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“Freedom’s Light”

SESSION

Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

The Grand Chapter of Texas Order Of The Eastern Star

Extends Fraternal Greetings and
Cordially Invites You to Attend the
115th Annual Session



October 9, 10, 11, 1997
Dallas Convention Center
Dallas, Texas

“Freedom’s Light” SESSION

Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron



Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Frances Burbank
Grand Secretary

WORTHY GRAND MATRON



ALMA CARTER
Worthy Grand Matron
Grand Chapter of Texas
Order of the Eastern Star

WORTHY GRAND PATRON



RICHARD OCHS
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**

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

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DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF ALL APPENDANT BODIES

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



MOLLY GOODPASTURE
Special Friend of the Most
Worthy Grand Matron
and
Past Grand Matron of Texas

INSTALLED GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS



MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD
Associate Grand Matron



MRS. FRANCES BURBANK
Grand Secretary



MRS. PATSY WILSON
Grand Treasurer



MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE
Grand Conductress



MRS. BETTY FRIEND
Associate
Grand Conductress



MRS. BETTY PRATER
Grand Chaplain



MRS. JOYCE FIELDS
Grand Marshal

INSTALLED GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS AND FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT



MRS. SARA ROZEAN
Grand Organist



MRS. BEULAH WARNER
Grand Adah



MRS. MARVOLYN
PROVINCE
Grand Ruth



MRS. BARBARA OCHS
Grand Esther



MRS. MILDRED BLAIR
Grand Martha



MRS. HAZEL SMITH
Grand Electa



MRS. JOHNNIE NASH
DYER
Grand Warder



REV. DON R. LONG
Grand Sentinel

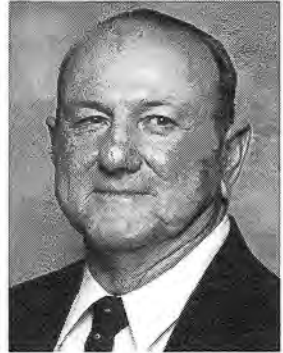


MRS. ETHEL POWELL
Fraternal Correspondent

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER
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Grand Examiner at Large

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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Auditor

ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE



MR. W. "JOE" BLAIR
Chairman



MR. WALTER "TREY" SMITH
General Co-Chairman



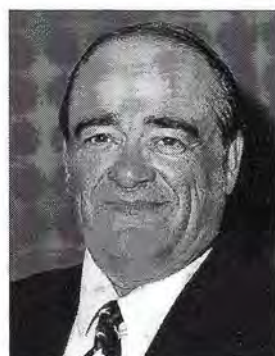
MRS. WANDA GILMORE
Co-Chairman



MR. J. C. GILMORE
Service Division
Chairman



MRS. PAULINE STEWART
Secretary



MR. JERRY KIRBY
Systems Division
Chairman



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Social Chairman



MRS. JANICE HERRIDGE
Chairman - Housing



MRS. CHARLOTTE BEALL
Co-Chairman - Housing

**EXECUTIVE AND
ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEES**



CEREMONIAL OPENING

**Thursday Afternoon Session
October 9, 1997**

“I WILL MAKE OF YOU A GREAT NATION”

12:00 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Joyce Gilbert
 General Chairman, Music Committee

Mrs. Hortense “Jackie” Culp
 Grand Representative of Missouri in Texas

Master of Ceremonies Mrs. Katherine Harbour
 Past Grand Matron

Assisting Grand Marshal Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast
 Past Grand Matron

**PROCESSIONAL OF
DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

12:30 p.m.
 Presentation of Texas Installed Grand Officers and Fraternal Correspondent

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

Mrs. Frances Burbank Grand Secretary
 Escorted by Mr. Don Burbank

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. Donald Prater

Mrs. Joyce Fields Grand Marshal
 Escorted by Mr. Jim Hayes

- 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. John Creel
- Mrs. Barbara Ochs Grand Esther
Escorted by Mr. Dwayne Masserang
- Mrs. Mildred Blair Grand Martha
Escorted by Mr. Joe Blair
- Mrs. Hazel Smith Grand Electa
Escorted by Mr. Forrest Smith
- 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. Harry F. Powell

PRESENTATIONS:

- The Holy Bible Mr. Michael Stinson
- Square and Compasses Mr. Bruce Brown, Past Patron
Amigo Chapter No. 76, Oklahoma City, OK
- The Bible Marker Mrs. Donna Hill,
North Ft. Worth No. 684
- Dedication to our Symbols of Strength and Freedom Mrs. Joyce Roberts
Past Grand Matron

FLAG PRESENTATIONS:

- United States Flag Mr. Billy Combest
Past Grand Patron

Honor Guard

- Mrs. Nell Smith - District 5 Secretary
- Mrs. Syble Yost - Grand Representative of Vermont in Texas
- Mr. Gayle Brown - Grand Representative of Louisiana in Texas
- Mr. Forrest Smith - Chairman, Defenders of Freedom Committee

Special Music by Mrs. Sharon Harbison
Grand Soloist, District 4

- Canadian Flag Mr. Wayne P. Jones
Past Grand Patron

- Texas Flag Mr. Charles Morris
Past Grand Patron
- Christian Flag Mr. Garland W. Rattan
Past Grand Patron
- Eastern Star Flag..... Mr. Oliver B. Chamberlin
Past Grand Patron
- 1:00 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Mildred Sharpe
Past Grand Matron
- Dr. O. D. Christian
Past Grand Patron
- Invocation Mr. Harry G. Cunningham
Past Grand Patron
- “This Is My Country” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal
- Entrance of Installed Grand Officers
- Welcome to Dallas Mr. Henry Martin
Executive Committee Chairman for 1996-97
- Welcome and Greetings Honorable Harry Cunningham
Deputy Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.
- Partial Report of Credentials Committee Mrs. Lorrie Faith-Owens

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

- Ritualistic Ceremonial Opening Installed Grand Officers
- Opening Ode, “This is my Country” Grand Choir & Assembly
Directed by Mr. W. A. (Bill) Crews, Grand Choir Director
- Flag Presentation Mrs. Joyce Fields
Grand Marshal
- Pledge of Allegiance..... Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron
- “God Bless America” Grand Choir & Assembly

Formal Introductions:

- Elective and Appointive 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 Grand 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

Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader & Supreme Inspector in Texas,
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls
 Distinguished Members of All Appendant Bodies

Response to Welcomes Mrs. Barbara Benton
 Right Worthy Grand Trustee
 General Grand Chapter
 and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma

Greetings
 Filling of Vacancies
 Appointment of Telegram Committee

Reports:

Worthy Grand Matron Mrs. Alma Carter
 Worthy Grand Patron Mr. Richard Ochs
 Grand Secretary Mrs. Frances E. Burbank
 Grand Treasurer Mrs. Patsy Wilson
 Jurisprudence Mr. Murray Watson, Jr., Past Grand Patron
 Chairman
 Fraternal Correspondent Mrs. Ethel Powell

“A World of Friendship” Drill
 Texas’ Own and Visiting Grand Representatives
 Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Purposes & Policies Mrs. Lena Maye Cook, Past Grand Matron
 Chairman
 Grievance & Appeals Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron
 Chairman
 By-Laws Mrs. JoAnn (Jan) Haag, Chairman
 Chapters U.D Mr. Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron
 Chairman

O.E.S. Home Endowment Fund Mr. Arvol Willingham, Chairman
 Educational Fund Dr. Betty Barr, Chairman

Closing Music “Battle Hymn of the Republic” Grand Choir

Benediction Dr. Effie Mae Davis
 Chairman, Appeals and Grievances Committee
 General Grand Chapter
 and a Past Grand Matron of Texas

Closing of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
 Grand Conductress

Session Called from Labor to Rest until 8:00 a.m. Friday

**Please join us for our District Banquets
 Fairmont Hotel, 1717 North Akard Street, Dallas**

**Friday Morning Session
October 10, 1997
"SYMBOLS OF FREEDOM"**

7:45 a.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Kathleen Yancy
Past Matron, Canton Chapter No. 667

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Wanda Fairchild
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Charles Morris
Past Grand Patron

"This Is My Country" Drill Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Special Music: "Morning Has Broken" Grand Choir

Invocation Mr. Wayne P. Jones
Past Grand Patron

Session Called from Rest to Labor

Business is Continued with Reports:

Parliamentarian Mrs. Donna Reed

Jurisprudence Mr. Murray Watson, Jr., Past Grand Patron
Chairman

Board of Grand Trustees Mrs. Lola (Peaches) Wallace
Chairman

Board of Directors of
Grand Chapter Benevolences Mr. Lindsey Pynes
Chairman,

Report of Superintendent/Administrator of
O.E.S. Home of Texas Mr. Lindsey Pynes
Chairman, Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences

Recognition of Residents of the O.E.S. Home of Texas (Regal Eagles)

Benediction Mrs. Doris Efird
Past Grand Matron

Closing of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Session Called from Labor to Rest until 1:30 p.m.

**Please join us for our Line Officers' Luncheons
in the "A" Ballrooms of the Convention Center**

**Friday Afternoon Session
October 10, 1997**

"LET FREEDOM RING"

1:15 p.m. Musical Prelude Mr. John Esquivel, Jr.
Defenders of Freedom Committee

1:30 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Molly Goodpasture
Past Grand Matron

Mr. B. F. Hutson
Past Grand Patron

"This Is My Country" Drill Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mrs. Betty Phillips Hager
Past Grand Matron

Session Called from Rest to Labor

Business Reports Continued:

Jurisprudence Mr. Murray Watson, Jr., Past Grand Patron
Chairman

Grand Examiners

District Deputy Grand Matrons and Deputy Grand Matrons

International Temple Mrs. Janie Fikes, Chairman

Museum Mrs. Helen Erskine, Chairman

Titles, Deeds & Properties Mr. Miles Fairris, Chairman

Development & Marketing Mrs. Barbara Grosvenor, Chairman

Benediction Mrs. Virginia Green
Past Grand Matron

Closing of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
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 10, 1997**

“FREEDOM AND JUSTICE FOR ALL”

6:45 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Marian “Boots” Draper
Past Matron, Prospect Hill Chapter No. 817

7:00 p. m. Call to Order Mrs. Jane Gregory
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Joe E. Jeffers
..... Past Grand Patron

“This Is My Country” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Invocation Mrs. Mary Brown
Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to
New York
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

Humanitarian Presentation Mrs. Pat Archer
General Chairman

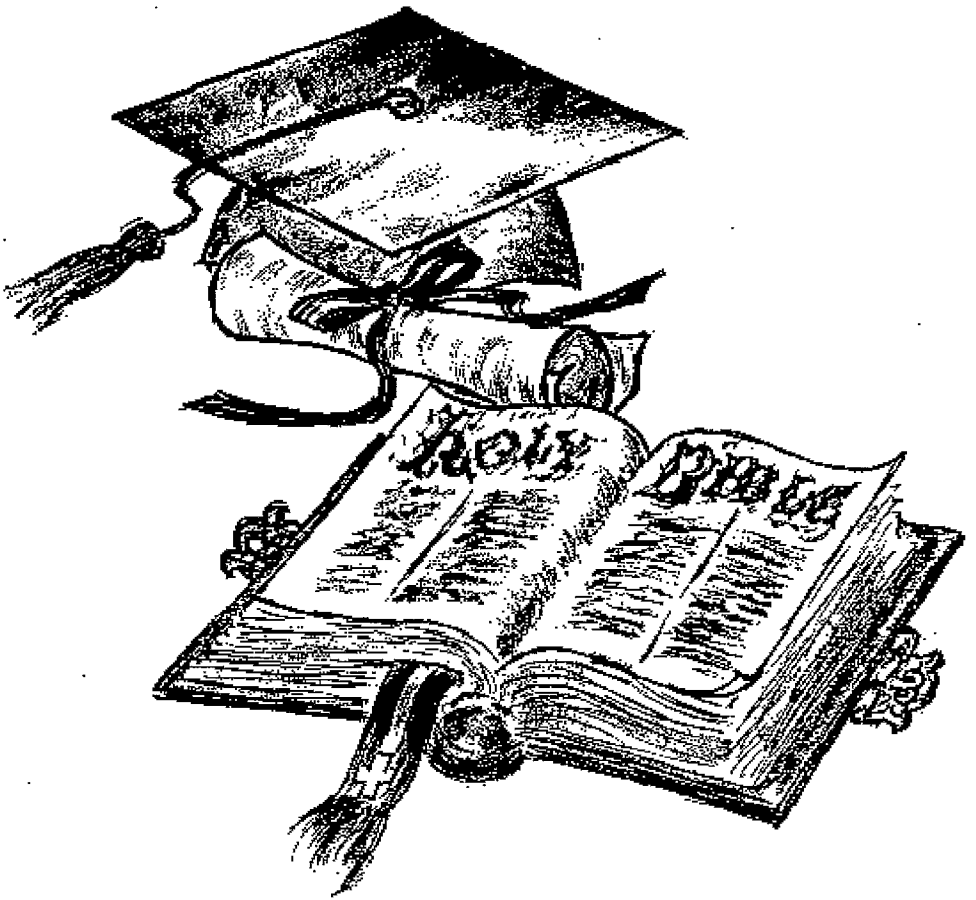
“The Joy of Giving” Drill
Presentation of Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Immediate
Past Matrons, Immediate Past Patrons of 100% Chapters
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Opening of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

ESTARL Service Mrs. Helen Hare
General Chairman

Soaring To Greater Heights With the Lord

Estarl Service and Awards



Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

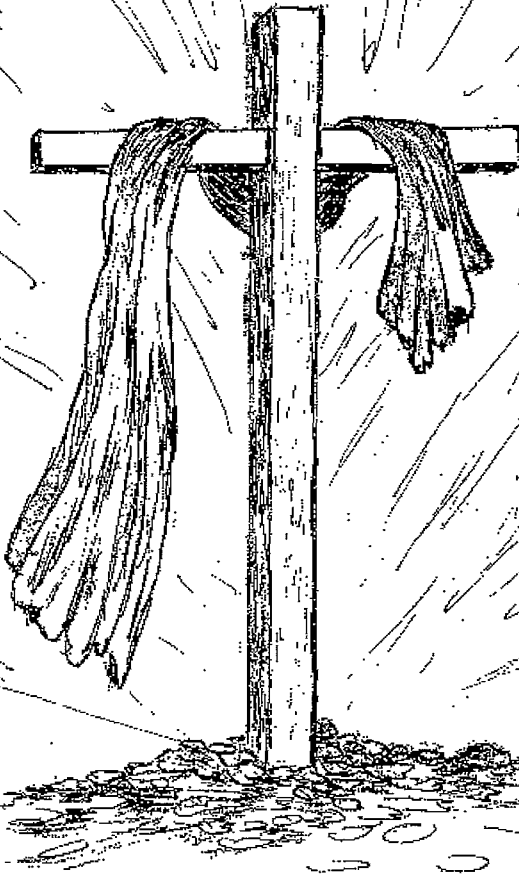
Mrs. Helen Hare
ESTARL Chairman
October 10, 1997

ESTARL PROGRAM 1997

Welcome and Introductions of ESTARL Committee	Mrs. Helen M. Hare Chairman
Hymn "He Lives"	Grand Choir
Invocation	Gregory C. Dumas
Scripture Reading	Kris Barnett
Special Music	Glen Brunk
Introduction of Speaker	Mrs. Helen M. Hare
Message	Rev. John S. Hare Former Recipient
Offertory Prayer	Rev. James Scott Chairman, District 4
Offertory Music	Lisa J. Muratore
Presentation of Awards	Mrs. Alma Carter Worthy Grand Matron Mr. Richard Ochs Worthy Grand Patron Assisted by ESTARL Committee
Special Music	Cheryl Murray
Benediction	Douglas Greathouse II

The Light Of The Cross Memorial

Friday, October 10, 1937



Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain

**THE LIGHT OF THE CROSS
MEMORIAL SERVICE**

SCRIPTURE

- Opening of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress
- Report of the Grand Chaplain Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain
- Dedication Grand Chaplain
- Tribute to Past Most Worthy Grand Matron Grand Chaplain
- Floral Presentation Mrs. Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Grand Trustee
General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Tribute to General Grand Chapter Officers Grand Chaplain
- Floral Presentation Dr. Effie Mae Davis
Chairman, Appeals and Grievances
General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Tribute to Grand Chapter Officers of
Other Grand Jurisdictions Grand Chaplain
- Floral Presentation Mrs. Sherrill R. Cain
Member, Scottish Rite Language Disorders
General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Tribute to Grand Chapter of Texas Members Grand Chaplain
- Floral Presentation Mrs. Mary Brown
Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron
to New York
and Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Tribute to Subordinate Chapter Members Grand Chaplain
- Floral Presentation Mrs. Molly Goodpasture
Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron
General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas
- Solo: "The Holy City" Mrs. Sharon Harbison
Grand Soloist, District 4
- Memorial Service Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain

“The Light of the Cross” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Solo: “The Twenty-third Psalm” Miss Carolyn Sue Daniel
Worthy Matron, Templar Chapter No. 374

Draping of the Altar Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Mrs. Betty Friend
Associate Grand Conductress

Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain

Trumpet Solo “Taps” Mr. Jack Rowland

Closing of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Benediction Mrs. Elsie Paladino
Past Grand Matron

Session Closed until 8:00 a.m. Saturday

**Rehearsal for 1997-98 Installation of Grand Officers in Arena
Candidates’ Reception in “A” Ballrooms**

IN MEMORIAM

The Grand Chapter of Texas and the Subordinate Chapters are saddened by the loss of this beloved Past Grand Matron.

*"Somewhere the record is written
Of her work in our beautiful Star
Somewhere the reward will be given,
And the crown of Service she'll wear."*



MRS. CYNTHIA MAY WATTS
Worthy Grand Matron
1943-1944
Died October 25, 1996

**Saturday Morning Session
October 11, 1997**

“THE LAND OF THE FREE”

7:45 a.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Marilyn Lee
Humanitarian Chairman, District 1

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

Mr. Harold Todd
Past Grand Patron

“This Is My Country” Drill Installed Grand Offices and Grand Pages
Directed by Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal

Entrance of Installed Grand Officers

Opening of the Bible Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen
Past Grand Matron

Session Called from Rest to Labor

Business Session Continued with Reports

*(All Committee Chairmen are to be seated in the East until their report
has been given. Please be available at all times since you may be
called upon to give your report earlier or later than scheduled.)*

Unfinished Business:

Final Credentials Report Mrs. Lorrie Faith-Owens, Chairman

Adoption of Humanitarian, ESTARL, Fraternal Correspondent,
and Grand Chaplain Reports

10:00 a.m. Election of Grand Chapter Officers

Recognition of our dedicated 50-year members

Musical Tribute to Worthy Grand Matron Mr. John Esquivel, Jr.
Composer of Music

Registration Mrs. Sarah V. Coursey
Secretarial Mrs. Marjorie Errington, District 2 Secretary
Endowed Membership Mrs. Vera Evans
Poet Laureate Mrs. Bonnie Mathison
Resolutions Mrs. Bobbie E. Paul
Grand Historians Mrs. Donna Douglas

Breast Cancer Research	Mrs. Marty Drescher
Bulletin	Mrs. Carol S. Hall
Chapter History	Mrs. Mary Meason
Defenders of Freedom	Mr. Forrest Smith
Founders Day	Mr. Frank E. Smith
Fraternal Visitation	Mrs. Wanda Kimball
General Grand Chapter Projects	Mrs. Helen Fuqua
Home & Country Celebration	Mrs. Charlene Littlewood
Music	Mrs. Joyce Gilbert
Pursuit of Excellence	Mrs. Edna Goette
Time & Talent	Mrs. Nina W. Burkett

Appreciation & Recognition of Executive and Arrangements for 1996-97

Invitation to 1997-98 Grand Chapter Session in Ft. Worth	Mrs. Zena Wilson
Recognitions and Presentations	Mrs. Alma Carter Worthy Grand Matron
Benediction	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland Past Grand Matron
Closing of the Bible	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane Grand Conductress
Closing Musical Selection	Mrs. Sara Rozean Grand Organist

**Session called from Labor to Rest until 6:00 p.m. for
the Installation of the 1997-98 Grand Officers**

Saturday Evening

5:30 p. m. Musical Prelude	Mrs. Earnestine Winterrowd Past Matron, Stanton Chapter No. 409
6:00 p.m.	Installation of Grand Officers for 1997-1998

Ritualistic Closing of the 115th Grand Chapter Session of
the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mr. Henry Martin & Executive Committee Members
 Mr. Joe Blair & Arrangements Committee Members
 For their untiring efforts and faithful dedication
 over past several months

Secretarial Committee: Mrs. Cindy Reeves, Mrs. Sandra Tedford,
 Mrs. Marjorie Errington, Mrs. Cheryl Albrecht, Mrs. Vivian Thomas,
 and Mrs. Nell Smith Efficient and capable assistance

Mrs. Mary Horton Beach Beautiful Formals
 Mrs. JoAn Baker Daytime Dresses
 Mrs. Doris Moore Bible Marker

Mr. Jimmy Stewart..... Construction of Altar
 Plano Chapter No. 703 Donation of Ditty Bags
 Mr. Carrol Macon Backdrop Lettering in East
 Mr. Robert Coursey & Mr. Floyd Green Drill Layouts

GENERAL INFORMATION

Headquarters Hotels Adams Mark/Dallas Grand

Grand Chapter Sessions Dallas Convention Center

Wednesday Evening – **General Banquet** Fairmont Hotel

Thursday Afternoon **Informal Opening** 12:00 Noon

Thursday **Ceremonial Opening**..... 12:30 p.m.

Thursday Evening **District Banquets**..... 7:30 p.m.

Friday Morning Session 8:00 a.m. Call to Order

Friday **Line Officers’ Luncheons** 11:45 a.m.

Friday Afternoon Session 1:30 p.m.

Friday Evening Session 7:00 p.m.

Humanitarian Program - 30 Minutes

ESTARL Program - 45 Minutes

Memorial Service - 45 Minutes

Friday Evening 1997-1998 Grand Officers’ Practice After Session

Friday Evening Candidates Reception (A Ballrooms Convention
 Center)..... 10:00 p.m.

Saturday Morning Session 8:00 a.m. Call to Order

Distinguished Guests and Grand Representatives

..... Combined Hospitality Rooms
 Adams Mark Hotel

Registration and Credentials

Adams Mark Hotel Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Dallas Convention Center Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Dallas Convention Center Friday 8:00 a.m.

Dallas Convention Center Saturday 7:00 a.m.

Note: All Registration of voting delegates closes at 9:00 a.m. Saturday. Ballots are not transferable, and if lost, will not be replaced. Sign your ballot immediately upon receipt and keep it in your care at all times.

Reports: All reports must be brief (limited to 3 minutes), concise, and contain only relevant information. Printing costs and limited time will not permit “thank you” messages. Reports must be typed, in triplicate, double spaced, and given to the Grand Secretary after adoption.

First Aid: Once again, we are fortunate to have a modern, up-to-date first aid room. Our staff in the First Aid Room is very professional. The R.N.s, L.V.N.s, and E.M.T.s. will be on duty one hour before and one hour after each Session.

Chairmen: Please be readily available until your report has been given. You are requested to watch the progress as each report is given, since you may be called upon to give your report earlier or later than scheduled in our Session program.

Members who have received 50-year membership certificates during this year will be recognized Saturday Morning. Please be seated in the designated area for the Saturday Morning Session.

All General Grand Chapter Officers, Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons are invited to sit in the section designated for Distinguished Guests during all sessions of Grand Chapter.

Grand Pages, Assistant Grand Warders, and Assistant Grand Sentinels will be on duty forty-five (45) minutes before each session. Please assist in proving Grand Chapter following the Installation on Saturday evening.

The Grand Examiner-at-large, Sister Nancy Brown, will have the Examining Room open on Friday from 9:00 to 11:30 a. m., and from 12:45 to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. If for any reason you need to have an examination other than these specified times, please contact Sister Nancy and she will arrange a time to assist you in taking your Proficiency Examination.

Official Photographers: (Pictures or Videos may be ordered.)

Mr. Cleo Ellison, Photographer
4025 Field Street
Ft. Worth, TX 76117

Mr. Ed Perdue, Video
3516 Hampshire
Arlington, TX 76013

Scheduled Pictures (Please Go immediately to the East)

Floor Officers and their Grand/Personal Pages Formal Attire
Immediately after Thursday Afternoon Session

Floor Officers and their Grand/Personal Pages Daytime Dresses
Immediately after close of Friday morning Session

Note: If you should desire special individual pictures, **please schedule directly with Bro. Cleo Ellison**

All Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Immediate Past Matrons and Immediate Past Patrons of 100% Chapters in the Humanitarian Program for 1996-1997 are lovingly invited to participate in our "Joy of Giving" drill on **Friday evening**. Please participate and represent your Chapter wearing any long dress and/or tuxedo or dark suit.

**INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS
AND PERSONAL PAGES**

Grand Officer

Personal Page

Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron Sandra Perdue
Betty Unlaub
Jean Hunt
Elizabeth Wise
Geraldine "Gerry" Dusek

Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron	Dwayne Masserang James Zink
Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron	Susie Broughton Paulette Whitcomb
Acting Associate Grand Patron	Duane "Buddy" Baker Robert Brownfield Thomas F. Griffin
Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary	Shirley Martindale Joyce Tigert
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer	Rama Lee Butler Jeannine Guinn Jimmie Warner
Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress	Bobbie Pinto Mary Nell Ramsey Gay Nelle Wilson
Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress	Elizabeth Wilkerson Lee Ellis Brenda Freeze
Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain	Opal Martin Margie Stewart Pat Archer
Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal	Jerre S. Lucas Tanya Meadows
Sara Rozean, Grand Organist	Dorothy Hodges Sue Phares
Beulah Warner, Grand Adah	Martha Alotto Janis Warner
Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth	Ann Finch Laverne Gattis
Barbara Ochs, Grand Esther	Flora Masserang Tally McAferty Mrs. Lee Ann Bartolino
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SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS 115TH SESSION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1997

7:00 p.m. **Floor Officers' "Flight From Fantasy" Dinner.** Chairman, Mrs. Mildred Blair; Ticket Chairman, Mrs. Ethel Powell, 1513 Judy Drive, Plano, Texas 75074; Telephone: 972/424-7153. (Adams Mark Hotel, 400 Olive St., Dallas.) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to this group only.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1997

9:00-10:00 a.m. **RECEPTION** – Hosted by a Special Friend of the Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield. Associate Grand Matron's Suite. Chairman: Mrs. Dortha M. Burnett, 8635 Kimberly, Beaumont, Texas 77707. Telephone: 409/866-6929. (Grand Hotel, 1914 Commerce St., Dallas) (Invitation only.)

10:30 a.m. **BUSINESS MEETING PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS.** Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, Texas. (Open to this Group only.)

11:30 a.m. **LUNCHEON – "Circle of Friendship"** – Honoring Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, and Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. Inviting the Installed Grand Officers, Grand Examiners and Traveling Secretaries. Hosted by the District Deputy Grand Matrons and Deputy Grand Matrons. Chairman: Mrs. Mary Ann Edwards. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Kay Drescher, 600 Hanover Court, Allen, Texas 75002-4729, 972/390-7390. Donation \$18.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Adams Mark Hotel, 400 N. Olive, Dallas. Reservations close September 15, 1997. (Open to this group and spouses only.)

12:00 a.m. **LUNCHEON – "Long May It Wave"** – Past Grand Matrons and Patrons. Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, Texas 75219. Chairman: Garland Rattan; Ticket Chairman: Dr. Effie Mae Davis, 20018 Horizon Way, San Antonio, Texas 78258; Telephone: 210/497-2032. Donation \$12.50. (Open to this group only.)

4:30-5:30 p.m. **RECEPTION** – Honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Richard Ochs, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Floor Officers, Elected Boards, and Distinguished Guests of other Grand Jurisdictions. (Adams Mark Hotel, 400 N. Olive St., Dallas.) (Open to this group only, their spouses and invited guests.)

7:00 p.m. **GENERAL BANQUET AND BALL** – Honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter, and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Richard

Ochs, and Texas General Grand Chapter Committee Members. Chairman: Mrs. Betty Prater; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Cynthia Marr, 8419 Freeport Drive, Dallas, Texas 75228; Telephone: 214/324-1274. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard St., Dallas - Regency Ballroom.) Donation \$26.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. (Formal Attire) Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1997

- 7:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST - "Good Morning America"**. Honoring Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Richard L. Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. Hosted by Assistant Grand Wardens and Assistant Grand Sentinels, Pages, Personal Pages, and Grand Choir. General Chairman: Rev. Don R. Long. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Jeanne A. May, P.O. Box 727, Bastrop, Texas 78602-2526. Telephone: 512/303-1413. Adams Mark Hotel, Center Ballroom, 400 North Olive St., Dallas, Texas 75201. Donation: \$13.00. Please include: SASE Name and Title. Reservations close September 15, 1997. (Open to this group only.)
- 7:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST - "The Garden of Friendship"**. Honoring Edna Earl Duke, Past Grand Matron; Joyce McKnight, Grand Representative Michigan in Texas; Elizabeth Wise, District Deputy Grand Matron, District IV; Georgia Campbell, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 2; Kenneth Gregory, Special Friend to the Associate Grand Matron. Hosted by the Past Matrons Association of District IV, Section 2. Chairman: Mrs. Mary Dennis; Ticket Chairman: J. J. Singletary, 511 Mazur, Pt. Neches, Texas 77651; Telephone: 409/727-7320. (Adams Mark Hotel) Donation \$13.00; Please include: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close: September 15, 1997.
- 8:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST - "Hats Off to the Stars"**. Hosted by the Grand Representatives Association of Texas. Honoring Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron and Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. Special guests: GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF TEXAS IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS. Chairman: Mrs. Willie Mae Shaw. Ticket Information: Make check payable to "Grand Representatives Association of Texas" and send to: Mrs. Genevieve "Smitty" Jones, 112 E. Vilbig, Irving, Texas 75060, Telephone: 972/253-1235. (Adams Mark Hotel, 400 N. Olive St., Dallas.) Donation \$13.50. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to Present and Former Grand Representatives, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Fraternal Correspondent, spouses or traveling companions.)
- 9:30 a.m. **BRUNCH - "A Moment for a Peaceful Reunion"**. Honoring Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, Past Grand Matron and Mr. Billy H. Combest, Past Grand Patron. Inviting the 1995-1996 Floor Officers. Hosted by the 1995-1996 District Deputy Grand Matrons, Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Examiners, Traveling Secretaries, Humanitarian Chairmen and spouses. Chairman: Mrs. Eva G. Hicks; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Doris Moore, 2329 Clearview Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76119. Telephone: 817/536-0990. (Adams Mark Hotel, 400 N. Olive St., Dallas.) Donation \$15.00. Please include: SASE Name

and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to this group only.)

7:30 p.m. **BANQUET - "Parade of the Stars".** District One, Chairman: Mrs. Sandra Perdue; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Marvolyn Province, Rt. 1, Box 338, McKinney, Texas 75070. Telephone: 972/562-2583. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard Street, Dallas) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

7:30 p.m. **BANQUET - "Spirit of America".** District Two, Chairman: Mrs. Betty Unlaub; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Marjorie Errington, 7020 Hurst, Amarillo, TX 79109. Telephone: 806/354-2588. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard Street, Dallas.) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

7:30 p.m. **BANQUET - "Stars of the Future".** District Three, Chairman: Mrs. Jean Hunt; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Annette Curry, 2912 Field Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76117. Telephone: 817/834-4207. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard Street, Dallas.) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

7:30 p.m. **BANQUET - "Independence Day Celebration".** District Four, Chairman: Mrs. Elizabeth Wise; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Georgia Campbell, 1345 West Walton Road, Lumberton, Texas 77657. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard Street, Dallas.) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

7:30 p.m. **BANQUET - District Five,** Chairman: Mrs. Geraldine Dusek; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Jerre Lucas, P.O. Box 2907, Universal City, Texas 78148. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard Street, Dallas.) Donation \$23.00. Please include: SASE Names and Titles. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1997

6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST - "Rise and Shine".** Honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter, and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Richard Ochs. Hosted by Elected Boards and Committees. Chairman: Mrs. Pat Archer; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Helen Erskine, 3122 Dorrington Circle, Dallas, Texas 75228-4040, Telephone: 214/328-5877. (Adams Mark Hotel, 400 No. Olive, Dallas.) Donation \$13.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST - "Aloha Frances".** Honoring Mrs. Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary. Secretaries Association - Hostess, Mrs. Cheryl Magee; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Virginia Schmidt, 10469 Apache Street, Wills Point, Texas 75169-4200 (Convention Center.) Donation \$12.50. (Secretaries add \$1.00 for 1997-98 dues.) Please include: SASE. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to Past and Present Secretaries, Treasurers and Traveling Companion.)

- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON – “Elegant Eagles & Windwalkers United Together”.** Honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Richard Ochs. Hosted by the Alma Carter Girls of District I, Section 4 and 5. Chairman: Mrs. Tava Smith; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Suzanne Kirby, P.O. Box 354, Red Oak, Texas 75154. Telephone: 972/617-2370. (Convention Center) Donation \$18.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON – “A Field of Dreams”.** Honoring Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield. Chairman: Mrs. Karen Louton; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Laurel Roth, 320 E. Wintergreen #7A, DeSoto, Texas 75115. (Convention Center) Donation \$18.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON – “A Teddy Bear’s Picnic”.** Honoring Grand Conductress, Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane. Chairman: Miss Kay Rohloff; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Evelyn (Lou) Holbrook, 812 Mary Lee Circle, Irving, Texas 75060. (Convention Center) Donation \$18.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)
- 11:45 a.m. **LUNCHEON – “Daystar”.** Honoring Associate Grand Conductress, Mrs. Betty Friend. Chairman: Mrs. Sally Wicks; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Brenda Corry, 5532 Co. Rd. 4100, Kaufman, Texas 75142. (Convention Center) Donation \$18.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1997

- 6:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST –** Honoring Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield. Chairman: Mrs. Bess Madison; Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Joyce Nicklas. Rt. 1, Box 96, Graford, Texas 76449. (Grand Hotel, 1914 Commerce St., Dallas.) Donation \$13.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 15, 1997. (Open to membership.)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1997

- 8:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST –** Honoring newly installed Associate Grand Conductress hosted by the Associate Conductresses of District 1, Sections 2, 4 and 5. Chairman: Mrs. Krista Smith, and Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Donna Rings, Rt. 2, Box 257C, Whitewright, Texas 75491. (Fairmont Hotel, 1717 No. Akard St., Dallas). Donation \$13.00. Please include: SASE, Name and Title. Reservations close: September 7, 1997. (Open to membership.)

Hospitality Room for Grand Representatives and Distinguished Guests will be in the Houston Room of the Adams Mark Hotel. The room will be open Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Room for Sunday morning meeting of Deputy Grand Matrons will be in the Pavilion Room at the Fairmont Hotel.

GRAND PAGES

Riffe, Terri L.,	Chairman Grand Pages
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Abbott, Suellen	Freeman, Johnnie Beth
Bates, June Marie	Garrett, Betty J.
Biells, Betty	Gregory, Helen
Bley, Mary M.	Heffington, Martha
Blue, Odessa "Dee"	Helm, Judy
Bolton, Verna	Hiser, Frances
Burbridge, Joanne M.	Hoff, Dr. Kathleen
Butler, Janice	Jenkins, Bobbie
Cohen, Susie	Jenkins, Heidi
Collins, Gay Nell	Langston, Dorothy
Corbin, Sandy	Marsh, L. Helen
Daniels, Laverne	Meadows, Sue
Davila, Cathy	Mitchel, Debbie
DeLano, Amber	Morford, Paddy
Dillon, Fredia	Morris, Johnnie F.
Douglas, Donna	Mosmeyer, Sharon
Farney, Linda	Newland, Frankie
Fisher, Shelia	O'Brien, Dorothy
	Oxford, Nell
	Parrish, Cindy
	Sellers, Dorothy
	Smith, Nondia Fern
	Smith, Susan M.
	Smith, Yvonne
	Soape, Charlotte
	Strange, Janice
	Terlisner, Donna
	Tippit, Janet
	Tischhauser, Velta
	Verhine, Marie
	Watson, Bernadine
	White, Mary Ruth
	Wilson, Bonnell
	Wilson, Dorothy

ASSISTANT GRAND WARDERS

Couch, Pat	Chairman Assistant Grand Warders
Stigliano, Bille A.	Co-Chairman Assistant Grand Warders
Amspoker, Mabel C.	Goekler, Hazel
Atkins, Juanell "Caty"	Goodson, Myrna
Avery, Dorothy	Hadley, Shirley M.
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Belcher, Martha Pool	High, Dorothy
Bennett, Alma	Jarriel, Ruenell
Brown, Wanda P.	Landrum, Patsy
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Elliott, Linda	Lybrand, Pauline
Freeman, Johnnie Beth	McCoy, Jeannine E.
	Mueller, Sherri
	Neunsuander, Susan
	Ranton, Dolores
	Robinett, Lula (Pat)
	Sangster, Sue S.
	Smoot, Frances
	Warlick, Betty J.
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	Willey, Molly
	Wood, Barbara A.

ASSISTANT GRAND SENTINELS

Farney, Robert	Chairman Assistant Grand Sentinels
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Bagley, Wayne	Hicks, Robert H.
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Burbridge, Robert K.	Lindke, Edwin M.
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Collins, Alvy L.	Martin, Charles
Daugherty, Jackson	McKnight, William
Freund, Henry O.	Maxwell, Donald
Helm, Jay	Reed, Homan Young
	Sellers, Clarence
	Smith, Frank E.
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	Stoker, Joe T.
	Strange, Joe
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	Welch, Fred P.
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	Wilson, Walter E.

GRAND CHOIR MEMBERS

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 Doris Williams
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 Phyllis Wilson
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 Robert Wolfe
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 John Creel

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District 1, Section 2

Plano Chapter No. 703

District 1, Section 4

A. C. Garrett/Mt. Auburn Chapter No. 774	James Ladd Burgess Chapter No. 983
Bluebonnet Buckner Chapter No. 888	John L. DeGrazier Chapter No. 881
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Edwin J. Kiest Chapter No. 959	Roy Stanley Chapter No. 1086
Templar Chapter No. 374	

District 1, Section 5

Balch Springs Chapter No. 1132	Lancaster Chapter No. 943
Bardwell Chapter No. 560	Lonnie L. Blake Chapter No. 1116
Duncanville Chapter No. 1014	Mesquite Chapter No. 887
Farmers Branch Chapter No. 687	Midlothian Chapter No. 234
Ferris Chapter No. 508	Nash Chapter No. 320
Forney-Terrell Chapter No. 557	Richardson Chapter No. 921
Garland Chapter No. 156	Rockwall Chapter No. 858
Grand Prairie Chapter No. 219	Seagoville Chapter No. 697
Irving Chapter No. 777	Waxahachie Chapter No. 599
Kaufman Chapter No. 866	Winnie Chapter No. 160

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 Cosmetics
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SONGS

OPENING ODE

THIS IS MY COUNTRY

This is My Country land of my choice
 This is My Country hear my proud voice
 I pledge thee my allegiance
 America the bold
 For this is My Country to have and to
 hold.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

God bless America. Land that I love.
 Stand beside her, and guide her.
 Through the night with a light from
 above.
 From the mountains, to the prairies,
 to the Oceans white with foam,
 God bless America, My home sweet
 home.
 God bless America, My home sweet
 home.

MORNING HAS BROKEN

Morning has broken like the first
 morning,
 Blackbird has spoken, like the first
 bird.
 Praise for the singing! Praise for the
 morning!
 Praise for them, spring-ing Fresh from
 the Word!

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God
 A Bulwark never failing;
 Our Helper He amid the flood.
 Of mortal ills prevailing.
 For still our ancient foe.
 Doth seek to work us woe;
 His craft and power great;
 And armed with cruel hate,
 On earth is not his equal.

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the
 coming of the Lord.
 He is trampling out the vintage where
 the grapes of rath are stored;
 He has loosed the faithful lightning of
 His terrible swift sword;
 His truth is marching on.

CHORUS

Glory, glory, hallelu-jah!
 Glory, glory, hallelu-jah!
 Glory, glory, hallelu-jah!
 His truth is marching on.

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

Let there be peace on earth, and let it
 begin with me.
 Let there be peace on earth, the peace
 that was meant to be.
 With God our Creator, children all are
 we.
 Let us walk with each other in perfect
 harmony.
 Let peace begin with me; let this be the
 moment now.
 With ev'ry step I take, let this be my
 solemn vow:
 to take each moment and live each
 moment in peace eternally.
 Let there be peace on earth, and let it
 begin with me.

