,693			56,248		1,163,773
Temporarily Restricted (Note 3)								
Permanently Restricted (Notes 1 and 3)				112,304	35,580			147,884
Total net assets	509,648	530,184	67,693	112,304	35,580	56,248		1,311,657
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 511,212	\$ 595,594	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,620	\$ 56,248	\$ 485,127	\$ 1,863,798



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	General Fund	Home Fund	Benevolent Fund	Educational Fund	F. V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Total All Other Funds
<b>Unrestricted net assets</b>								
<b>Support</b>								
Dues	\$ 130,270	\$ 591,029	\$ 52,262	\$	\$	\$	\$	773,561
Interest and dividends	6,535	11,932	1,272			1,534		21,273
Gifts and donations		107,903						107,903
Pension receipts		489,540						489,540
Supply sales	109,653							109,653
Bulletin sales	79,674							79,674
Registration fees	37,030							37,030
Other Grand Chapter session revenue	30,410							30,410
Gain on sale of property		4,800						4,800
Special funds						201,678		201,678
Home member receipts		123,004						123,004
Other	6,432	35,872						42,304
<b>Total unrestricted support</b>	<b>400,004</b>	<b>1,364,080</b>	<b>53,534</b>			<b>203,212</b>		<b>2,020,830</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
General fund-								
Grand Officer's, Examiner's and Committee expense	9,059							9,059
Grand Chapter session	38,236							38,236
Other Grand Chapter session expense	21,521							21,521
Printing, postage and supplies	224,744							224,744
Grand Chapter automobile expense	2,846							2,846
Jewels expense	450							450
Administration expense	118,694							118,694
Other expenses	18,948							18,948
Home fund-								
Salaries and benefits		727,282						727,282
Food		152,371						152,371
Drugs and supplies		110,018						110,018
Professional care		58,244						58,244
Utilities		103,744						103,744
Insurance		120,722						120,722
Home maintenance		28,497						28,497
Other expenses		93,710						93,710
Chapter benevolence			35,200					35,200
Depreciation (Note 1)	6,556	19,542						26,098
Special funds						84,039		84,039
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>441,054</b>	<b>1,414,130</b>	<b>35,200</b>			<b>84,039</b>		<b>1,974,423</b>
Revenue over (under) expenses	(41,050)	(50,050)	18,334			119,173		46,407
Interfund transfers	253,079	195,091	(32,057)			(112,505)		303,608
<b>Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets</b>	<b>212,029</b>	<b>145,041</b>	<b>(13,723)</b>			<b>6,668</b>		<b>350,015</b>

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Benevolent Fund	Educational Fund	F.V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Total All Other Funds
<b>Temporarily restricted net assets</b>								
Support								
Interest and dividends							25,461	25,461
Other							113,578	113,578
<b>Total temporarily restricted support</b>							139,039	139,039
Expenses								
Renovation expense							130,540	130,540
Refund of donations							8,499	8,499
<b>Total expenses</b>							139,039	139,039
<b>Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets</b>								
<b>Permanently restricted net assets</b>								
Support								
Interest and dividends				2,104	1,687			3,791
<b>Total restricted support</b>				2,104	1,687			3,791
Expenses								
Scholarships					1,550			1,550
Bad debt expense				650				650
Other					161			161
<b>Total expenses</b>				650	1,711			2,361
<b>Increase in permanently restricted net assets</b>				1,454	(24)			1,430
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets</b>	212,029	145,041	(13,723)	1,454	(24)	6,668		351,445
Net assets, beginning of year	297,619	385,143	81,416	110,850	35,604	49,580		960,212
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	\$ 509,648	\$ 530,184	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,580	\$ 56,248	\$	\$ 1,311,657

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Description	Beginning Balance	Additions/ Adjustments	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
<b>ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED</b>					
The One Group Treasury Only Money Market Fund	\$ 519,125	\$ 1,597,879	\$ 1,686,585	\$ 430,419	\$ 430,419
Other Cash and Equivalents	171,866		171,866	0	0
<b>Marketable Equity Securities-</b>					
Abbott Labs	518			518	30,450
Allogianca Corp		1,352		1,352	2,625
Atlantic Richfield Co.		22,034		22,034	26,500
American Express	17,310			17,310	28,200
AT & T	12,812		3,585	9,227	14,000
Ball Corp	18,210			18,210	14,550
BankAmerica Corp	19,800			19,800	45,750
Bausch & Lomb Inc	19,035		19,035	0	
Baxter Int	17,920		17,920	0	
Boeing Company	18,840			18,840	38,150
Bristol Myers Squibb Co.	17,365			17,365	31,725
CSX Corporation		3,313		3,313	1,639
Dean Foods		21,342		21,342	26,100
Dresser Inds Inc.	18,820			18,820	33,000
Dillard Department Store		26,184		26,184	28,575
GTE Corp	18,435			18,435	25,275
International Business Machines	5,325			5,325	12,900
Keystone Custodian Funds		4,538	4,538	0	
Lucent Technologies		3,587	18	3,569	6,095
Motorola Inc.		22,828		22,828	18,400
National SVC Inds	18,008			18,008	24,150
Newell Co	17,480			17,480	22,700
Phillips Petroleum	19,350		4,425	14,925	24,450
Phoenix Equity Opportunities Fund		2,346	2,346	0	
Public Service Co New Mexico		1,004	1,004	0	
Southwestern Bell and AT&T	7,700			7,700	32,093
Whitman Corp	17,677			17,677	26,675
WMX Technologies	17,395			17,395	24,063
	282,000	108,528	52,871	337,657	538,065
<b>Marketable Debt Securities-</b>					
Commonwealth Edison First Mortgage Co.	15,000			15,000	15,059

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
<u>ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED (Continued)</u>								
U. S. Government Obligations	05/15/88	05/15/96	9.000%	199,868			199,868	209,688
	03/07/90	02/15/96	8.875%	202,125		202,125	0	
	12/15/92	11/15/01	7.500%	208,938			208,938	211,750
	12/15/92	01/15/99	6.375%	149,438			149,438	151,734
	12/15/92	08/15/02	6.375%	194,000			194,000	201,205
	03/31/93	03/31/98	5.125%	189,250			189,250	198,500
	04/16/93	04/15/00	5.500%	199,907			199,907	196,447
	05/17/93	02/15/03	6.250%	204,197			204,197	203,773
	10/12/93	08/15/96	4.375%	302,250		302,250	0	
	10/12/93	09/30/98	4.750%	200,657			200,657	196,438
	01/07/94	12/31/95	4.250%	199,859		199,859	0	
	01/07/94	11/15/96	4.375%	198,813			198,813	199,876
	01/07/94	04/30/98	5.125%	200,031			200,031	198,500
	07/19/94	06/30/99	6.750%	398,563			398,563	408,252
	01/07/94	04/15/00	5.500%	200,781			200,781	197,305
	01/07/94	08/16/03	5.750%	99,141			99,141	97,375
	12/02/94	11/15/04	7.875%	199,187			199,187	219,500
	06/30/95	06/30/00	5.787%	299,616			299,616	298,500
	01/02/96	12/31/97	5.250%		199,854		199,854	199,250
	01/02/96	12/31/00	5.500%		199,568		199,568	195,812
	01/02/96	12/31/00	5.500%		50,211		50,211	48,353
	01/02/96	11/15/98	5.500%		50,359		50,359	49,750
	01/02/96	08/15/03	5.750%		50,617		50,617	48,688
	05/13/96	02/15/03	6.250%		87,461		87,461	87,256
	05/13/96	08/15/99	6.000%		197,656		197,656	200,562
	05/13/96	08/15/02	6.375%		98,422		98,422	102,077
	05/30/96	09/30/01	6.375%		299,568		299,568	303,468
				<u>3,856,621</u>	<u>1,243,716</u>	<u>704,234</u>	<u>4,396,103</u>	<u>4,434,662</u>
U.S. Government Agencies- FNMA Securities	12/10/87	12/10/97	9.550%	499,376			499,376	\$ 520,390
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	03/07/90	08/25/97	9.200%	303,281			303,281	308,298
				<u>802,656</u>			<u>802,656</u>	<u>828,688</u>
Total Endowment Fund - Restricted				\$ <u>5,647,068</u>	\$ <u>2,950,123</u>	\$ <u>2,615,356</u>	\$ <u>5,981,835</u>	\$ <u>6,248,893</u>