HE LIVES

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world
today;
I know that He is living, what ever men
may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His
voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him He's
always near.

CHORUS

He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives
today!
He walk's with me and talks with me
along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.

LET ME CALL YOU SWEETHEART

Let me call you sweetheart,
I'm in love with you.
Let me hear you whisper that you love
me too.
Keep the love light glowing in your eyes
so true.
Let me call you sweetheart,
I'm in love with you.

OUR BEST

Hear ye the Master's call,
"Give me thy best!"
For, be it great or small,
That is His test.
Do then the best you can,
Not for reward,
Not for the praise of man,
But for the Lord.

HE KEEPS ME SINGING

There's within my heart a melody,
Jesus whispers sweet and low.
Fear not I am with Thee, peace be still,
In all of life's ebb and flow.

CHORUS

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Sweetest name
I know
fills my every longing keeps me singing
as I go.

Soon He's coming back to welcome me,
Far beyond the starry sky.
I shall wing my flight to worlds
unknown,
I shall reign with Him on high.

BECAUSE HE LIVES

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my
Savior lives.

CHORUS

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know, He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because
He lives.

**IN MY HEART THERE
RINGS A MELODY**

I have a song that Jesus gave me,
it was sent from heaven above.
There never was a sweeter melody
'Tis the melody of love.

CHORUS

In my heart there rings a melody,
there rings a melody, with Heavens
harmony.
In my heart there rings a melody,
there rings a melody of love.

YOU'RE A GRAND OLD FLAG

You're a grand old flag, you're a high
flying flag
and forever in peace may you wave.
You're the emblem of the land I love,
the home of the free and the brave.
Every heart beats true 'neath the red,
white and blue.
Where there's never a boast nor brag.
But should auld acquaintance be forgot.
keep your eye on the Grand Old Flag.

HE TOUCHED ME

Shackled by a heavy burden,
'neath a load of guilt and shame.
Then the hand of Jesus touched me
and now I am no longer the same.

CHORUS

He touched me, Oh He touched me,
and oh, the joy that floods my soul
Something happened and now I know,
He touched me and made me whole.

Since I met this blessed Savior,
Since He cleansed and made me whole,
I will never cease to praise Him,
I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain.
For purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain.

CHORUS

America, America God shed His grace
on thee
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

PARLIAMENTARY RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR GRAND CHAPTER

1. *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall be the adopted parliamentary authority and the rules found therein shall govern in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Code of Laws of the Grand Chapter of Texas.
2. The Credentials Committee, immediately after the Ritualistic Opening of Grand Chapter, shall report the number of delegates registered. The report of this committee will determine that a quorum is present. The Credentials Committee shall make a final report at the Saturday morning session, immediately prior to holding the election, of those entitled to vote and the total number of votes.
3. All delegates shall wear the official badge issued by the Registration Committee at all business sessions. In order to enter the Grand Chapter meeting room, members must show a current dues card. On Saturday morning, delegates must also have their signed official ballot for admission to the Grand Chapter room.
4. There shall be three (3) written copies of all motions made from the floor. These copies shall have the name, signature, and chapter name and number of the maker of the motion as well as that of the member seconding the motion. These copies are to be distributed as follows:
 - One copy to the Worthy Grand Matron
 - One copy to the Grand Secretary
 - One copy to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee
5. Only Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Past Matrons, Past Patrons of this Grand Jurisdiction (or members holding the proxy of the Worthy Matron and/ or Worthy Patron) are entitled to speak, make motions, debate or vote.
6. In order to obtain the floor, the following procedure will be used:
 - A. Proceed to the nearest microphone
 - B. Address the Presiding Officer
 - C. Wait for recognition from the Presiding Officer before speaking
 - D. State name, title, chapter name and number, then proceed to make a motion or participate in debate.
7. All motions must be seconded and stated by the Presiding Officer before debate can begin.
8. A motion may be amended (*primary amendment*) and the amendment may be amended (*secondary amendment*). In taking the vote, the secondary amendment is voted on first, then the primary amendment, then the original motion as amended.
9. Debate shall be limited to three (3) minutes for each speaker for each question. No member may speak more than one time on a question unless permission to speak again is given by the Presiding Officer. The three-minute time limit can be extended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting, or can be extended by the Presiding Officer, if there is no objection.
10. A majority vote shall determine all questions, unless otherwise specified in these rules of procedure. If the result is not clear, a division can be called for.

Voting Delegates will hold up the blue card – Chapter Representatives will hold the red card.

11. After a motion has been made, seconded and stated by the Presiding Officer, it cannot be withdrawn without permission of the voting body.
12. The following motions are not debatable:
 1. Reconsider
 2. Refer to a committee
 3. Call for the orders of the day
 4. Division of the question
 5. Previous question *
 6. Lay on the table
 7. To call off
 8. To proceed to close

* If a member wishes to close debate, proceed to a microphone, address the Presiding Officer, after being recognized, state your name, title, chapter name and number and then make the following motion, "*I move the previous question*". Calling out the word "*question*" from the audience will not be recognized by the Presiding Officer.
13. Emergency legislation may be presented at Grand Chapter if it is approved by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting. There shall be three (3) copies in writing of all emergency legislation proposals with distribution as follows:
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14. The motion to reconsider must be made by a delegate who voted on the prevailing (winning) side either on the same day the vote was taken on the original motion, or the next succeeding day.
15. The maker of the motion shall be entitled to be the first speaker on that motion.
16. The affirmative and the negative vote will be taken on all questions and resolutions and the result announced by the Presiding Officer.
17. The Worthy Grand Matron shall make all rulings and decisions. It will take a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting to overrule a decision of the Chair.
18. Nominating speeches are not permitted. Nominations shall be made on election day as follows by the member making the nomination:
 1. Go to a microphone and address the Presiding Officer
 2. Wait for recognition
 3. State your name, title, Chapter name and number
 4. Give the name and Chapter of the member being nominated and the office for which this nomination is made.
19. Nominations do not require a second.
20. The election results will be announced by the Presiding Officer.
21. No tape recorders (except official recordings) are permitted in the Grand Chapter room.
22. No food or drinks are permitted in the Grand Chapter room.



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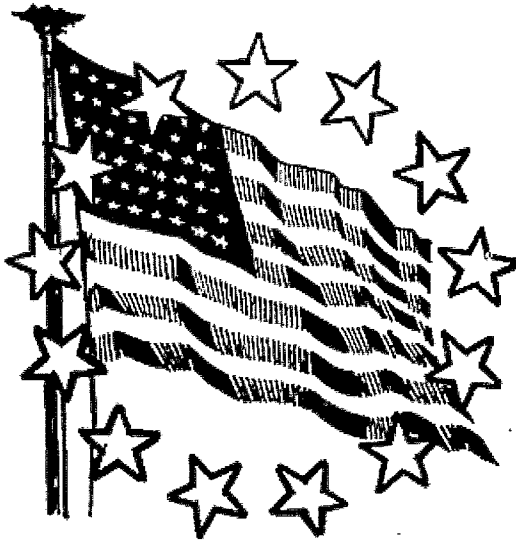
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Welcome to the

All American Celebration



Wednesday, October 8, 1997
7:00 p.m.

*Fairmont Hotel
1717 North Akard Street
Dallas, Texas*

All-American Celebration
General Banquet and Ball



honoring



Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Grand Trustee

Texas' General Grand Chapter Committee Members

Hon. Joseph W. Regian
Most Worshipful Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M.

**Installed Grand Officers
of the Grand Chapter of Texas**

Master of Ceremonies

Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain

Processional

Presentation of the American Flag

Mr. John Creel
Worthy Patron, Frisco Chapter No. 93

Pledge of Allegiance led by the Worthy Grand Patron

Invocation

Mr. Billy Combest
Past Grand Patron

Welcome

Mrs. Mildred Sharpe
Past Grand Matron

Response

Mrs. Nancy Tillman
Worthy Grand Matron
Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, O.E.S.

D I N N E R



PROGRAM



Introductions

Mrs. Wanda Fairchild
Past Grand Matron

Tribute to Worthy Grand Patron

Mr. James Zink
*Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Patron
Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S.*

Tribute to Worthy Grand Matron

Dr. Effie Mae Davis
*Chairman, Appeals & Grievances Committee,
General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas*

Greetings

Hon. Harry G. Cunningham
*Deputy Grand Master
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and Past Grand Patron of Texas*

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Worthy' Grand Patron

Greetings

Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Benediction

Rev. Don Long
Grand Sentinel

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A very sincere thank you to George Cowand and the Nobles of Note for providing the beautiful dance music following the banquet. Please express your appreciation to them for giving of their time and talents for our enjoyment, and for the benefit of the Shriner's Hospitals.



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS



Committees

Mrs. Betty Prater, Chairman
 Mrs. Cynthia Marr, Ticket Chairman
 Ms. Kathleen Sapundjieff, Decorations
 Mrs. Mildred Blair, Processional
 Mrs. Mary Ann Edwards, Place Cards

Escorts

Mr. Joe Blair
 Mr. Bruce Brown

Mr. Henry Martin
 Mr. Paul New
 Mr. Frank Wicks

Mr. Trey Smith
 Mr. Jimmy Stewart

Hostesses

Mrs. Pat Archer
 Mrs. Kathy Creel
 Mrs. Nada Crouch
 Mrs. Mary Ann Edwards

Mrs. Patsy Jones
 Mrs. Opal Martin
 Mrs. Shirley New
 Mrs. Ethel Powell

Mrs. Margie Stewart
 Mrs. Pauline Stewart
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 Ms. Billie Probst

Mrs. Pauline Stewart
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 Mrs. Pat Sullivan
 Ms. Gloria Welch



Dinner Music Provided by

Mrs. Joyce Gilbert
General Chairman, Music Committee

Mrs. Syble Yost
Grand Representative of Vermont in Texas

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MRS. BETTY PRATER: A very warm and hospitable Big "D" and Texas welcome to our All- American Celebration, General Banquet and Ball. How very pleased we are that you are with us this evening for this gala affair. Many of you have traveled great distances to be with us, and for this we are deeply grateful.

What better way to begin our patriotic celebration than with our processional of those distinguished members seated at our head table. Would you please remain seated as our distinguished members are escorted into the ballroom so everyone will be able to see? Thank you.

First is Mr. Don Long, Grand Sentinel, escorted by Mrs. Johnnie Long, Grand Escort. Mrs. Nancy Tillman, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, escorted by Mr. Max Tillman, Grand Escort. Brother Harry Cunningham, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, AF&AM, and Past Grand Patron of Texas, escorted by Mrs. Barbara Cunningham, Grand Escort. Mr. Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Freda Combest, Grand Escort. Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Max Fairchild, Grand Escort. Mrs. Mildred Sharpe, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Paul New, Arrangements Committee. Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of Texas, escorted by Mr. Frank Wicks, Arrangements Committee. Mrs. Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron of New York and Past Grand Matron of Texas, escorted by Mr. Trey Smith, Co-Chairman, Arrangements Committee. Mrs. Sherrill R. Cain, Scottish Rite Language Disorders Committee, General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, escorted by Mr. Bicker Cain, Grand Escort. Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman, Appeals and Grievances Committee, General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, escorted by Mr. Jimmy Stewart, Arrangements Committee. Mrs. Doris Wills, Worthy Grand Electa, General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Florida, escorted by Mr. Joe Blair, Chairman, Arrangements Committee. Mrs. Mary Alice Tate, Worthy Grand Adah, General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Arizona, escorted by Mr. Henry Martin, Chairman of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Rennie Oton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas, escorted by Mr. Paul Oton, Grand Escort. Mrs. Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, escorted by Mr. Tom Benton. Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Barbara Ochs, Grand Esther. Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Bruce Brown, Past Patron of Amigo Chapter No. 76, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. [applause and standing ovation]

Mr. John Creel, Worthy Patron of Frisco Chapter No. 93, will present the American Flag. Please remain seated for just a moment. Thank you.

*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 it meant to me.*

*I knew it stood for this 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 fold.*

*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 over this great land,
Our Defenders of Freedom will, always have a plan.*

Will you please stand. Will you join our Worthy Grand Patron in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag. [Pledge of Allegiance given in unison.]

Thank you. You may be seated. For those of you who do not know, this very meaningful and beautiful poem was written by our Worthy Grand Matron.

Before we go any further, our photographer would like to take some pictures. So we're going to ask our head table to stand. Sub-head table, please remain seated. And, Cleo, you tell us when you're ready. Thank you, Cleo.

This fine gentleman I'm about to introduce is well known throughout the state of Texas for his kindness, his understanding, his compassion for his fellowman and his wonderful sense of humor. His day-to-day life is a living example of the teachings of our Order. It is my extreme pleasure to introduce Reverend Billy Combest, our beloved Past Grand Patron, who will give the invocation.

MR. BILLY COMBEST: Just remain seated, Sisters and Brothers. I know in your heart you are in full attention before our Holy God.

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before you today. The first thing we ask for is you forgive us when we don't thank you for all of the blessings you have already bestowed upon us, for your generous bounty of goods that you allow us to have. May we realize today that if we don't share this or if we don't share our love and share our resources and share our time, then we're not being faithful to you.

Bless this food that we're about to partake of today. May it nourish our bodies, and most of all, may your holy spirit enter into us and nourish us for this time to come on whatever road we may be caused to tread as we go this way. We ask you to be with us and our entire Order now and forevermore. Amen.

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Brother Billy.

This next lady is truly a legend not only in Dallas, but all over Texas and most of the United States as well. She is so knowledgeable about our Order and gives so unselfishly of her time and her talent to all of us. Her devotion and loyalty to our Order have won for her the profound respect and admiration of the membership. May I present Mrs. Mildred Sharpe, Past Grand Matron, who will extend a welcome to our guests.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: Thank you, Mrs. Betty Prater. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Honorees, Distinguished Head Tables, Distinguished Members and Sisters and Brothers, some of you from other Grand Jurisdictions and from all areas of our great state, good evening.

VOICES: Good evening.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: I didn't hear any "good evening."

VOICES: Good evening.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: That's better. A song of joy flows from my heart

to the likes of all of you. The opportunity of extending a welcome in behalf of your hosts and hostesses of this area brings me an inexpressible feeling of pride. I am pleased, and how nice to see all of you assembled in this beautiful setting. How does anyone welcome such as are assembled here in a different way, and yet appropriate for an All-American Celebration? Well, Worthy Grand Matron, I did not need to be concerned about getting some ideas because on Saturday in the *Dallas Morning News*, I found all kinds of little matters that I might bring to your attention.

Knowing that our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and many of you have been doing a lot of traveling, I thought, well, perhaps you haven't kept up with everything that's going on; you don't have time to read the newspapers or watch television, so I'm going to mention a few of those things.

On the editorial page of this particular paper that I have mentioned, I saw the headline in bold letters, "Agreement Reached." And then the Mayor of Dallas' first words were – and I quote – "The eagle has landed finally." You may think I'm kidding, but that's the honest-to-goodness truth: "The eagle has landed." Well, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I felt that it was real nice of our mayor of Dallas to recognize this fact in regard to you and all of these others, "The eagle has landed."

Then on the editorial page, the message from Washington, D.C., "The Keeping of Promises," promises made and promises kept. Well, I thought surely the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with their promises to us and their promises kept, which we will hear as the various reports are being given at this Grand Chapter session, that surely this assembly in Washington, D.C. were aware of those promises and the promises kept.

Then there was another on the editorial page concerning the Forbes 400 list. Well, I have news for the Forbes 400 list, we have our own 400 list. And right at the very top the names: Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, and all of these other distinguished ones – the honorees – are also on that list. Don't you agree?

Now, there were other articles, but I thought perhaps it was best that I not mention those even though they were in this same paper. I thought I should omit those.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, this is an All-American Celebration and Banquet. You are in Texas, Dallas, Texas, that is. And in Dallas, Texas, we celebrate Dallas, Texas style. Now you know the rumor that sort of goes around about Texans and their bragging. I came to Dallas 62 years ago, so I guess that makes me a real Texan. But it took me 62 years to learn about the art of bragging. I'm a slow learner! But I learned through the years that some Texans are pretty wordy while other Texans are brief with words. For instance, these Texans who are brief with words might welcome you in this manner: Texas, big state. Dallas, big, big city. People, hearts big. Smiles, real. Handclaps, strong and warm like the weather

So since I'm speaking in behalf of our Dallas Metroplex area and all of us in bidding you wonderful people welcome, and I am from Dallas, I can vouch for the big, loving hearts of the Sisters and Brothers in this area, in this state. And I'm going to ask that those of you – I know you've been getting up and down, but one more time. Those of you from the Dallas Metroplex area who have worked diligently and long in preparation for this occasion, as well as these next few days in our wonderful city, will you please stand with me. Now I know there are a lot of you out there. I'm going to ask that you show our guests with your beautiful smiles and your warm clasp of the hand, show these our ones who have come our way how glad we

are to see them and to have them with us. Will you do this? [applause]

Now those of you who have remained seated, welcome, friends. Enjoy and celebrate with us. Thank you. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Sister Millie. All of you are in for a treat if you haven't met this charming Okie that I'm about to introduce. When she answered my request to give the response to the welcome, she said – and I quote – “I accept your offer and shall be thorough, but brief; solemn, but funny; and interesting, I hope,” end quote. You will find her to be all of these, in addition to being articulate, poised and vivacious with a wonderful sense of humor. It's my pleasure to present Mrs. Nancy Tillman, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, who will give the response to the welcome.

MRS. NANCY TILLMAN: It is a pleasure to be here to give the response, and it was my honor to be asked to represent Oklahoma in doing so. I will be brief. Protocol, as Sister Barbara Benton said, has been established by saying Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers All. It is a pleasure to be asked by Sister Alma and Sister Betty, Chairman of this wonderful ball, and especially so to be asked for the first ball in the state of Texas. We do not dance in Oklahoma at our Grand Chapter, but I can tell you there are many fine dancers in Oklahoma. [laughter]

When Sister Alma and I first met, we immediately found very many similar events in our lives which paralleled each other. And when I knew that she also was using the American bald eagle as her symbol, I thought she could not be all that bad! I was using it also, as was the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Oklahoma, Brother Ron Johnston. So there's three that are either fools, or we think alike!

Throughout these past years, visiting with Sister Alma and Brother Richard, I have noticed that they have been serving their Grand Jurisdiction faithfully, and they have served with love, friendship and understanding to all of your members wherever they have been. Their love for our beautiful Order cannot be questioned, for they truly exemplified “Love one another” through all that they came in contact with.

It has been my pleasure to continue our friendship, especially at the Oklahoma/Texas Exchange. And Sister Alma and Brother Richard, it will always be Oklahoma/Texas to me; you say Texas/Oklahoma. Whichever. But we met and we continued our friendship. And we even found that Sister Alma and I might even be related as our ancestors came from the same Southern area and our maiden names were both Brown.

So we visitors here at this General Banquet and first ball of the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas are very happy to be here, and we do look forward to your 115th annual “Freedom's Light” session where you will conduct important business and elect new officers to serve this Grand Jurisdiction for the ensuing year.

Although your year of service is almost over, please remember, dear friends and Sisters and Brothers, that we all stand together; and in doing so as the Order of the Eastern Star membership, we will stand the test of time. And, friends, I look forward to being together with many of you many, many times in the years to come. It has been an honor to be here tonight, and I feel very humble to be asked to respond on behalf of your visitors. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Sister Nancy. You exceeded all my expectations.

And now, Sisters, Brothers, friends and countrymen, this is what you've been waiting for: dinner. But, first, our efficient Ticket Chairman, Mrs. Cynthia Marr, has provided an envelope for each table. Please place your tickets in the envelope, and it will be picked up by her assistant. If there's anyone in the room who has failed to bring their ticket, please raise your hand now, and Cynthia will be happy to bring you a duplicate ticket. Anyone? I guess not. I believe they all brought their tickets. Thank you.

(Dinner was served.)

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Sisters and Brothers, may I have your attention, please. We realize that many of you have not finished eating, but in the interest of time we're going to go ahead with the program. Please continue with your dinner if you have not finished. I know that everyone has enjoyed the beautiful dinner music provided by Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, General Chairman of the Music Committee, and Mrs. Syble Yost, Grand Representative of Vermont in Texas. Please join with me in expressing our appreciation to them. [applause]

Before we go any further, I want to have the Fairmont staff who has served us this evening to come out and be recognized. Nita Palmer is the Catering Manager. Alfredo and the rest of the staff have done a magnificent job. Thank you so much for the excellent service and the wonderful food. You have outdone yourselves in providing for our needs. Our sincere thanks to all of you for your efficient way of serving the dinner. [applause]

Happiness and dedication to the Order and love for the membership are reflected on the lovely face of this next lady. Her presence adds a special brightness to any event when she enters. There's no one who can introduce our distinguished members with the grace and style that she does. It is my pleasure to present Texas' brightest Reflection, Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, our charming, fun-loving Past Grand Matron, who will introduce our distinguished members. [applause]

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. As was said earlier, I think that protocol has been met. So I'm going to not do that, but I want to tell Sister Betty and our Worthy Grand Matron how pleased I am to make the introductions at this General Banquet and Texas' first ball. We're here tonight to have a good time. And with your help I'm going to introduce our great membership, near and far, as quickly as possible.

The leaders of Texas: Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron; Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, and his wife Barbara. Let's thank them. [applause]

As your name is called, would you please stand. The Elective and Installed General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members: Sister Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, and her husband Tom; Sister Rennie Oton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, and her husband Paul; Mary Alice Tate, Worthy Grand Adah of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Arizona. Is Doris here? Doris Wills, Worthy Grand Electa of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Florida; Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman, Appeals & Grievances of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Sister Sherrill R. Cain, Member of the Scottish Rite Language Disorder of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, and her

husband Dr. Bicker Cain; Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron of New York and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Molly Goodpasture, Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Margie McConnell, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Heart Committee, and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, and her husband Warren; Leon Leirer, General Grand Chapter International Temple Committee, and a Past Grand Patron of Missouri, and his wife Betty. Welcome these, please. [applause] Are there any in that category that I missed?

The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Marian Edwards, Worthy Grand Matron of Colorado and her husband James; Nancy Tillman, Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma, and her husband Max. And I want you to know I've been surrounded by Max's on both sides tonight during the dinner-time. Kenneth Blackwell, Worthy Grand Patron of Louisiana; Stewart Apgar III, Worthy Grand Patron of New Mexico; William Owens, Worthy Grand Patron of Oklahoma. Greet this group, please. [applause]

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Helen J. Berry, Past Grand Matron of Kentucky; Michael Berry, Past Grand Patron of Kentucky; Joye Denny, Past Grand Matron of Louisiana; Ginny Vandervest, Past Grand Matron of Minnesota; Sidney Crabb, Past Grand Patron of Arkansas; Louis Duggan, Past Grand Patron of Oklahoma; Edmond Hayes, Past Grand Patron of Louisiana. Greet this group. [applause]

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas: Sisters Lallah Mae Vollus, Mildred Sharpe, Nancy Bailey Allen, Katherine Harbour, Patricia Major Neinast, Joyce Roberts, Elsie Paladino, Betty Phillips Hager, me – these are the Past Grand Matrons. And now Past Grand Patrons: J. T. Sanders; Harold Todd, his wife Cleta; Murray Watson, his wife Greta; Harry G. Cunningham, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, AF&AM, and a Past Grand Patron of Texas. Is that all right, Harry?

MR. CUNNINGHAM: That's fine!

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: And his lovely wife, Barbara; Leland Benefield and his wife Lynda; Billy Combest and his wife Freda; my Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles Morris, and his wife Betty. Please greet this group. [applause]

Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions: Velma Hayes, Associate Grand Conductress of Louisiana; Evelyn Blackwell, Grand Esther of Louisiana; Bonnie Hales, Grand Chaplain of Louisiana – I bet you thought I had forgot you, Buck – J. R. "Buck" Denny, Grand Warder of Louisiana; Lottie Meyering, Grand Chaplain of Oklahoma, and her husband Robert; Donita McCarrell, Grand Adah of Oklahoma; and -- I've got to have some help. Come here, Barbara.

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Gee-Gal-Lee-lee.

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Gee-Gal-Lee-lee Detlefson, Grand Ruth of Oklahoma; Bessie Duggan, Grand Esther of Oklahoma; Bertie Sapp, Grand Martha of Oklahoma; Linda Jordan, Grand Lecturer of Oklahoma, and her husband Darrell. Did I miss anyone in this group? Let's greet them. [applause]

Installed Grand Officers and Elective Boards of Texas: Sister Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron, and her husband Robert; Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary; Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, and her husband Herbert; Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress, and her husband Dr. Charles Bane; Betty Friend,

Associate Grand Conductress, and her husband Jack, Grand Escort and District Chairman of Endowed Membership; Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain; Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal; Sara Rozean, Grand Organist; Beulah Warner, Grand Adah, and her husband Ed; Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth; Mildred Blair, Grand Martha, and her husband Joe, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee; Hazel Smith, Grand Electa; Johnnie Nash Dyer, Grand Warder, and her husband James; Reverend Don Long, Grand Sentinel, and his wife Johnnie; Lola "Peaches" Wallace, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, and her husband Ivan; James Rippey, Board of Grand Trustees, and his wife Thelma; Shirley Jones, Secretary of the Board of Grand Trustees; Patsy Washington, Member, Board of Grand Trustees; Lindsay Pynes, Chairman, Board of Grand Chapter Benevolence, and his wife Robbie; Tom Warner, Secretary, Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolence, and his wife Jimmie; Board of Grand Examiners: Sister Marlene Dibrell, District 1, and her husband David, Defenders of Freedom and the Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Texas; Joyce Ball, District 2; Sharon Fentress, District 3; Karen Morganthaler, District 4; Doris Jean Hester, District 5; Nancy Brown, Grand Examiner-at-Large, and her husband Gayle. Welcome this group, please. [applause]

Now this next group is very, very special. They are our Grand Representatives, and y'all listen carefully - Grand Representatives in other Grand Jurisdictions and Grand Representatives of Texas in other Grand Jurisdictions. Did y'all get all that? Now some of them are in; some of them are of; and some of them are near. So it depends on where you're from. Okay. Here we go. Jo Crabb, Puerto Rico in Arkansas; Mary Ruth Beale, District of Columbia in Oklahoma; Evelina Owen, New Hampshire in Oklahoma; Robert Earl Snapp, Washington in Oklahoma; Richard Darnell, Texas in Arizona; Larry Hudson, Texas in Connecticut, and his wife Dorothy; Alice Swogger, Texas in Indiana, and her husband Gayle; Sandy Driscoll, Texas in Minnesota; Lexie Bond, Texas in Mississippi; Jean Coombes, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in Texas; Calvin Beale, Texas in Oklahoma; Agnes Ledoux, Texas in Pennsylvania; Frances Harvey, Texas in Virginia, and her husband Walter; Louise Norman, Quebec near the Grand Chapter of Texas. Did I miss anybody in that category? Let's welcome this group. [applause]

Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas: Martha Mosele, Arizona in Texas; Betty Stiles, Australia in Texas; Jean Lee, British Columbia and the Yukon in Texas, and her husband O. B., Willie Mae Schumacher, Connecticut in Texas; Connie Autrey, Florida in Texas, and her husband Larry, Defenders of Freedom District 4 Chairman; Bonnie Fay Davis, Indiana in Texas; Forrestine Kothman, Iowa in Texas, and her husband David; Jo Ann Drescher, Maine in Texas, and her husband, Karl; Willie Mae Shaw, Mississippi in Texas; Jackie Culp, Missouri in Texas; Shirley Meerscheidt, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in Texas; Marilyn Knowlton, North Dakota in Texas; Mary Alberts, Pennsylvania in Texas; Georgia Orr, Rhode Island in Texas; Dorothy Roose, South Dakota in Texas; Syble Yost, Vermont in Texas, and her son Robert.

Now listen, Syble, when I got those cards in, I thought you had married on me and not changed your name. So I told her, I said, well, I just threw that card to the side because I knew Syble wasn't married. And she said, but that's my son. I said, okay, we'll take care of it. Edna Wyatt, Virginia in Texas, and her husband Bill; Mary Horton Beach, West Virginia in Texas, and her husband Walt. Did we miss any of our Texas Grand Representatives? Thank you. [applause]

Officers of Grand Chapters, District Deputies and Deputy Grand Matrons: Sandra Perdue, District 1, and her husband Eddie; Jean Hunt, District 3; Gerry Dusek, District 5. Would the Deputy Grand Matrons please join the District Deputies. Let's thank this group. [applause]

Would the Grand Chapter Committees and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron please stand that we may greet you. These are the working committees of our Worthy Grand Matron. Thank each one of you for being here. [applause]

This next group is our very special member: Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector of Texas, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and her husband Herbert, Chairman of the Grand Executive Committee of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Thank you, Mrs. Mills, for being with us. [applause]

Another very special group of Texas: Sister Edna Goette, widow of the late Dr. James Goette, Past Grand Patron; Brother Bill Curry, Home Endowment, and spouse of the late Marcella Curry. Thank you. [applause]

Then we have Kenneth and Juanita Gregory. Kenneth is Defenders of Freedom and Special Friend of our Associate Grand Matron; Juanita is Chapter History Committee, District 4, Section 2. Kenneth, we're looking forward to you and Juanita. Thank you. [applause]

Now we're down to the last group, and this is what the Order of the Eastern Star is all about, particularly in Texas; and that is, our Eastern Star Home. We are pleased to have our Superintendent/Administrator, Ron Johnston. Would you please stand, Ron. [applause]

We would also like to have the residents of the Eastern Star Home, the Masonic Retirement Home and the caregivers that are traveling with them this week to please stand that we might greet you. [applause]

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, and thank you, Master of Ceremonies, for this. I hope I moved through it just as quickly as I possibly could because you know why they took all the silverware and dishes off the table? 'cause they had my monogram on them, and we're fixing to get ready to go to dancing. Now y'all may think that "F" on there stands for Fairmont. Wrong. So y'all just don't take the dishes or the silverware. Thank you. It has been great to be with you. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, my friend Wanda. At this time I would like all those people who helped in any way with this banquet to please stand. Many names are listed on the program, but there's many others who helped, and we want to recognize all of you and show our appreciation for your many hours of hard work. Thank you very much. [applause]

Worthy Grand Matron, I have been asked if it would be permissible for a special presentation to be made to you at this banquet. I, of course, said yes. It's my pleasure to introduce Mr. Henry Martin, our handsome and weary Chairman of the Executive Committee, who will make the presentation. Brother Henry.

MR. HENRY MARTIN: Worthy Grand Matron, would you join me at the podium, please. Worthy Grand Matron, we've been preparing for your Grand Chapter for a while. Those of us who have been working with you have appreciated so much the leadership that you provide. At this time I want to ask the members of the Executive and Arrangements Committees to stand. Would you stand with us? Worthy Grand Matron, these are the people who have been working. And as we prepared for this Grand Chapter, we assembled various items of paraphernalia that we would be using during the next few days. Much of this paraphernalia is owned by the Grand Chapter of Texas, and we have assembled it. But we identified, while

we were doing this, a couple of items that we wanted you to have specially as your own that you could use in your Grand Chapter. We realize it's a little unusual to make this presentation at this time, but because of the timing we wanted you to have it tomorrow when you open your Grand Chapter.

So on behalf of the Executive and Arrangements Committees, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to present you with your own square and compasses. [applause] The inscription on the square reads, "Presented to Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron of Texas, 1996-97, from the Executive and Arrangements Committees." Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I must stop right now and tell you how much I appreciate this. This is the greatest group of people. Whether I was there or not – I didn't get to be there every time they met – but you have worked your hearts out. Your main concern was the membership, and that I appreciated.

And to the Masonic Brethren, this means more to me than you shall ever know. My father was a Past Master five times in his lodge. I have my brother here who is a Mason. I shall never tarnish it, if it's within my ability. I shall cherish it always. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Henry. This gentleman I'm about to introduce is a true example of a Texan: soft-spoken, courtly manners, the perfect gentleman, respected by his peers and all who know him. He has known our Worthy Grand Patron for many years and became even better acquainted when they both served on the Arrangements Committee a few years ago when the Grand Chapter session was held in Amarillo. May I present Mr. James Zink, Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Patron, who will give the tribute to our Worthy Grand Patron.

MR. JAMES ZINK: Thank you, Sister Betty.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Head Table, my Sisters and Brothers: What a privilege is mine tonight to pay tribute to our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs. All government, all business, all organizations, if they're to succeed must have at their helm a great leader. The Order of the Eastern Star is no exception.

Brother Richard, we have found that exceptional leadership in you. The post that you occupy, such a distinguished position of honor and trust, signifies that you manifest those virtues recommended to us by St. Paul: long-suffering, forbearance, charity, trust, hope and love. A good leader must possess certain qualities. First, a great leader must exhibit concern for others. Your work with young men in the Order of DeMolay, your ministry to prison inmates and your dedication to the membership of this great Order demonstrate that you exemplify such concern. A great leader must have courage, courage to do the right thing, to face the challenge of the day, and even if necessary to transmit the dust into stardust.

The gracious way in which you meet adversity and challenge and conquer it with quiet determination demonstrates to the membership of Texas that you are a leader with courage. A great leader must have vision, the ability to dream great dreams in order that tomorrow might be brighter than today. You are such a leader. A great leader must be devoted to right and justice, and to accomplish the tasks that challenge us at every turn. You are such a leader.

A great leader must have faith, faith in himself, faith in his family, faith in his friends, faith in his coworkers, and most of all faith in his God. You are such a

leader. A great leader must give service and impart love. You have given service to this great Order of ours many times at great sacrifice to yourself, and you have given love: love to your God, love to your church, love to your family and love to the membership of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Love and service, have you ever thought that they are words that seem to go together? Neither is complete alone, but together they make up a perfect and beautiful whole. This great Order is founded on the principles of love and service. We follow the precepts of Him whose manger-birth was lighted by the star in the east. The light of love and service transcend even that brightness.

A great leader of our organization must express the teachings of the heroines of our Order: fidelity to the members, constancy to the Order, loyalty to your officers, faith in God and love for one another. Brother Richard, you exemplify these teachings in your life; and you are such a leader. By the superb qualities of leadership which you have exhibited, you have soared on the wings of eagles and have inspired and will continue to inspire the membership of Texas to nobler deeds, kinder thoughts, gentler ways and loving acts.

Brother Richard, we salute you. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, James. This next "Star" – in quotes – is genuinely respected in our Grand Chapter. Her quiet, genteel manner, her kindness and consideration to everyone with whom she comes in contact, her untiring efforts on behalf of the membership, all are attributes of this lovely lady. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I introduce Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman, Appeals and Grievances, General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Texas, who will give the tribute to our Worthy Grand Matron.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. It's a great privilege to be here this evening with these distinguished members saluting our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron. You know, a tribute can be an expression of gratitude. It can be words of appreciation for a gift or for services rendered. This evening there are so many gifts and so many services from our Worthy Grand Matron that the time would not allow us to consider them. Because of the program ahead, Sister Alma, and the fun that is yet to be, there will be only three that will be considered. Now I hope you will follow me.

The first that we'll think to say, "thank you to Alma," for her intense love of her country. All through this year Alma has led us in the spirit of patriotism. Never once in her life has she not felt love for her country. I can remember about five years ago when there was a very happy young marshal named Alma Carter presenting the flag of our country, and as she walked around the square of our Grand Chapter room, on her face was pride and joy and honor as her hands held that flag of our country with reverence and with respect. We'll never forget that gift that you gave to us that day, Alma. Alma has gone beyond what most do in her love for her country. She felt that she could do much for the country by serving her political party. She has worked without pay hours and days and weeks and months in precincts and polling places in the city, in the county and on the state level. When you open your advance report tomorrow and look at page 6, you're going to see something that is a tremendous gift from Alma to Grand Chapter. It is the Senate Resolution No. 705, which was approved May 12th of this year commending our own Alma Carter. Alma, we're very, very proud of you and this gift of your intense love of our country.

The word "intense" in the dictionary has another meaning. We say sincere, and we say earnest. When we speak of faith in God, when we speak of the trust that

we have in God, we'd rather use the words sincere and earnest. But Alma is also intense in her service to God. For so many years as Alma's life has been touched with grief and sorrow and death, her friends have sought to console Alma. But when we have come there with words of consolation, behind a mask of faith and trust in God, Alma has consoled us; and we have left being consoled. Alma, for this gift of your faith and your trust in God, we love you.

Finally, the third gift that she has given us is her fantastic enthusiasm and energy. The plans that she has made for our Grand Chapter this year and the joy that she has felt, she has almost been running along when she saw the success of these projects and plans. You'll find them accounted for in your advance report tomorrow, and we certainly can't go into facts and figures tonight. But I'll tell you, Alma, with your energy and enthusiasm and as fast as you were running in your leadership, it has been a hard job for Richard to run along behind and the rest of us to follow, because as fast as Alma can think of these projects and plans, they would be developed. The pursuit, the joy that she has felt has come home to her. And tomorrow and in the days of this session, as you watch Alma and her face as she realizes the success of this Grand Chapter and its plans, you will say thank you, Alma, for the gift of your intensity, your sincerity, your love of God, and thank you for planning so well for our Grand Chapter. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: It has been said that you give little when you give of your possessions. It's when you give of yourself that you truly give. This fine gentleman has truly given of himself to the Grand Chapter, as well as to the Grand Lodge. Other words which describe him are: loving husband and father, a fine Christian, a true and faithful Mason and a loyal and devoted member of Eastern Star. Brother Joseph Regian, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, could not return to Dallas from Washington, D.C., in time to attend this General Banquet, but he has sent one of the most wonderful gentlemen in the whole Grand Lodge and in the Grand Chapter. It's my honor and privilege to present Brother Harry Cunningham, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas and Past Grand Patron of Texas. [applause]

MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Sister Betty. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Head Tables, my Sisters and Brothers, and most of all, my friends: It's good to be here tonight to represent our Grand Master of Masons in Texas, Most Worshipful Joseph W. Regian, who as you heard Betty say, was still in Washington, D.C. I had the privilege of spending the last four days with our Grand Master in Washington. Barbara and I got back yesterday. He will be back in town tomorrow night, and I know he will be here Saturday evening for the Installation.

I would like to take this privilege. We have some great lovers of the Order of the Eastern Star here tonight who are Grand Lodge Officers. Would those three or four Grand Lodge Officers please stand. Tommy, you can stand too. This is Brother David Dibrell, who is the Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Texas, and his wife Marlene. This is Brother Right Worshipful Alan Tull, who is District Deputy Grand Master of 14C, and his wife Janeva, Right Worshipful Tommy Griffin, Committee on Work, and his wife Vi. And Right Worshipful Donny Broughton, District Deputy Grand Master, District 8, and his wife Susie. It's good that you're here. These are great Eastern Star members, these four Brothers, I can assure you. [applause]

I heard a good story while in Washington, and I think we need a laugh right now. We've had enough introductions and we've had enough other things. There was this prospector that had been out prospecting for several months in a far-away desert in California. Across the way one day he saw a cowboy coming on his horse. The

cowboy rode up to him and spoke to him, and he said – this prospector had his mule there loaded with all type of tools and what have you. And this cowboy said, “Sir, have you ever danced?”

I notice the Nobles are ready back there on the dais tonight. He said, “No, sir, Mr. Cowboy, I’ve never danced in my life.”

He said, “It’s about time you learned.” So he pulled out his six-shooter and started shooting at his feet, and he danced, danced, danced. Pretty soon the cowboy ran out of bullets and the shooting stopped. Well, the prospector reached on the back of his mule and pulled out a shotgun and pointed it at the cowboy and said, “Have you ever kissed a mule?”

And the cowboy looked at the shotgun and said, “No, sir, but I always wanted to.” [laughter]

I’m glad, and I know our Grand Master is glad, being a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. We’ve had a great year. The Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron have had a great year, and I can assure you they have worked hard. I’ve run across them in many, many places. You look good to me tonight! I haven’t seen some of you this year or last year or the year before – three years now – and one more year and 59 days is all we have left as Deputy Grand Master. I may not be Grand Master after that, but anyway there is always a possibility that the Brothers choose to get rid of me. But our Grand Master I know is anxiously looking towards Grand Lodge, and I want to invite you to Grand Lodge. I know he would want me to invite you, especially you Brethren, to attend the 162nd – I believe – session of Grand Lodge in the State of Texas.

To our visitors who are visiting with us this day, we welcome you to Grand Lodge. We’re glad you chose to come to Texas, the greatest state in the union, let me tell you. [applause] I express that for some 144,000 Masons in this state, and I know they’re happy to have you here. I know our Grand Master is happy to have you here and to spend some of your money.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege. We welcome all of you to this session of the Grand Chapter. And I know, Worthy Grand Matron, you’re going to have a great Grand Session. If there’s any way that we can help you or any of the visitors here while you’re traveling through our state, we’ll be happy to do so if you’ll call upon us. Thank you very much, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Brother Harry. It is with great pride that I make this introduction. This lovely lady has served our Order with dignity and great distinction. To say that her’s has been a total commitment is an understatement. Her continuing service to our Order is an inspiration to all of us. She has given so much assistance and encouragement to so many through the years, I am pleased to present Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas, who will bring greetings from General Grand Chapter.

MRS. RENNIE OFTON: Thank you, Betty. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members all: I’m privileged to bring you greetings from General Grand Chapter. First of all, though, I would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron on behalf of your honorees for this very lovely banquet and for the privilege of being a part of this very special event. Thank you, Alma.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron is in Utah. Our Most Worthy Grand Patron is in Quebec. But I’m sure they would want me to bring greetings to each of you.

They have visited our Grand Jurisdiction before and always had a good time. They want to come back to Texas. So maybe after this year – especially October, I think we have 1500 more or less Grand Jurisdictions meeting during October, so they have a hard time getting around to all of them. So they are out running around during October. But maybe they'll come back and see us.

Sisters and Brothers, you are a member of a wonderful organization. We stretch worldwide, and when I say stretch, I mean that we do things right here in Dallas that go all around the world. Your ESTARL dollar that you give here may be on a missionary field in Africa. It may be in a village in South America. It's a wonderful feeling to know that a dollar I had might not do anything by itself, but because of the Order of the Eastern Star, it will do something. We do give a lot to dread disease research throughout the world. I wish we had time for you to hear about some of the wonderful research projects going on throughout the United States on Eastern Star money.

This past biennium we have worked an awful lot with the Learning Center for Children. What a wonderful privilege we had to be a part of something to help children gain their respect and self-assurance. These are the things that you and I do because we are members of the Order of the Eastern Star. This past biennium we've had new chapters; we've had new chapters in Austria, in Monterrey. We had four new chapters in Rio de Janeiro. We've had some inquiries from Guatemala, Peru, Italy. And, Sisters and Brothers, these are requested by Masons because they have seen our Eastern Stars, and they know our purpose is pure and that we want to be the helpmates to our Masonic Fraternity. We are very lucky. And I hope that if I leave any message with you tonight at all, it would be: Be proud of your Eastern Star membership. Be proud to be a part of General Grand Chapter and its workings.

By the way, how many of you are going to General Grand Chapter this year? Ole! Thank you so much for each person this evening. And just know that we love all of you. And whether we meet and greet in Texas, in Oklahoma, in Pennsylvania, in Nova Scotia, we are sisters and brothers, and God blesses us with this wonderful, wonderful privilege. Thank you very much. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Rennie, our radiant Red Bird. Our Worthy Grand Patron has an unexcelled love for our Order. He loves everything about it. He loves the membership; he loves the OES Home; he loves the ladies, our Regal Eagles. He is active in his chapter, in his lodge, in DeMolay, in his church and in his community. His wonderful sense of humor and his dedication and service to our Order have endeared him to the membership of Texas. It's a privilege to introduce Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, fantastic evening your chairman and her committees have had for us tonight. Because of the time I'm not going through all of those introductions. I'm just going to say: Sisters and Brothers, welcome. Love y'all. Because if I did go through all of those different groups, there would be no way; I'd overrun my time, and at times a little too much time. There are a few Sisters and Brothers that includes long ties. And most of them would not fit just in our Sister and Brother category. So some of us who would be listed up there right now, we need to return to the ranks, to the bearers of burdens, and I look forward to that opportunity to share with some of my Sisters and Brothers.

Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma, my Master of Ceremonies or my Worthy Grand Matron didn't say to me, say something. But I will make an effort to. Brother

James, thanks for the tribute. It's a little flowery for Richard, but I appreciate it. My Grand Pages and both drivers this weekend – James' wife is really being a personal page to me to help me while they get things delivered and get back in line, then she relinquishes the duties.

I believe Jesus wants us to enjoy life and be caregivers. Hebrews is believed to have been authored by Paul by many theologians. It states in Hebrews 13:1 and 2, keep on loving each other as sisters and brothers. It didn't have the sisters in there, but some of us realize that brothers in those days meant humanity. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. I certainly agree with that.

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Sisters and Brothers, ladies and gentlemen, I'm going to say this before the Worthy Grand Matron speaks: I want you to be sure and stay and dance to the beautiful music by George Cowand and the Nobles of Note. If you don't want to dance, then just stay and listen to the wonderful music they have for you. Please do go by and thank this fine group of musicians from Hella Temple. They give of their time and their talents with no remuneration. Any amount they receive for their musical engagements is donated to the Shriners' hospitals. Please join in extending our genuine appreciation for their services. [applause]

Our charming and vivacious leader is known for her keen sense of humor, her quick wit and her loving heart. Her years of service, dedication, her leadership and her many contributions are deeply appreciated by the membership of Texas. Her strength and courage have been an inspiration to all of us this year. It is with pleasure that I present Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, who will bring greetings to this membership.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Betty, Master of Ceremonies and my good friend. Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Head Tables, my wonderful Sisters and Brothers: How grateful I am for this evening, for all the beautiful, kind words that Dr. Effie Mae Davis said about me and everyone else that has addressed me, I thank you. I do not feel deserving, but I thank you. We get inspiration from you when we fill these stations and stand before you. Those who will follow, those whom we follow give us inspiration. They give us love; they give us guidance, and they certainly give us words of encouragement. Effie Mae, that was the most beautiful tribute that I have ever heard. I thank you, my loving friend.

To each one of you – I'm not going to keep you long because we're going to have a party – but there's no way I can thank this membership for their kindness, their generosity, their outpouring of love, their finances this year for the projects we have chosen. Sister Nancy, they have been great to me as I know yours in Oklahoma have.

There was a kite flying high in the air. The one who was flying this kite was asked why is that kite flying, by a small child. He said, "I am flying the kite. I built it; I colored it, and it is mine. I can make it fly." God said, "I sent the wind. I put the kite in the air. I fly the kite." The tail of the kite said, "The kite couldn't fly without my help. It couldn't fly without my guidance. I fly the kite."

Sisters and Brothers, the Grand Chapter of Texas this year could not have gone forward, could not have flown -- would not have existed without each one of us. God was in us, the one who made us was in us; the one who guided us was in us. It took all of us to lead, to guide and to follow this year.

Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, and our wonderful guests. How pleased we are to have you here. You also help us fly the kite. You give us inspiration. You

give us your love; you give us your support that causes each one of us to fly as a group. We cannot do it alone.

So thank you, each one who has come here this evening, each one who has given this year to fly our kite. God bless you. Have a wonderful evening, and may your kites never fall to the ground. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. This gentleman is well known to the membership of Texas for his dedication and service not only to Eastern Star, but to the Appendant Masonic Bodies as well. He is a Baptist minister and serves as doorkeeper of the Texas Senate. His infectious laugh, his wonderful sense of humor and his quiet efficiency have been invaluable this year. May I present Reverend Don Long, Grand Sentinel, who will pronounce the benediction.

REV. DON LONG: Would you just remain seated and hold the hand of the person next to you. Supreme Grand Master of the Heaven and Earth: We come before Your throne of grace, first of all, to thank You for this great country in which we live. We thank You for those people who in past years have given the ultimate sacrifice that we might enjoy the freedoms that we have this day. We would ask that You bless our President, the Governor of our State, our Lieutenant Governor, those people in our Legislative Bodies.

Father, tonight we pray and we thank You for the homes that are represented here. May we indeed live out the tenets that we have learned in Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star in our homes. And, Father, we thank You for this Worthy Grand Matron and this Worthy Grand Patron. We thank You that You have kept them safe this year; You have kept them and strengthened them in their times of difficulties and problems. You have brought joy to their hearts as we have sought to reach out to them in love.

And now, Father, we pray that in the next few days as we visit with the people in the City of Dallas, that we might indeed be a good witness of Your love and Your grace. And now we pray that You'd go with us and give us a good night's rest that we might be ready for the challenges of tomorrow. This we ask and pray in the name of Him Whose Name is above every name, our coming King, our coming Lord, amen.

MRS. BETTY PRATER: Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, ladies, gentlemen, friends, for coming this evening. Now we invite you to enjoy the beautiful music of the Nobles of Note.

And now, come on, let's dance!

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PROCEEDINGS

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

115TH ANNUAL

“FREEDOM’S LIGHT” SESSION

The 115th Grand Chapter session entitled “Freedom’s Light” was held in the Dallas Convention Center, Dallas, Texas. Displayed in the East was a large American flag against a backdrop of royal blue with the legend “God Bless the USA.” The stage and stations of Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress were carpeted in blue. The floor level in front of the stage was a three-yard wide runner of red, white and blue. On this runner, stage left, was a cutout of the Statue of Liberty; stage right was a cutout of Uncle Sam. Ten large pots of live ferns were on the floor along with four large white baskets containing flower arrangements of red, white and blue carnations interspersed with small American flags. Two columns holding ferns were stage center, and between them was a large golden bald eagle. Large pots of yellow miniature mums, ceramic bald eagles and two arrangements of small American flags were displayed at the front of the stage. For the Worthy Grand Matron’s and Worthy Grand Patron’s relaxing pleasure, red easy chairs were provided on stage.

Wooden straight-back arm chairs with ivory-colored upholstery were provided for each station. The dark wooden, ornately carved pedestals at the stations of the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress were adorned with a carved bald eagle. Star Point pedestals were a light-colored wood on the top of which was a gold bell with the handle in the shape of an eagle.

The stations of the Grand Line Officers had a small white picket fence behind them with flower arrangements of red, white and blue and greenery festooned with small American flags. Streamers of red, white and blue were draped around the first two levels of seating in the arena.

The Altar was glass and light-colored wood, which was just a top, bottom and four supports. Lying on the bottom were two American flags with an illuminated gold bald eagle perched in the center of the flags.

The nighttime dresses for the Lady Officers were predominantly red with gauzy see-through long sleeves with a cuff of blue sparkles banded in white, a full layered skirt with a vest-like effect of red sparkles with blue sparkles around the top and bottom of the vest and banded in white. Lady Pages wore dresses of the same pattern, but theirs were white with accents of bright sparkles. Gentlemen Officers and their Pages were handsomely attired in black tuxedos.

Daytime dress for the Lady Officers was a full skirt made of navy print with a tier at the bottom of navy and red print alternating with a flag print; a jacket made of a flag-and-eagle print and sleeves made of the same navy and red print as in the skirt; a sash belt and a white blouse. The Gentlemen Officers wore gray trousers, navy sportcoat, white shirt with a flag-print tie.

CEREMONIAL OPENING
Thursday Afternoon Session
October 9, 1997
“I WILL MAKE OF YOU A GREAT NATION”

12:00 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Joyce Gilbert
 General Chairman, Music Committee

Mrs. Hortense “Jackie” Culp
 Grand Representative of Missouri in Texas

Master of Ceremonies Mrs. Katherine Harbour
 Past Grand Matron

Assisting Grand Marshal Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast
 Past Grand Matron

MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR: To Dallas with love and beautiful, beautiful memories, our host for the “Freedom’s Light” Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, this the 115th annual meeting. Welcome to you, to all of you. In beginning we assemble in “Freedom’s Light.” God’s first gift to us was light, and then He gave to you, to me the right of choice. This is freedom. He provided the way. It extends over the broad plains before us. Ahead we can find hope, faith, truth. We can make justice and equality a practice in life. A fellowship with God and love for our fellowman was God’s plan. We are free to walk in it or to reject it, but each choice has a consequence. In beginning God said to Abram, “Go to the land which I will show you, and I will make of you a great nation.” How appropriate that this first session is honored with the name of this promise of God. May it always be said of the United States of America.

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the Elective and Installed Officers of General Grand Chapter to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the visiting General Grand Chapter Committee Members to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort Texas’ own General Grand Chapter Committee Members to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort our visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort our visiting Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort Texas’ own beloved Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. [applause as they come to the East]

We will now have the presentation of Texas’ Installed Grand Officers and the Fraternal Correspondent. Fraternal Correspondent, Mrs. Ethel Powell, escorted by Mr. Harry F. Powell; the Grand Sentinel, Mr. Don R. Long, escorted by Mrs. Johnnie Long; Mrs. Johnnie Dyer, Grand Warder, escorted by Mr. James W. Dyer; Mrs. Hazel Smith, Grand Electa, escorted by Mr. Forrest Smith; Mrs. Mildred Blair, Grand

Martha, escorted by Mr. Joe Blair; Mrs. Barbara Ochs, Grand Esther, escorted by Mr. Dwayne Masserang; Mrs. Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth, escorted by Mr. John Creel; 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. Jim Hayes; Mrs. Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain, escorted by Mr. Donald Prater; Mrs. Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress, escorted by Mr. Jack Friend; Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress, escorted by Dr. Charles W. Bane; Mrs. Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer, escorted by Mr. Herbert Wilson; Mrs. Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary, escorted by Mr. H. F. Tull; 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.

In just a few moments we are going to have a flag ceremony, and I would like to give you a brief background of the gentlemen and ladies that are to take part in this. Reverend Billy Combest served in the United States Navy, serving on a seaplane, VP-50, in two tours of duty in the Korean Conflict. Mrs. Nell Smith, District 5 Secretary, served in the Women's Air Force during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the United States Air Force Band. She had the honor of marching in the inaugural parade for President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Mrs. Syble Yost, Grand Representative of Vermont in Texas, was in the Women's Army Corps. She was a medical technician in orthopedic surgery in station hospitals during the Korean Conflict. Mr. Gayle Brown served his country with honor and retired after twenty-two years with the United States Air Force. Mr. Forrest Smith, Chairman of the Defenders of Freedom Committee, served in the United States Navy in the UDT Special Forces, now known as the Navy Seals.

I am pleased to present Reverend Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron, who will present the flag of the United States of America. [Singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by Mrs. Sharon Harbison, Grand Soloist, District 4.]

A group of Past Grand Patrons of the Grand Chapter of Texas will present the other flags: the Canadian flag, Mr. Wayne Jones; the Texas flag, Mr. Charles Morris; the Christian flag, Mr. Garland Rattan; the Eastern Star flag, Mr. Oliver B. Chamberlin.

I am pleased to present Mrs. Joyce Roberts, Past Grand Matron, who will bring the dedication to our symbols of strength and freedom.

MRS. JOYCE ROBERTS: The word America makes us think of our country, from the eastern seaboard to the beautiful coast of the west; from the frozen tundra of the Arctic Circle to the warm shores of the southern United States. Within this nation God has blessed us with majestic mountains, rolling green hills and a vast beauty. Most of all, He has blessed us with a rich heritage of people of strength, courage and love, people with love of our country, our freedoms and our God. The Worthy Grand Matron chose the eagle as her emblem, and the flag as a symbol of a nation and its principles of freedom and liberty. The eagle shows us a skyward form of strength and freedom; it carries us to enchanted places and a magic look at the earth we can all relate to: the blue skies, billowy white clouds and colors only we can imagine. Its home is the beautiful world of God's creation as it glides across the sky and soars to magnificent heights and returns to his lofty, treetop castle. Its freedom becomes our freedom as we watch it soar beyond our vision as it bridges the heights between the world of man and the land of the great spirit.

The birth of our flag, like the birth of our nation, was conceived in the idea of liberty and justice for all. It represents freedom of our country, not only in America,

but around the world. In our flag we see the unity of a great nation. We see the strength and powers, as well as the freedom that has been fought and died for in this great country. The flag speaks to each of us as it passes by, unfurled and waving in the breeze. It brings tears of joy and pride as we each think upon what it means to us and what it means to one who fought and died for it, and what it symbolized. "And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR: I am pleased to present Mr. Henry Martin, Executive Committee Chairman for 1996-1997 of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Mr. Martin will present the welcome to Dallas.

MR. HENRY MARTIN: Sisters and Brothers, one year ago in Beaumont our most Elegant Eagle, Mrs. Alma Carter, and our number one Windwalker, Brother Richard Ochs, lifted off and began their flight across the width and breadth of this great state of Texas. It is my pleasure to report to you that they have landed in Dallas today to open this 115th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas. It is on their behalf that I extend to each and every one of you a most heartfelt welcome to Dallas. We hope that your stay is pleasant, enjoyable, productive. Let me say to you that if there is anything that we can do for your comfort or convenience, please contact any member of the Arrangements or Executive Committee, and we'd be most happy to help out.

Once more, let me welcome you to Dallas, Texas, for this 115th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Thank you. [applause]

MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR: I am pleased to present the Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, for greetings to this Grand Chapter of Texas, Mr. Harry Cunningham. [applause]

MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Sister Katherine. Good evening. How great you look, all of you. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers all: How good it is to be in Big D, isn't it? I know that this has been a day that our Worthy Grand Matron has looked forward to for 365 days. And I know that this will be an outstanding, as always, Grand Chapter. I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Texas, Joe Regian, who could not be here today. He's in Washington, D. C. I had the privilege of being with him up until Tuesday, and I came home. I had enough of D.C. He sends his regrets that he could not be here due to a previous commitment he has there. But he said to be sure and tell the Sisters and Brothers and the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron that he wished for them the best Grand Chapter ever in the Grand Chapter of Texas.

I know that you have already – many of you – enjoyed the festivities of this Grand Chapter before it ever opened. We had a lovely banquet last night. I told a joke. I think I'll tell it again. Do you want to hear it or not? [applause] There was this prospector out in the middle of a desert in California. He and his old mule were loaded down with his working tools and another item or two. And across the way he saw a cowboy coming up on the horizon. The cowboy finally got to him, greeted him and said, "Mr. Prospector, have you ever danced?"

He says, "No, never."

He said, "Well, it's time you learned." So he pulled his six-shooter, shot around his feet, and he was jiggling around. And after he shot his last shot, the prospector

reached up on the back of his mule and pulled a shotgun out and pointed it at the cowboy. He said, "Cowboy, have you ever kissed a mule?"

And the cowboy looked at the gun and looked at the prospector and the mule, and he said, "No, but I always wanted to."

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you so much for the privilege of allowing Grand Lodge – I speak for some 144,000 Masons – many of you are here; and we're glad you're here to support the Eastern Star. It's a great relationship I feel between the Masons and the Eastern Star of this state. I hope and pray it will stay that way for many, many – always – years to come. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege. And in 58 days, if the Brothers see fit, you'll have a new Grand Master, but we've had a great Grand Master this year. Most Worshipful Master Joe Regian has done a wonderful job. He's from this area, and I know, Sister Alma, he is sure sorry he could not be here today. Thank you so much, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

MRS. KATHERINE HARBOUR: Thank you, Mr. Cunningham. Also a Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

I am pleased to introduce Mrs. Mildred Sharpe, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

At this time we will have the presentation of the Bible by Mr. Stinson, the son of the Worthy Grand Matron. Mr. Michael Stinson. The presentation of the Square and Compasses by Mr. Bruce Brown, a Past Patron of Amigo Chapter No. 76, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the brother of the Worthy Grand Matron. The presentation of the Bible marker by Mrs. Donna Hill, Associate Conductress of North Fort Worth Chapter 684, the niece of the Worthy Grand Matron.

I am pleased to ask Mrs. Mildred Sharpe, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, to call this Grand Chapter to order. I am pleased to present to you the gavel.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: Thank you, Sister Katherine Harbour, Master of Ceremonies, the Lady of Excellence who presided over our "Drama of Excellence" Session in 1973.

Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers, the Worthy Grand Matron has accorded me, assisted by my good friend and Brother, Dr. O. D. Christian, Past Grand Patron, the honor of calling to order the ritualistic, ceremonial opening of the 115th "Freedom's Light" session of our Grand Chapter. We do thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, not only for this privilege, but for the opportunity to greet our membership. You have been beautifully and adequately welcomed. We add a personal note of welcome to the distinguished members of our General Grand Chapter, our visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions, our own delegates and members of this Grand Chapter. Dallas is indeed pleased to host the "Freedom's Light" session. Beautiful memories flood our hearts. It was forty years ago that the 75th "Diamond Reflections" Session was held in the then brand new Dallas Convention Center in 1957. Dallas has been host to many sessions with each one adding its own glory, its own color, its own hue of service. And such has it been under the capable – very capable leadership of Mrs. Alma Carter and Mr. Richard Ochs serving as Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Alma our Worthy Grand Matron, of this "Life, Liberty and Pursuit of Happiness" year of 1996-97.

Brother O. D., I know that the membership would love to hear from you.

DR. O. D. CHRISTIAN: Thank you, Sister Millie, for this introduction to opening this afternoon's session. Some twenty-one years ago I walked out of the east with my bride, and we went home to move from the Dallas area to central Texas. These twenty-one years have been some of the most enriching part of our ministries. We are deeply grateful for the friendships that we've made in District 1, Section 6. Because of your love of having elected this unworthy servant twenty-two years ago in Houston, I was privileged to serve this Grand Chapter session. I am grateful today, as always, for the movement of utilizing our youth in the experiencing of the things of this Grand Chapter session. And so it is today that I greet you in the name of Him whose star we follow in the east. Thank you, Sister Mildred, for these few words that I have shared with the membership.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: And now, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, may the glory and beauty of His love enfold you in His care; as you begin the deliberations of this Grand Chapter. And with the assistance of Brother O. D. Christian, we are especially pleased to call to order this Thursday afternoon ceremonial opening of the 115th "Freedom's Light" Session of our Grand Chapter.

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, Brother Harry Cunningham, brings our invocation. Brother Harry.

MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM: May we stand. As we stand before our Holy Father today, may we all be reminded of His kindness, His goodness and the many blessings He has shared with each one of us. Shall we pray.

Holy Merciful God, we have so much to be thankful for as American citizens. We thank You this day that we are permitted to be in a land where we can meet in Dallas, Texas, free of any harm, free to meet as we choose as Eastern Star members. Those that have come to visit with us from other parts of this great nation, we give thanks that You have seen fit to have them here with us. We ask Thy richest blessings upon them and all assembled here today. Help us to realize our shortcomings and our down fallings and help us to be ever thankful of Your blessings to us each day that we're permitted to travel on this old earth.

Father, we thank You for the members of this organization. We thank You for the service that Sister Alma Carter and Brother Richard Ochs have given to this organization in the jurisdiction of Texas this year, and each Officer that has served with them, we give thanks for their service. And, Father, I know that our Worthy Grand Matron would first thank You for each chapter that makes up this Grand Jurisdiction whereby we are permitted to have a Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, in the State of Texas. Father, thank You, thank You, thank You for Your blessings this day.

And, Father, as we go forward in this Grand Session, we pray that You will be ever near unto the leaders. Help them help us to make the right decision that would be pleasing to You, that would glorify our fellowman, but most of all, glorify You for what You mean to each one of us and what You would have us to do. Father, lead and guide us. Forgive us again where we fail You so many times. Thank You for having a forgiving heart. Father, we give You praise for every blessing. In Thy Holy Name we pray this day, amen.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: Now, Sisters and Brothers, we will hear the

partial report of the Credentials Committee. Mrs. Lorrie Faith-Owens.

MRS. LORRIE FAITH-OWENS: Past Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: This is a partial report of the Credentials Committee for the Grand Chapter of Texas for October 9th, 1997. The Credentials Committee is pleased to report that we have Chapter Representatives of more than 200 Texas chapters in attendance. This constitutes a quorum to open this Texas Grand Chapter and transact its business. I move that this partial report be adopted.

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: The motion has been made and seconded that we adopt the partial report of the Credentials Committee. Do you have any questions? All in favor of the motion, signify by the usual voting sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Lorrie.

And now, Sisters and Brothers, we look forward each year to our Grand Floor Officers and their Pages' drill. Assisting Grand Marshal, will you escort our Floor Officers to the west to prepare for this presentation.

I believe that all is in readiness now. Proudly I present Mrs. Joyce Fields, our vivacious Grand Marshal, in "This is my Country" drill. [applause following drill]

Our membership has certainly expressed their deep appreciation for this super presentation of "This is my Country," drill. We thank you, Grand Marshal, our Floor Officers and Personal Pages. Tremendous! [applause]

And now, Sisters and Brothers, just bear with us for a few moments while preparations are made for the ritualistic ceremonial opening of our Grand Chapter.

I believe that all is in readiness, and I invite the Worthy Grand Patron, the Associate Grand Patron and the Associate Grand Conductress to enter the Grand Chapter room. And the Grand Organist. Sorry about that!

Worthy Grand Patron, with pleasure I present you the gavel for the ritualistic ceremonial opening of our 115th "Freedom's Light" Session. Welcome.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you. All you who are not members of the Order of the Eastern Star will please retire.

[Ritualistic ceremonial opening]

MRS. MILDRED SHARPE: I proudly present Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, and Mr. Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. Please join me in saluting them with the Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.]

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

I now declare this "I Will Make of You a Great Nation" Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, open. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Grand Sentinel, you are directed to see that the doors of this Chapter are closed and permit no interruptions. Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Sister Grand Marshal, you will present the flag of our country.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: You will join me in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. [Pledge of Allegiance given in unison.]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I'm sorry, we did not have our Flag Song. My fault! Let's have our opening ode, "God Bless America." Thank you, Brother Bill. [Singing of "God Bless America."] Thank you, Bill. That's number one!

Worthy Grand Patron, Elective and Appointed Officers of General Grand Chapter, General Grand Chapter Committees, Distinguished Members and Guests of other Grand Jurisdictions, Sisters and Brothers of the Order of the Eastern Star: As we open this 115th session of the Grand Chapter, it has been both my honor and privilege to serve as Worthy Grand Matron of Texas. You, the membership, have been there in both my times of joy and sorrow. Your warm hearts and kind words have given me both courage and hope. Thank you for that.

Sister Katherine Harbour, thank you for being Master of Ceremonies this afternoon. You have always been my ideal of what a dedicated member of the Order of the Eastern Star should be. When I served as your Deputy Grand Matron, you set an example of dignity and grace for each one of us to follow. I hope that I may have absorbed a small portion of the things you taught and represented. Again, I thank you for accepting the Master of Ceremonies for me.

Brother Harry Cunningham, Past Grand Patron and Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, thank you for being here and bringing our invocation. Your dedication and service to this Order and to the Grand Lodge of Texas speaks for itself. There has never been a place of service too simple or too exalted for you to give your best. You and Barbara are very dear to me. Thank you, my friend, Brother Harry.

To Sister Patricia Major Neinast, thank you for serving as our Assisting Grand Marshal. One year ago you served as Installing Grand Marshal, and you have brought me full circle. You served as my Grand Marshal at that time. Thank you for the grace and beauty you bring to our floor work. For your kindness always to me, I thank you.

My friend, Dr. Effie Mae Davis, thank you for bringing our benediction at the close of this afternoon's session. Thank you for your friendship and your love through the years. You are a special lady.

Sister Joyce Roberts, thank you for your dedicating my symbols of freedom and strength. I served as your Poet Laureate, and how happy I was to serve in that wonderful place. Your grace and beauty has always been a joy to me, and I thank you for your loving friendship.

To those Sisters and Brothers who presented our flags, my thanks to each of you. Your presentation was moving and heartwarming. Thank you for putting us in the proper mode for the 1996-97 "Freedom's Light" Session.

My friend, Sharon Harbison, your wonderful rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner" was so lovely. Thank you once again for singing it for me and for this membership. Thank you, my sweet Sharon.

Mrs. Mildred Sharpe, my Sister and my friend, it is my great pleasure to have you call this "I Will Make of You a Great Nation" Session to order here in your own

home city of Dallas. As the Master of Ceremonies at my installation one year ago, you guided my every footstep, and I thank you for that as well as this day, the opening of my Grand Chapter session. Thank you, Millie.

My friend, Brother O. D. Christian, thank you for sharing with Sister Millie in opening this session. Your home chapter in this city has had much to be thankful for in your service and love through the years. You and Sister Frances are very special in my life.

Worthy Grand Patron, I know you want to thank Sister Millie and Brother O. D.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Mildred Sharpe, Brother O. D. Christian, thank you for your participation and assistance in starting this 115th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, along with those who were working with you. Thank you very much, Sister Millie; thank you very much, Brother O. D.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We are honored with the presence of many distinguished members. Thank you for coming to Dallas to attend this "Freedom's Light" Session. Sisters Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the Elective and Appointive Officers of General Grand Chapter at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to introduce these General Grand Chapter Elective and Floor Officers: Sister Barbara Benton, Chairman, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: What an honor it is for me to welcome you to this session. Sister Barbara Benton, how pleased I am to have you at this special time. You have always been so very wonderful to me. Thank you. Sister Rennie, how proud we are of you in Texas. You're always so very faithful and wonderful to this membership. What a joy it is for me to welcome each one of you to the Grand Chapter of Texas in Dallas. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these special ones to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in according these two beautiful ladies Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.] They will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Committee Members of General Grand Chapter. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the General Grand Chapter Committee Members at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my privilege to introduce the General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Sisters Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Appeals & Grievances and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Margie McConnell, Chairman, Heart Committee, and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; E. Leon Leier, International Temple Committee and a Past Grand Patron of Missouri; Sherrill R. Cain, Scottish Rite Childhood Language Disorder and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Mary Brown, Ambassador for the Most Worthy Grand Matron in New York and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We know you have represented our Most Worthy Grand Matron all over the world these past three years. Your years of service to our Order have been many. Thank you for coming to this Grand Chapter of Texas for the 115th "Freedom's Light" Session. I know you're getting ready to go to Orlando

next month. That makes us appreciate your presence even more. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these beautiful people to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, join me in saluting these General Grand Chapter Committee Members with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are pleased 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 the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my privilege to introduce the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Honey Kesterson, Worthy Grand Matron of Arkansas; Nancy J. Tillman, Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Brothers Kenneth Blackwell, Worthy Grand Patron of Louisiana; Stewart A. Apgar, Worthy Grand Patron of New Mexico; Bill Owen, Worthy Grand Patron of Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: My friends and my co-workers, how wonderful to have you join the Worthy Grand Patron and me, as well as our Texas membership, for this "Freedom's Light t' session. We welcome you with much love and esteem for your service as you lead your Grand Chapters. Welcome to Texas.

Worthy Grand Patron, I know you want to welcome our co-workers.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of really nearby Grand Chapters: It is a great pleasure to welcome you to Big D, Dallas, Texas. It has been my privilege to become personally acquainted with several of you this past year. There are a couple of you whom I do not know real well, and I very much look forward to getting better acquainted. Thank you for joining us in Dallas for 'Texas' Grand Chapter.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, please join me in saluting these Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I have the pleasure of introducing these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Marian Edwards, Past Grand Matron of Colorado; Helen J. Berry, Past Grand Matron of Kentucky; Gladys Stockton Allison, Past Grand Matron of Louisiana; Joye Denny, Past Grand Matron of Louisiana; Ginny Vandervest, Past Grand Matron of Minnesota; Wanda Kimbrell, Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Brothers Sidney Crabb, Past Grand Patron of Arkansas; Michael E. Berry, Past Grand Patron of Kentucky; Edmond Hays, Past Grand Patron of Louisiana; Louis Duggan, Past Grand Patron of Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons

of other Grand Jurisdictions, I extend to you a loving Big D and Texas Grand Chapter welcome.

*To each of you, we say howdy.
We're not always so very rowdy.
We have great class in our tux and gown.
Then again, we can be encouraged to let our hair down.*

Thank you for coming to Texas. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, please join me and welcome these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions and salute them with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is with Texas pride that I introduce our very own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: Sisters Lallah Mae Vollus; Molly Goodpasture, Special Friend to the Most Worthy Grand Matron; Mildred Sharpe; Nancy Bailey Allen; Katherine Harbour; Patricia Major Neinast; Joyce Roberts; Lena Maye Cook; Elise Hammack; Lois Bell; Elsie Paladino; Jean Nesbitt; Doris Efird; Betty Phillips Hager; Jane Gregory; Virginia Lynn Green; Wanda Fairchild; Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matrons; and Brothers J. T. Sanders, Harold Todd, Dr. O. D. Christian, Oliver B. Chamberlin, Ralph Davis, Wayne P. Jones, B. F. Hutson, Harry G. Cunningham, Joe E. Jeffers, Garland W. Rattan, Leland G. Benefield, Charles Morris, Billy H. Combest, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: This is a privilege that I thought would never be mine. To stand in this place and welcome you to our own session is one of the highlights of my year as Worthy Grand Matron. You have helped lay the foundation in Texas for the future of our Grand Chapter to build upon. I appreciate you more than I can ever express to you and to this membership. To you I say,

*Welcome here this day.
Thank you for helping me in your own sweet way.
You gave me encouragement and your ear you did lend.
Now please let me join you down there on the end.*

Worthy Grand Patron, I know you want to welcome these Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. To each of you Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, thank you so much for your loving support of our Worthy Grand Matron, the services that you have given to this Grand Chapter and for assisting in welcoming our guests from other Grand Jurisdictions who are your counterparts as Past Grands. Thank you for all being here. Have a great day!

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in saluting Texas' own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons with Grand Honors. [Grand

Honors given.] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions. I understand we have a Grand Lecturer out there, and since I have no idea where to put you, darling, would you get back there with these. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will please conduct these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards in back of Esther's Station.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor of introducing the Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sister Nancy Lindsey, Associate Grand Conductress; Syble Allen, Grand Chaplain; Brother Earl Hodges, Grand Sentinel; Gloria J. Taylor, Deputy Grand Lecturer, District 4, Grand Chapter of Arkansas; Sister Beverly A. Dahlstrom, Grand Electa, Grand Chapter of Connecticut; Sister Velma Hays, Associate Grand Conductress; Bonnie Hales, Grand Chaplain; Lora McDaniel, Grand Adah; Evelyn Blackwell, Grand Esther; "Buck" Denny, Grand Warder, Grand Chapter of Louisiana; Sister Jo Ann Sheppard, Associate Grand Matron; Brother O. B. Philpot, Associate Grand Patron; Sister Joyce Jones, Grand Treasurer; Elizabeth A. Pullen, Grand Conductress; Jean Hall, Associate Grand Conductress; Lottie Meyering, Grand Chaplain; Linda Jordan, Grand Lecturer; Rynd L. Barnes, Grand Marshal; Donita McCarrell, Grand Adah; Gee-Gal-Lee-lee Detlefson, Grand Ruth; Bessie Duggan, Grand Esther; Bertie Sapp, Grand Martha; Donalee Cypert, Grand Warder; Donald Devore, Grand Sentinel, Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: How wonderful it is to see this great group back there. We in Texas are honored with your presence and welcome you most sincerely. We hope you will enjoy yourselves while you are here, and we invite you to return at any time. Thank you for coming to visit us and to be with us for part, if not all, of this "Freedom's Light" Session. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. [applause] I just want to say to my friend Nancy, she carries the whole crew with her when she travels, doesn't she? [applause] Sisters and Brothers, let's show these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards of other Grand Jurisdictions a big happy Texas welcome. [applause] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present them at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my honor to introduce these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions: Sister Beth Tripp, Grand Representative of Texas in Alberta; Brother Dick Darnell, Grand Representative of Texas in Arizona; Sister Jo Crabb, Grand Representative of Puerto Rico in Arkansas; Sister Betty McPherson, Grand Representative of Texas in British Columbia; Sister Frances Golden, Grand Representative of Texas in California; Brother James Edwards, Grand Representative of Texas in Colorado; Sister Helen Thompson, Grand Representative of Texas in Georgia; Sister Meg March, Grand Representative of Texas in Illinois; Sisters Alice Swogger, Grand Representative of Texas in Indiana; Wilma Heinze, Grand Representative of Texas in Maryland; Sandy Driscoll, Grand Representative of Texas in Minnesota; Lexie Bond, Grand Representative of Texas in Mississippi; Delores Seeley, Grand Representative of Texas near the Grand Chapter of New York; Jean Coombes, Grand Representative of Texas in Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island; Louise L. Frantz, Grand Representative of Texas in Ohio;

Mary Ruth Beale, Grand Representative of District of Columbia in Oklahoma; Peggy Philpot, Grand Representative of Arkansas in Oklahoma; Gail Sapp, Grand Representative of Washington in Oklahoma; Evelina Owen, Grand Representative of New Hampshire in Oklahoma and Grand Escort; Brother Bill Kimbrell, Grand Representative of Missouri in Oklahoma; Brother Ted Beale, Grand Representative of Texas in Oklahoma; Sister Judy Devore, Grand Representative of Arizona in Oklahoma; Sister Eunice Hayes, Grand Representative of Texas in Oregon; Agnes Ledoux, Grand Representative of Texas in Pennsylvania; Mary Etta Helms, Grand Representative of Texas in South Carolina; Francis M. Harvie, Grand Representative of Texas in Virginia, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: My goodness! How pleased we are to have you in this Grand Chapter. We're so honored with the presence of these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas and in other states. Worthy Grand Patron, did you wish to welcome this lovely group?

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I greeted the Representatives this morning. It's so good to have you join with us today for this Grand Chapter Session. Thank you very much for coming.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Grand Representatives to the East. [applause] I think we have a stage full, and it's running over a little. Could the Brothers go down just a little bit so we can get these ladies where we can see their beautiful faces? Thank you, gentlemen. Now that's better, isn't it? Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in saluting these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions with 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, you will present the Grand Representatives of the other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas at the Altar.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my honor to introduce the Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas: Sisters Jackie Pointer, Alabama; Ella Summers, Alberta; Martha Mosele, Arizona; Letha West, Arkansas; Betty Stiles, Australia; Jean Lee, British Columbia and the Yukon; Wanda Smith, California; Willie Mae Schumacher, Connecticut; Marilyn Smith, District of Columbia; Connie Autrey, Florida; Marie Pavelka, Idaho; Elizabeth Young, Illinois; Bonnie Fay Davis, Indiana; Forrestine Kothman, Iowa; Owena Sutton, Kansas; Jo Ann Drescher, Maine; Brother H. L. Johnson, Manitoba; Sisters Joyce McKnight, Michigan; Elsie Pope, Minnesota; Willie Mae Shaw, Mississippi; Jackie Culp, Missouri; Toye Farrington, Montana; Brother John Clark, Nebraska; Sisters Cordie Havron, Nevada; Jo Ann Baker, New Brunswick; Ruth Starke, New Hampshire; Dorothy Glasscock, New Jersey; Irene Akins, New Mexico; Pansy Read, North Carolina; Marilyn Knowlton, North Dakota; Shirley Meerscheidt, Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island; Dale Hester, Ohio; Betty Lou Davis, Oklahoma; Wanda Smoak, Ontario; Mary Alberts, Pennsylvania; Delia Whitfield, Puerto Rico; Louise Norman, Quebec; Georgia Orr, Rhode Island; Margaret Hill, Scotland; Eloise Flanagan, South Carolina; Dorothy Roose, South Dakota; Gladys Morgan, Utah; Syble Yost, Vermont; Ann Wyatt, Virginia; Genevieve "Smitty" Jones, Washington; Mary Horton Beach, West Virginia; Maxine Burns, Wyoming, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Oh, my, what a delight it is for me to welcome you. You represent Texas in many places and always with love and enthusiasm wherever you go. Your action and the way you portray our state in other Grand Jurisdictions are of great importance. Thank you for combining love and friendship with

your service as an ambassador for the Grand Chapter of Texas. Many of you are my own appointments. Thank you. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these beautiful and handsome Grand Representatives of Texas to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, let's tell our own Grand Representatives how pleased we are so many of them could be here this day and how proud we are for each one of them. Will you please join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Grand Chapter Committees and Worthy Grand Matron's Special Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present these Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions in back of Esther's Station.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I have the pleasure of introducing the Grand Chapter Committee Appointments of other Grand Jurisdictions: Brother Edmund C. Dahlstrom, Grand Escort to Grand Electa, Grand Chapter of Connecticut; Sister Mereline Walker, ESTARL and Personal Page to the Worthy Grand Matron; Bettye Gibbs, Medical Projects, District 24, Grand Chapter of Mississippi; Brother Tom Benton, Grand Escort to the Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter and a Past Patron of Oklahoma; Max Tillman, Grand Escort to the Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Robert Meyering, Grand Escort to Grand Chaplain of Oklahoma; William C. Barnes, Grand Escort to Grand Marshal, Oklahoma; Robert Cypert, Grand Escort to the Grand Warder, Oklahoma; Meliora Jensen, Mental Health and Retardation, Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We welcome you and wish to say how happy we are to have you attend our Grand Chapter session. You do the hard work for any Grand Chapter, and each Worthy Grand Matron depends on you. We hope you enjoy your stay with us and invite you to return often. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these Committee Appointments from other Grand Jurisdictions to the East. [applause] While they are coming up, I have had a note passed that there are many items being turned into the lost and found. Lost and found is at the first aid station behind the Grand East. So if you've lost any item, please go there. A couple of others while they're coming up. Anyone who signed up to be a Grand Page or Grand Warder/Grand Sentinel needs to go to section 7 if they have not received their instructions and assignments.