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
<u>ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND</u>								
Cash and Equivalents	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$ 101,635	\$	\$ 73,727	\$ 27,908	\$ 27,908
Bank of Commerce Certificate of Deposit	06/07/96	04/01/97	4.250%		16,062		16,062	16,062
U.S. Government Obligations	11/01/94	05/31/96	5.875%	133,545		133,545	0	0
U.S. Government Obligations	06/01/95	05/30/96	5.660%	209,100		209,100	0	0
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/97	6.128%		100,250		100,250	100,344
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/00	6.250%		147,844		147,844	150,984
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/15/99	6.750%		99,594		99,594	101,188
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/98	6.000%		99,359		99,359	100,500
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/01	6.500%		99,000		99,000	101,656
Total Endowed Membership Fund				\$ 444,280	\$ 562,109	\$ 416,372	\$ 590,017	\$ 596,642
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>								
Guaranty Federal Savings Bank Certificate of Deposit	09/14/94	09/14/96	5.150%	\$ 42,254	\$	\$ 42,254	\$ 0	\$ 0
Guaranty Federal Savings Bank Certificate of Deposit	09/23/95	04/23/98	5.870%		40,051		40,051	40,051
Cash and equivalents held in trust	Various	Various	n/a	40,769	146,623		187,392	187,392
Total General Fund				\$ 83,023	\$ 186,674	\$ 42,254	\$ 227,443	\$ 227,443
<u>HOME FUND</u>								
Equitable Bank Certificate of Deposit	11/30/94	11/30/95	5.100%	\$ 5,626	\$	\$ 5,626	\$ 0	\$ 0
First Interstate Bank Certificate of Deposit	09/09/95	06/06/97	5.290%	65,000			65,000	65,000
Equitable Bank Certificate of Deposit	12/03/95	12/03/96	4.950%		5,912		5,912	5,912
Cash and equivalents held in trust	Various	Various	n/a	109,734	37,467		147,201	147,201
Total Home Fund				\$ 180,360	\$ 43,379	\$ 5,626	\$ 218,113	\$ 218,113

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Date of Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
<u>EDUCATIONAL FUND</u>								
Comerica Bank Certificate of Deposit	03/24/95	03/24/96	5.350%	\$ 65,000		\$ 65,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit (Bramlett)	09/01/93	09/01/96	4.000%	8,262		6,262	0	0
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit (Bramlett)	09/01/96	09/01/99	5.100%		6,262		6,262	6,262
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit (Bramlett)	03/24/96	03/24/97	4.450%		65,000		65,000	65,000
Guaranty Federal Bank Certificate of Deposit	10/18/96	10/18/99	5.870%		15,000		15,000	15,000
Total Educational Fund				\$ 71,262	\$ 86,262	\$ 71,262	\$ 86,262	\$ 86,262
<u>FANNIE V. WARD FUND</u>								
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	08/30/95	08/30/96	4.800%	\$ 35,000		\$ 35,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	08/30/96	08/30/97	4.900%		35,000		35,000	35,000
Total Fannie V. Ward Fund				\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
<u>HOME RENOVATION FUND</u>								
Cash and equivalents held in trust	Various	Various	n/a	\$ 546,921		\$ 85,185	\$ 461,736	\$ 461,736
Total Home Renovation Fund				\$ 546,921		\$ 85,185	\$ 461,736	\$ 461,736
<u>ALL OTHER FUNDS</u>								
Total All Other Funds				\$ 915,566	\$ 351,315	\$ 238,327	\$ 1,028,554	\$ 1,028,554

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GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND  
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 DETAIL OF HUMANITARIAN / SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1996

EXHIBIT IV

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
ESTARL	\$ 32,349	28,850 *
AMBASSADORS OF PEACE	17,100	6,949
VISITATION COMMITTEE CALENDAR	8,801	3,295
FOUNDERS' DAY	32,676	423
TIME AND TALENT STICKERS	7,702	1,291
FOUNDERS' DAY APRONS	18,105	4,642
REFLECTIONS PICTURE BOOK	4,717	1,740
SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE DISORDER	35	35
INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE SPECIAL FUNDS	942	1,853
MUSIC COMMITTEE	19,505	7,212
HOME BUILDERS COMMITTEE BRICKS	7,677	2,915
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER - YOUTH	10,751	4,000
FRIENDS ACROSS MILES	11,656	6,691
SPRING REFLECTIONS HOME WIND CHIME	20,307	7,403
MEMBERSHIP TOTE BAGS	761	15
SPRING REFLECTION	100	100
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER CANCER	3,355	3,480
OTHER	1,323	3,145
PRIOR YEAR'S WORTHY GRAND MATRON RECEIPTS	<u>3,816</u>	
	\$ <u>201,678</u>	<u>84,039</u>

\* Awards to seminary students

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S SPECIAL FUNDS  
(THROUGH OCTOBER, 1996)  
ROSEMARY SWETLAND**

**HUMANITARIAN:**

Eastern Star Home .....	27,724.19 .....	27,724.19
Home Endowment .....	31,389.29 .....	31,389.29
ESTARL .....	32,348.84 .....	32,348.84
Home Renovation .....	25,980.22 .....	25,980.22
<b>TOTAL HUMANITARIAN .....</b>	<b>117,442.54 .....</b>	<b>117,442.54</b>
<b>INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE .....</b>	<b>942.00 .....</b>	<b>942.00</b>
Renovation of International Temple .....	375.0 .....	375.00