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending to this wonderful group a hearty, hearty Texas welcome. [applause] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present Mrs. Mills in the West.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is a Rainbow Girl's dream and my privilege to introduce Sister Pearl B. Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Mrs. Pearl Mills, my friend for many years, how happy I am to welcome you to this 115th Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Your devotion to the Order of Rainbow for Girls and your own chapter of the Order

of the Eastern Star speak for themselves. It is with love and devotion that I say you are special, and I welcome you. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort Sister Pearl to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, and especially friends of Rainbow, please extend to Sister Pearl Mills love and devotion with a hearty welcome. [applause] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, she will remain in the East.

We are honored with the presence of members of other Masonic Bodies. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present them in back of Esther's Station.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor to introduce these Distinguished Members of Grand Lodge and Officers of other Appendant Bodies: Brother Arvol Willingham, Grand Treasurer, Grand Lodge of Texas; Brother David Dibrell, Grand Marshal, Grand Lodge of Texas; Brother Tom Snyder, Grand Master, Grand Council, Royal Arch and Select Masons of Texas; Brother Warren McConnell, Junior Grand Steward, Grand Lodge of Oklahoma and Co-Chairman for DeMolay, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is my pleasure to welcome each of you, not only for the work that you do in your Masonic Bodies but also in the Order of the Eastern Star. Your service in your particular body is filled with hard work and devotion to duty. Again, I say welcome to this "Freedom's Light" Session. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort these fine gentlemen to the East. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, let's tell these wonderful, fine Masonic gentlemen how much we appreciate their service. You will join me in giving them a hearty, hearty welcome. [applause] Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, this completes our introductions of our Distinguished Members. Thank you for the beautiful way you performed your duties. [applause]

To each person present, we extend a warm welcome to this 115th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas. It is my great honor and privilege to recognize my friend, Sister Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, who will respond on behalf of the Distinguished Members. Sister Barbara.

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Family, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers: Now first things first. I really want to thank the Grand Organist for the beautiful music we've enjoyed today. [applause] And the second thing that I want to do is to teach you a little Oklahoma Choctaw talk. Now if you're smart, it'll just take a second. Now I'd like to say good afternoon in Choctaw, and the word is "chick-chick-a-maw."

VOICES: Chick-chick-a-maw.

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Very, very good. Now in the morning if you want to say good morning, you leave one "chick" off and say "chick-a-maw."

VOICES: Chick-a-maw.

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: That's enough for today. You did very well. All of the Distinguished Guests, including the 40 strong from Oklahoma, are excited about being with all of you folk here in Texas at this Grand Chapter Session. We are

greatly moved by all the loving courtesies that each of you are extending. Now on a personal note – and I hope that all you Texas people are hanging loose because what I'm about to say is not supposed to offend you, but it's because I love you. Now do you know what I'm about to talk about? Football! Do you know that this coming Saturday Oklahoma University Sooners are coming to Big D, and your Texas football team might whip them, I don't know. But, anyway, we've always had a very friendly rivalry in football. Now what I'm trying to tell you is that Oklahoma folks talk about Texas awful when it comes to football. You know, all those dumb Texans and that dumb team and all that. All of you Texas folk talk the same way about Oklahoma. But I want you to know that I have a very young Indian friend that met and fell in love with one of your football players down here in Texas. This has been a couple of years ago. And that couple did marry and they did have a little papoose. And since she was Indian and he was you know what -Texan, do you know what they named that baby papoose? Running Dumb-dumb. [laughter] Now I told you, Texas, I love you.

We in General Grand Chapter would like to express our thanks to you, the supporters and workers for the General Grand Chapter projects. We are grateful to your General Grand Chapter elected officer, Sister Rennie Ofton, your General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sisters Effie Mae Davis and Sherrill Cain, and your Ambassador of New York, Sister Mary Brown, and Sister Molly Goodpasture who is a Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, for they have worked unflinchingly for these past three years. The reward of doing a job well reaps little monetarily. And your Distinguished Guests and General Grand Chapter Family have nothing else which we can give except a big, big thank you.

It's October, and in this season our thoughts turn to Halloween and ghosts. Our parents become "dead-y" and "mummy," and ghost calls on the telephone become calls on a "terror-phone." In your case, Alma, Worthy Grand Matron, and, Richard, Worthy Grand Patron, when you two were elected to serve together, it was "love at first fright." Skeletons get their mail by "bony express." But the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron get their love gift from all of you, the Distinguished Guests, from me, the witch who rode her broomstick to get here. So if Alma and Richard would come close to me, please, you know what you have to do? You have to say – you know that old knock-knock stuff? Both of you answer at the same time.

Knock-knock.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Who's there?

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Witch?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Witch who?

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Witch-ing you a very happy Halloween and retirement. [laughter and applause]

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: That's my birthday.

MRS. BARBARA BENTON: Is it really? Well, Alma, this is yours; and, Richard, this is yours. And I thank you both very much for allowing me to do this for you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Barbara Benton, for that beautiful response. It is our honor to have you with us. I'm so happy that our friends and neighbors from Oklahoma were able to attend our Grand Chapter Session in Texas this year. I recognize Sister Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, to bring greetings from Texas Rainbow.

MRS. PEARL MILLS: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for giving me this wonderful opportunity to speak for our Rainbow Girls. I have appreciated this invitation to be here to my Grand Chapter. It has been a marvelous session. In Rainbow we are now working on celebrating our 75th Diamond Jubilee session in Lubbock, Texas, June 15th, 16th and 17th. We want it to be such an outstanding affair, and we hope all of you can come to Lubbock for this special time.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of working with these girls. They are your girls and my girls. They are our future, and I hope that we're training them right. Any time that you're around them, give them an encouraging word. They're a marvelous group. I have been very encouraged since I've been here. Many from the assemblies have told me the assemblies are growing, and they have a choir again. I think that that speaks well not only for the girls, but for you as their sponsors over this state. I thank you for the sponsorship and for your love for these girls and for accepting these brief words. Thank you so much. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Pearl Mills. The work you do with and for our young ladies is so very much appreciated. I'm sorry that our Brother Joe Regian is not here to bring us greetings. But we were so delighted to have had Brother Harry Cunningham to bring those greetings for him. Thank you, Harry, for your graciousness in bringing us greetings from Grand Lodge. I would like to thank you for every kindness you have shown the office of Worthy Grand Matron.

I would like to fill the following vacancies. On Registration Committee: Brother J. J. Freeze, Associate Grand Patron for this Session; Brother Wayne P. Jones, Past Grand Patron; Telegram Committee: Sister Beulah Speer, our Past Grand Matron and Chairman, is ill and could not be here, but she sent her report, and we do have Sisters Jean Nesbitt and Lallah Mae Vollus, Past Grand Matrons. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, for accepting those positions.

Brother Richard, I'll invite you to preside.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I recognize the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, for the presentation of her report.

**REPORT OF THE
WORTHY GRAND MATRON
GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, O.E.S.
1996-1997
Mrs. Alma Carter**

The foundation of this Order lies in its membership. The Subordinate Chapters are what makes this Order great. Grand Chapter can be no stronger than its membership.

Our lessons of brotherly love, benevolence, and faith are among the most important we learn and strive to live by in this Order.

For the last year, I have seen and have been the recipient of this love, benevolence, and faith given by this membership. I am sincerely appreciative of this outpouring of generosity.

When this year began, my message to you was "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. " Those words are still my message to this membership and will always be the theme of my life.

IN MEMORIAM

*God gives us each a gift of life to cherish from our birth.
He gives us friends and those we love to share our days on earth.
He watches us with loving care and takes us by the hand,
He blesses us with countless joys and guides the lives we've planned.
Then when our work on earth is done, He calls us to His side,
To live with Him in happiness where peace and love abide.*

How fragile are the days of our lives...the silver cord is so silently and swiftly loosened, as our loved ones slip from us.

Sorrowfully, we report the loss of our beloved Past Grand Matron:

Sister Cynthia Mae Watts, Worthy Grand Matron 1943-1944, passed away October 25, 1996.

General Grand Chapter was saddened as God called these dedicated members home after long and faithful service to our Order:

Sister Thelma Bailey, Most Worthy Grand Matron 1979-1982, passed away March 30, 1997

Sister Virginia M. Jones, Right Worthy Grand Secretary 1973-1988, Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus 1988-1997, passed away April 28, 1997.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families of those in the Subordinate Chapters who have slipped away, one by one, through the door that opens into their Eternal Home this Grand Chapter year.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

One of the most gratifying privileges that a Worthy Grand Matron has is to choose those members who have given much service to this Order. The only regret one has is not having more to present. My love and much gratitude goes to those that will represent the Grand Chapter of Texas in Other Grand Jurisdictions.

I am happy to list those who I have appointed to serve as Grand Representatives in Texas:

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

ARKANSAS	Mrs. Letha West
CONNECTICUT	Mrs. Willie Mae Schumacher
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Mrs. Marilyn Smith
FLORIDA	Mrs. Connie F. Autrey
IDAHO	Mrs. Marie Pavelka
ILLINOIS	Mrs. Elizabeth Young
INDIANA	Mrs. Bonnie Fay Davis
IOWA	Mrs. Forrestine Kothmann
KANSAS	Mrs. Owena Sutton
MAINE	Mrs. Joann Drescher
MICHIGAN	Mrs. Joyce McKnight
MINNESOTA	Mrs. Elsie Pope
MISSOURI	Mrs. Hortense "Jackie" Culp
NEVADA	Mrs. Cordie Havron
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mrs. JoAn Baker
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mrs. Ruth Starke
NEW MEXICO	Mrs. Irene Akins
NORTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Mailyn B. Knowlton
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	Mrs. Shirley Meerscheidt
OHIO	Mrs. Dale Hester
OKLAHOMA	Mrs. Betty Lou Davis
ONTARIO	Mrs. Wanda R. Smoak
PUERTO RICO	Mrs. Delia Whitfield
RHODE ISLAND	Mrs. Georgia Orr
SCOTLAND	Mrs. Margaret Hill
VIRGINIA	Mrs. Ann Wyatt
WEST VIRGINIA	Mrs. Mary H. Beach
WYOMING	Mrs. Maxine Burns

I was privileged to appoint the following to serve in their Grand Jurisdictions:

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVE OF TEXAS
IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

ALBERTA	Mrs. Beth Tripp
ARKANSAS	Mrs. Mary Lou Beard
CONNECTICUT	Mr. Larry Hudson
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Mr. Barry Benn
GEORGIA	Mrs. Helen Thompson
IDAHO	Miss Sarah K. Baker
ILLINOIS	Mrs. Meg March
IOWA	Mr. George Little
LOUISIANA	Mrs. Marie LeBauve
MAINE	Mrs. Nancy Hall
MARYLAND	Mrs. Wilma C. Heinze
MICHIGAN	Mrs. Shirley Atkins
MISSISSIPPI	Mrs. Lexie Bond
MONTANA	Mr. Donald MacGillivray
NEBRASKA	Mrs. Nancy Byerly
NEVADA	Mr. Ivan Smith

NEW BRUNSWICK	Mrs. Nancy Keirstead
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mr. John L. (Larry) Nichol
NEW JERSEY	Mrs. Dorothy H. Acquara
NEW MEXICO	Mrs. Fran Adams
NEW YORK	Mrs. Delores Seeley
NORTH CAROLINA	Mr. Douglas Smith
OKLAHOMA	Mr. C. Ted Beale
OREGON	Mrs. Eunice Hayes
PENNSYLVANIA	Mrs. Agnes N. Ledoux
RHODE ISLAND	Mrs. Meridith Pfefferle
SASKATCHEWAN	Mrs. Marjory Smith
SCOTLAND	Mrs. Nancy Ness
SOUTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Minerva Watkins
TENNESSEE	Mrs. Eva Rudder
UTAH	Mr. Jeff Allen
VERMONT	Mrs. Glenna M. Densman
VIRGINIA	Mrs. Frances Harvie
WISCONSIN	Mr. George Winget
WYOMING	Mr. Rus Kimbro

SCHOOLS AND FRATERNAL VISITS

Most of the banquets and fraternal visits were held prior to the Schools for Instruction. I would like to express my thanks to the School Officers in each of the Districts and Sections. A very special thanks to my District Deputies: Sisters Sandra Perdue, Betty Unlaub, Jean Hunt, Elizabeth Wise, and Gerry Dusek. A thank you goes to the Grand Examiners: Marlene Dibrell, Joyce Ball, Sharon Fentress, Karen Morganthaler, and Doris Hester. You made my five months a joy.

Jean Hunt, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 3

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
8	Georgetown	Nov. 11-12	Mattie Schier
6	Burnet	Nov. 13-14	Margie Schooley
7	Copperas Cove	Nov. 15-16	Frances Williams
5	Comanche	Nov. 18-19	Judy Lunsford
10	Hillsboro	Nov. 20-21	Delphine Reed
1	Ft. Worth	Nov. 22-23	Annette Curry
4	Dublin	Nov. 25-26	Ann Eckerson
2	Mineral Wells	Dec. 9-10	Claudia Blair
3	Albany	Dec. 12	Patricia Johnson
9	Waco	Dec. 13-14	Hazel Nesmith

Geraldine Dusek, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 5

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
10	Harlingen	Jan. 3-4	Lucille Payne
4	Uvalde	Jan. 6-7	Cleo Chaney
7	San Antonio	Jan. 10-11	Donna Perkins
3	Kerrville	Jan. 14	Ruth Steele
1	San Angelo	Jan. 15-16	Anna Lewis
6	New Braunfels	Jan. 17-18	Karen Wright
5	Devine	Jan. 20-21	Peggy Carr
8	Port Lavaca	Jan. 22-23	Carolyn Shannon
9	Corpus Christi	Jan. 24-25	Jerline Standridge
2	Big Lake	Mar. 5-6	Betty Turner

Due to ice and snow, the Kerrville School was a one-day school. The Big Lake School was postponed until March 5 and 6.

Elizabeth Wise, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 4

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
9	Rosenburg	Jan. 27-28	Margaret Stuart
10	Freeport	Jan. 29-30	Irene Coulter
2	Silsbee	Jan. 31-Feb. 1	Georgia Campbell
3	Crockett	Feb. 3-4	Mickie Ulch
7	Navasota	Feb. 5-6	Glenda Klemm
4	Baytown	Feb. 7-8	Anita Westerman
8	Caldwell	Feb. 10-11	Doris Jean Price
6	Bryan	Feb. 12-13	Virginia Akins
1	Nacogdoches	Feb. 14-15	Doris Wagner
5	Houston	Feb. 28-Mar. 1	Ola Mae Davis

Betty Unlaub, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 2

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
7	Abilene	Feb. 19-20	Mary C. Dixon
4	Brownfield	Feb. 21-27	Pat Moore
6	Wichita Falls	Feb. 24-25	Dola (Liz) Orr
10	E1 Paso	Mar. 7-8	Louise Pierce
9	Fort Stockton	Mar. 10-11	Jane Womack
3	Floydada	Mar. 12-13	Willyne Norman
8	Odessa	Mar. 14-15	Fran Johnson
5	Memphis	Mar. 17-18	Su-San Couch
1	Borger	Mar. 19-20	Eulliah Jeffers
2	Amarillo	Mar. 21-22	Marcia Benton

Sandra Perdue, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 1

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
8	Longview	Mar. 28-29	Margaret Brown
7	Jacksonville	Mar.31-Apr. 1	Linda Guy
10	Wills Point	Apr. 2-3	Rosemary Swantick
4	Dallas	Apr. 4-5	Mary Ann Edward
9	Atlanta	Apr. 7-8	Ann Clifton
3	Sulphur Springs	Apr. 9-10	Nada Crouch
5	Grand Prairie	Apr. 11-12	Katy Hopkins
6	Palestine	Apr. 14-15	Belle Dean
1	Denton	Apr. 16-17	Kay Carlton
2	Plano	Apr. 18-19	Kay Drescher

OTHER FRATERNAL VISITS

It was my pleasure to attend these Fraternal Visits and Anniversary Celebrations. I am deeply sorry that I was forced to cancel the other commitments due to the long illness and death of my daughter.

I was very happy and excited to be making a Fraternal Visit to my own Chapter, Plano No. 703, on November 2, 1996. The banquet and fraternal visit were held in the Harvey Hotel.

The Fraternal Visit to the Worthy Grand Patron's home Chapter, Amarillo No. 787, was held in Amarillo on November 9, 1996. All activities, including the banquet, were held at the St. Stephens United Methodist Church.

Fraternal Visits

Love Field No. 875	Waco No. 7
Edwin J. Kiest No. 959	McLennan No. 639
Pasadena No. 711	Queen Esther No. 833
Atlanta No. 151	Schertz No. 911
Hemphill No. 375	Rio Hondo No. 815
Southside No. 673	Irving No. 777 and
	Chapters of Dist. 1, Sec. 5

Anniversary Celebrations

Pine Hill No. 675 - 75th	Farmers Branch No. 687 - 75th
Army No. 664 - 75th	North Fort Worth No. 684 - 75th
Burke No. 1098 - 25th	Plano No. 703 - 75th

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS AND SPECIAL HONORS

To each Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, you honor me with the vote to extend to me an honorary membership in your Chapter. These memberships will always hold a special place in my heart.

HONORARY CITIZEN

City of Wills Point	City of Abilene
City of Floydada	City of Wichita Falls
City of Silsbee	City of Memphis
City of Port Lavaca	City of New Braunfels
	Burgermeister

Special welcomes were extended by the Mayors of Amarillo, Sulphur Springs, and Rosenberg.

ALMA CARTER DAY EASTERN STAR DAY

City of Houston	Alma Carter Day
City of Crockett	Eastern Star Day
City of Fort Worth	Alma Carter Day
City of Georgetown	Eastern Star Day
City of Grand Prairie	Eastern Star Day
City of Waco	Eastern Star Weekend

HONORARY

Collin County	Honorary Deputy Sheriff
Comanche County	Honorary Deputy Sheriff
Fort Bend County	Honorary Deputy Sheriff
Harris County	Honorary Deputy Sheriff
Comal County	Honorary Deputy Sheriff

KEY TO CITIES/CITY SEAL

Port Lavaca	Palestine
San Angelo	Crockett
Harlingen	Waco
Devine	Georgetown
Odessa	College Station
Memphis	Caldwell

Thanks to each one having flags flown over both the Capitols of the State of Texas and the United States.

If I have missed any one School or individual, please forgive me.

SPECIAL COURTESIES

Many Chapters, Schools, and individuals gave to the Breast Cancer Research Fund, the Home Endowment Fund, and other benevolent gifts in my name. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Your generosity of quilts, paintings, eagles, and other gifts were so greatly appreciated. Thank you one and all!

Many thanks to Plano Chapter No. 703 for presenting me with an Honorary and Life Membership.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 705

The following Resolution was adopted by the Texas Senate on May 12, 1997:

The Senate of the State of Texas

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pride in recognizing Mrs. Alma Carter, an outstanding Texas citizen who currently serves as the Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Plano, Texas, Alma Carter has been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for 44 years; as its Worthy Grand Matron, she serves as the leader of the organization in Texas for a term of one year; and

WHEREAS, The Order of the Eastern has over 70,000 members in our state; it is a philanthropic organization that supports such causes as breast cancer research, religious scholarships, and the Eastern Star Home for the Aged; and

WHEREAS, A well-known humanitarian and leader in her community, Alma Carter dedicates her time and energy to helping her fellowman, and over the years, she has traveled thousands of miles on behalf of the many projects sponsored by the Order of the Eastern Star; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary and distinguished lady, Alma Carter is a mentor and source of strength to citizens throughout our state, and her many accomplishments reflect her exceptional dedication, generosity, talent, and leadership; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 75th Legislature, hereby commend Alma Carter on her invaluable contributions to her community and state and extend appreciation to her for her years of hard work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

*(Official Seal of
The Senate of Texas)*

/signed/ Bob Bullock
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 12, 1997.

/signed/ Betty King
Secretary of the Senate

/signed/ Florence Shapiro
Member, Texas Senate

PARTIAL REPORT

Subordinate Chapter's change in By-Laws approved thru July 31, 1997.

SAN ANTONIO NO. 3	BEEVILLE NO. 422
CEDAR BAYOU NO. 11	BURLESON NO. 431
KERRVILLE NO. 24	GRANBURY NO. 530
ABILENE NO. 30	SEGUIN NO. 555
ABILENE NO. 30	MORAN NO. 591
SMITHVILLE NO. 39	HENDERSON NO. 597
ALICE NO. 61	WAXAHACHIE NO. 599
NORMANGEE NO. 87	HANDLEY NO. 617
CANYON CITY NO. 105	PLEIADES NO. 620
WIMODAUSSIS NO. 141	TEXAS CITY NO. 626
ATLANTA NO. 151	ROYSE CITY NO. 642
GLEN ROSE NO. 171	PROSPECT HILL NO. 817
TRINITY NO. 186	CONCHO NO. 826
ORANGE NO. 214	OVERTON NO. 830
RICHLAND SPRINGS NO. 264	SOUTH HILLS NO. 835
AUSTIN NO. 304	SEMINOLE NO. 855
FAIRFIELD NO. 331	DRIPPING SPRINGS NO. 860
COLEMAN NO. 360	SWEENEY NO. 873
JACKSONVILLE NO. 377	DEGRAZIER-VICKERY NO. 881
HOUSTON NO. 380	CROSBYTON NO. 891
TIMPSON NO. 396	FREEDOM NO. 898
TIMPSON NO. 396	GRAFORD NO. 905
POLYTECHNIC NO. 420	SOUTH HOUSTON NO. 915

MELROSE NO. 920	RICHLAND HILLS NO. 1040
WALTER BALDWIN NO. 929	NORTH SHORE NO. 1058
WHITNEY NO. 930	HIGHLAND HILLS NO. 1075
BLANCO NO. 934	CYPRESS NO. 1102
ASHLAND NO. 961	CANYON LAKE NO. 1103
J. A. KEMP NO. 970	ZAPATA NO. 1106
J, A. KEMP NO. 970	LAKE WORTH NO. 1109
HALTOM CITY NO. 982	CROWLEY NO. 1125
JAMES LADD BURGESS NO. 983	DEL MAR NO. 1127
LAKE JACKSON NO. 1009	WHITEHOUSE NO. 1133
CLUTE CITY NO. 1011	LIVINGSTON NO. 1139
SANGER NO. 1027	

ONE REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN BY-LAWS WAS DENIED.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS

It has been a pleasure and privilege to assist the Chapters by granting Special Dispensations during this year. The following Dispensations were granted, with fees:

LATE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Tarrant-Keystone No. 8	Bethlehem No. 728	Mamie D. Crane No. 1018
Oak Cliff No. 303	Christoval No. 761	Lone Star No. 1083
Clarksville No. 662	Kaufman No. 866	Thunderbird No. 1087
Clarksville No. 662	DeGrazier-Vickery No. 881	

LATE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Mizpah No. 2	Clifton No. 283	Whitewright No. 939
Paris No. 5	Ozona No. 287	Lexington No. 996
Cedar Bayou No. 11	Iola No. 458	Duncanville No. 1014
Sterling No. 29	Brookshire No. 652	Wallace Hughston No. 1100
Corsicana No. 118	Flora No. 794	Lorena No. 1124
Bonita No. 184	Kermit No. 845	

TO ELECT A WORTHY MATRON AND/OR WORTHY PATRON

Del Rio No. 204	Hamilton No. 215
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TO ELECT A WORTHY PATRON

Mt. Pleasant No. 305	Strawn No. 361	Lindale No. 864
Mt. Pleasant No. 305	Mission No. 527	Farmersville No. 940
Marshall No. 356	Weslaco No. 772	

TO ELECT A WORTHY MATRON, ASSOCIATE MATRON, ASSOCIATE PATRON, CONDUCTRESS AND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS

Duncanville No. 1014

TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE MATRON

Valley Mills No. 97	Pasadena No. 711	Colmesneil No. 1068
Bandera No. 643	Kermit No. 843	Del Mar No. 1127

TO ELECT A WORTHY PATRON AND ASSOCIATE PATRON

Monahans No. 561 Sugar Land No. 1107

TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE MATRON AND ASSOCIATE PATRON

Devine No. 43 Beaumont No. 71 Moran No. 591

**TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE MATRON AND/OR ASSOCIATE PATRON,
TREASURER OR ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Ransford No. 135 Woodland No. 696

TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE PATRON

Frisco No. 93 Burkburnett No. 655 Concho No. 826
Huntsville No. 240 Kountze No. 724 Malakoff No. 1012
Ranger No. 275 Riverside No. 834 Gun Barrel City No. 1114

**TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE PATRON AND/OR
SECRETARY, CONDUCTRESS OR ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Poteet No. 913 Del Mar No. 1127

TO ELECT A SECRETARY

Hadassah No. 188 Coleman No. 360 Kountze No. 724
Yoakum No. 282 Army No. 664 Whitewright No. 939

TO ELECT A SECRETARY AND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS

South Hills No. 835

TO ELECT A TREASURER

Saint Jo No. 17 Longview No. 610 Overton No. 830
Port Arthur No. 262 McLennan No. 639 Hitchcock No. 1095
Eastland No. 280 Stephenville No. 801 Zapata No. 1106

ELECTION OF A CONDUCTRESS

Alpine No. 132 Liberty No. 634 Stephenville No. 801
Atlanta No. 151 La Porte No. 683 Spring Branch No. 984
Carpenters No. 183 Pasadena No. 711 Norman Read No. 1010
Taylor No. 578 Goose Creek No. 798 White Settlement No. 1053

**TO ELECT A CONDUCTRESS AND/OR
TREASURER OR ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS**

Bay City No. 380 Walter Baldwin No. 929 La Marque No. 979

TO ELECT AN ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS

Leander No. 73 Johnson City No. 376 Vidor No. 914
Lubbock No. 76 Troup No. 421 Hallsville No. 995
Tyler No. 112 Burkburnett No. 655 Spring Branch No. 984
Athens No. 177 Farmers Branch No. 687 Balch Springs No. 1132
Robert Lee No. 187

TO MOVE PLACE FOR INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Brock No. 274	Troup No. 421	The Colony No. 1136
	Amistad No. 1115	

TO MOVE PLACE OF MEETING

Dallas No. 1	Rockport No. 479	Bethlehem No. 728
Plainview No. 37	Moran No. 591	Freedom No. 898
Beaumont No. 71	Albany No. 733	Richardson No. 921
Spur No. 164	Albany No. 733	Richland Hills No. 1040
Spur No. 164	Wisteria No. 823	Lonnie L. Blake No. 1116

TO PARTICIPATE IN FRATERNAL VISIT

Garland No. 156	Seagoville No. 697	Rockwall No. 858
Winnie No. 160	Plano No. 703	Richardson No. 921
Spurger No. 315	Andral Vann No. 741	Duncanville No. 1014
Ferris No. 508	Amarillo No. 787	Balch Springs No. 1132
Farmers Branch No. 687	Wisteria No. 823	

TO WAIVE PHYSICAL DISABILITY

Wichita Falls No. 237	Bonham No. 852	Leah Elliott No. 1119
Ft. Worth No. 681	Freedom No. 898	The Colony No. 1136

TO WAIVE VISITATION FOR AFFILIATION

Oak Cliff No. 303

TO REPLACE LOST AND/OR WORN SECRET WORK

Smithville No. 39	Waxahachie No. 599	Freedom No. 898
Bastrop No. 64	Corrigan No. 631	Venus No. 923
Petrolia No. 84	Plano No. 703	Walter Baldwin No. 929
Tyler No. 112	San Juan No. 726	Buna No. 968
Ransford No. 135	Park Place No. 731	Rose Garden No. 975
Houston Heights No. 258	Albany No. 733	Caldwell No. 976
Beckville No. 273	Alamo Heights No. 734	Garden Oaks No. 987
Hereford No. 312	Woodbine No. 738	Norman Read No. 1010
Grapevine No. 326	Big Lake No. 572	Deer Park No. 1063
Teague No. 408	Weslaco No. 772	Highland Hills No. 1075
Odessa No. 447	A.C. Garrett/	Hitchcock No. 1085
Springtown No. 498	Mt. Auburn No. 774	Roy Stanley No. 1086
Granbury No. 530	Andrews No. 849	Aldine No. 1088
		Wallace Hughston No. 1100

**SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS REFUSED
OR NOT NECESSARY**

Rusk No. 79 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.
 Port Arthur No. 262 - Date of a Stated Meeting cannot be changed.
 Pittsburg No. 381 - Date of a Stated Meeting cannot be changed.
 Troup No. 421 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.
 Mt. Sylvan No. 595 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.
 Pasadena No. 711 - Date of a Stated Meeting cannot be changed.
 Mabank No. 821 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.

Mike H. Thomas No. 951 - An Officer is only required to stand at times that are Ritualistic.

Bullard No. 972 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.

Rose Garden No. 975 - Joint meetings are only for fraternal visits.

Covington No. 1007 -Date of a Stated Meeting cannot be changed.

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

Freedom Chapter No. 898 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Nancy (Masoner, Pitts) Gregory. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of New Mexico. Three members of Tyrone Chapter No. 41, New Mexico, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Polytechnic Chapter No. 420 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Shirley (Fish) Drowney. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania. Three members of State College Chapter No. 388, Pennsylvania, attempted to visit with Mrs. Drowney and were unable to meet with her personally. The Committee reported her as being Ineligible for Reinstatement.

Alvin Chapter No. 15 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Charles and Joyce Bownds. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Tennessee. Three members of Amanda Chapter No. 4, Tennessee, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Fabens Chapter No. 764 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Bobby J. Young. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Mississippi. Three members of Amory Chapter No. 41, Mississippi, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Gorman Chapter No. 443 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Minta Oliver (Pendarvis) Danna. The request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Louisiana. Three members of Metairie Ridge Chapter No. 169, Louisiana, complied with the request and returned the results under Seal of the Chapter.

Everman Chapter No. 624 requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Kathy Dent Blackard. This request was sent to the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma. Three members of Brookside Chapter No. 510 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 South Carolina requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Frances Louise Roberts. This was referred to Shepherd Chapter No. 1003. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Nebraska requested a Waiver of Grand Jurisdiction in the case of Sherie L. Brhel. This was referred to Mission Chapter No. 527. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and the Waiver was Granted.

The Grand Chapter of California requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Myrtle L. Stark. This was referred to South Houston Chapter No. 915. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Louisiana requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Mrs. Sharon A. King. This was referred to Sugar Land Chapter No. 1107. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under Seal of the Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Arkansas requested a Waiver of Grand Jurisdiction in the case of Sam and Denise Johnson. This was referred to Border Chapter No. 211. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and the Waiver was Granted.

The Grand Chapter of New York requested a Waiver of Grand Jurisdiction in the case of Nancy Jones. This was referred to Richardson Chapter No. 921. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and Waiver was Granted.

The Grand Chapter of New York requested a Waiver of Grand Jurisdiction in the case of Julie Seekins. This was referred to Melrose Chapter No. 920. Three members of this Chapter attempted to visit with Ms. Seekins and was unable to arrange a meeting. As a result, the Waiver was Not Granted.

The Grand Chapter of Arkansas requested a Waiver of Grand Jurisdiction in the case of Ms. Sheila I. Crone. This was referred to Conroe Chapter No. 710. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and the Waiver was Granted.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri requested a Courtesy Investigation for Reinstatement in the case of Ms. Margaret K. Hichenbottom. This was referred to Spring Chapter No. 1105. Three members of this Chapter complied with the request and mailed the results under Seal of the Chapter.

ABSENCES FROM THE STATE

On March 23, 1997 I attended the Grand Chapter of Louisiana. I returned to the State on March 25, 1997.

On April 22, 1997 I flew to Topeka Kansas for the opening of Kansas Grand Chapter and returned to Texas on April 23, 1997.

On May 16, 1997 I had an Exchange Visit in Wichita Falls and traveled to Duncan, Oklahoma, for the Oklahoma Exchange Visit on May 17, 1997. I returned on May 18, 1997.

On August 30 to September 3, 1997 the Worthy Grand Matron's trip was to Branson, Missouri. This was a great and enjoyable time for all.

The Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, was always left in charge of Grand Chapter affairs.

DECISIONS, RULINGS, AND IRREGULARITIES

When I was installed as Worthy Grand Matron, I received two active files – these I tried to complete as expeditiously as possible.

The first is a legal matter I turned over to my Jurisprudence Chairman, Brother Murray Watson (an attorney), for his legal findings. I am printing his complete instructions on procedure in this matter.

“FACTS: Member plead guilty to a felony, was tried and convicted of a felony or plead nolo contendere, was given probation and a suspended sentence for five years. Lost his/ her eligibility for membership, has since moved and now petitions her original Chapter for restoration.

These are the steps to obtain restoration and membership:

1. A letter from the probation officer specifying that all of the terms of probation have been fulfilled.

2. The member to provide needed proof that the suspended sentence has ended and to provide equitable grounds for the justification for reinstatement or restoration into membership. (Refer to the Legal Code, Blackline Section 12A for steps for guilt).

3. Go to page 31 of the Legal Code, Article 600, under Chapter 10, Restoration, and follow in detail.

4. Petition in writing a request for restoration to the original Chapter setting forth the grounds for clemency which are sought. The Petition will be presented at a stated meeting and referred to a committee of inquiry to report at another stated meeting. If the committee of inquiry delays the report, the Worthy Patron should require in an open stated meeting that it be presented at the next stated meeting. When the committee of inquiry makes its report in open committee at a stated meeting, it shall be the duty of the presiding officer to then announce in the open meeting that a vote on the petition for restoration will be taken at the next stated meeting. The vote on such petition shall be by ballot and in cases of indefinite suspension, then the number of white balls must equal or exceed 2/3rd of the votes cast. Once the Petitioner receives a favorable vote, the Petitioner shall be restored to the general rights and privileges of a demitted member but not a member of the Chapter. The Chapter shall certify to the fact that the member has been restored and shall be given the same status as a demitted member. Then, as a demitted member of the Grand Chapter, that member can petition to receive memberships in any Chapter. In the receiving Chapter the member is seeking to join must receive a clear ballot box of all white balls.

This procedure provides for the two chapters to look upon the restoration of the member in a favorable light.”

A Chapter was having much discord and a power struggle with many hard feelings. A Summoned Meeting was called. After listening to their harsh words against each other, I put them on three months' probation and had them monitored. The situation did not lessen, so I removed the Secretary from office. She cannot fill a station while I am serving as Worthy Grand Matron.

A ballot was declared void and the Chapter was asked to take another ballot at a later date.

LEGAL ACTS

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

November 2, 1996 - Signed Contract For Sale on surface rights ONLY of Lot One, Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE14 NE/4), East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E/2 SE/4) of Section Six (6), Township Fifteen (15) North, Range Twenty (20) W.L.M., Custer County, Oklahoma to Marvin Quattlebaum. (Bequest from Ruby Charlene Phillips Estate).

December 20, 1996 - Signed Special Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed on Custer County, Oklahoma property to Marvin Quattlebaum and wife, Erma D. Quattlebaum. (Ruby Charlene Phillips Estate).

December 22, 1996 - Signed Farm/Ranch Lease and Security Agreement with Eddie Forbau on 160 acres described as Township 19 North, Range 26 West, Section 8:SE/4, Ellis County, Oklahoma. (Ruby Charlene Phillips Estate).

February 1, 1997 - Signed Lease Option agreement with Petro Land Croup covering 91 acres out of the J. Conner Survey A-152, Van Zandt County, Texas extending the primary term of the lease for an additional two years. (M. Bradford).

MUSIC AND TAPES

I was pleased and honored to have Sister Joyce Gilbert, my Music Chairman, compose "The Elegant Eagle March." I appreciate the talent and love Sister Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron, put into playing and producing a tape of patriotic songs.

GRAND CHAPTER VAN

I was most grateful to have a van furnished to the Worthy Grand Matron this year for official duties. I took possession of the van after I was installed in Beaumont on October 26, 1996; the mileage was 32,445.

The van was taken out of the state to the Oklahoma Exchange Visit. The school officers and the Worthy Grand Matron traveled to all fifty schools and fraternal visits and it was used for other Grand Chapter functions.

While attending the Dumas school, it was necessary to put a new set of tires on the van replacing the original ones. The condenser on the air conditioning unit had to be replaced.

EASTERN STAR HOME ACTIVITIES

It was my pleasure to attend some of the activities at our Eastern Star Home:

December 15 - Christmas Party, hosted by the Elegant Eagles of District 1, Sections 2 and 4.

February 9 - Valentine Party, hosted by the Elegant Eagles of District 3, Section 1.

March 16 - Easter Party, hosted by the Elegant Eagles of District 1, Section 5.

May 4 - Mother's Day Party, hosted by the Time and Talent Committee.

I was overjoyed to be able to attend both the Christmas and Mother's Day activities.

Many wonderful meetings and enjoyable times have been held at the Eastern Star Home and I was pleased to attend some of them: the Home and Country Celebration, Founders Day Celebration, and a Tea for Sister Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary, which was held at the Administration Building.

GRAND LODGE

It was a great honor for me to attend some of the activities at Grand Lodge. I was pleased to attend the program by students of the Masonic Home and School of Texas on Friday evening, and a coffee honoring Mrs. Sue Regian, wife of Brother Joe Regian, on Saturday morning. I attended the Masonic Installation to see Brother Joe Regian installed as Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brother Harry Cunningham installed as Deputy Grand Master.

ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

It was an honor to represent the Grand Chapter of Texas, along with the Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Line Officers, at the Grand Assembly held in Beaumont on June 15-18. Thank you, Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Drill Leader and Supreme Inspector in Texas, for every courtesy extended to me.

The Rainbow Bible, presented to me at my installation by Cindy Ensminger and the Rainbow Girls, will always be a precious memory to me.

To Plano Assembly for naming me to receive the Grand Cross of Colors, I humbly thank you. I was very pleased by this thoughtful act and was honored to receive my Grand Cross in Beaumont.

ELEGANT EAGLES AND WINDWALKER

To each one of the Elegant Eagles and Windwalkers who served with Brother Richard and me, how I love you! You have served your Chapters with honor and it has been my privilege to serve as your counterpart in the Grand Chapter of Texas.

To the Number One Windwalker and Barbara, it has been my joy to have you with me as Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Esther. Thank you for your dedication to Grand Chapter and to the Worthy Grand Matron.

CORPORATE BOARD MEETING January 11, 1997

The following members of the Corporate Board were present for a meeting held at the Hampton Inn in San Antonio, Texas on Saturday evening, January 11, 1997.

Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron
 Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron
 Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron
 Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary
 Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress
 Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress

The suit which has been pending for approximately two years filed by George Poff was settled through mediation on December 10, 1996 and the time of appeal has elapsed. Those present at the mediation which lasted almost four hours included George and Flossie Poff, their attorney, Hal T. Thorne, the Mediator, Edwin G. Bell and representing the Grand Chapter of Texas, Richard Ochs, Frances Burbank and Lola Wallace, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees and Attorneys, Christopher J. Pruitt and Randy Dean.

The Worthy Grand Matron encouraged the Grand Line Officers to attend the next meeting of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences. Richard Ochs offered to attend the meeting. The Worthy Grand Matron will send a letter to the members of the Benevolent Board advising them of this fact and that Grand Line Officers are not to be excluded from Executive meetings when they are held. She also needs copies of Executive meetings.

The 90 day interim period for Ron Johnston, Interim Administrator/ Superintendent of the Home, should be up by the time of the next Benevolent Board meeting. All were in agreement that Ron should be given the opportunity to prove himself.

A life insurance policy on one of the residents of the Home was mentioned and the fact that the beneficiary is listed as a Chapter which has now consolidated with another Chapter. The Beneficiary needs to be changed.

Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, closed the meeting with prayer.

Frances Burbank
 Grand Secretary

CORPORATE BOARD MEETING

July 16, 1997

The following members of the Corporate Board met in the Hospitality Room at the Plaza Hotel in Killeen, Texas on Saturday, July 16, 1997:

Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron
 Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron
 Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron
 Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary
 Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer
 Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress
 Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress

The Worthy Grand Matron opened the meeting with prayer and thanked everyone for being present.

A brief discussion was held on amendments to be presented at our Grand Chapter Session in October.

The Worthy Grand Patron stated he felt it was time to begin updating some of the ladies' rooms in our Eastern Star Home.

Sister Alma Carter mentioned we have received \$60,000.00 for our Home Endowment Fund from Affinity Marketing Associates for the pin program. We have previously received over \$12,000.00 for the Eastern Star watches. She was especially pleased with these funds for our Home Endowment Fund and with the cooperation given by Art Passic.

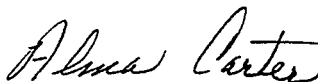
Word had just been received that the 75 ton compressor at the Home had to be replaced immediately at an approximate cost of \$17,000.00. Since this exceeds the amount allowed the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for repairs or improvements to the Home without the approval of Grand Chapter, the Corporate Board could, in an emergency, approve of this expense since the Corporate Board "shall have charge of the business affairs of Grand Chapter under its Laws and Regulations during vacation" and the residents of our Home cannot wait until Grand Chapter for air conditioning. Alma Lynn Bane made a motion, seconded by Richard Ochs and Betty Friend that this expenditure be allowed and that we also appeal for donations for this expense. The motion was unanimously adopted.

A report on the Eastern Star Home of Texas will be made at the next Corporate Board meeting which will be held at 4:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Plano prior to the banquet honoring our Worthy Grand Matron on Saturday, September 6.

Frances Burbank
Grand Secretary

Sisters and Brothers, it is my wish that each one of you will soar to your mountaintop, 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 for making this a wonderful year.



Alma Carter

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

On August 16, 1997, I attended the banquet of our Grand Conductress, Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, in Waco.

Saturday, August 23, I flew to Amarillo to attend the banquet honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs.

I attended a meeting at Frisco Chapter No. 93 on August 26. This was an honor night for the Grand Officers. A large number of members were present, including Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain; Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth; and Mildred Blair, Grand Martha.

A small number of Eastern Star members left on a trip to Branson, Missouri, over the Labor Day week-end. It was a great trip. Although we were small in number, we were a great and fun group. We were joined by friends of Plano Radio Station KAAM and they were lovely people who fit in very nicely.

On September 6, 1997, I enjoyed a banquet honoring the office of Worthy Grand Matron in my home city of Plano. We had a great crowd, a wonderful meal, and everyone enjoyed this special evening. I thank the membership for honoring me at this event.

Sisters and Brothers, you have my advanced report. It's in each packet. Worthy Grand Patron, I move that the Worthy Grand Matron's advanced and supplemental reports be referred to the proper Committee.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I have a motion and a second that the Worthy Grand Matron's advanced and supplemental reports be referred to the appropriate Committee. All in favor, raise your right hands. Lower your hands. If there is anyone opposed, would you raise your right hand.

Worthy Grand Matron, I think everyone is very acceptable to your report, and we appreciate it very kindly. I invite you to preside.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Brother Richard Ochs for his report.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My advanced report was included in the advanced annual reports provided. I have provided copies of the supplement to the advanced report of the Worthy Grand Patron to the Grand Secretary. With your permission and the permission of the membership, I will not read either, but I would like to summarize in saying that our ladies at the OES Home is the most important thing we do in my belief as far as what we have for this Grand Chapter. I look forward to the time when we get some renovation on their individual rooms.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

I can never fully convey my personal thanks to you, Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, for your confidence in me in asking me to serve the Grand Chapter of Texas and the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction. I hope I have helped to accomplish part of your many goals. Where I have failed, I appreciate your understanding and forgiveness.

To the Membership, thank you for supporting and confirming Sister Alma Carter's choice at a banquet held in August 1995 to elect me as the Associate Grand Patron in October, 1995 and then Worthy Grand Patron at the Grand Chapter Session in 1996.

One of my goals was to spend a substantial amount of time with the members at the various functions which I attended. I met and became acquainted with so many of you. The membership has welcomed me and you will always have a special place in my heart. Thank you for the many cards and special appreciations provided to me as Worthy Grand Patron.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS

I am very grateful for having the pleasure of becoming better acquainted with many of you. Thank you very much for the great support you have given our Worthy Grand Matron during some exciting and trying times.

I am especially grateful to Sister Wanda Fairchild for appointing me as her Grand Chaplain which enabled me to become better acquainted with many of you, the membership, throughout the state before being invited by Sister Alma Carter to serve with her. Sister Wanda, thanks for coming to many of the schools and fraternal visits.

As of this writing, the last of July, we have not had any deaths of Past Grands this year. After the installation in Beaumont, I went to the funeral home in Lufkin to express our sorrow at the death of Sister Cynthia Mae Watts while we were attending Grand Chapter.

INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS

This past year I have been afforded the privilege of becoming better acquainted with the elected officers and those special appointees of the Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you for your service to God and to the Order of the Eastern Star.

FRATERNAL VISITS AND SCHOOLS

Thank you, Plano Chapter, for the courtesies extended to the Worthy Grand Patron this year. The fraternal visit of the Worthy Grand Matron was especially memorable to me.

Thank you, Amarillo Chapter, for receiving our Worthy Grand Matron for her fraternal visit and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron.

I attended all or part of 37 schools and/or fraternal visits throughout the 50 sections. I attended all ten in District 2. I also attended some schools and fraternal visits in Districts 1, 3, 4, and 5. In addition, I attended a few of the Worthy Grand Matron's fraternal visits at various other locations.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

It is my great honor to have been made an Honorary Member of nearly all of the Chapters in Texas. Thank you, members, for having voted me this special privilege.

There were many presentations made to the Worthy Grand Patron at the schools and I thank each of you for these special gifts.

VISITS TO OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Both my wife, Barbara, and I attended the initiation and Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of New Mexico at Clayton. The added privilege was in seeing a member of Texline Chapter who had recently dualled with Clayton Chapter,

serving as Associate Matron. Due to the change in the Code of Laws a year ago, several members who are residents of New Mexico in and near Clayton are now members of Texline Chapter No. 640 in Texas.

We also attended the Texas-Oklahoma Exchange Visit at Wichita Falls, Texas, and Duncan, Oklahoma. It was a great evening at both places. Sharing with the Worthy Grand Patron and Associate Grand Patron of Oklahoma for several hours in Wichita Falls was a pleasant experience.

O. E. S. HOME

The Ladies in our home are called the "Regal Eagles" this year by the Worthy Grand Matron. They are a very special group and I encourage you to go visit them and the O.E.S. Home.

Thank you, membership, for permitting the use of the Renovation Fund before the goal of 75 % was accumulated. Much needed renovations and/or repair have been accomplished since October, 1996. Thank you, too, for the fantastic support of our Home through the various programs of our Worthy Grand Matron, such as the My Dress Program for committee members and the Defenders of Freedom donations in lieu of selling many little trinkets. You are an outstanding, care-giving, and benevolent group.

To Ron Johnston, the new Superintendent/Administrator of our Home, you have contributed major improvements to the Infirmary and general management of our Home. Thanks! We look forward to significant improvements to the overall retirement center facility as you continue your service for our Ladies.

CHAPTER CONSTITUTING AND/OR INSTITUTING

No chapters were constituted or instituted during 1996-97. Only two inquiries were received.

First, O.E.S. members of Dayton and Anahuac inquired about instituting a chapter at Mont Belvieu. The Grand Secretary made written follow-up on November 18, 1996, and provided various items and information on instituting.

Second, a Past Master of Krum Lodge No. 1453 contacted me about establishing an O.E.S. Chapter in Krum. I responded by visiting their lodge to answer questions during their work night (remodeling of their building). At that time, I met the Worshipful Master and several Past Masters, Secretary, elected and appointed officers who expressed a desire to get an O. E. S. Chapter established, followed by a DeMolay Chapter, and a Rainbow Assembly.

Krum Lodge has bought an old church and has done major renovation of the sanctuary into a lodge room. They have begun renovation of the Education Building into a kitchen, dining room, and two small meeting rooms. They plan to renovate the upstairs to accommodate the O.E.S. Ladies and Rainbow girls. The DeMolay would meet in the Lodge Room. Krum Lodge has high goals and I look forward to their success. Bro. Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron and District 1 Member of the Chapters Under Dispensation Committee, and I attended a stated lodge meeting on April 17, 1997, answering questions and advising of matters which need to be accomplished. They were provided appropriate materials and one follow-up was made.

DISTRICT DEPUTY AND DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS

It has been my great pleasure to get acquainted with many of you. You have been great personal representatives of our Worthy Grand Matron. Your service to her, to Grand Chapter, and the chapters in your respective District and Section is very much appreciated. Thank you for the many courtesies extended to me by your sections. The special civic presentations and recognitions were great, especially the flags flown over the United States and State Capitols.

COMMITTEES

Sister and Brothers, you have helped to make this Grand Chapter year a great success. I am very grateful to our Worthy Grand Matron for giving our Ladies the opportunity to make a contribution to the O.E.S. Home Endowment Fund in lieu of buying a dress.

Brothers of the Defenders of Freedom Committee, your promotion of the Eagle Club has helped bring about a significant increase in the Endowment Fund. THANKS.

ELEGANT EAGLES AND WINDWALKERS

You Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons have done so many special things for Barbara and me. There is no way to convey our gratitude to you. An extra thank you to those of you who assisted Barbara when I was busy.

YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Most of my association with the various youth organizations has been enhanced this year. I do support all youth organizations and I encourage you to find members for each organization.

DeMolay – I began as an advisor in 1974 and have been actively involved since that time. I attended the State Master Councilor Retreat on Sunday, November 24, 1996, at Bruceville after the District 3, Section 1 School at Ft. Worth.

The new Executive Officer of Texas is Brother Blain Koenning. He has appointed me as District Governor of the Panhandle. He plans for me to start visits to Lodges in the Texas Panhandle in January 1998 to promote DeMolay. I also attended the Texas State Conclave on July 17 and 18, 1997, and assisted as Ritual Judge during proficiency competition before leaving early to attend the Associate Grand Matron's banquet in Killeen.

Rainbow – I attended all sessions of the Texas Grand Assembly while serving as Associate Grand Patron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Job's Daughters – I have not attended any regular meetings to observe the ritualistic work. I had the privilege of bringing greetings at their Annual Retreat on November 24, 1996 at Green Family Camp. The most impressive thing to me was that the adult leadership permitted the young ladies to have parliamentary debate (rather intense at times) over a particular issue.

PERSONAL COMMENTS

Thank you to my secretary, Sandra Fitch of Amarillo Chapter, for looking after the home front while I was out of town.

Thank you to my Grand Pages the past three years: Woody Fitch and Jack York of Amarillo No. 787; Carl Unlaub of Dumas No. 653; Dwayne Masserang of A. E. Shirley No. 986; and James Zink of Borger No. 811. You have always been there to assist me whenever a task arose.

A very special thank you to my wife Barbara, Grand Esther, for her support and love; to our three children, Lee Ann Bartolino, Robert and Raymond; to my parents, Alice and Herman Ochs; to my sister, Audrey Powell; and to my brother, George, for their support and encouragement.

May the "Fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control," as identified in Galatians 5:22-23, be exemplified by all of us in our deeds.

It is always good to have a friend to hold us up and assist in accomplishing our tasks (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10). May we never have to walk alone.



Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

SUPPLEMENT TO ADVANCE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Additional activities since preparation or my Advance Report are:

An exceptionally great Banquet and hospitality for the Worthy Grand Patron in Amarillo, under the direction of Betty Unlaub, District Deputy grand matron, District 11, and the Grand Pages to the Worthy Grand Patron.

Assisting Acting Worthy Matron Flora Maserang, and Worthy Patron Dwayne Maserang as Chaplain in the Funeral Ceremony for Telle Todd of A. E. Shirley Chapter #986.

Barbara and I joining with others on the Worthy Grand Matron's trip to Branson for a great Labor Day week-end.

Attending a very exceptional Banquet for our Worthy Grand Matron.

Visiting Hooker, Oklahoma Chapter.

Being honored with a special reception by Worthy Matron Frances Stewart and Worthy Patron James Zink following Borger Chapter #811 Stated Meeting.

I attended parts of the Board of Grand Trustees and Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences in September.

The Board of Grand Chapter Benevolence has made general renovations to the structure with the assistance of Ray White, Renovation Chairman. I expressed to them several times that I believe we need to begin more personal renovation such as remodeling/modernizing the residential rooms by enlarging the living area (bed-room) for our residents. Renovation such as, but not limited to making 2 rooms into 1 living area with vanity, lavatory, shower and/or large closet in room (preferred); and/or use three rooms into 2 living areas; painting (including their choice of color), and electrical updates, including new lighting fixtures. Initiate these renovations by using adjoining vacant rooms, because of the current low occupancy of our OES Home, approximately 30 in the general residential area and 20 in the infirmary. Also, thank you Brother Ron Johnston for your service as Superintendent.

I had the privilege to assist in 50-year member presentations of Sister Meryl Trosper at Higgins Chapter #300, Brother J. D. Butler and Sister Alice Ochs (my mother) at Dumas Chapter #653.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this advanced and supplemental report and that it be referred to the appropriate Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Do we have a second? I have a motion and a second to refer the advanced and supplemental reports of the Worthy Grand Patron to the proper Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, please raise your hand or your card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I recognize Sister Frances Burbank for her report.

GRAND SECRETARY: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: The report of the Grand Secretary can be found on page 20 through page 24 of the advanced annual report.

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,

My heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation for allowing me to serve as your Grand Secretary these past ten years.

In compliance with the Code of Laws, I submit the record of the official transactions of the Grand Secretary during the year of 1996-1997.

The Annual Chapter Reports as of May 31, 1997 reflect a decrease of 4,944 in our total membership and a decrease of 12 in the number of Subordinate Chapters. We gained 3,230 members by initiation, affiliation and reinstatement. We lost a total of 7,233 members by demits, withdrawals, transfers, suspensions, expulsions and death. No Chapters demised this year; twelve Chapters consolidated. The total number of Chapters on July 1, 1997 was 563.

IN MEMORIAM

*"It is so natural that we fall asleep,
 Like tired children when the day is done:
 I would question why the living weep
 When death has kissed the laughing life of one.
 We do not sigh when the golden skies have donned
 The purple shadows and the gray of night,
 Because we know the morning lies beyond
 And we must wait a little while for light."*

Our hearts were saddened by the death of one Past Grand Matron.

MRS. CYNTHIA MAY WATTS
 October 25, 1996

A Memorial Notice was mailed to all Grand Jurisdictions, all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas, all Texas Grand Officers and all Subordinate Chapters.

MEMBERSHIP

The 1997 Annual Reports again reflect a decrease in membership and the number of Subordinate Chapters.

Membership on May 31, 1996	71,067	
Increase- Adjustments to 1996 reports	<u>14</u>	71,081
Decrease - Adjustments to 1996 reports (Consolidations)	974	70,107
INCREASE:		
Initiated	1,138	
Reinstated	428	
Affiliations	<u>1,673</u>	<u>3,230</u>
		73,346
DECREASE:		
Demits	1,005	
Withdrawals	162	
Transfers	264	
Suspensions	3,370	
Expulsions	9	
Deaths	2,413	7,223
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ON MAY 31, 1997		*66,123

*Includes 91 members residing in our Eastern Star Home and the Texas Masonic Home (exempt of dues and per capita tax).

*Includes 2,674 - 50 Year Exempt Members (exempt of dues and per capita tax)

2,765 Total Exempt Members are included in the above total membership.

LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP SINCE 1996 - 4,944
DUAL MEMBERS - 1,850

74 Chapters reported a GAIN in membership
467 Chapters reported a LOSS in membership
30 Chapters remained the SAME in membership

Chapters leading in number of Initiations:

Normangee No. 87	14
Mineola No. 454	11
Denton No. 259	10
Killeen No. 490	10
South Houston No. 915	10
Gun Barrel City No. 1114	10

The following Chapters Consolidated:

- Lakeside No. 1054 with Nederland No. 1079 - January 1, 1997
- Palacios No. 125 with Bay City No. 381 - March 4, 1997
- Temple No. 153 with Vashti No. 32 - April 1, 1997
- Army No. 664 with San Antonio-Radiant No. 3 - April 4, 1997
- R. A. Terrell No. 194 with Forney No. 557 - June 1, 1997
- Canadian No. 227 with Higgins No. 300 - June 1, 1997
- Southside No. 673 with South Hills No. 835 - June 1, 1997
- South San Antonio No. 691 with Harlandale No. 750 - June 10, 1997
- Broadus No. 889 with John Gillespie No. 257 - June 1, 1997
- Cockrell Hill No. 971 with Flora No. 794 - June 1, 1997
- Swift No. 1138 with Nacogdoches No. 428 - June 1, 1997
- Thunderbird No. 1087 with Woodbine No. 738 - July 1, 1997

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHAPTERS ON JULY 31, 1997..... 563

(Loss of 12 Chapters since July 31, 1996)

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. I am sorry to report there were four Chapters who failed to comply with this law. These reports were received by the Grand Secretary as follows:

- Sterling Chapter No. 29 - July 18
- Mart Chapter No. 109 - July 2
- Marfa Chapter No. 344 - July 21
- Huffman Chapter No. 1112 - July 7

GRAND DEMITS ISSUED

Mrs. Pat Atkisson
Mrs. Elaine Clark
Mrs. Mildred LaDuke

Mrs. Alma Roberts
Mr. Sidney E. Roberts

CHAPTER NAME CHANGE

Radiant San Antonio No. 3 to
San Antonio Radiant No. 3

Flora No. 794 to
Cockrell Hill Flora No. 794

South Hills No. 835 to
South Ft. Worth No. 835

CHARTER NAME CHANGE

San Antonio Radiant No. 3
Forney/Terrell No. 557
Cockrell Hill Flora No. 794
South Fort Worth No. 835

REPLACE CHARTER

Spur No. 164

REPLACE CHARTER DISPENSATION

Spur No. 164
Forney/Terrell No. 557
Cockrell Hill Flora No. 794
James Ladd Burgess No. 983

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 June 30, 1997.

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
June 30, 1997**

HUMANITARIAN:

Eastern Star Home \$15,277.47
Home Endowment 42,547.64
ESTARL 21,183.87

Home Renovation 8,481.33

International Temple 696.00

	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	PROFIT
Fraternal Visitation (Pocket Calendar)	7, 974.00	5,350.00	2,624.00
Time and Talent Stickers	4,785.00	1,159.00	3,626.00
Founder's Day 100% Chapters	6,935.00		6,935.00
Caps	15.00		15.00
Defenders of Freedom Eagle Badges	43,585.19	1,032.84	42,552.35
Pursuit of Excellence Stickers	2,820.00	73.57	2,746.43
Music Music and Tapes	7,068.94	4,763.00	2,305.94
Home & Country Celebration	24,579.32	5,116.22	19,463.10
Affinity Marketing Pins	40,083.00	159.10	39,923.90
Watches	12,930.00		12,930.00
Masonic Family Graphics Computer Disks	620.00		620.00
Dress Buttons	46,536.00		46,238.56
Breast Cancer Research	9,258.45	297.44	9,258.45
	<u>207,189.90</u>	<u>17,951.17</u>	<u>189,238.73</u>

HOME RENOVATION FUND

HOME RENOVATION TRUST ACCOUNT

Balance in Fund as of November 1, 1996	\$461,737.15
Income	15,744.88
Contributions	8,006.57
	<u>23,751.45</u>
	23,751.45
	<u>485,488.60</u>
 Withdrawals:	
Transfers to checking account	56,879.00
Administrative fees	1,183.02
	<u>58,062.02</u>
	48,062.02
Balance in Trust Account June 30, 1997	\$427,426.58

HOME RENOVATION FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT

Beginning balance in checking account Nov. 1, 1996	\$ 2,283.69
Transfers from Home Renovation Trust Account	56,879.00
	<u>\$59,162.69</u>

Expenses for renovation which includes	
Replacement of plumbing and faucets	
in Infirmary, roof extension over	
Chapel, gutters over portions of the	
Home, garage doors, etc.	57,259.46
Service charges	45.00
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	57,304.46
	57,304.46
Balance in checking account June 30, 1997	\$ 1,858.23

Frances E. Burbank

Frances E. Burbank
Grand Secretary

And under the Eastern Star Home of Texas, a report is to be given in compliance with Section 1 of the Standing Rules of the By-Laws of the Eastern Star Home of Texas. It states, "The Corporate Board shall report annually their official actions to the Grand Chapter of Texas." The Corporate Board met Tuesday evening, and the following report was submitted. During the 1996-1997 Grand Chapter year, the following donations were received for the Eastern Star Home of Texas: \$27,941.33 from the Defenders of Freedom to the Endowment Fund. Under the 501(c)(3) through donations to the Eagle Club, \$740 was donated by members through matching funds provided by their employers, and we received donations through United Way in Amarillo. \$9,868.42 was received from deceased residents' insurance policies at the Home. \$22,619.07 from residents entering the Eastern Star Home. \$140,791.27 was received through bequests and wills, and a member donated 25 shares of Exxon stock. The total receipts under the 501(c)(3) were \$201,960.09.

Some of the expenses other than the day-to-day operation of the Eastern Star Home included \$57,304.46 spent in replacing plumbing in the infirmary; the roof extension over the chapel and gutters over portions of the Home. These expenses came from the Home Renovation Fund. Other information relating to the Home can be found in the report of the Benevolent Board on pages 33 and 34 of your advanced annual report.

In closing, mere words cannot express my feelings as these ten years come to a close, nor can they express my appreciation for this precious friend, our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma, for our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard, to our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons for their wise counsel over the years, to all the Grand Officers with whom I have served, including two Grand Treasurers, to the members of the Board of Grand Trustees and the Benevolent Board and to you the membership for this opportunity of service, and to my office staff who daily gave of their efforts, their time, their dedication and their support to Grand Chapter and to this Grand Secretary. May God's richest blessings be with each of you always. Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be referred to the proper Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second to refer the report of the Grand Secretary to the proper Committee. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor will raise their right hand. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I now recognize Sister Patsy Wilson for her report.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Guests, My Sisters and Brothers All.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Grand Treasurer for another year. I am looking forward to serving you in the years to come by holding the good Lord's hand as I go along the way.

Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. You have had a great year and I have enjoyed serving as one of your Grand Officers. It has been another learning year and I have come to love each of your officers.

Sister Frances, Grand Secretary, it has been a pleasure to serve with you this year. We have had a lot of learning experiences and it will not be the same without you. Your staff is wonderful to me.

The help I have received on the Computer is still in place and I thank Sister Nancy McCain for coming to my aid when I needed her so very much.

To the membership, I say thank you for your kindness and trust in me, please know that I will stand with you always. I wish for each of you a year of fulfilled dreams and accomplishments.

I am presenting the work of the Treasurers Office for your approval of this report.

Patsy Wilson
Grand Treasurer

I present for your consideration a summary of the Nov. 1,1995 thru June 30,1997 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.

Submitted by:
Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer

Nov. 1, 1995 thru
Oct. 31, 1996

Nov. 1, 1996 thru
June 30, 1997

GENERAL FUND:

Checking Account
1180191551 Bank
One/Ft Worth 501C8

Balance In Account
Nov.1, 1995 \$23,667.65
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996 \$120,312.99
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$ 62,126.90

RECEIPTS:

Clearing Money Market &		
Clearing Trust Transfers	\$ 264,192.34	\$ 139,383.01
Bulletin Articles	41,713.00	18,238.00
Bulletin Subscriptions	37,452.00	25,708.00
Supplies & Sales	113,927.30	48,485.79
Proceedings	1,574.96	-0-
Investment & Raised Income	23,682.59	-0-
G. C. Reports	2,255.00	-0-
Grand Chapter Registration	37,429.00	-0-
Interest Earned	615.45	452.43
Misc	6,736.86	7,579.62
Funds from 1996 G.C	-0-	28,889.75
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$529,578.50	\$268,736.60

DISBURSEMENTS:

Administrative	\$66,598.74	61,607.09
Printing, Postage & Supplies	206,057.88	93,099.36
WGM'S Van	2,490.77	4,160.68
Grand Officers and Committees	9,800.00	9,800.00
Postage	4,703.59	2,412.72
Insurance & Reimb Insurance	137,566.17	62,459.37
Misc	5,716.01	79,901.94
Transfer Funds from 1996 G.C.		
To Savings	-0-	28,889.75
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 432,933.16	\$ 342,330.91

O.E.S. CLEARING ACCOUNT:

Revocable Trust, 8336565700,
Bank One/Ft. Worth 501C8

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 40,769.37
Balance In Account
Nov. 1. 1996 \$187,391.80
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$ 18,879.26

O.E.S. HOME ENDOWMENT FUND TRUST:

8336565800, Bank One/Ft. Worth, Revocable Trust 501C8

Balance In Account	
Nov. 1, 1995	\$5,711,210.33
Balance In Account	
Nov. 1, 1996	\$6,060,948.00
Balance In Account	
June 30, 1997	\$6,037,393.71 Cost
	\$6,408,207.12 Worth

RECEIPTS:

Stock Dividends	\$ 13,946.68	\$ 8,426.35
Bond Interest	333,226.57	228,330.10
Cash & Equivalents Income	28,465.96	30,532.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 375,639.21	267,288.95

DISBURSEMENTS:

O.E.S. Home Holding Trust	\$ 452,973.21	\$ 36,984.89
Investments	2,591,728.90	112,880.13
Stock Dividends Transfer To		
Trust Principal	12,745.46	3,873.55
Bank Fees	28,676.69	19,367.73
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 3,086,124.26	\$ 173,106.30

TRUST CASH-PRINCIPAL

RECEIPTS:

Stock Dividends	\$ 12,771.18	\$ 8,399.83
Historical Highlights, Donations, Etc.	47,899.16	49,585.37
Grand Chapter, Humanitarian and		
Special Projects	74,971.10	61,474.45
Bequests and Grants	-0-	-0-
Misc	-0-	-0-
	<u>\$ 135,641.44</u>	<u>\$ 119,459.65</u>

TOTAL PRINCIPAL CASH INCREASE:

October 31, 1996	\$ 59,965.76
June 30, 1997	\$ 174,643.53

OES HOME FUND HOLDING

TRUST: 8336704400,
Bank One/Ft. Worth,
Revocable Trust 501C3

Balance In Account	
Nov. 1, 1995	\$ 109, 733.68
Balance In Account	
Nov. 1, 1996	\$ 147, 200.78
Balance In Account	
June 30, 1997	\$ 36,984.89

OES HOME FUND MONEY
 MARKET: Business Money
 Market & Savings, 0010316917
 Bank One/Fort Worth 501C3

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 11,420.41
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 102,016.14
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 115,299.87

RECEIPTS:

Ladies Pensions	\$ 490,257.79	\$ 326,355.89
Investment Income	31,485.73	63,751.70
Donations	5,536.30	3,971.89
Bequests & Grants	30,144.76	26,792.28
Home Member Receipts	139,695.68	37,424.62
Reimbursement Receipts	26,703.64	5,623.59
WGM'S Special Funds	92,526.98	49,813.83
Misc.	21,806.57	21,060.97
Interest Earned In Account	1,521.75	1,742.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 758,679.20	\$ 536,537.52

DISBURSEMENTS:

Home Operational Account	\$ 423,621.21	\$ 14,259.39
Home Holding Trust	164,542.22	280,469.89
Misc.	-0-	-0-
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...	\$ 588,163.43	\$ 294,729.28

OES CLEARING ACCOUNT:
 Business Money Market Savings,
 1180240432, Bank One/Ft Worth 501C8

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 60,608.98
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 66,656.22
 Balance In Account
 June 31, 1997 \$572,196.54

ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP:

Trust, Bank of Commerce/
 Ft. Worth, 501C8

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$444,279.81
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$597,386.81
 Balance In Account
 May 30, 1997 \$611,646.95

ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP:
Bank Of Commerce/Ft. Worth

	Nos.	11-1-87 5-31-95	6-1-95 5-31-96	6-1-96 5-31-97
Endowed Memberships:				
# 1 To 975	975	\$487,500.00		
976 thru 1151	174		\$87,000.00	
		Less #1133 & #1134 Check Returned before Deposit for Husband & Wife. Husband deceased.		
# 1152 thru 1319	170			
		Plus #1133 & #1134 added on.		\$85,000.00

Investments:

May31, 1997

Trust Agency Account: Principal \$574,500.00 - Market Value \$611,646.95

Savings Account: \$85,000.00 Interest: \$ 1,089.33

WGM EASTERN STAR
HOME SPECIAL FUND:
Checking, 07203321460,
Texas Commerce Bank/
Arlington, Restricted
(Projects) 501C3

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 17,767.16
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 10,293.05
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$ 20,258.47

OES GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS
HOME ENDOWMENT FUND:
Revocable Trust, 8336831900, Bank
One/Ft Worth 501C3

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995 \$172,295.35
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996 \$185,943.34
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$203,534.26

OES HOME REVOVATION FUND:
Trust, 55010723002400, Texas
Commerce Bank/ Arlington 501C8

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995 \$497,808.11
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996 \$461,737.15
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$427,426.58

OES HOME RENOVATION:
Checking, 07203248275, Texas
Commerce Bank/Arlington
501C3

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995
\$ 48,376.04
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996
\$ 2,283.69
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997
\$ 1,858.23

OES HOME OPERATIONAL
FUND: Basic Business Checking,
1180199380, Bank One/Ft. Worth 501C3

Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1995 \$19,491.51
Balance In Account
Nov. 1, 1996 \$53,330.31
Balance In Account
June 30, 1997 \$76,962.25

OES EDUCATIONAL FUND:
 Comerica Money Market,
 732786039-6, Comerica Bank/
 Arlington 501C8

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 15,563.89
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 7,841.36
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 10,141.81

WGM'S SPECIAL FUNDS:
 Checking, 07200345603,
 Commerce Bank/Arlington,
 Unrestricted (Projects)

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$104,125.77
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$127,592.80
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 52,389.78

OES MEMBER DEPOSIT:
 0722308569, Texas Commerce
 Bank/Arlington 501C8

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 5,786.03
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 37,467.95
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 41,119.74

OES SPECIAL ACCOUNT:
 Checking, 07200339606
 Texas Commerce Bank/
 Arlington 501C8 (Ladies Needs)

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 6,189.44
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 9,116.06
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 9,751.93

BENEVOLENT FUND:
 Checking, 3005261, Security
 Bank/Arlington 501C8
 (Under The Benevolent Board)

Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1995 \$ 81,416.12
 Balance In Account
 Nov. 1, 1996 \$ 68,192.64
 Balance In Account
 June 30, 1997 \$ 44,704.68

I have extra copies of my report that is in the advanced report or any copies of the records that are on my computer, which I have done from the starting of this year till now. Thank you very much.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this be referred to the proper Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the motion and second that we refer Sister Patsy's report to the proper Committee. Is there any objections or any discussions? If not, please raise your right hand. Motion carried.

I now recognize Brother Murray Watson, Jr., Past Grand Patron and Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, for his preliminary report. Brother Murray.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers, it is with much pleasure that I introduce the members of the Jurisprudence Committee this year: District 1, Jean Nesbitt; District 2, B. F. Hutson; District 4, Joe Jeffers; District 5, Evelyn Conger.

Under unfinished business, there is no unfinished business to present to this Grand Chapter at this time. There are no amendments to our Constitution which

require a second or third reading. With reference to the duties of the Jurisprudence Committee, as listed in the Code of Laws, Article 152-E, on page 105, we recommend the distribution of the matters contained in the annual reports, including the supplemental reports of the Grand Chapter, to the following Committees: To the members of the Grand Chapter, all matters contained within said reports; to the Board of Grand Trustees, reports of the Grand Secretary, the report of the Grand Treasurer, the report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolence; to the By-Laws Committee, the amendment to the By-Laws as contained in the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron; to the Committee on Grievances & Appeals, that portion of the Worthy Grand Matron's report and supplemental report relating to discipline; to the Jurisprudence Committee, all matters contained in the reports specifically assigned to the Jurisprudence Committee in Article 152-E of the Code of Laws of this Grand Chapter. In legislation, 15 amendments and one resolution were submitted to your Jurisprudence Committee for consideration for this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this preliminary report of your Jurisprudence Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, this report comes from the Jurisprudence Committee. Therefore, it needs no second. All in favor of this motion, raise your right hand. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Murray Watson, my Jurisprudence Chairman, for that wonderful report.

I recognize Sister Ethel Powell, Fraternal Correspondent, for her report.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

As a participant in the world's brotherhood, we must travel down many roads. Life can be an inspirational adventure if we begin our journey by directing our path toward rich, adventurous, and dynamic living. Reports have been coming in of travels from Australia to Puerto Rico, New Jersey to Utah. As one song says, "From the Great Atlantic Ocean to the Wide Pacific Shore", our Representatives have traveled many miles to represent you.

They are recognized in different ways. Some states they are brought to the East and introduced while in others they are introduced during the Cavalcade of Flags. Most states have the "Cavalcade of Flags" drill in which a Grand Representative's counter part is asked to participate. Most of the states have a breakfast and luncheon for the Grand Representatives. Some have banquets and dances where they are honored guests.

These Grand Representatives have had wonderful sight seeing trips, vacations, and have attended many Grand Chapters. Nevada's Grand Chapter was a very popular place. We had 16 members that attended the Grand Chapter session in Las Vegas.

Wouldn't this be a boring place if every state did the same thing or performed their work the same way?

- Some States have a Grand Lecturer that is elected and eventually advances to the East.

- In some, Grand Adah is elected to Associate Grand Conductress.

- In other states the Associate Grand Conductress is elected from the Star Points.

- The Grand Sentinel is elected in a large number of states and advances to take his place as Worthy Grand Patron.

- Installations are quite different in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward IslandA piper led the Grand Officers in for installation. The Worthy Grand Patron was the Installing Officer and gave the Obligation, which is common to some states. Then eight other past Grands installed various officers. The Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Chaplain wore kilts.

- It is evident that the Order of the Eastern Star is a charitable organization. All reports I have received mentioned special projects that yielded large sums of money. Special projects vary from state to state. A number of them had Cancer Research for their special project this year and some with special emphasis on Breast Cancer Research as our Worthy Grand Matron has done here in Texas. In British Columbia and Yukon cancer dressings are made and supplied without cost to all cancer patients. Toys are presented to the Worthy Grand Matron, which are later given to children who are cancer patients.

- Kids seemed to be a special interest this year. Such projects included:

- Abused or critically ill children, as reported in Colorado; language disorders and the Shrine Hospital for Children in Utah; Collecting stuffed animals for ambulance drivers to give to children on their way to the hospital, and in Delaware a summer project benefited crippled children. Local school children were the project of the Worthy Grand Matron of Puerto Rico. The children's needs were met so that they could have materials for school.

- Make-A-Wish-Foundation was one of the projects in New Jersey; they gave the foundation over \$18,000. They gave large sums of money to our youth organizations, such as the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and DeMolay.

In Connecticut Two hundred members received their 50-year pins.

One of a Grand Chapters Session was titled, "What a Wonderful World".

Grand Marshal please present the Grand Representatives....

[Presentation of "A World of Friendship" drill.]

Thank you for your attendance. There are so many of you; it's wonderful to see all of you.

A Grand Representative is a very special appointment given by the Worthy Grand Matron. To be appointed Grand Representative is an honor and acknowledgment of their service to their own Eastern Star Chapter and to our State. They are ambassadors of goodwill and have a special place in the Order of the Eastern Star. Their work is international and they are a link in a strong and wonderful chain that binds Eastern Stars together all over the world.

*If I knew you and you knew me,
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less,
And clasp our hands in friendliness*

It has been my privilege to travel with you through your reports. Thank you for sharing with me your wonderful travels.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

When friends meet, hearts warm. It has been a pleasure reporting for the Grand Representatives in Texas. They have wonderful memories that will last forever.

Jo Ann Baker, Grand Representative of New Brunswick in Texas and Mickie Todd, Worthy Matron of Pearland Chapter #1065 visited the "Faith, Fidelity and Friendship" 67th Session of New Brunswick Grand Chapter July 10-12, 1997. A total of 539 members were registered. New Brunswick has an Eastern Star home and the Masons have an apartment building for the elderly. The members support the Shriner's Hospital for sick children. The Worthy Grand Matron's special projects were "Toys for Kids" and "ESTARL".

Martha Mosele, Grand Representative of Arizona in Texas, Jackie Pointer, Grand Representative of Alabama in Texas, Syble Yost, Grand Representative of Vermont in Texas, and Willie Pointer, Arrangements Committee attended the 97th "Dare to Dream" Grand Chapter Session held in Tucson on August 20-23, 1997. This jurisdiction has 60 chapters with 718 attending the session. They have an Eastern Star Home that is near capacity and all are not members of the O.E.S. Brother Willie Pointer escorted the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Helen R. Cox to the East. An apparent difference is there is no ritualistic prayer – a prayer was written and read at the Altar. The Grand Marshal, escorted to the West by her husband proclaims the opening and closing of Grand Chapter under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron.

"It's A Small World" Grand Chapter Session was held in Raleigh, North Carolina on June 9-11. Pansy Read, Grand Representative of North Carolina in Texas and Sister Kathleen Hoff, Worthy Matron of Crockett Chapter No. 509 were met at the airport and given a "Texas Welcome". This jurisdiction has a home supported by the Order of the Eastern Star and Masons. They call it MESH. They also have a Camp Rainbow where young girls can go and enjoy crafts and fellowship. An interesting thing, the Worthy Grand Matron appoints 29 District Deputy Grand Matrons and 29 District Deputy Grand Patrons for the 29 districts. These District Deputies hold a school of instruction in their respective districts on the same date, which is selected by the Worthy Grand Matron. They are responsible for planning projects and fund-raiser programs for the year.

Wanda R. Smoak, Grand Representative of Ontario in Texas, attended the "Serenade of the Seasons", 82nd Annual Session of Ontario. The jurisdiction has 20 districts with approximately 20,000 membership and 1433 member in attendance. They do not have Deputy Grand Matrons, only District Deputy Grand Matrons. They sold their O.E.S. Home and invested the money. They use the interest for their projects. They have given \$695,000 to their benevolent projects and \$25,000 each to the Hearing Impaired and the Blind. They gave 66 ESTARL Scholarships of \$900 each.

*I shall pass this way but once,
Any good, therefore, that I can do or
Any kindness that I can show to any
Human being let me do it now.
Let me not defer nor neglect it,
For I shall not pass this way again.*

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter for asking me to be your Fraternal Correspondent for the past year

Fraternally,
Ethel Powell

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I have the three Tri-Line Officers up here, my dear friends, Sister Wanda Fairchild, Sister Rosemary Swetland and myself. You are ours, and I wanted them to see you. And if they would like to say any word to you, they're welcome to.

I don't think they do, but I know they want me to tell you how proud they have been and how much they love you and appreciate all you have done. I want to thank the Grand Marshal and all of the Grand Representatives in Texas and those who are visiting us for this beautiful, beautiful sight this evening. Thank you so much. [applause]

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT: Sister Grand Marshal, thank you for conducting this drill for me. And Sister Joyce Gilbert, thank you for playing for my drill.

Grand Marshal, please conduct the Grand Representatives to their Grand Chapter room seat.

Worthy Grand Matron, while they're returning to their seats, thank you for having appointed me Fraternal Correspondent of the Grand Chapter of Texas for this past year. It has been exciting, fun and an honor that I will always treasure. Thank you. [applause] Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I have a motion and a second that we adopt the Fraternal Correspondent's report. Is there any discussion? All in favor will raise their right hand. Opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Sister Ethel Powell, Past Matron of my own chapter, Plano Chapter No. 703, how delighted I was to be able to have you as my Fraternal Correspondent this year. Thank you, my dear, for all that you have done and for this beautiful, beautiful report. Thank you, Sister Ethel. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, as you know, we will all be leaving this place and probably going quickly to our hotels and maybe on to the Fairmont Hotel for our district banquets. So we're going to call this session from labor to rest in one short minute. I would like to remind you of the exhibits around the arena. The examining room of the Grand Examiner at Large is now A404. Either take the elevator located by the concession area to the fourth floor or take the short ramp in the vendors' area to those meeting rooms 401-A and 401-10 - it's 410. Friday the examining room will be open from ten to two; Saturday from nine to ten. So if you need an examination, the Grand Examiner at Large will be there to give you your exam - she or one of her helpers.

I wish to thank those who played our prelude and the Grand Choir and all who had a part in this "I Will Make of You a Great Nation" Session. We will have our closing music by the Choir, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," after which Dr. Effie Mae Davis will pronounce our benediction. [Singing of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."] Thank you, Grand Choir. Dr. Effie Mae Davis.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Our Heavenly Father, as we go from labor to rest at the close of this session, keep us ever mindful of Thy love and Thy strength. Be with each of us as we go now and keep us safe to return again to serve Thee, for Thine honor and for Thy service, and only in Thy Holy Name, 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 "I Will Make of You a Great Nation" Session from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest, and you will permit no one to enter or leave the Grand Chapter room.