	No. ORDERED	DONATION	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	PROFIT
<b>AMBASSADORS OF PEACE</b>					
Prayer Calendar	3,000	10.00	17,100.00	6,948.50	10,151.50
<b>STAR FELLOWSHIP</b>					
Pocket Calendar	2,000	5.00	8,801.00	3,295.00	5,506.00
<b>TIME AND TALENT</b>					
Stickers	10,000	1.00	5,854.00	250.00	5,604.00
Mother's Day Party			1,847.62	1,166.26	681.36
<b>FOUNDER'S DAY</b>					
Program/Devotional Book	2,000	10.00	18,105.00	4,641.75	13,463.25
100% Chapters			26,261.14		26,261.14
Founder's Day Activities			6,424.82	433.02	5,991.80
<b>BENEVOLENT CULTIVATORS</b>					
Bumper Stickers	5,500	1.00	4,717.15	1,739.70	2,977.45
<b>GRAND HARMONIZERS</b>					
Music	2,000	5.00	19,505.47	2,720.00	12,293.70
Tapes	4,000	6.00		4,491.77	
<b>SPRING FAMILY REUNION</b>					
Suncatchers	2,500	5.00	10,821.00	4,000.00	6,821.00
Spring Family Reunion Day			20,237.30	2,509.23	12,834.11
Computers, software, etc.				4,893.96	
<b>HOME LABORERS/VOLUNTEERS</b>					
Picture Button	2,000	10.00	7,677.00	960.00	6,717.00
<b>UNITED WE STAND</b>					
Pins	3,000	5.00	11,656.00	6,690.95	4,965.05
<b>PROFICIENCY/RITUALISTIC</b>					
Instructions "Green Sheets"		3.00	4,125.00	8,621.00	352.00
			4,848.00		
<b>VANTAGE LABEL PROGRAM</b>			176,503.54	85,213.79	91,289.75
<b>TOTAL PROFIT AS OF OCTOBER 31, 1996</b>					<b>205,909.11</b>

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**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER PROJECTS**

Scottish Rite Language Disorder	35.00	35.00
Cancer	3,355.00	3,355.00
Mental Health/Mental Retardation	100.00	100.00



## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 114TH GRAND CHAPTER SESSION BEAUMONT, TEXAS

### RECEIPTS

Grand Chapter Advance for Installation .....	750.00	
Grand Chapter Allowance for Session .....	19,250.00	
Exhibitor Fees .....	10,410.00	
Program Advertising .....	900.00	
Banquet Fees .....	850.00	
Parking Passes .....	4,470.00	
ESTARL Offering .....	3,304.27	
Social Functions .....	4,656.00	
Hotel Rebates .....	5,820.00	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b> .....	<b>50,410.27</b>	<b>50,410.27</b>

### DISBURSEMENTS

<b>Social Division</b>		
Advertising .....	1,00.00	
Rent of Beaumont Civic Center .....	500.00	
General Banquet Decorations .....	350.00	
	1,850.00	1,850.00
<b>Systems Division</b>		
Decorations .....	3,745.34	
Electrical and Public Address .....	873.80	
Equipment .....	250.00	
Signs .....	238.92	
Communications .....	32.00	
	5,140.06	5,140.06
<b>Services Division</b>		
Security .....	2,952.73	
Bandges .....	4613.68	
Informaton .....	294.53	
Housing .....	134.09	
	3,845.03	3,845.03
<b>Arrangements Division</b>		
Building Rentals .....	5,000.00	
ESTARL Offering .....	3,304.27	
Receptions .....	285.60	
Postage .....	80.00	
Miscellaneous .....	26.57	
	8,696.44	8,696.44
Exhitibs .....	1,960.60	1,960.60
Miscellaneous Uncalssified Expenditures .....	28.39	28.39
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b> .....	<b>21,520.52</b>	<b>21,520.52</b>
<b>RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS</b> .....		<b>28,889.75</b>
<b>DISTRIBUTION OF BALANCE:</b>		
Grand Chapter .....		28,889.75

Mrs. Pauline Haussner Walker, Chairman, Executive Committee  
 Mrs. Fran Curtis, Treasurer, Executive Committee  
 Roger L. Dimick, Auditor, Executive Committee





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