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

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

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar. [The Holy Bible was closed.]

I now call this "I Shall Make of You a Great Nation" from labor to rest until 8 a.m., Friday morning.

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**“SYMBOLS OF FREEDOM”
Friday Morning Session
October 10, 1997**

7:45 a.m. Musical Harmonies Mrs. Kathleen Yancy
Past Matron, Canton Chapter No. 667

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Wanda Fairchild
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Charles Morris
Past Grand Patron

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Good morning, Sisters and Brothers.

VOICES: Good morning.

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Let’s try that one more time. Good morning, Sisters and Brothers.

VOICES: Good morning.

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: I am most grateful to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, for allowing me the privilege of opening and having my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles Morris, stand by my side and join me in calling to order this Friday morning “Symbols of Freedom” session. We have enjoyed the musical prelude by Kathy Yancy. Let’s show our appreciation. [applause] The opening yesterday was a beautiful reflection of this year and a great beginning to this 115th “Freedom’s Light” Session in Dallas, Texas.

Being from District 3, about 30 miles from Dallas, I know our Worthy Grand Matron’s Committees have worked long and hard to make this Grand Chapter pleasing and convenient for everyone, and I know that our Worthy Grand Matron will have an outstanding Grand Chapter.

Brother Charles Morris, thank you for being here. We appreciate the interest and dedication that you and your charming wife Betty have given to our Order. I invite you to say good morning.

MR. CHARLES MORRIS: Thank you, Sister Wanda. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers all: It is indeed a special pleasure and a privilege for me to have the opportunity again to join my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Wanda Fairchild, in the Grand East. I congratulate you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on an outstanding year of service. We are proud of both of you, and we know this Grand Chapter Session will be excellent in every respect. Thank you so much, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing me the privilege of sharing with my Worthy Grand Matron in calling to order this Friday morning session of “Freedom’s Light” Session. Thank you. [applause]

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Thank you, Brother Charles, for those words.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will present the “This Is My Country” drill by the Grand Officers and their Pages. [applause following drill] The Grand Officers will

enter the Grand Chapter room. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. [Applause and standing ovation as they are escorted to the East.] Sisters and Brothers, it is with honor that I present Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron. You will salute them with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.]

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard, my Grand Chaplain, are you still praying for me? After last night I'm going to need it, District 3.

Sister Alma, Worthy Grand Matron, what a great pleasure and joy is mine this morning to share the East with my special friend and another Tri-Line Worthy Grand Matron. It is with a grateful heart and much appreciation that I present to you your gavel. I love you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Wanda Fairchild and Brother Charles Morris, for calling this Friday morning "Symbols of Freedom" Session to order. I have had the pleasure to serve as Grand Conductress during your "Loving Reflections" Session. You and Max are very dear to me and have become my loving and wonderful friends through these last few years. Brother Charles, we have known each other for many years. You and Betty have been very important in my life. Thank you for joining Sister Wanda Fairchild in calling this Friday morning session to order. Worthy Grand Patron, I know you want to thank these people.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Wanda, Brother Charles, as your Grand Chaplain, it is a special joy to greet you and to thank you. Yes, I'm praying for you and all our membership. Worthy Grand Patron, it's really fantastic to have you call this session to order. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The officers will take their stations. 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 are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor, and you will permit no interruptions 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. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order and entitled to be with us during this morning's session.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: 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.] Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Brother Wayne Jones, Brother Glenn Whitaker is absent from the Grand Chapter Session this morning. I wonder if you would do our prayer when the time comes. Thank you.

Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar. [The Holy Bible was

opened.] I now call upon Brother Wayne Jones, Past Grand Patron, to bring our invocation, after which our Grand Choir will bring a special song, "Morning Has Broken."

MR. WAYNE JONES: Sisters and Brothers, may each one of us pray. Our dear and most gracious Heavenly Father, how thankful we are for everything You do in our lives. We just praise Your Holy Name for each and everyone here, for the safe journey. And dear Heavenly Father, we just continue to pray for this Grand Chapter that each one of us will be in accord and just have that true love one with the other. Dear Heavenly Father, we just pray for our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and other officers. Just give them the strength to carry on this work, and we just praise Your Holy Name again, Dear Heavenly Father, for just watching over and being with us. And for this upcoming year, Dear Heavenly Father, just be with Yvonne and her corps of officers. Just lead and guide them that everything we do will be according to Your will.

Yes, Dear Heavenly Father, we just pray for those that are sick and are not with us at this time. If it's Your will, just heal their body. We just give you all the praise, and these things we ask in the special name of Jesus Christ our Savior, amen.

[Singing by Grand Choir of "Morning Has Broken."]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now declare this session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, this Grand Chapter is called from rest to labor, and you will permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

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

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

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Brother Wayne Jones, thank you so much for your beautiful words to our Lord. It sets us on the right path for a day of love and fellowship. Also, thank you for your willingness to do anything that you're called upon to do, whether it's at the last moment or with notice. Thank you so much.

Thank you, Brother Bill Crews, and the Grand Choir, for that beautiful song, one of my favorites.

We have much business to attend to today. Please have your reports ready, and I will ask the membership to give your full attention. As we spend the day in work and reports, may we all remember to have respect for each other's opinion, even if it differs from ours. Just a reminder: The blue cards are for all voting delegates. The red cards are for Chapter Representatives. And as far as I know, there will not be any need for the red cards this year because we have no constitutional amendments on the second reading. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

I recognize Sister Donna Reed, our Parliamentarian, for her reports and instructions. Before Sister Donna comes, I would like for some of the following committee chairmen to please be in the East to give their report, some we did not get to last evening: Sister Lena Maye Cook and her Purposes & Policies Committee, Sister Elsie Paladino and the Grievances & Appeals Committee, Sister Jan Haag, Chairman of By-Laws and her Committee, Brother Charles Morris for his Committee,

and Brother Arvol Willingham, Chairman of OES Home Endowment Fund for his report. Thank you. And now, Sister Donna, if you're ready.

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

MRS. DONNA REED: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. There are two things that as Parliamentarian I need to do this morning. The first is to give you my own report, and I will read it as follows:

It is my strong conviction as a professional parliamentarian that members of organizations need to know the basic rules of parliamentary procedure. Members have rights and need to learn what they are, how to exercise them and how to protect them. We should always know what we are voting on—and if we don't—then we need to ask questions.

As parliamentarian for the Grand Chapter, I have answered all parliamentary questions with the Constitution and Code of Laws of the Grand Chapter as the parliamentary authority in all cases where applicable. If the question was strictly one of a parliamentary nature and not covered in our laws, the 1990 edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* which serves as the parliamentary authority for the Grand Chapter was the source. I will be available throughout this Grand Chapter to answer any questions the membership may have.

I have assisted in drafting the parliamentary rules of procedure for the Grand Chapter session that will be presented to the voting body for approval.

Serving at the Grand Chapter session is the main focus of the duties of the parliamentarian. I am looking forward to a harmonious session under the leadership and presiding skills of our Worthy Grand Matron, Alma Carter. I have been pleased to work with her whenever she called with a parliamentary inquiry.

I serve as the president of the Veritas parliamentary study unit in Dallas, which is a subordinate unit of the National Association of Parliamentarians. This parliamentary unit meets monthly and its members are all Eastern Stars in the Dallas area. Our own Worthy Grand Matron is a member and the treasurer of this parliamentary study club.

I will be available at this Grand Chapter to answer any questions the membership may have. As always, serving the membership of this Grand Chapter is a pleasure and a privilege.

Sister Alma, it is always a pleasure to be working with you and with Brother Richard. You have been very special in my life, and I'm pleased to have been one of your instructors in parliamentary procedure. And when you see her presiding skills, maybe it will show you that I didn't do such a bad job after all.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Parliamentarian's report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second that we adopt the rules that have been presented and are printed in the session program. Is there any discussion? If there is no objection, all in favor of Sister Donna's report will vote by the uplifting of their blue cards. Those opposed, same sign. And, of course, our

motion carried, Sister Donna. Thank you for that beautiful report. Donna pointed out that her rules are on pages 44 and 45. Sister Donna, I just wrote it; I don't remember what page anything's on!

Sister Elsie Paladino, I do see your bright face back there this morning. Would you bring us your report.

REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCES & APPEALS COMMITTEE

MRS. ELSIE PALADINO: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, beloved Sisters and Brothers.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters Virginia Lynn Green and Marcell Bailey and I thank you for allowing us to share this place of service for this Grand Chapter year.

It is to the credit of the membership that we are delighted to present this report. I do believe, and it has been proven this year, that it is possible to work out our differences within our own Chapters. I do not intend to diminish the importance and availability of this committee. However, we are pleased to report that no grievances or appeal advanced to this committee for consideration this Grand Chapter year.

Fraternally,
Elsie M. Paladino, Chairman
Virginia Lynn Green
Marcell Bailey

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the motion and the second that we adopt the report of Grievances & Appeals. And what a great report! I know that everyone will vote in favor of this motion. So would you please raise your blue cards to make it legal. Any opposition, same sign. Of course, the motion carried. Thank you, my dear friends, for this service. [applause]

I now call on Sister Lena Maye Cook, Chairman of Purposes & Policies, for her report.

REPORT OF THE PURPOSES & POLICIES COMMITTEE

MRS. LENA MAYE COOK: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, 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 2; C. L. Pribble, District 3; I am Lena Maye Cook of District 4; and Harold Todd, District 5. 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 26, 1997 at 8:30 A.M. in the Eastern Star Home Chapel. In accordance with Article 152-J, the proposed Humanitarian Program for 1997-1998 was presented by Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron. Her proposed projects are as follows:

- 1 - Home Endowment
- 2 - O.E.S. Home
- 3 - ESTARL

The members of the Purposes & Policies Committee voted unanimous approval of these projects. Although it is not part of the Humanitarian Program, special emphasis was placed on the Home Renovation Fund.

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:

Bulletin Committee	(1)	Sale of Bulletin
Constant Friends	(2)	No Item to Sell
Endowment Fund Committee	(3)	Promote Sheaf Club
Exchange Visits	(4)	No Item to Sell
Founders Day	(5)	No Item to Sell
Fraternal Fields	(6)	Sale of Membership Book
General Grand Chapter		
Special Projects	(7)	Sales of General Grand Chapter Items
God Samaritan Committee	(8)	Promote Handicraft Donation
Historical Highlights	(9)	Sales of OES History
Labor of Love Committee	(10)	No Item to Sell
Masonic Family Unit	(11)	No Item to Sell
Masonic Home and School	(12)	Promote Masonic Home Donations
Mayfest	(13)	Plan and Implement Gathering
Membership	(14)	No Item to Sell
Music Committee	(15)	Sales of Music and Christmas Tape
Proficiency	(16)	Sale of Stickers after Certificate Earned
Stars Across Texas	(17)	No Item to Sell
Study Committee	(18)	No Item to Sell
Team 98	(19)	Sale of Button
Time and Talent	(20)	Sale of Sheaf Stickers
Visitation	(21)	Sale of Calendars

Sister Yvonne presented a plan to remodel the pavilion but only secured one bid. In order to act upon this project, three bids are required. Sister Yvonne stated that she could secure the additional two bids. This matter was deferred to the Board of Grand Trustees for discussion later during the 1997 - 1998 Grand Chapter year.

Sister Yvonne Brownfield expressed a desire to continue with the direct mail program through Vantage with the first mailing of labels for Oct 97 and the second mailing of Note Cards for May 98. We recommend that this proposal be put before the members of this Grand Chapter for their final vote to accept or reject the proposal.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,
Lena Maye Cook, Chairman
District 4

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second that we adopt the report of the Purposes & Policies Committee. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor please signify by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. And, of course, the motion carried. Thank you, Purposes & Policies Committee. It may not be realized at this time how hard this Committee works and what is on their shoulders, but I realize it. I want to thank those of you who are here, along with those that are absent this morning. Thank you so much for your service to Grand Chapter.

I would like for the District Chairmen of the Home Endowment Committee to please come and stand with Brother Arvol Willingham because you have worked hard and we have a great report. So would you please – if any of you are in the room, would you please come to the East and stand with Brother Arvol while he's giving his report in one moment.

Now I recognize Sister Jan Haag, the Chairman of By-Laws Committee, for her report – I beg your pardon. Sister Yvonne, you're going to have to yell louder than that. I didn't hear you.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Worthy Grand Matron, would this be the proper time for me to ask the membership to vote on the direct mail program?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It certainly would, Sister Yvonne.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Okay. Do I put that in the form of a motion with an explanation?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You certainly may.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: I'm Yvonne Brownfield, Past Matron of Copperas Cove Chapter 1070. I would like to pick up again with the direct mail program in the same form that we used in the year 1995-96, which was the label program, with all funds going to the Endowment Fund. As you know, we brought in – I believe it was over \$90,000 during Sister Rosemary's year. So I make a motion that this be approved by this Grand Chapter assembly.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second on the floor that Sister Yvonne be allowed to have her label program this year. Is there any discussion? All in favor of her motion will signify by raising their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Sister Yvonne, it looks like you're going to get your wish. And God bless you, and I hope it's as fruitful as the last one we had. Thank you so much, Sister Yvonne.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the time. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now call on Sister Jan Haag, Chairman of By-Laws, for her report.

REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

MRS. JAN HAAG: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It is with pleasure that I introduce Sister Eloise Ryan, a member of this Committee. Unfortunately, our other member, Sister Nora Lee Hammock, was unable to attend due to health reasons.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma, I can't thank you enough for allowing me to serve as your By-Laws Chairman this year. It was truly a learning experience I will never forget and we, your Committee, are proud to have been a part of your outstanding year.

Two hundred and forty two (242) Amendments to By-Laws were submitted this year. Two Hundred and thirty eight (238) were approved. Two (2) were rejected and two (2) are in pending. Eighty three (83) chapters requested changes in their By-Laws. Four (4) amended their By-Laws twice. Thirty one (31) requests were returned or the Chapters were called for corrections or additional required information and/or forms.

The majority of amendments pertained to increase of Dues and/or Affiliation fees, followed by time of meetings or changing to one meeting a month.

A complete list of chapters awaiting approval of their By-Laws by Grand Chapter is attached.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann (Jan) Haag, Chairman
Eloise Ryan
Nora Lee Hammock

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS - BY-LAWS APPROVED THRU OCTOBER 5, 1997

SAN ANTONIO NO. 8
TARRANT-KEYSTONE NO. 8
CEDAR BAYOU NO. 11
LEAKEY NO. 18
KERRVILLE NO. 24
ABILENE NO. 30 (2)
SMITHVILLE NO. 39
ALICE NO. 61
NORMANGEE NO. 87
VALLEY MILLS NO. 97
CANYON CITY NO. 105
WIMODAUSIS NO. 141
ATLANTA NO. 151
GLEN ROSE NO. 171
TRINITY NO. 186
ORANGE NO. 214
RICHLAND SPRINGS NO. 264

RISING STAR NO. 277
AUSTIN NO. 304
FAIRFIELD NO. 331
COLEMAN NO. 360
JACKSONVILLE NO. 377
HOUSTON NO. 385
TIMPSON NO. 396 (2)
POLYTECHNIC NO. 420
BEEVILLE NO. 422
BURLESON NO. 431
GRANBURY NO. 530
SEGUIN NO. 555
MORAN NO. 591
HENDERSON NO. 597
WAXAHACHIE NO. 599
HANDLEY NO. 617
PLEIADES NO. 620

TEXAS CITY NO. 626	WHITNEY NO. 930
ROYCE CITY NO. 642	BLANCO NO. 934
NORTH SIDE NO. 651 (4)	ASHLAND NO. 961
SEAGOVILLE NO. 697	J. A. KEMP NO. 970 (2)
PROSPECT HILL NO. 817	HALTOM CITY NO. 982
WISTERIA NO. 823	JAMES LADD BURGESS NO. 983
CONCHO NO. 826	COVINGTON NO. 1007
OVERTON NO. 830	LAKE JACKSON NO. 1009
SOUTH HILLS NO. 835	CLUTE CITY NO. 1011
SEMINOLE NO. 855	SANGER NO. 1027
DRIPPING SPRINGS NO. 860	RICHLAND HILLS NO. 1040
ANSON NO. 867	NORTH SHORE NO. 1058
LOMETA NO. 871 (2)	HIGHLAND HILLS NO. 1075
SWEENEY NO. 873	CYPRESS NO. 1102
DEGRAZIER-VICKERY NO. 881	CANYON CITY NO. 1103
CROSBYTON NO. 891	ZAPATA NO. 1106
FREEDOM NO. 898	LAKE WORTH NO. 1109
GRAFORD NO. 905	GAINESVILLE NO. 1123
GOLDTHWAITE NO. 909	CROWLEY NO. 1125
SOUTH HOUSTON NO. 915	DEL MAR NO. 1127
MELROSE NO. 920	WHITEHOUSE NO. 1133
WALTER BALDWIN NO. 929	LIVINGSTON NO. 1139

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the By-Laws Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor will please signify by raising their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Thank you, sister Jan and your Committee. This is a very responsible position, and you have handled it beautifully. Thank you. That motion carried.

I now recognize Brother Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron and Chairman of Chapters U.D. Committee, for his report:

REPORT OF THE CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION COMMITTEE

MR. CHARLES MORRIS: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to introduce the other members of the Chapters Under Dispensation Committee.

Sister Leigh Hanes
Sister Nancy C. Parker

Worthy Grand Matron, we express to you our sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving Grand Chapter in this capacity, even though there has been no activity for this committee for this past year.

I will, however, report that on April 17, 1997, I did travel with the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs, to visit with the Lodge members of Krum Lodge No. 1453, AF & AM, who had contacted the Worthy Grand Patron and ex-

pressed their desire to organize an Eastern Star Chapter in the town of Krum, Texas. To this date I have not received any request as a result of this visit.

Again, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this opportunity of service.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Charles Morris, Chairman
Leigh Hanes
Nancy C. Parker

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard Brother Charles' report, the report of Chapters U.D. We have a motion and a second. All in favor of adopting this report will please signify by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Charles.

Sisters and Brothers, I would ask a favor, that you listen very closely and follow on the financial statement what Brother Arvol Willingham is about to tell you. My pride is overflowing and so is my joy. Brother Arvol, will you come and give the Endowment report to this Grand Chapter.

REPORT OF THE HOME ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

MR. WILLINGHAM: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members and Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

This your Home Endowment Fund Committee Report. We considered it to be one of the most important committee in the year of 1996-1997 as the Worthy Grand Matron told us "the only way we will ever be able to afford the expenses of our Home, is to endow it". We have been very successful in our purpose to promote, educate, plan, and receive contributions, and we thank the Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Secretary for helping us to serve with VISION AND A PURPOSE and as strong as the HEART OF THE EAGLE. We believe you will agree with us that we have been successful in our efforts when you hear the total amount collected.

I invite the General Chairmen of the following committees who collected funds for the Home Endowment Fund Committee to come on the stage, and those who are on each committee to stand where you are when your committee is named.

HUMANITARIAN: Mrs. Pat Archer, General Chairman	\$ 50,050.34
DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM: Mr. Forest Smith, General Chairman	45,517.85
PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE: Mrs. Edna Goette, General Chairman	2,853.43
HOME AND COUNTRY: Mrs. Charlene Littlewood, General Chairman	27,114.60
AFFINITY: Pins and Watches	72,854.90
MASONIC FAMILY GRAPHICS: Disks and Dress Buttons	46,928.56

TOTAL HOME ENDOWMENT FUNDS COLLECTED	\$245,319.68
THRU AUGUST, And still coming in through September	

Worthy Grand Matron, It has been a privilege and an honor to serve you and the Grand Chapter of Texas and I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the Five District Chairmen of the Home Endowment Fund Committee as well as all the others listed in this report, and to thank all those hard workers in the chapters throughout this Great State of Texas who helped us to make our goal a success. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU AND PROUD OF OUR EASTERN STAR HOME.

Respectfully submitted:
 ARVOL WILLINGHAM, General Chairman
 James E. Pollock, District 1 Chairman
 Redell Hensen, District 2 Chairman
 Jack Davidson, District 3 Chairman
 Carl Starkey, District 4 Chairman
 William Curry, District 5 Chairman
 HOME ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the report of the Home Endowment Committee. We have a motion and a second. All in favor of accepting this motion will raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. And, of course, Brother Arvol, it is accepted. I want to thank this hard-working Committee, as well as each Committee that put money in this Home Endowment. It was my dream that we could raise as much as possible this year. Most of it has been voluntary from the chapters or from you. But I never dreamed that we would put over a quarter of a million dollars into the Home Endowment. Thank you, generous membership. And I know that the Defenders of Freedom – when Brother Forrest gives his report – will have even more because they have collected more since this report. This only went through August. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

We are going to have a special song by our choir this morning before we go on into another report. [“A Mighty Fortress” sung by Grand Choir.] Thank you, Grand Choir. Being a Presbyterian, I could not get through this session without hearing that song.

I now recognize Dr. Betty Barr, Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee, for her report.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE

DR. BETTY BARR: I don't believe the other members of my Committee were able to be here today.

During the year we responded to eight requests for application forms for new loans. A notice was placed in the June 1997 Bulletin announcing the availability of loans. Two applications were completed and returned by the July 15 deadline. Both of these appear to be very worthy applicants and were approved by this committee for loans in the amount of \$1,000 each. I forwarded the necessary contract forms to the applicants to be returned directly to the Grand Secretary.

As of October 20, 1996, our records showed 15 loans outstanding. According to information later furnished to me by the Grand Secretary, the Grand Chapter

auditors directed the write-off of two of these loans. In March we sent letters to all of the persons with outstanding loans. At least one payment was received as a result of these letters. In accord with the legislation passed at the 1996 Grand Chapter Session, we sent a report to the Board of Grand Trustees by June 1, listing six persons with delinquent loans. We have had no contact with these persons in over nine years. We have not been informed of the action taken by the Board, if any. Assuming the two new loans were actually issued, we again have 15 loans outstanding as of October 7, 1997.

In our report at the 1996 Grand Chapter, we indicated the total of outstanding principal and interest as of October 20, 1996 to be \$21,259.87. The two loans that were written off were included in that total in the amount of \$786.50. Between October 20, 1996 and October 7, 1997, payments for principal and interest totaling \$840.00 were received. Interest in the amount of \$924.90 should have been accrued. Assuming the two new loans were issued in the amount of \$1000 each, the total of outstanding principal and interest at October 7, 1997 was \$22,558.27.

Respectfully Submitted,
1996-1997 Educational Fund Committee
Betty Barr, Chairman
Alice O'Neal
Barbara Winkelmeier

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Betty. Sisters and Brothers, you've heard the motion and the second to adopt the report of the Educational Fund Committee. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor will signify by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I would like to remind you at this time that we do have exhibits all around this arena. Sisters and Brothers, we make quite a bit of money each year by having exhibitors. I don't want you to necessarily miss any of the meetings, but you may go out whenever it is convenient. I understand they have some beautiful items this year and things that they have never brought before. So if you have an opportunity, you may go out and do this.

It is my happy privilege now to introduce Sister Lallah Mae Vollus who will give the report in the absence of Sister Beulah Speer of the Telephone Committee for our Past Grand Matrons and Patrons who are absent this year. Sister Lallah Mae.

REPORT OF THE TELEGRAM COMMITTEE

MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: I'm sure that we all regret that Sister Beulah cannot be with us, particularly in that her absence is due to illness. And I'm sorry that Sister Jean Nesbitt, the other member on the Committee, could not be with us this morning. However, for the Committee I'm pleased to present the following report.

We appreciate our worthy Grand Matron for extending this special courtesy to us because it allowed us the privilege of sending greetings to those Past Grand

Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who were unable to attend this "Freedom's Light Session".

It is with the approval of our Worthy Grand Matron that the following letter will be enclosed in the packet sent to each one instead of a telegram as named in our duties.

Greetings Past Grand:

The eagle that soared in flight in October of 1996, has finished its course and has landed at our "Freedom's Light Session" in Dallas. It has been a beautifully planned and executed session. The membership has received outstanding reports of the labors of the closing year, presenting challenges to the tomorrows. These reports have been made possible by the devotion to service of our leadership and dedicated Grand Officers with the assistance of a most supportive membership.

This has been a session of good fellowship, well attended by many members and a host of our out of state visitors. The vacant chair caused by your absence was a source of regret and disappointment. This letter is to let you know that you were missed because you are loved and respected by the membership and they cherish the memories of your years of service.

The record of this 115th Session of our Grand Chapter is closed. It has been filed in the archives of history. That you may feel a part of this gathering, we enclose a copy of the Official Program, the Advanced Report. We feel sure you will enjoy them.

A new year with new leadership and officers has begun. May the unfolding days reflect growth and prosperity to our Order and an abundance of health and happiness to you.

Fraternally,
 Telegram Committee
 Beulah Speer, Past Grand Matron, Chairman
 Lallah Mae Vollus, Past Grand Matron
 Jean Nesbitt, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Telegram Committees report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae, for that beautiful, beautiful report. And thank you, ladies, for thinking so much of those that are absent today. I know that they will all enjoy the materials that you will be sending them. And Sister Jean Nesbitt, Sister Lallah Mae, is sitting right down there; she cannot climb the steps. But I know the membership will want to know that she is present and with us this morning. She's sitting down with the Jurisprudence Committee. Thank you, Sister Jean. [applause]

We have a motion and a second to adopt the information report to those Past Grands that are missing our Grand Chapter. Is there any discussion? All in favor of this report will raise their blue cards. Those opposed, same sign. Motion is approved. Thank you, Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, for your graciousness and always being willing to help any and all of us. Thank you so much.

I'm going to call on our Grand Choir for just a moment before we get some of those to report to come to the East. Grand Choir, how about another song for us this

morning? How about picking something that the membership can stand and sing along with you? ["There's Within My Heart a Melody" sung by Grand Choir and membership.]

Thank you, Grand Choir, and thank you, membership, for that beautiful song. Music does soothe the heart and gives us courage, gives us inspiration. We have a lovely Grand Choir this year. They're sitting down on the floor so they can see the Choir Director, and I know they're enjoying being down here; and I can see them too. With just a motion I can get Brother Bill Crews up here, and he's so great. Let's give the Grand Choir and Brother Bill a good hand this morning. [applause]

I would like to have some of those who are going to give reports today to come to the stage. We will have the jurisprudence in just a few moments, but first we will call on our Board of Grand Trustees to please come to the stage.

Brother Bill, how about another song till they can get up here.

Thank you, beautiful Grand Choir. [applause]

I'd like the Secretarial Committee, Poet Laureate, Resolutions and Defenders of Freedom to make their way to the East as soon as possible. I don't know that we'll get to all of you this morning, but we will try to intersperse you with the others. Thank you.

I now call on the Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, Sister Lola "Peaches" Wallace, for her report. Sister Lola.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 1

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: 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;

A rare privilege has been mine this year to serve as the Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees. It is with much pride and pleasure that I present the other members of this Board;

Patsy Neeper, Vice Chairman - District II
Shirley Jones, Secretary Treasurer - District V
Jim Rippey, Senior Member - District IV
Pat Washington, Junior Member - District I

Their cooperation and dedication has made this a most productive and rewarding year. I admire and respect each of you and appreciate the friendship we share. Thank You.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, I thank you for the faith and confidence you placed in me and my ability to fill this position. I have given my best effort and trust that I have lived up to your expectations. We thank you and the

Worthy Grand Patron for the support you have given to the Board by sharing not only your time in attending our meetings but also the benefit of your wisdom and guidance. It is so important for all members of the Corporate Board to be aware of the business of Grand Chapter and we appreciate those who attended our meetings whenever possible.

Our Board met ten times during this Grand Chapter year. Our first meeting was held at Grand Chapter in Beaumont in 1996. The next eight meetings, in the Board Room at the Administration Building in Arlington and our last meeting here at Grand Chapter in Dallas.

The cooperation of Lindsey Pynes, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, and all members of their Board, with the Board of Grand Trustees, has been great. We met together six times during our meetings in Arlington and shared several other occasions of fun and fellowship. We thank them for every courtesy they extended to the Board of Grand Trustees. The monthly transfer to the Board of Directors for the operation of the Eastern Star Home for this year was \$113,000.00. It was the pleasure of the members of the Board of Grand Trustees to give a Christmas remembrance to each of our Ladies in the Eastern Star Home.

My sincere appreciation to Lena Mae Cook, Past Grand Matron, Chairman of Purposes and Policy Committee, for inviting all members of the Board of Grand Trustees to attend their meeting in April for the presentation by the Associate Grand Matron of the plans and projects for her year in the East.

We have been privileged to have the Grand Secretary, Sister Frances Burbank, to attend our meetings. She has, through her monthly reports to the Board, kept us informed of all business matters relative to the finances of Grand Chapter, received in her office. Her cooperation and assistance is deeply appreciated. We thank you for your 10 years of Service.

Our Grand Treasurer, Sister Patsy Wilson has worked diligently to bring us up-to-the-minute bank balances, monthly reports of our banking transactions and current activities of the Endowed Membership Program. Thank you for your dedication.

Sister Sheryl Koltermann, the appointed secretary to the Board of Grand Trustees, has been a blessing to this chairman and a real assist to our Board Secretary/Treasurer. We have kept her busy and appreciated all that she has done, including her contributions to our Chocolate Stress Fund located on the Conference Table at all Board Meetings.

The following is a record of Special Receipts For this Grand Chapter year:

Mary Stroud Estate - \$4,576.99 from three insurance policies for the Eastern Star Home.

Clara Glasscock Estate -\$1,001.39 from an insurance company for the Eastern Star Home.

Ola Foster Estate - \$100.00 for the Eastern Star Home.

Henry A. Schepler Estate -\$13,797.40 for the Eastern Star Home.

Bank ONE - Leo Patishman Foundation. -\$3,000.00 for Eastern Star Home daily operating expenses.

Pauline Hausner Walker, Chairman Executive Committee Beaumont Grand Chapter Session - \$28,889.75 - Returned with the final report for the General Fund.

Alice Burkhart Estate - \$1,042.09 Insurance Policy for benefit of the Grand Chapter.

Exxon Stock Gift - Willard Fannin - 25 shares to the Eastern Star Home of Texas Endowment Trust Fund.

Maymie Cardin Estate - \$3,817.97 - Insurance policy for the Eastern Star Home.

Ruby Charlene Phillips Estate - Our 1/3 Share - \$20,942.57 received from Sale of Surface Rights - Custer County Farm for benefit of the Eastern Star Home.

Edward J. Ball Estate - \$500.00 for the Eastern Star Home.

Irma Dee Grounds property sale - \$24,865.22 for benefit of the Eastern Star Home.

Virginia Godwin Estate - \$20,792.28 Insurance Policy for the Eastern Star Home.

Icie Cox Estate - \$753.31 Insurance Policies for the Eastern Star Home.

Suna T. Miskimin Estate - \$83,616.93 for benefit of the Order of the Eastern Star Home Endowment Fund.

Betty J. Garrett - \$240.00 as a Matching Funds donation from ARCO Foundation, Employee Program for the Eastern Star Home of Texas Endowment Fund.

Irma Oee Grounds - \$16,537.54 from Insurance Company Annuity Contract for the Eastern Star Home.

Irene Steele - \$472.07 from Insurance company for the Eastern Star Home.

Ruth McKee Estate - \$8, 826.96 for the Eastern Star Home.

Carol J. Mattix - \$300.00 as a matching funds donation from ARCO Foundation Employee Program for Eastern Star Home of Texas Endowment Fund.

Mark Kudla - \$100.00 as a Matching Funds donation from Vastar Employee Program for the Eastern Star Home of Texas Endowment Fund.

Dwayne Maserang, one of three donors - \$331.90 given thru the United Way of Amarillo for the Eastern Star Home.

We also made the following expenditures for this Grand Chapter year:

Certificate of Deposit - \$100,000.00 - Insurance Reserve Fund purchased from Eastern Star Home Budgeted Funds as recommended by our Auditors.

General Fund - \$21,319.24 - Reimbursed by the OES Home Fund in Final settlement of the George Poff Lawsuit.

Administration Building Expenses:

A Lennox Air Condition/Heating unit to replace the East Wing downstairs unit, at a cost of \$4,000.00 from Emergency Funds.

Badly needed new drapes at \$2,978.38, new curtains at \$79.23 and carpet repair at \$80.00 from Building Maintenance and Repairs Budgeted Funds.

Long over-due painting of all wood trim in Administration Offices at a cost of \$2,525.00 from Capital Improvement Budgeted Funds.

The Air Condition/Heating unit in the upstairs apartment, replaced at a cost of \$5,100.00, using \$5,000.00 in Emergency Funds and \$100.00 from operating expenses.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 1 of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Signed:

Lola Wallace

Patsy Neeper

Shirley Jones

Jim Rippey

Pat Washington

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the Report No. 1 of the Board of Grand Trustees. We have a motion on the floor and a second that this report be adopted. All in favor will please signify by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. The report has been adopted, Sister "Peaches," and thank you for that great report.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Patsy Neeper will now present Report No. 2.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 2

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 General Fund for the Grand Chapter year 1997-1998. This is Report No. 2. Please turn to page 30 of your advanced annual report if you'd like to follow along.

**THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES
PRESENTS THE
PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET 1997 - 1998**

REVENUE	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUAL 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
GENERAL FUND REVENUE SOURCES					
Balance on Hand	\$ 40,050.	\$	\$ 40,050.	\$	\$ 68,890.
Dues/Per Capita	110,220.	122,128.	118,913.	98,427.	105,000.
Registration Fees	40,000.	37,030.	40,000.		40,000.
WGM Special Funds	11,000.	21,244.	7,500.		7,500.
Interest-General Fund	7,500.	9,683.	6,500.	2,407.	7,500.
Sale of Proceedings	1,500.	1,520.	1,500.	370.	1,500.
Bulletin Subscriptions & Announcements	92,000.	79,674.	70,000.	44,350.	75,000.
Adv. Rep. Announcements			2,000.		2,000.
Sale of Supplies & Printed Materials	85,000.	113,842.	85,000.	55,886.	100,000.
Postage on Supplies					
Dispensations	1,300.	1,469.	1,300.	739.	1,300.
Administrative Fees – Endowed Memberships	3,300.	2,661.	2,800.	2,987.	3,447.
GC Session Summary	2,500.	2,435.	2,500.	185.	2,500.
Miscellaneous	1,000.	14,645.	1,500.	30,462.	1,500.
TOTAL REVENUE	\$395,370	\$406,331.	\$379,563.	\$235,813.	\$416,137.
EXPENSES GRAND OFFICER & COMMITTEE EXPENSES					
Worthy Grand Matron	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.	\$ 3,500.
Worthy Grand Patron	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.	1,600.
Associate Grand Matron	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	2,200.
Associate Grand Patron	375.	375.	375.	375.	400.
Grand Conductress	250.	250.	250.	250.	400.
Associate Grand Conductress	200.	200.	200.	200.	400.
Humanitarian	800.	800.	600.	600.	600.
ESTARL Committee	250.	250.	200.	200.	200.
Jurisprudence	50.				
By-Laws	150.	79.	100.	100.	100.
Education Fund	25.	6.			
	\$ 9,200.	\$ 9,060.	\$ 8,825.	\$ 8,825.	\$ 9,400.
GRAND CHAPTER SESSION					
The Session	\$ 20,000.	\$ 19,665.	\$ 20,000	\$ 4,000.	\$ 20,000.
Entertainment Visiting Grand Officers	1,000.	891.	1,000.		1,000.
Expenses – GGC Officers	500.	155.	500.		500.
Registr. Forms/Postage	1,100.	908.	1,100.	1,014.	1,000.
Ballots/Voting Cards	1,300.	1,903.	1,000.	518.	1,500.
Advance Reports (4,000)	8,000.	6,952.	7,000.		7,000.
Session/Memorial (4,000)	6,000.	7,578.	5,300.		6,000.
Gr. Warder/Sentinel	200.	200.	200.		300.
Invitations/Postage	300.	140.	200.		150.
Installation Progr. (3,000)	2,000.	1,973.	1,700.		2,000.
Insurance-Conv. Center					1,700.
	\$ 40,400.	\$ 40,365.	\$ 38,000.	\$ 5,532.	\$ 41,150.

EXPENSES	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUAL 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
GRAND CHAPTER AUTOMOBILE					
Acquisiton Fund					
(Every 2 Years)	\$ 8,000.	\$	\$ 8,000.	\$	\$ 8,000.
Operating Expenses	3,500.	2,561.	3,000.	2,876.	3,000.
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	\$ 11,500.	\$ 2,561.	\$ 11,000.	\$ 2,876.	\$ 11,000.
JEWELS					
Past Grand Matron	\$ 750.	\$	\$ 750.	\$	\$ 750.
Past Grand Patron	450.	450.	450.		450.
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	\$ 1,200.	\$ 450.	\$ 1,200.		\$ 1,200.
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES					
Legal Services	\$ 7,500.	\$ 5,625.	\$ 7,250.	\$ 1,211.	\$ 6,000.
Audit	14,750.	20,850.	15,350.	21,500.	20,000.
Computer Maintenance	2,000.	1,630.	2,000.	1,630.	1,630.
Endowed Memberships	1,000.	351.	500.	378.	500.
Grand Secretary Salary	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.	8,000.	12,000.
GS Auto Expense	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.	1,333.	2,000.
Office Salaries	54,560.	54,928.	55,170.	37,178.	63,104.
Payroll Taxes	5,400.	5,892.	5,562.	4,032.	6,000.
Telephone	3,200.	2,829.	3,100.	1,744.	3,000.
Equip. Lease/Repair/ Replace	7,000.	4,912.	7,500.	7,831.	10,000.
Office/Printing Supplies	3,600.	2,817.	3,600.	1,850.	3,500.
Grand Treasurer	3,900.	3,900.	3,900.	2,600.	3,900.
Grand Treasurer Exp.	600.	600.	600.	600.	600.
Utilities/Disposal	8,000.	8,581.	8,500.	5,342.	9,000.
Janitorial Service	2,500.	2,450.	2,500.	1,600.	2,500.
Bldg. Maint./Repair	4,500.	2,590.	4,000.	4,522.	7,000.
Capital Improvement	4,000.	0.	4,000.	6,525.	5,000.
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	\$136,510.	\$131,955.	\$137,532.	\$107,876.	\$155,734.
PRINTING & POSTAGE					
Annual Proceedings	\$ 29,000.	\$ 27,147.	\$ 27,000.	\$	\$ 28,000.
Proceedings Photos	500.	500.	600.	600.	600.
Annual Chapter Reports	2,250.	1,824.	2,000.	1,960.	2,000.
Compilations	500.	304.	400.	191.	300.
GC Session Summary	500.	618.	500.		650.
Const./Revisions	2,500.	14,694.	2,500.	4,669.	10,000.
Instructions to Subordinate Chapters	2,500.	3,557.	1,250.		3,000.
Directories	5,000.	5,201.	5,000.		5,000.
Deputy Books	4,000.	3,810.	3,500.	768.	4,000.
Stationary	2,000.	1,659.	1,000.	469.	2,000.
GC Comm. Forms Supplies, Memorials	3,000.	2,015.	2,500.	1,230.	2,500.
Bulletins	70,000.	68,747.	65,000.	39,722.	65,000.
Postage-Bulletins	10,000.	10,089.	10,000.	5,100.	10,000.
Printing for Resale	10,000.	11,152.	10,000.	5,871.	10,000.
Printing (Ins/Const/50Yr. GR Cert/Endowed Membership)	1,000.	4,310.	1,000.	1,773.	3,000.
Postage Permit/Mailings	1,000.	585.	500.	85.	500.

EXPENSES	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUAL 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUAL 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
PRINTING & POSTAGE (Continued)					
Postage Meter					
(Forms, Supplies,	\$ 13,950.	\$ 16,045.	\$ 14,500.	\$ 10,042.	\$ 15,000.
Compilations, Annual Reports, Directories, Instrns Subordinate Chapters, Stationary, Session Summary, Proceedings, Etc.					
	<u>\$157,700.</u>	<u>\$172,257.</u>	<u>\$147,250.</u>	<u>\$ 72,480.</u>	<u>\$161,550.</u>
OTHER EXPENSES					
GC Contingency	\$ 2,500.	\$ 788.	\$ 1,300.	\$ 9,950.	\$ 5,000.
GC Fidelity Bonds	600.		600.		600.
GGC Expenses (3rd Yr.)	600.		600.	1,800.	600.
Official Reporter Gr. Chapter	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.
GGC Resale Supplies (Includes Dues Cards)	20,000.	35,558.	20,000.	11,267.	20,000.
Miscellaneous	1,000.		500.	999.	500.
Bd. of Gr. Trustees	500.		500.	141.	500.
	<u>\$27,700.</u>	<u>\$38,846.</u>	<u>\$26,000.</u>	<u>\$26,657.</u>	<u>\$29,700.</u>
INSURANCE					
Gr. Chap. Vehicle	\$ 1,800.	\$ 925.	\$ 1,500.	\$ 998.	\$ 2,000.
Worker's Comp. Replacement	6,000.	2,559.	3,000.	1,893.	600.
Bldg./Personal/Umbrella	6,000.	2,661.	5,256.	2,223.	3,400.
	<u>\$ 13,800.</u>	<u>\$ 6,145.</u>	<u>\$ 9,756.</u>	<u>\$ 5,114.</u>	<u>\$ 6,000.</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$398,010.	\$401,639.	\$379,563.	\$229,360.	\$415,734.
INCOME OVER EXPENSES					\$403.
INCOME:	\$395,370.	\$406,331.	\$379,563.	\$235,813.	\$416,137.
NET BUDGET	\$ 2,640.	\$ 4,692.	0.	\$ 6,453.	0.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and second that we adopt this second report of the Board of Grand Trustees. Is there any discussion? All in favor of adopting this report will signify by the uplifting of your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Patsy, for that second report.

MRS. PATSY NEEPER: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and membership. Sister Shirley Jones will present Report No. 3, the Home Fund Budget.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 3

MRS. SHIRLEY JONES: Thank you, Sister Patsy.

We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present for your consideration the proposed budget for the OES Home Fund for the Grand Chapter year 1997-1998. We recommend careful consideration of the needs of the Home. Please refer to page 34 of your advanced annual reports booklet that you received in your registration packet.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES
ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 1996 - 1997**

	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUALS 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUALS 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
INCOME					
Dues	\$202,070.	\$591,029.	\$577,575.	\$474,292.	\$510,000.
Interest	20,000.	13,699.	16,000.	13,999.	16,000.
Oil and Gas	12,000.	6,911.	6,000.	6,227.	6,000.
Bequests and Grants	75,000.	41,424.	30,000.	21,392.	30,000.
Home Members Receipts	30,000.	139,696.	20,000.	42,252.	36,000.
Pensions - Home Res.	490,000.	489,540.	495,600.	325,759.	494,000.
Real Estate Sales	38,000.	4,800.	20,000.	46,315.	30,000.
Notes Due					
Special Funds (WGM)	30,000.	85,306.	30,000.	---	30,000.
Humanitarian	50,000.	26,368.	40,000.	19,084.	40,000.
Other Receipts	13,000.	28,157.	10,000.	13,074.	10,000.
Endowment Interest	350,000.	278,646.	352,000.	110,374.	380,000.
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,310,070.	\$1,705,576.	\$1,597,175.	\$1,072,768.	\$1,582,000.
EXPENSES -- SALARIES					
Superintendent	\$ 27,389.	\$ 13,541.	\$ 27,389.	\$ 4,000.	\$ 31,200.
Administrator	25,830.	12,685.	25,830.	19,000.	25,830.
RN Supervisor	41,600.	---	41,600.	20,080.	31,200.
Records Clerk	13,520.	13,100.	14,560.	9,139.	15,600.
EXPENSES -- HOURLY EMPLOYEES					
Food Manager	\$ 14,560.	\$ 18,348.	\$ 14,560.	\$ 11,381.	\$ 21,840.
Clerk Typist	14,996.	8,282.	0.		
Computer Clerk	14,996.	14,821.	14,560.	9,363.	15,600.
Activity Director	12,854.	13,247.	12,854.	9,766.	15,600.
Matrons	52,000.	48,344.	52,000.	31,223.	57,200.
Housekeeping	31,200.	35,572.	41,600.	19,008.	34,320.
Kitchen	135,782.	132,281.	135,782.	91,665.	152,152.
Maintenance	53,414.	44,385.	53,414.	25,935.	55,120.
Resident Nurse	21,840.	21,612.	21,840.	15,786.	22,880.
Infirmary	247,557.	291,142.	247,557.	142,681.	256,880.
Anticipated Minimum Wage Increase			3,000.		
SUB-TOTAL	\$707,538.	\$667,360.	\$706,546.	\$409,027.	\$735,422.
Contract Maintenance	15,000.		15,000.	9,513.	15,000.
Payroll Taxes	75,638.		75,638.		75,638.

	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUALS 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUALS 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
<u>HOUSEKEEPING SUPPLIES</u>					
Housekeeping Maint. & Supplies	\$ 18,000.	\$ 766.	\$ 18,000.	\$ 993.	\$ 15,000.
TOTAL	\$ 18,000.	\$ 766.	\$ 18,000.	\$ 993.	\$ 15,000.
<u>NEWSPAPER & MAGAZINES</u>					
Newspaper Subscriptions	\$ 600.	\$ 693.	\$ 1,040.	\$ 1,067.	\$ 1,040.
TOTAL	\$ 600.	\$ 693.	\$ 1,040.	\$ 1,067.	\$ 1,040.
<u>DOCTORS/HOSPITAL</u>					
Dental	\$ 2,000.	\$ ---	\$ 8,800.	\$ 2,080.	\$ 10,000.
Medical Doctors	50,000.	37,530.	50,000.	22,481.	45,000.
X-Rays & Labs	3,500.	2,427.	3,500.	1,051.	3,500.
Hospital & Day Surgery	25,000.	13,691.	25,000.	7,286.	20,000.
TOTAL	\$ 80,500.	\$ 53,648.	\$ 87,300.	\$ 32,898.	\$ 78,500.
<u>MEDICAL SUPPLIES</u>					
Non RX Medications	\$ -0-	\$ ---	\$ -0-	\$ ---	\$ -0-
RX Medications	105,000.	82,626.	105,000.	52,511.	100,000.
Infirmary Housekeeping Supplies	23,000.	30,603.	23,000.	20,464.	20,000.
TOTAL	\$128,000.	\$113,229.	\$128,000.	\$ 72,975.	\$120,000.
<u>FOOD AND SUPPLIES</u>					
Food	\$134,000.	\$141,644.	\$144,000.	\$ 84,519.	\$144,000.
Kitchen Supplies	7,500.	3,847.	7,500.	2,373.	7,000.
TOTAL	\$141,500.	\$145,491.	\$151,500.	\$86,892.	\$151,000.
<u>UTILITIES</u>					
Electrical	\$ 65,000.	\$ 65,393.	\$ 65,000.	\$ 41,102.	\$ 65,000.
Gas	32,500.	10,878.	32,500.	20,897.	30,000.
Water	19,000.	17,444.	19,000.	10,142.	19,000.
Telephone, AT&T, Fax, Pagers	10,600.	8,242.	10,600.	5,895.	10,000.
TOTAL	\$127,100.	\$101,957.	\$127,100.	\$ 78,036.	\$124,000.
<u>EXPENSES - LAUNDRY & CLEANING</u>					
Linens Service	\$ 3,200.	\$ 2,803.	\$ 3,200.	\$ 2,801.	\$ 3,000.
Dry Cleaning	500.	498.	500.	447.	500.
TOTAL	\$ 3,700.	\$ 3,301.	\$ 3,700.	\$ 3,248.	\$ 3,500.
<u>OFFICE SUPPLIES & POSTAGE</u>					
Postage	\$ 1,200.	\$ 912.	\$ 1,200.	\$ 444.	\$ 1,100.
Office Supplies, Name Plates	3,000.	293.	3,000.	1,824.	2,500.
Advertisement (Local Newspaper)	500.	155.	500.	5.	500.
TOTAL	\$ 4,700.	\$ 1,360.	\$ 4,700.	\$ 2,273.	\$ 4,100.

	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUALS 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUALS 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
INSURANCE					
Commercial	\$ 15,465.	\$ 32,698.	\$ -0-	\$ 29,681.	} 75,590.
Workers Comp. Replacement	36,470.	41,180.		25,617.	
Machinery, Boiler	7,292.				
Auto Insurance	6,215.	5,088.		4,374.	
Umbrella Insurance	12,845.				
Ins. - Home Residents	1,528.	41,385.		33,214.	45,710.
TOTAL	\$ 79,815.	\$ 120,351.	\$ 75,590.	\$ 92,886.	\$ 121,300.
CONTRACT SERVICES					
Physical Therapy	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 5,000.
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE:					
Admin. In House Train.	\$ 800.	\$ 0.	\$ 800.	\$ 0.	\$ 800.
Admin. Consultant (2)	5,000.	3,297.	5,000.	11.	0.
Infirmery License	500.	1,710.	500.		500.
TOTAL	\$ 6,300.	\$ 5,007.	\$ 6,300.	\$ 11.	\$ 1,300.
MOTOR VEHICLE:					
Vehicle Fuel	\$ 3,000.	\$ 1,682.	\$ 3,000.	\$ 915.	\$ 3,000.
Vehicle Parts, Repair	2,500.	1,781.	2,500.	155.	2,000.
Licenses - Auto & Truck	300.	117.	300.	121.	300.
TOTAL	\$ 5,800.	\$ 3,580.	\$ 5,800.	\$ 1,191.	\$ 5,300.
CONTRACT MAINTENANCE SERVICE:					
Elevators	\$ 3,900.	\$ 3,744.	\$ 3,900.	\$ 2,778.	\$ 3,900.
Copy Machine	1,600.	543.	1,600.	---	1,000.
Typewriters	300.	167.	300.	---	300.
Ambulance	5,200.	2,258.	5,200.	1,825.	5,200.
Fire Alarms	3,000.	1,969.	3,000.	838.	3,000.
Pest Control	3,000.	3,120.	3,000.	1,820.	3,000.
Trash Pick-Up	4,000.	3,256.	4,000.	2,541.	4,000.
Time Clock	0.	208.	0.	204.	0.
Payroll Solutions	4,500.	2,719.	4,500.	809.	4,500.
TOTAL	\$ 25,500.	\$ 17,984.	\$ 25,500.	\$ 10,815.	\$ 24,900.
MAINTENANCE & SUPPLIES					
Painting	\$ 1,000.	\$ 642.	\$ 1,000.	\$ 108.	\$ 1,000.
Plumbing	18,000.	10,711.	18,000.	3,854.	15,000.
Inf. Repairs	15,000.	2,246.	15,000.	12,869.	15,000.
Hardware & Lumber	2,000.	1,890.	2,000.	3,323.	2,000.
Electrical Supplies	5,000.	1,470.	5,000.	1,682.	4,000.
TOTAL	\$ 41,000.	\$ 16,959.	\$ 41,000.	\$ 21,836.	\$ 37,000.

	BUDGET 95-96	ACTUALS 95-96	BUDGET 96-97	ACTUALS 96-97 (June)	PROPOSED 97-98
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES					
New Equip. & Furnishings	\$ 2,000.	\$ 5,382.	\$ 2,000.	\$ 539.	\$ 2,000.
Funeral Expenses	7,000.	4,686.	7,000.	1,605.	7,000.
Ladies' Special Days	1,000.	---	1,000.	2,490.	1,000.
Allowances to Residents	39,000.	34,950.	39,000.	21,850.	32,000.
Contingency Fund	10,000.	---	10,000.	---	10,000.
Bd. of Dir. Expenses	6,000.	2,125.	6,000.	596.	6,000.
Miscellaneous	7,000.	17,867.	2,000.	8,340.	1,000.
Reserve	0.	---	57,461.		5,000.
TOTAL	\$ 72,000.	\$ 65,010.	\$124,461.	\$ 35,420.	\$ 64,000.
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,532,691.	\$1,316,696.	\$1,597,175.	\$ 859,081.	\$1,582,000.
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,310,070.	\$1,705,576.	\$1,597,175.	\$1,072,768.	\$1,582,000.
NET BUDGET	-\$ 222,621.	\$ 388,880.	---	\$ 213,687.	---

Sisters and Brothers, remember that this is a budget. Variation in anticipated income will necessarily affect the expenditures of our Home. Also, remember that increased income will reduce the necessity of referring to our endowment fund interest to meet our expenses.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 3, the OES Home Fund proposed budget for the ensuing Grand Chapter year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard, Sisters and Brothers, the third report of the Board of Grand Trustees, which is the Home budget. I have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion? I recognize the Sister in the West.

MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN: Worthy Grand Matron, I sympathize with this Board in working up this budget. I would like to point out to the membership, though, for their consideration – and also to the Board – I don't know how it would be achieved. This budget of \$1,582,000 for 50 ladies – which I understand is our approximate Home residency right now – works out to a total of – a little over \$32,000 a year per lady. That is tax-free with no mortgage payments or what have you. Very few of us -- or there's a lot of us in this room who do not have \$32,000 a year to spend like this per person. That's a total of over \$64,000 for two people. Think about it, Sisters and Brothers, and how this might be economized on in some manner.

When I look at food alone – and think about this – on page 35, for food alone, it's \$144,000. I would not deprive any of those ladies of decent, good, nourishing meals. But when I divide that by 50 residents, that comes out to \$55 a week for just food that we would put in our mouth. No kitchen supplies, no cleaning supplies or anything like that.

Sisters and Brothers, think about yourself in this room. How many of you per person spend \$55 a week to put food in your mouth? That's \$110 a couple. So – think about this and think how we might – or the Home can economize in some manner. I'm not saying that we shouldn't pass this budget, but that we should really watch this endowment interest and emphasize economies where we can in the budget.

Another item that I would like to comment on is I understand that one per-

son, Ron Johnston, is our administrator/superintendent. His salary is listed in two places for a total of \$57,000. I understand his salary is really only a little over \$30,000. I don't know why we're budgeting for two salaries, one for superintendent and one for administrator. I don't know that that should be allowed to remain in the budget.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Just think about it, Sisters and Brothers.
[applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Brother Lindsey Pynes.

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: Sister, in answer to the food problem you discussed, our ladies are not the only ones who eat in that Home. The employees eat there. If we serve a meal while they're on duty, they get a meal. And also there's many visitors come to that Home. Of course, they pay for their meal. So all that hundred forty – whatever it was – thousand is not actual expense. Some of this is just circulated through the Home on people coming by and eating a meal there.

And as far as the superintendent/administrator salaries you were talking about, in the past we always had to have a superintendent and an administrator. But when we hired Ron, he had an administrator's license, so he is serving as superintendent/administrator. Whenever we started the year off last year, Wayne was still working there and he was the superintendent. We hired Ron as the administrator. When Wayne left, then Ron became superintendent/administrator. Now we don't know how much longer we will have a person to cover the two jobs, but we have in the budget a place there for an administrator in case we have to hire one.

I hope that answered some of your questions.

MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN: Brother Lindsey, am I getting the idea that Mr. Johnston is not planning on staying with the Home? Is that what y'all are trying to tell us? Are there plans to that effect that we don't know about?

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: Well, we don't know how long he'll stay, but we have kept that in the budget just in case. I'm sure that on our next budget, if he continues to serve our Home, that will be removed.

And something else I'd like to mention to you, our Home is designed to take care of about 75 or 80 residents. And at the present time I think you'll find out that when we started the year, we had 58 residents and now it's down to 49. So the figure you used back there, the \$32,000 per resident is not exactly right because we did start the year with 58 residents. We are beginning to get applications now, and I feel like the way we've got the Home all fixed up, it looks a lot nicer, we will get more applications and we'll reduce that figure you used, \$32,000, down quite a lot.

MRS. KATHERINE DUNCAN: I'm not worried about how many we had last year. We're budgeting for this coming year, and I think that's what should be considered. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have exceeded the time. I'm going to take the privilege of a Worthy Grand Matron and being in the East: If we would all work harder, tell our membership about our Home, put our ladies that need a secure place and are not frightened to death to live by themselves somewhere else, if we would encourage them to come into our Home, Sisters and Brothers, we would save money, not spend money. [applause]

Is there any more discussion? You have heard the report, and we have had a

second. That was discussion. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of adopting this report will raise their blue cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

MRS. SHIRLEY JONES: Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. Brother Jim Rippey will present Report No. 4, audit report.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 4

MR. JIM RIPPEY: Thank you, Sister Shirley.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

In compliance with the Code of Laws 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, the Grand Treasurer, and the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences for the Grand Chapter year ending October 31, 1996. This Audit Report, as conducted by George, Morgan & Sneed, Certified Public Accountants, is printed in its entirety in the Proceedings of the October 1996 114th Annual Session. The following is a summary of this information:

Lola Wallace, Chairman
Patsy Neeper, Vice-Chairman
Shirley Jones, Secretary
Jim Rippey, Member
Pat Washington, Member

REPORT NO. 4 AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1996

	REVENUES	EXPENSES	REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES
Endowment Fund	\$ 640,661	\$ 29,877	\$ 610,784
General Fund	400,004	441,054	(41,050)
Home Fund	1,364,080	1,414,130	(50,050)
Benevolent Fund	53,534	35,200	18,334
Educational Fund	2,104	650	1,454
Fannie V. Ward Fund	1,687	1,711	(24)
Special Projects Fund	203,212	84,039	119,173
Endowed Membership	119,174	25,845	93,329
Home Renovation Fund	139,039	139,039	-0-
TOTAL	\$ 2,923,495	\$ 2,171,545	\$ 751,950

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 4.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 4 from the Board of Grand Trustees that we adopt the audit report. We have had a motion and a second. Is there any discussion on adopting this report of the auditors? Hearing none, all in favor will raise their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Jim.

MR. JIM RIPPEY: Thank you. Sister Pat Washington will present Report No. 5, Endowed Membership Fund.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 5

MRS. PAT WASHINGTON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

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 Membership for the period from November 1, 1996, through July 31, 1997. 133 Endowed Memberships have been purchased this year for a total of \$86,500.00. In accordance with Article 204,e,(7)(b), Page 144, distribution/earnings cannot be made until after May 31 of the second year after the purchases of the Endowed Membership.

As of July 31, 1997, we have a grand total of 1,331 Endowed Memberships that have been purchased. The grand total invested is \$666,000.00.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 5, Endowed Memberships.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 5 from the Board of Grand Trustees pertaining to endowed membership. I have a motion and a second. All in favor of accepting this motion will signify by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Patsy.

MRS. PAT WASHINGTON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Patsy Neeper will give Report No. 6, the Scholarship Report.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 6

MRS. PATSY NEEPER: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: This is Report No. 6, the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship and the T. R. Bramlett Scholarship.

We, the Board of Grand Trustees, are pleased to present the Scholarship Report for 1996-1997.

The interest accrued from both scholarships was combined in order all fifteen

(15) applicants could each receive a \$170.00 scholarship. Two (2) students received the Bramlett Scholarship and thirteen (13) students received the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship. The checks will be mailed from the Grand Secretary's Office after October 31, 1997.

Lola Wallace, Chairman
 Patsy Neeper, Vice Chairman
 Shirley Jones, Secretary
 Jim Rippey, Member
 Patsy Washington, Member

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 6.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the Report No. 6 of the Board of Grand Trustees. It has been moved and seconded – Is there any discussion? Hearing none, we will vote on this motion by the uplifting of the blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Patsy.

MRS. PATSY NEEPER: Sister Shirley Jones will present Report No. 7, the Benevolent Fund.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES Report No. 7

MRS. SHIRLEY JONES: Thank you, Sister Patsy. Report No. 7, Benevolent Aid Fund Report for the Grand Chapter Year 1996-1997.

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 1996-1997.

Lola Wallace, Chairman
 Patsy Neeper, Vice Chairman
 Jim Rippey, Member
 Patsy Washington, Member

BENEVOLENT BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

Benevolent Aid Fund

Beginning Balance 10/15/96	\$68,192.64
Deposits:	
Per Capita	\$48,704.25
Interest	1,105.00
Refund	150.00
	49,959.25
	\$118,151.89

Benevolent Aid	-34,600.00
Ending Balance 9/30/97	\$83,551.89

19 Members in 16 Chapters received Benevolent Aid

Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for your generous assistance to these members in need. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this Benevolent Aid Fund Report.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, ma'am. We have a motion and a second for acceptance of Report No. 7. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Sister, thank you so much for that report. We appreciate you doing it.

MRS. SHIRLEY JONES: Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Jim Rippey will present Report No. 8, Renovation Fund.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES Report No. 8

MR. JIM RIPPEY: Thank you, Sister Shirley.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

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 July 31, 1996 to July 31st, 1997.

An accounting of the Renovation Funds follows:

- Lola Wallace, Chairman
- Patsy Neeper, Vice-Chairman
- Shirley Jones, Secretary
- Jim Rippey, Member
- Pat Washington, Member

EASTERN STAR HOME RENOVATION FUNDS

Accounts with Texas Commerce Bank/Arlington

	Checking	Trust
07/31/96 Balance in account	\$ 2,329	\$ 449,058
12/10/96 Transfer to checking	21,000	-21,000
03/14/97 Transfer to checking	35,879	-35,879
07/29/97 Transfer to checking	17,409	-17,409
	\$ 76,617	\$ 374,770

	Checking	Trust
Renovation expenses	\$ -57,260	
Checking service charges	-105	
Trust service charges		\$ -1,779
Receipts		40,377
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07/31/97 Account balance	\$ 19,252	\$ 413,368

During this reporting period there were three withdrawals from the Trust Fund for the purpose of Eastern Star Home renovations. The December transfer covered extensive infirmary plumbing replacement as a part of the space-heating system and the repair or replacement of eavestrough. The next transfer covered major repairs and alterations to the roof. The 07/29/97 transfer allowed for the replacement of the primary air conditioning unit. The very old 75-ton chiller failed during the July heat and our resident members and staff were without adequate cooling for a very short time.

We entered this reporting report, July 31st, '96, with an accumulation in the two funds – the trust and the checking – of \$451, 387. At the conclusion of this reporting period, July 31st, '97, we had in the two funds – \$19,252 and in the trust fund \$413,368 for a total of four hundred thirty-two. The check for the chiller had not yet been drawn out of the checking fund, so the end balance would be roughly \$415,211.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 8, Home Renovation Fund.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 8 from the Board of Grand Trustees. We have the motion and second that we adopt this report. Is there any discussion? All in favor will please raise your blue card. Those opposed, same sign. You have adopted Report No. 8. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers; and thank you, Brother Jim.

MR. JIM RIPPEY: Thank you. Sister Pat Washington will present Report No. 9, Contingency Fund.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Report No. 9

MRS. PAT WASHINGTON: 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 through July 31, 1997.

Disbursements that have been reimbursed
Legal fees for George Poff Suit

\$8,566.00

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**Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron
Escorted by her son, Michael Stinson**



**Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron
Escorted by his daughter, Lee Ann Bartolino**



**Yvonne Brownfield, Associate Grand Matron
Escorted by Robert Brownfield**



**Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary
Escorted by Sonny Tull**



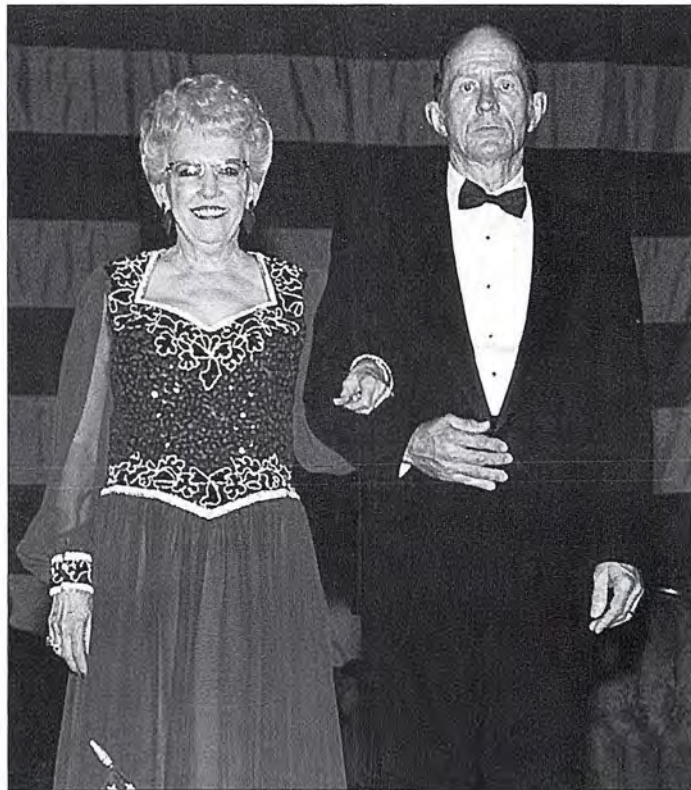
**Patsy Wilson, Grand Treasurer
Escorted by Herbert Wilson**



**Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress
Escorted by Bill Bane**



**Betty Friend, Associate Grand Conductress
Escorted by Jack Friend**



**Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain
Escorted by Don Prater**



**Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal
Escorted by Dan Fields**



**Sara Rozean, Grand Organist
Escorted by B. F. Hudson**



**Beulah Warner, Grand Adah
Escorted by Edward Warner**



**Marvolyn Province, Grand Ruth
Escorted by Terry Mayfield**



Barbara Ochs, Grand Esther
Escorted by Robert and Raymond Ochs



Mildred Blair, Grand Martha
Escorted by Joe Blair



Hazel Smith, Grand Electa
Escorted by Jack Peebles



Johnnie Dyer, Grand Warder
Escorted by James W. Dyer



**Don R. Long, Grand Sentinel
Escorted by Jonnie Long**



**Ethel Powell, Fraternal Correspondent
Escorted by Aaron Riffe**



(Left to Right): Most Excellent Companion Richard H. Coates, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Texas, R.A.M.; Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S.; Most Worshipful Joseph W. Regian, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.; Most Illustrious Companion Thomas W. Snyder, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Texas, R. & I.M.; Right Eminent Companion Graham A. Childress, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas, K.T.



Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron and
Cindy Ensinger, Grand Worthy Advisor
Presentation of Rainbow Bible



Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron and Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron
Escorted by Betty Phillips Hager, Past Grand Matron



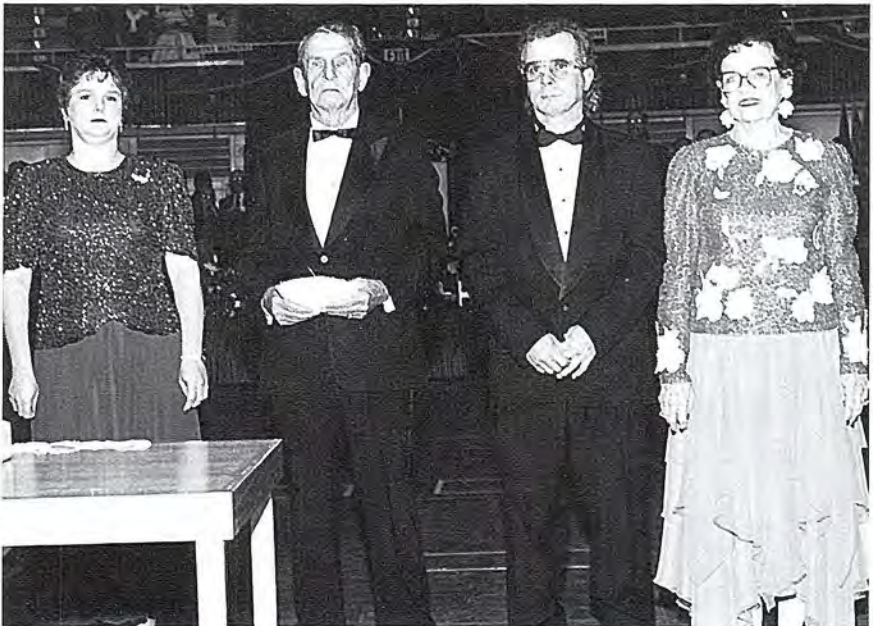
**Newly installed Worthy Grand Matron, Yvonne Brownfield
and Immediate Past Grand Matron, Alma Carter
"Passing of the Worthy Grand Matron's Jewel"**



**"The Three Tri-Line Officers"
Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron;
Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron and
Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron**



Left to Right: Betty Prater, Grand Representative of Kentucky in Texas, O.E.S. Presenting Past Grand Matron's Jewel to Alma Carter, Immediate Past Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S.



Left to Right: Donna Hill, Neice of the Worthy Grand Matron, presenting the Bible Marker. Bruce Brown, Brother of the Worthy Grand Matron, presenting the Square and Compasses. Mike Stinson, Son of the Worthy Grand Matron, presenting the Bible escorted by Patricia Neinast, Past Grand Matron.



District Deputy Grand Matron and Deputy Grand Matrons, District I (Left to Right): Worthy Grand Matron; Rosemary Swantick, Section 10; Ann Clifton, Section 9; Margaret Brown, Section 8; Linda Guy, Section 7; Bille Dean, Section 6; Katie Hopkins, Section 5; Mary Ann Edwards, Section 4; Nada Crouch, Section 3; Kay Drescher, Section 2; Kay Carlton, Section 1; Sandra Perdue, District Deputy Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Patron.



District Deputy Grand Matron and Deputy Grand Matrons, District II (Left to Right): Worthy Grand Matron; Louise Pierce, Section 10; Jane Womack, Section 9; Fran Johnson, Section 8; Su-San Couch, Section 5; Pat Moore, Section 4; Willyne Norman, Section 3; Marcia Benton, Section 2; Eulliah Jeffers, Section 1; Betty Unlaub, District Deputy Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Patron.



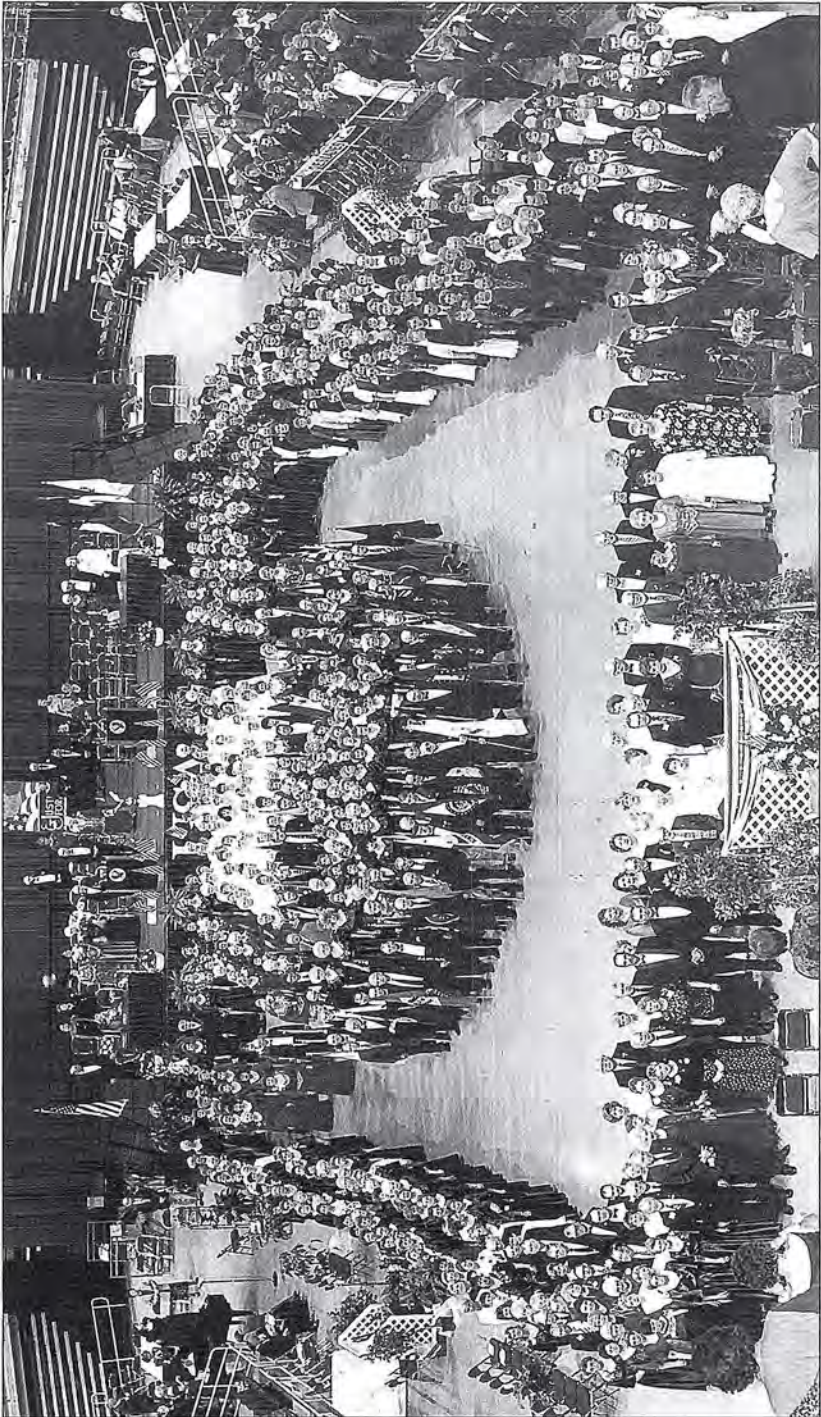
District Deputy Grand Matron and Deputy Grand Matrons, District III (Left to Right): Worthy Grand Matron; Jean Hunt, District Deputy Grand Matron; Annette Curry, Section 1; Claudia Blair, Section 2; Ann Eckerson, Section 4; Judy Lunsford, Section 5; Margie Schooley, Section 7; Fran Williams, Section 7; Hazel Nesmith, Section 9; Worthy Grand Patron.



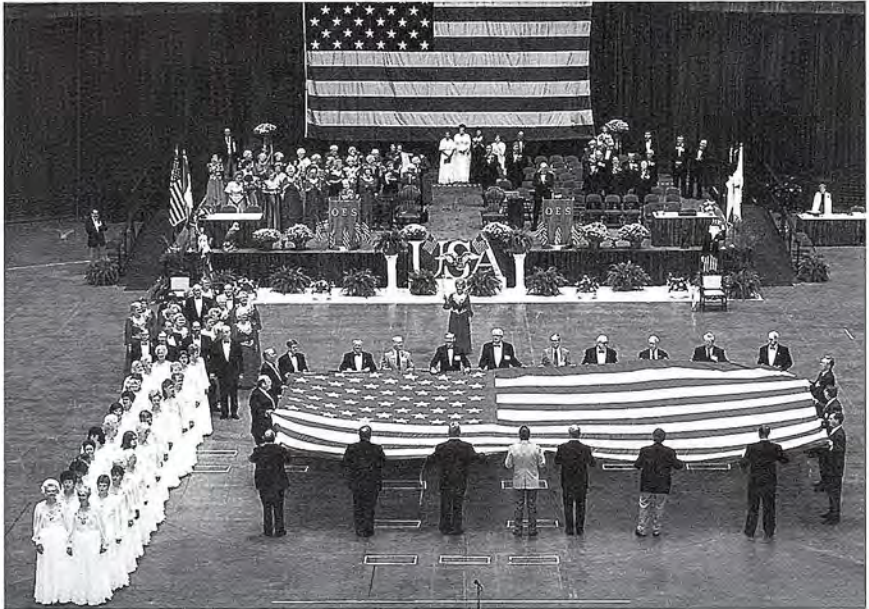
District Deputy Grand Matron and Deputy Grand Matrons, District IV (Left to Right): Worthy Grand Matron; Elizabeth Wise, District Deputy Grand Matron; Georgia Campbell, Section 2; Mickie Ulch, Section 3; Anita Westermann, Section 4; Ola Mae Davis, Section 5; Virginia Akins, Section 6; Glenda Klemm, Section 7; Jeannie Price, Section 8; Margaret Stuart, Section 9; Irene Coulter, Section 10; Worthy Grand Patron.



District Deputy Grand Matron and Deputy Grand Matrons, District V (Left to Right): Worthy Grand Matron; Lucille Payne, Section 10; Jerline Standridge, Section 9; Carolyn Shannon, Section 8; Donna Perkins, Section 7; Karen Wright, Section 6; Peggy Carr, Section 5; Cleo Chaney, Section 4; Ruth Steele, Section 3; Betty Turner, Section 2; Anna Lewis, Section 1; Geraldine Dusek, District Deputy Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Patron.



INSTALLATION FORMATION



FLOOR OFFICERS AND PERSONAL PAGES DRILL



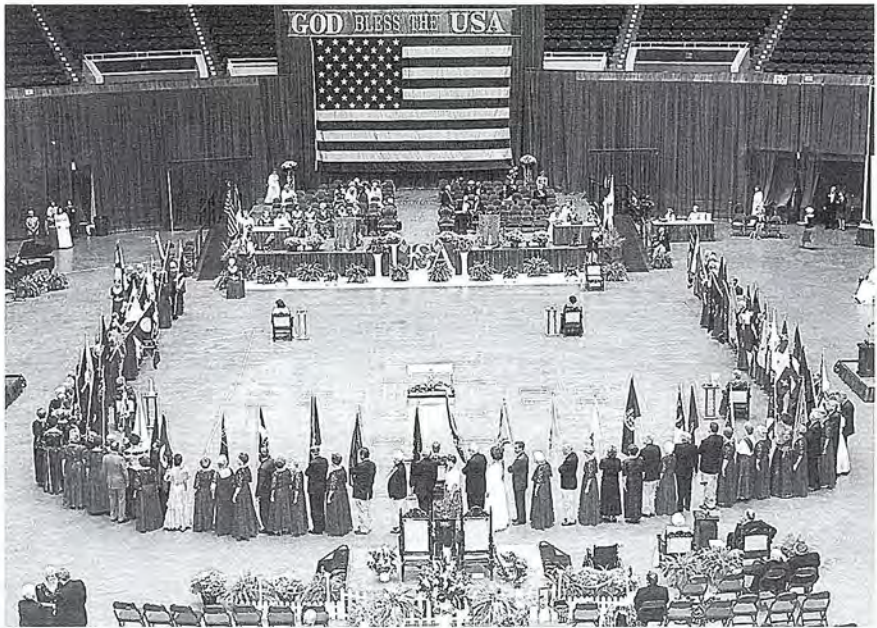
**JOYCE FIELDS, GRAND MARSHAL
PRESENTING THE FLAG**



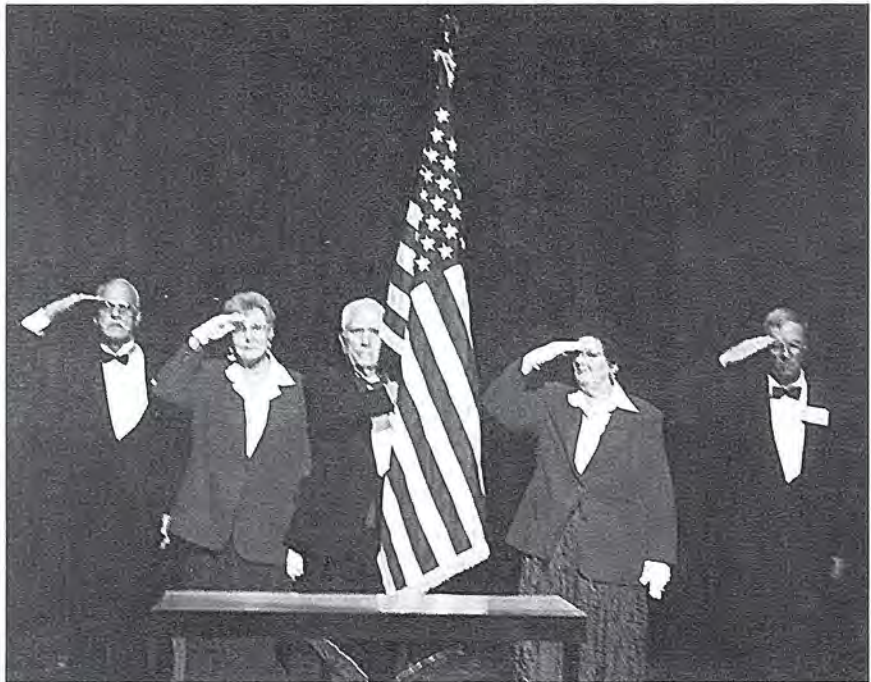
Introductions - Left to Right: Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma.



Texas General Grand Chapter Officers - Left to Right: Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Sherrill R. Cain, Member Scottish Rite Language Disorders, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas; E. Leon Leier, International Temple Committee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron of Missouri; Margie McConnell, Chairman Heart Committee, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Effie Mae Davis, Chairman Appeals and Grievances, General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Texas.



GRAND REPRESENTATIVE DRILL



"Presentation of Flags" - American Flag, Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron; Honor Guard (Left to Right): Forrest Smith, Nell Smith, Syble Yost, Gayle Brown.



PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS OF TEXAS



VISITING INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS



LADIES OF THE EASTERN STAR HOME



WORTHY GRAND MATRON ALMA CARTER'S LUNCHEON



1996-97 FLOOR OFFICERS

W.G.M. - Alma Carter; W.G.P. - Richard Ochs; Gr. Secretary - Frances Burbank; Gr. Treasurer - Patsy Wilson; A.G.M. - Yvonne Brownfield; Gr. Cond - Alma Lynn Bane; Assoc. Gr. Cond. - Betty Friend; Gr. Chap - Betty Prater; Gr. Marshal - Joyce Fields; Gr. Organist - Sara Rozean; Gr. Adah - Beulah Warner; Gr. Ruth - Marvolyn Province; Gr. Esther - Barbara Ochs; Gr. Martha - Mildred Blair; Gr. Electa - Hazel Smith; Gr. Warder - Johnnie Dyer; Gr. Sentinel - Don Long



TEXAS GRAND REPRESENTATIVES



GRAND CHOIR



WORTHY GRAND MATRON ALMA CARTER'S LUNCHEON (DEPUTY AND DISTRICT DEPUTY)



GENERAL BANQUET - HEAD TABLE



DISTRICT ONE BANQUET



DISTRICT TWO BANQUET



DISTRICT THREE BANQUET



DISTRICT FOUR BANQUET



DISTRICT FIVE BANQUET



Worthy Grand Matron and District Deputy Grand Matrons. Left to Right: Sandra Perdue, Betty Unlaub, Alma Carter, Jean Hunt, Elizabeth Wise and Gerry Dusek.



Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron escorted by Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress.



Alma Lynn Bane, Grand Conductress Opening Bible.

Disbursement that will be reimbursed		
Property Taxes on oil and gas lease properties	\$381.97	
Property Taxes, Insurance, Utilities and Repairs on Irma D. Grounds Home	<u>989.97</u>	
Total to be Reimbursed		1,371.94
 <u>Disbursements that will not be reimbursed</u>		
Recording Release of Lien for T. J. Strybosch Property		<u>11.00</u>
Total Disbursements		\$9,948.94

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion that we adopt Report No. 9 of the Board of Grand Trustees. We now have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion? All in favor will vote for this report by the uplifting of your blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Patsy.

MRS. PAT WASHINGTON: Sister Lola Wallace will give Report No. 10, which is our final report.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES Report No. 10

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

1997 is the year when a new Grand Chapter Van is presented to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron for her use in performing the duties of her office. We have purchased from Bledsoe Dodge in Arlington, a 1997 Long-bed Dodge Van with Legend Conversions. It is white with gray interior. It has a 3/4 ton truck frame, a V-8 5.9L Magnum engine and Michelin tires. The cost after trade-in was \$13,417.72.

Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter has relinquished the 1995 Van and picked up the new 1997 Van and transported it to Grand Chapter. It will be presented to Yvonne Brownfield by the Board of Grand Trustees following the Installation. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 10.

Signed:

Lola Wallace
Patsy Neeper
Shirley Jones

Jim Rippey
Pat Washington

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 10 from the Board of Grand Trustees. I now have a motion and a second that we adopt this report. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, you will vote on this motion by the uplifting of your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Matron, this completes the reports for the Board of Grand Trustees.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister "Peaches," and thank the Board members. We have had a wonderful year. I thank each one of you for your cooperation, for your kindnesses to the Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you, and I know this membership wants to thank you for all of your hard work. We appreciate you very much. [applause]

I now call on Brother Murray Watson, Chairman of Jurisprudence Committee. Brother Murray.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: It's with pleasure that I again introduce to you the members of your Jurisprudence Committee: District 1, Jean Nesbitt; District 2, B. F. Hutson; District 4, Joe Jeffers; District 5, Evelyn Conger.

Today we're going to ask you to try something new. I have talked to the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron and our Parliamentarian, Donna Reed. What this is about is a consent calendar. There are 16 amendments to the Code of Laws and one resolution. Our by-laws do not necessarily say that we can or we cannot have a consent calendar. Your Committee on Jurisprudence does not find anything of material information within the amendments. We are going to ask that we have a consent calendar.

But before I do that, I want to explain to you how it's going to work. If you approve allowing us to have a consent calendar, then I will propose 1 through 16 be up and considered and the resolution and lay them all before you at one time. We have a request to withdraw Amendment No. 5. We have a request to separate Amendments 9, 10, 14 and 15 and the resolution. So if you approve a consent calendar, then we will take up and vote one time for the passage of Amendments 1 through 4, 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and 16. That will take care of 11 amendments at one time. Then we'll come back - Amendment No. 5 will not be offered -- and we'll take up in numerical order. We'll start with Amendment No. 9.

Therefore, Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this Grand Chapter authorize the approval of the proposed amendments under a consent calendar.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard from our Jurisprudence Committee a request that we approve a consent calendar to vote on those amendments Brother Murray told you about in one fell swoop. That's about as good as I can express it.

We have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion? All of you who would like to vote a consent calendar for those Amendment Nos. 1 through 4, 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and No. 16, please raise your blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Brother Murray, I believe they approve a consent calendar.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron; thank you, Sisters and Brothers. That's something new, and I think that will expedite the matter. Now I move that this Grand Chapter approve Amendments 1 through 4, 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and 16, as were printed in your Bulletin and were distributed in accordance with the Code of Laws. I move these 11 amendments for adoption.

(Amendments No. 1 through 4, 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and 16 read as follows:)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

CODE OF LAWS REVISIONS FOR 1997 GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

Whereas, consistency throughout the Committees of Grand Chapter in the Code of Laws will provide for orderly execution of assignments and responsibilities,

We the undersigned submit the following Revision:

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 4 - A. ARTICLE 17. (page 59)

which now reads:

j. Humanitarian. Six (6) members, one from each of the five Districts, holding membership and residing in their respective Districts, and one at large, for a term of one (1) year.

change to read:

j. Humanitarian. Six (6) members. one from each of the five Districts, holding membership and residing in their respective Districts, and one as General Chairman, for a term of one (1) year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Mrs. Betty Friend

AMENDMENT NO. 2

CODE OF LAWS REVISIONS FOR 1997 GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

Whereas, consistency throughout the Committees of Grand Chapter in the Code of Laws will provide for orderly execution of assignments and responsibilities, We the undersigned submit the following Revision:

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 4 - A. ARTICLE 17. (page 59)

which now reads:

o. Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Session. Three or more members, one of whom shall be designated "General Chairman" and shall hold membership within the Section in which the Grand Chapter Session at which they are to serve shall be held.

change to read:

o. Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Session. Three or more members, one of whom shall be designated "General Chairman". All members of the Executive Committee shall hold membership within the Section in which the Grand Chapter Session at which they are to serve shall be held.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Mrs. Betty Friend

AMENDMENT NO. 3**CODE OF LAWS REVISIONS FOR 1997 GRAND CHAPTER SESSION**

Whereas, the Constitution of Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S., in Article VIII identifies the DEPUTIES of Grand Chapter by the title DEPUTIES and Code of Laws, in Article 16, identifies DISTRICT DEPUTIES AND DEPUTIES,

Whereas, the Constitution of Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S., in Article III, B. identifies the OFFICERS OF GRAND CHAPTER as 'such other Officers, Boards and Committees',

Whereas, the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S., moved the list of standing committees referenced in Article IX Grand Chapter Committees from the Constitution to the Code of Laws in Article 17,

Whereas, consistency throughout the Constitution and Code of Laws will assist in distinction between the types of Grand Chapter Appointments, especially during Introductions,

We the undersigned submit the following Revisions:

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 4 - A. ARTICLE 17. (page 58)

which now reads:

ARTICLE 17. APPOINT COMMITTEES. After her installation and before the close of the Annual Session, the Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint the members of the following committees in number and for terms as indicated to-wit:

change to read:

ARTICLE 17. APPOINT COMMITTEES. After her installation and before the close of the Annual Session, the Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint the members of the following Standing Committees of Grand Chapter and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron in number and for terms as indicated to-wit:

CODE OF LAWS: CHAPTER 4 ARTICLE 17. v. (page 59)

which now reads:

u. Such other Committees in such number, for such purpose and for such terms, as may have been authorized by Grand Chapter.

v. Other Committees appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron shall be considered Worthy Grand Matron's Committees. The total number of appointees for Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Session: Committee on Grand Chapter Arrangements, such other Committees in such number, for such purpose and for such terms, as may have been authorized by Grand Chapter. Other Committees appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron shall be considered Worthy Grand Matron's Committees with no expense involved, shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the recorded membership in this Grand Jurisdiction as reported at the preceding Annual Session.

Change to read:

u. Such other Standing Committees of Grand Chapter in such number, for such purpose and for such terms, as may have been authorized by Grand Chapter. The total number of appointees for Executive Committee for Grand Chapter Session: Committee on Grand Chapter Arrangements, such other Standing Committees of Grand Chapter in such number, for such purpose and for such terms, as may have been authorized by Grand Chapter.

v. Other Committees appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron shall be considered Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron. Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron with no expense involved, shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the recorded membership in this Grand Jurisdiction as reported by the Grand Secretary in her Report of the Subordinate Chapters at the preceding Annual Session.

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 10, COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER (page 104)

which now reads:

CHAPTER 10, COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER

ARTICLE 149. WHO ELIGIBLE. Any member of the Grand Chapter not specifically prohibited by the Constitution or laws governing Grand Chapter shall be eligible to appointment on any Committee of Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 150. DUTIES. The Committees of Grand Chapter shall perform such duties as may be designated by Grand Chapter from time to time, including those hereinafter specifically set forth under the respective general committees named.

ARTICLE 151. MILEAGE. Members of Grand Chapter Committees shall not be entitled to mileage to Grand Chapter.

be changed to read:

CHAPTER 10, STANDING COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER

ARTICLE 149. WHO ELIGIBLE. Any member of the Grand Chapter not specifically prohibited by the Constitution or laws governing Grand Chapter shall be eligible to appointment on any Standing Committee of Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 150. DUTIES. The Standing Committees of Grand Chapter shall perform such duties as may be designated by Grand Chapter from time to time, including those hereinafter specifically set forth under the respective Standing Committees named.

ARTICLE 151. MILEAGE. Members of Standing Committees of Grand Chapter shall not be entitled to mileage to Grand Chapter.

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 168, THE HUMANITARIAN FUND (page 122)

which now reads:

ARTICLE 168. THE HUMANITARIAN FUND. This fund shall consist of the money raised by the Humanitarian Committee, for the projects approved by Grand Chapter or raised otherwise for such projects, provided that this Grand Chapter

shall cooperate with the General Grand Chapter ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) program by including ESTARL as one of its humanitarian projects every year with a special committee appointed for its promotion.

change to read as:

ARTICLE 168. THE HUMANITARIAN FUND. This fund shall consist of the money raised by the Humanitarian Committee, for the projects approved by Grand Chapter or raised otherwise for such projects, provided that this Grand Chapter shall cooperate with the General Grand Chapter ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) program by including ESTARL as one of its humanitarian projects every year with a Standing Committee of Grand Chapter appointed for its promotion.

CODE OF LAWS CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 256, INTRODUCTIONS (page 166)

which now reads:

f. All Officers of Grand Chapter, all Grand Chapter Committees, all Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron may be presented back of Esther's Station together and may be escorted to the East. They shall be welcomed in the following order:

- (1) Officers of Grand Chapter together:
 - (a) District Deputy Grand Matrons by District.
 - (b) Deputy Grand Matrons by District/Section.
- (2) All Grand Chapter Committees. (Fraternal Correspondent first, no rank in balance of committees.)
- (3) All Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron. (No rank in committees.)

The Presiding Officer has the option of combining f(2) and f(3), if desired and room permits.

be changed to read:

f. All Deputies of Grand Chapter, all Standing Committees of Grand Chapter, and all Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron may be presented back of Esther's Station. They shall be presented in the following order:

- (1) Deputies of Grand Chapter together:
 - (a) District Deputy Grand Matrons by District.
 - (b) Deputy Grand Matrons by District by Section.
- (2) All Standing Committees of Grand Chapter.
 - (a) Fraternal Correspondent
 - (b) Remaining Standing Committees (No rank in balance of committees.)
- (3) All Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron.
 - (a) No rank in committees.

The Presiding Officer has the option of presenting the Deputies of Grand Chapter f(1) in the East after presentation in back of Esther's Station.

The Presiding Officer has the option of combining the Standing Committees of Grand Chapter f(2) and the Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron f(3) for presentation, if desired and room permits.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Mrs. Betty Friend

AMENDMENT NO. 4

WHEREAS the Duties and Prerogatives of the Grand Treasurer as stated in Article 75 and Article 76 of the Code of Laws do not adequately reflect all the duties performed by the Grand Treasurer.

And

WHEREAS the General Fund Clearing Savings Account referred to in Article 75 no longer exist having been replaced by separate accounts for General Funds, Clearing Money Market, Clearing Trust, Home Funds, Home Holding Trust, Endowment Trust, Education and F. V. Ward Scholarship Funds, and Benevolent Funds, which are included in the reports of the Grand Treasurer.

And

WHEREAS Article 76 makes no reference to transfers of Moneys necessary to carry on the business of Grand Chapter or the Investment of Funds for income, interest and for protection.

We therefore propose the following Amendment to the Code of Laws, Page 69
Which now reads:

F.

GRAND TREASURER

Duties and Prerogatives

ARTICLE 74. FURNISH BOND. The Grand Treasurer shall furnish such Surety Bond as the Board of Grand Trustees may direct.

ARTICLE 75. MONEYS, RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS. The Grand Treasurer shall receive, from the grand Secretary, such funds as may be collected and/or deposited belonging to the Grand Chapter. The Grand Treasurer shall pay all voucher checks drawn upon such funds, as provided or may be provided, by the Ritual, Constitution and Laws; all "Voucher Checks" shall be signed by any two of the following: Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary, or the Grand Treasurer. The Grand Treasurer shall keep accurate accounts of funds deposited into, and amounts transferred from, the General Fund Clearing Savings Account of the Grand Chapter of Texas. She shall maintain an accurate record of receipts and disbursements of the General Fund Checking Account and shall furnish a monthly statement of this account to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, and to each member of the Board of Grand Trustees.

ARTICLE 76. DEPOSITING FUNDS. All Funds shall be deposited in accounts or in the depositories as provided, or may be provided, by the Constitution and Laws, as the Grand Chapter may direct, or, as approved by the Board of Grand Trustees.

ARTICLE 77. SALARY AND EXPENSES. The Grand Treasurer shall receive, as full compensation for her services, Three Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$3,900.00) per year. Any necessary administrative expenses in the performance of the duties of the Grand Treasurer will be provided by the Board of Grand Trustees by including an amount in the General Budget of the Grand Chapter and paid out on approval by said Board of Grand Trustees.

ARTICLE 78. CLOSING BOOKS. The Grand Treasurer shall close her books on the 31st day of October (Fiscal Year).

BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

F.
GRAND TREASURER
Duties and Prerogatives

ARTICLE 74. No Change.

ARTICLE 75. MONEYS, RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

A. The Grand Treasurer shall receive, from the Grand Secretary such funds as may be collected and/or deposited belonging to the Grand Chapter.

B. The Grand Treasurer shall pay all voucher checks drawn upon such funds, as provided or may be provided, by the Ritual, Constitution and Laws; all "Voucher Checks" shall be signed by any two of the following: Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary, or the Grand Treasurer.

C. The Grand Treasurer shall keep accurate records of all Bank Accounts and Investments. She shall maintain a detailed record of receipts, disbursements and current balances of the General Funds, Home Funds, Home Endowment Funds, Benevolent Funds, and Educational Funds (Page 120 C O L). The General Fund Checking Account to include a complete listing of all checks drawn on this account each month.

D. She shall furnish a monthly statement to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, other members of the Corporate Board, and to each member of the Board of Grand Trustees. She shall make an annual written report, and a Financial report based on her monthly reports, to the Grand Chapter to be printed in the Advance Report.

ARTICLE 76. DEPOSITING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS

A: All funds shall be deposited in accounts or in the depositories as provided, or may be provided, by the Constitution and Laws, as the Grand Chapter may direct, or, as approved by the Board of Grand Trustees. (No Change)

B. The Grand Treasurer with the Grand Secretary shall make all transfers of Funds and Investments as directed by the Board of Grand Trustees.

C. The Grand Treasurer will perform her duties to the Endowed Membership

Program as outlined in the Code of Laws, Chapter 4, Affiliations (e) Endowed Membership (Page 142 C of L)

ARTICLE 77. No Change.

ARTICLE 78. No Change.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lola Wallace
Patsy Neeper

Patsy Washington
James Rippey
Shirley Jones

AMENDMENT NO. 6

WHEREAS Article 82, Sections e. and f. refer to the preparation of the Annual Budgets

And

WHEREAS ADJUSTMENTS NEED TO BE MADE TO MORE CLEARLY DEFINE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING IN THE PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGETS

And

WHEREAS the Code of Laws should more closely reflect the way the Budget is currently being prepared and reported.

We therefore propose the following amendment to the Code of Laws: Page 72.

ARTICLE 82 – e Which Now Reads:

e. The Board of Grand Trustees shall receive from the Associate Grand Matron a proposed budget of expenditures for the period ensuing until the next succeeding Grand Chapter Session.

They shall consider same and shall report to Grand Chapter with such recommendations as, in their judgment, will be for the best interest of Grand Chapter.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE 82 – e

e. The Board of Grand Trustees shall, with the participation of the Associate Grand Matron, prepare a proposed General Fund Budget of anticipated income and expenditures for the operation of the Grand Chapter for the period ensuing until the next succeeding Grand Chapter Session.

They shall report this Budget to the Grand Chapter with such recommendations as they deem necessary for the best interest of Grand Chapter.

AND

ARTICLE 82 - f. Which now reads:

f. The Board of Grand Trustees shall receive from the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences a proposed budget of expenditures for the period en-

suing until the next succeeding Grand Chapter Session. The Board of Grand Trustees, after considering same, shall report it to the Grand Chapter with such recommendations as, in their judgment, will be for the best interest of Grand Chapter, and of the Grand Chapter Benevolences.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE 82 - f.

f. The Board of Grand Trustees shall receive from the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolence a proposed Budget of anticipated income and expenditures for the Operation and Maintenance of the Eastern Star Home of Texas and Grand Chapter Benevolences for the period ensuing until the next succeeding Grand Chapter Session.

The Board of Grand Trustees, after considering same, shall report this Budget to the Grand Chapter with such recommendations as, in their judgment, will be for the best interest of Grand Chapter, and of the Grand Chapter Benevolences.

Respectfully submitted,
Lola Wallace
Patsy Neeper

Patsy Washington
Jim Rippey
Shirley Jones

AMENDMENT NO. 7

WHEREAS, only a single scholarship fund under the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees is addressed in the Code of Laws, and

WHEREAS, more than one scholarship fund exists under the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Therefore, we propose the following changes to the Code of Laws, page 72:

WHICH NOW READS:

ARTICLE 82. j. They shall make an annual report of the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship Fund which, by civil law, is placed under the direction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE 82. j. They shall make an annual report of each scholarship fund which is placed under the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Submitted by:
Jim Rippey

Shirley Jones
Lola Wallace

Pat Washington
Patsy Neeper

AMENDMENT NO. 8

WHEREAS clarification is needed to advise the membership that when a Lady enters the Eastern Star Home of Texas all revenue from her assets, received from the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences or from disposition of assets by the Board of Grand Trustees, is placed in the OES Home Fund for the operation and benefit of the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

We therefore propose the following amendment: Page 76

Article 83 - m. Which now reads:

m. Upon acceptance and entrance of a lady into the Eastern Star Home of Texas, the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences shall handle the disposition of all her personal effects, household goods and furnishings, motor and recreational vehicles. All revenues therefrom, as well as all other properties received from her shall be delivered to the Grand Secretary for administration or disposition by the Board of Grand Trustees.

Be amended to read as follows: Article 83 -

m. Upon acceptance and entrance of a lady into the Eastern Star Home of Texas, the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences shall handle the disposition of all her personal effects, household goods and furnishings, motor and recreational vehicles. All revenues there from, as well as all other properties received from her shall be delivered to the Grand Secretary for administration or disposition by the Board of Grand Trustees, for the benefit of the Eastern Star Home of Texas.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lola Wallace
Patsy Neeper

Patsy Washington
James Rippey
Shirley Jones

AMENDMENT NO. 11

WHEREAS, We believe the Territorial Jurisdictions over our Texas Chapters only causes confusion and problems for our members and those who seek the Degrees.

We submit the following amendment to the Code of Laws, page 134.

CHAPTER 2. JURISDICTION Article 193. BETWEEN CHAPTERS

Which Now Reads:

ARTICLE 193. BETWEEN CHAPTERS.

a. Territorial jurisdiction over all Chapters and members within the Grand Chapter of Texas shall be in accordance with the District and Section assignments as prescribed in the Laws of the Grand Chapter.

b. Territorial jurisdiction over candidates for membership into the Order shall be as follows:

- (1) A petitioner may seek membership in any Chapter within the prescribed boundaries of the Section in which she or he legally resides.
- (2) A petitioner may seek membership in any Chapter located within the prescribed boundaries of any Section that is tangent to (or contiguous with) the Section in which she or he legally resides.
- (3) A petitioner may seek membership in any Chapter located within this Grand Jurisdiction that is not within the prescribed boundaries of

the Section in which she or he legally resides or one that is tangent (or contiguous) thereto by seeking a Waiver of Jurisdiction in full compliance with the laws pertaining thereto. (Article 198.)

To be Changed to:

Article 193. Between Chapters.

Delete in its entirety as it now reads

New Article 193. Between Chapters.

a. A Petitioner may seek membership in any Chapter located within this Grand Jurisdiction, with no Territorial jurisdiction within the State of Texas.

Submitted by:
Frances Burbank
Jan Haag
Billie Wilk

Shirley Martindale
Marquetta Whitfield
Joyce Tigert

AMENDMENT NO. 12

We believe that any prospective member who resides in the State of Texas should be allowed to affiliate with any Subordinate Chapter in Texas regardless of location, thus eliminating the requirement for a Waiver of Jurisdiction, and we therefore submit the following amendment.

CHAPTER 2.

Article 194 . Page 134 RESIDENCE FOR INITIATION.

Which now Reads

ARTICLE 194. RESIDENCE FOR INITIATION. Applicants for initiation shall have resided six months in the State, and three months immediately preceding application and immediately preceding the time of balloting thereon, in the Jurisdiction to which they apply for membership, or else request such Chapter to petition for Waiver of Jurisdiction from the Chapter holding Jurisdiction by reason of residence.

a. The term "residence" is defined to be the legal residence of the petitioner where she/he exercises her/his rights as a citizen in voting, etc., the place which has been fixed by the petitioner as her/his residence.

b. If some other Chapter holds jurisdiction by reason of a rejection of such petitioner within the preceding twelve months, waiver must be requested in like manner.

c. A petitioner moving out of the State or out of the Jurisdiction of the Chapter petitioned, after the petition is read in Chapter but before a ballot is taken thereon, ceases to be eligible as a petitioner in the Chapter, she/he no longer meeting the residential requirements for eligibility.

d. A member of a Texas Chapter may transfer membership to any other Chapter in Texas, without the three months' residence for those affiliating by Demit.

To be Changed to:

Article 194. RESIDENCE FOR INITIATION. Applicants for Initiation shall have resided six months in the State immediately preceding the time of balloting hereon.

a. Same

b. Same

c. A petitioner moving out of the State, after the petition is read in Chapter but before a ballot is taken thereon, ceases to be eligible as a petitioner in the Chapter, she/he no longer meeting the residential requirements for eligibility.

d. Same

All other Articles in our Code of Laws pertaining to Territorial Jurisdiction will be automatically changed to reflect there is no Territorial Jurisdiction within the State of Texas.

Submitted by:
Billie Wilk
Jan Haag

Shirley Martindale
Marquetta Whitfield
Joyce Tigert

AMENDMENT NO. 13

WHEREAS a Withdrawal of Membership is automatically granted a Dual Member at the Stated Meeting at which the Petition for Withdrawal is read, we believe the same procedure should be followed for members requesting a Demit, and

WHEREAS, the lapse of time involved in granting a Demit to those members who have moved to another Grand Jurisdiction and who desire to affiliate with that Jurisdiction is quite lengthy,

We submit the following Amendment to our Code of Laws, page 145:

CHAPTER 5. DEMITS .

Which now reads:

ARTICLE 206. HOW GRANTED, POSTPONED OR REJECTED.

a. Procedure. Requests for Demits must be presented at a Stated Meeting and lie over four weeks. No balloting on Requests for Demit is required. If no charges are preferred against the applicant within that period the Demit is automatically granted and shall be issued immediately by the Secretary of the Chapter, with the report of such action being made to the Chapter and recorded in the minutes.

b. When Charges Are Preferred. If charges be preferred against the applicant within the prescribed period, the Request for Demit is thereby automatically suspended pending a final disposition of such charges. If the charges are dismissed or if on trial the applicant is acquitted, the Demit shall thereupon be issued at once.

c. In Case of Conviction. If charges are preferred within the prescribed pe-

riod and on trial the applicant is convicted, the Request for Demit is thereby automatically cancelled.

d. Refund of Dues. When. When a Demit is granted, the Chapter granting same shall refund to such member any dues she or he may have paid to such Chapter for the remaining portion of the year in which such Demit is issued.

To be Changed to Read:

Article 206. HOW GRANTED

a. Procedure. Requests for Demit must be presented at the first Stated Meeting after receipt. If no charges are preferred against the applicant, the Demit is automatically granted and shall be issued immediately by the Secretary of the Chapter and recorded in the minutes.

b. Deleted

c. In Case of Conviction. If charges are preferred and on trial the applicant is convicted, the Request for Demit is hereby automatically cancelled.

d. Same

All articles in our Code of Laws affected by this change should automatically be changed accordingly.

Submitted by:
Billie Wilk
Jan Haag

Shirley Martindale
Marquetta Whitfield
Joyce Tigert

AMENDMENT NO. 16

WHEREAS there has been some confusion between Chapters when a member holding Dual Membership desires to make the Dual Chapter her Parent Chapter, we present the following Amendment to the Code of Laws:

CHAPTER 4. AFFILIATION, ARTICLE 204 d. DUAL MEMBERSHIP, Page 142 of the Code of Laws:

Add:

(8) PROCEDURE FOR MAKING DUAL CHAPTER THE PARENT CHAPTER.

The Member must request a Demit from the Parent Chapter. When granted, the Demit must be given to the Dual Chapter's Secretary and attached to the member's records, thus making the Dual Chapter the Parent Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Haag
Billie Wilk

Shirley Martindale
Marquetta Whitfield
Joyce Tigert

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion and a second to vote on these amendments that Brother Murray has laid before us in one motion. Is there any discussion? All of those that would like for the motions to be voted on as one unit – Oh, we have some discussion. I recognize Sister Caty.

MRS. CATY ATKINS: Worthy Grand Matron, I don't understand how they've got them all locked together. Maybe I'm stupid, but I don't understand. Okay?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Caty, most of those motions are just motions to change a word – housekeeping motions more or less; and we're just going to vote on them all at one time. The motions that you may disapprove of, he has pulled out, and we will vote on them one at a time. These others we will vote on at one time. If I can't explain it plain enough, Brother Murray will.

MRS. CATY ATKINS: Okay. That explains it. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Okay. Thank you. Any other discussion?

GRAND SENTINEL: Worthy Grand Matron, would you please read the ones that are going to be done together? That may be what's confusing some. Just be sure we get the numbers right.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It's number 1 through 4, number 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and number 16; correct?

GRAND SENTINEL: I just wanted everybody to be sure they knew what we were doing. This kind of reminds me of the Senate when we voted...

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sometimes we're as bad as our Senate! If there's no more discussion, all of those who approve on voting for 1 through 4, 6 through 8, 11 through 13 and number 16 will do so by raising your blue card. All those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

Amendment No. 5 is withdrawn.

Now we'll go to Amendment No. 9.

(Amendment No. 9 reads as follows:)

AMENDMENT NO. 9

WHEREAS the Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S. is a nonprofit organization whose purposes are Charitable and Benevolent

And

WHEREAS we have investments in our Educational Loan Fund which are earning interest each year which is profit not being used for Benevolent purposes

And

WHEREAS without touching the Principal which now stands at over \$80,000.00 and was originally donated for Educational Loans by the Membership, these profits could be made available for Scholarships to qualified students

And

WHEREAS we have received 16 applications this year from Students, many with Eastern Star ties, and with only a little over \$1,500.00 in money available in the F. V. Ward Scholarship Funds

And

WHERE AS approximately \$4,500.00 in interest income was generated this year on Educational Fund Investments.

We therefore propose the following change to the Code of Laws Page 107 Article 152-G. B - Which reads:

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 shall be given to any one member during any one year.

BE AMENDED BY ADDING

(1) The interest income received on Educational Fund Investments may be used to provide Eastern Star Scholarships to qualifying Students, under the direction of the Board of Grand Trustees. An annual report shall be made to the Grand Chapter of these Awards.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lola Wallace
Patsy Neeper

Patsy Washington
James Rippey
Shirley Jones

MR. MURRAY WATSON: I move the adoption of this amendment.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It has been moved and seconded that we adopt Amendment No. 9. Is there any discussion?

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Lola Wallace, Past Matron of Ridglea Chapter No. 999. I would like to speak in favor of this amendment. Sisters and Brothers, our educational loan fund, in the checking account we have over \$9,000. We have \$80,000 in investments. Now that \$80,000 is earning income for Grand Chapter. We are a nonprofit organization, and we are not supposed to make income not being used for charitable purposes. With this extra interest off of this money, just this year we could give to those students who received the Fannie V. Ward Scholarships of only \$170, we could give them an extra \$285 each. This would satisfy our needs to use these profits for educational loan fund scholarships for charitable purposes. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister "Peaches." Is there further discussion? Are you ready for the question?

VOICES: Yes.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the motion and the second. All in favor of adopting this motion will do so by raising your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. You have adopted Amendment No. 9.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Amendment No. 10.

(Amendment No. 10 reads as follows:)

AMENDMENT NO. 10

WHEREAS, only a single scholarship fund under the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees is addressed in the Code of Laws, and

WHEREAS, more than one scholarship fund exists under the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Therefore, we propose the following changes to the Code of Laws, page 109:

WHICH NOW READS:

FANNIE V. WARD SCHOLARSHIP

ARTICLE 152-I. The Fannie V. Ward Will places this Scholarship Fund under the direction of the Board of Grand Trustees. The administration and granting of awards, therefore, are under the direction of said Board. The Board of Grand Trustees shall make a written annual report to the Grand Chapter of the status of this Fund.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

ARTICLE 152-I. This article covers all contributions that are designated for scholarship awards that are placed under the direction of the Board of Grand Trustees. The administration, the granting of awards and the preparation of a written annual report to the Grand Chapter regarding the status of each account falls within the jurisdiction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Submitted by:
Jim Rippey
Shirley Jones

Lola Wallace
Pat Washington
Patsy Neeper

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Amendment No. 10.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the amendment read, Amendment No. 10. We have a motion and a second to adopt this amendment. Is there any discussion? I recognize Sister "Peaches" Wallace in the West.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Matron, as you know, we now have the Fannie V. Ward Scholarship Fund and the Bramblett Fund. But, Sisters and Brothers, we are anticipating that we will have another bequest for scholarship funds. This was to make sure that this law applied to all funds for scholarships that are under the direction of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Let me clarify: This does not include ESTARL, which does not come under civil law under the Board of Grand Trustees. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister "Peaches," for that clarification. Is there any other discussion? Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion and a second on the floor. If there's no further discussion, we will proceed to vote on this

amendment. All in favor will do so by raising their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. You have adopted Amendment No. 10.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Amendment No. 14.

(Amendment No. 14 reads as follows:)

AMENDMENT NO. 14

WHEREAS many of the Chapter Secretaries are confused when they receive the Annual Report forms together with the Printout listing their members and addresses, and

WHEREAS the Printout furnished to the Chapters in no way should be used in preparing the Annual Reports,

We submit the following amendment to the Code of Laws, page 160:

CHAPTER 8. Article 234. Duties, Secretary . e.

NOW READS:

- e. The retiring Secretary shall prepare an annual report of the work of the Chapter ending May 31st. This report shall show the names of the members, the number initiated, affiliated, demitted, transferred, suspended, expelled or deceased, setting out the names in alphabetical order, making a distinction in sex, and between ladies by prefixing Miss or Mrs. This report shall designate those who are members of the Eastern Star Home of Texas or Texas Masonic Retirement Center, and shall contain a tabulation of monies due to the Grand Chapter, showing the amount due under each item, and the total amount due Grand Chapter on all items covered by said report. The Chapter Federal ID Number shall be shown on the front page of the report. The computerized list furnished by the Grand Secretary's office listing the names and addresses of the Chapter members will be corrected and returned with the Annual Report.

TO BE CHANGED TO READ:

e. The retiring Secretary shall prepare an annual report of the work of the Chapter ending May 31st. This report shall list all members; initiated, affiliated, deceased, etc. setting out the names in alphabetical order, making a distinction in sex, and between ladies by prefixing Miss or Mrs. This report shall designate those who are members of the Eastern Star Home of Texas or Texas Masonic Retirement Center, and shall contain a tabulation of monies due to the Grand Chapter, showing the amount due under each item, and the total amount due to Grand Chapter on all items covered by said report. The computerized list furnished by the Grand Secretary's office listing the names and addresses of the Chapter members will be sent to the Chapter Secretaries when the latest compilations are mailed. The corrected printout must be returned to the Grand Secretary's office no later than the first of April.

Respectfully submitted,
 Frances Burbank
 Shirley Martindale
 Billie Wilk

Jan Haag
 Marquetta Whitfield
 Joyce Tigert

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Now we have an amendment which has been offered to Amendment No. 14 which will substitute the following for the last two sentences, starting with the words, "The computerized list."

Amend Amendment No. 14 by substituting this language: "The computerized list furnished by the Grand Secretary's office listing the names and addresses of the Chapter members will be sent to the Chapter Secretaries with the annual Chapter reports no later than April 30th. The corrected printout must be returned to the Grand Secretary's office no later than the first of July."

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption to the amendment.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the reading of the amendment to the motion. We have a second. Now, we'll only be voting on the amendment to the motion – to the original amendment. All in favor –

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Do we have any discussion?

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron, let me just say that the reason that we are bringing in the amendment is at the request of many of the Chapter secretaries. First of all, it has been difficult for them to return the annual report and the computer list at the same time. The two lists are sometimes confused. They do not get the same information, and the reason we have changed the dates is to allow the Chapter secretaries to make the changes when they get their dues May 30th. Therefore, it will give them time to get the dues, send the annual report into the Grand Secretary's office, and then additional time to prepare the computer list to return to the Grand Secretary's office, and not doing both at the same time. It was at their request.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you. Is there any more discussion on the amendment to the motion? I recognize Sister Rosie.

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I'm Rosemary Swetland of Burke Chapter 1098. I just want to make sure that I do understand the amendment to the amendment. You know, we've worked very diligently since 1993 to be sure that we can ascertain the correct name, address and location of the entire membership of Texas. That is not only to assist us financially, but it's also to assist our Grand Line as they continue their mailout programs which we supported earlier this morning.

So does that mean that it will go to the secretary with the annual report; that secretary will have the annual report and a current computerized list, that those that are proficient on the computer can go ahead and correct theirs and send it on in, but the other secretaries will have an additional time of no later than the first of July to get those names and addresses back to the Grand Secretary? In other words, we only have about one month there additional time? Is that the amendment to the amendment?

GRAND SECRETARY: Sister Rosemary, the reason we delayed the time to July 1st, if they send their list earlier, as we had originally outlined, the Chapters do not have the corrections that come with their dues, as of the end of May. And by extending their time to July 1st, we're giving them one month to correct that list. It's difficult for them to do both reports at the same time. We've had some Chapter secretaries who felt that if the names were on one report, we should have been able

to pick them up on the other report. But those are two separate programs, and we need to keep them separate. We need to work the annual report, and we need this computer list on the computer so that someone else can be working with that, trying to update those names without being held up with the annual reports. Does that make sense?

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: Yes, ma'am.

GRAND SECRETARY: Or vice versa. We need to complete the annual reports in order that we can close our books – the Grand Secretary can close her books by the end of June. But we're trying to allow the secretaries enough time – if we do not allow them that time, then we're going to be using an older list. We will be using the computerized list from the year before, because they will not have their corrections until they receive dues notices from their membership. Now I realize the ideal situation in the beginning was to get them both at the same time, but it has been difficult sometimes for them to do both of them.

We're trying to separate it a little bit, let them finish the annual report, get it back to us, give them an extra month to finish the computerized list to return to our office. We could not do anything with the computerized list during the month of June because we're closed to do annual reports. So it would be the first of July before anyone in that office could update the computer list. They were always on hold to wait until we finished the annual reports. So if our deadline is July 1st, we would have that report by that date. Does that answer your question at all?

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: Yes, ma'am.

GRAND SECRETARY: Close?

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: It gets closer. I just want to make sure that we have a current mailing address of our membership as quickly as possible. I can deal with one month, if they're getting them in there by July 1st, I believe we have someone that's supposed to be putting them on our computers so that we can get our membership upgraded very much like Grand Lodge and all of the other fraternal organizations that are multimillion dollar businesses like we are. I just wanted to be sure we didn't wait, that we had that current list for our Associate Grand Matron and for the Grand Line that needs it.

So if our secretaries feel that they need that extra month, I can be understanding on that. I want to ask one last question before I sit down. Is there ever going to be the possibility that this Grand Chapter can have only one form whereby all of this information can be done like the Grand Lodge, and we don't have to keep going to separate forms? Is that feasible? Can it be done? And how quickly can we get it done? Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Frances and I are both going out. We don't know what you're going to do. [laughter and applause] But, Rosie, it will be a more accurate account because they will, on the annual report, be deleting the deaths and all of those, and we will have a better, cleaner report if they do wait till after they do their annual report. And I can see that. Thank you, darling.

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: This Grand Line that's coming up, I know they have goals and plans; and we need to be able to locate them. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, we do have

a motion and a second on the floor to the amendment to the amendment that Sister Frances brought in. Is there any more discussion? All in favor of the amendment to the amendment will please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign.

And now we will vote on Amendment No. 14 as amended. All in favor of Amendment No. 14 as amended will please raise your blue card. Motion carried. No. 14 has been adopted as amended.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Amendment No. 15.

(Amendment No. 15 reads as follows:)

AMENDMENT NO. 15

WHEREAS, at the present time the Chapter Reports are due to be mailed to the Grand Secretary at different times, depending on dates of the Installations, and

WHEREAS, many Secretaries do not understand when their reports are due to be mailed, and

WHEREAS, because of this confusion many reports are not being received by the Grand Secretary until very late in June or early July, making it very difficult for her to close out her books,

We submit the following Amendment to the Code of Laws, page 160:

CHAPTER 8, Article 234, Duties, Secretary. f.

NOW READS:

f. Annual Report. The Secretary shall forward the Annual Report, together with all fees due the Grand Chapter, to the Grand Secretary during the month of June each year. For Installations held between June 1st and June 15th (inclusive), the Annual Report shall be mailed to the Grand Secretary's Office within five (5) days following the date of Installation. For Installations held between June 16 and June 30 (inclusive), the Chapter's Annual Report MUST be mailed to the Grand Secretary's Office as soon as possible AFTER May 31st but BEFORE June 16th. The Grand Secretary will return the Signature pages for the signatures of the Installing Officer and elected officers, after which it MUST be returned within five (5) days following the date of Installation to the Grand Secretary's Office for permanent usage. Failure to comply with these directives will forfeit the vote of the Chapter at Grand Chapter. Provided, that if the report, with remittance, is forwarded to the Grand Secretary's Office on time and minor errors of omission or calculation are contained therein, and correction thereof, including payment of any extra amount due, is made within ten (10) days after notice from the Grand Secretary of such error or errors, such Chapter shall not be considered as being in arrears, and shall be entitled to vote in Grand Chapter.

TO BE CHANGED TO READ:

f. Annual Report. The Secretary shall forward the Annual Report, together with all fees due the Grand Chapter, to the Grand Secretary no later than June 8th. When the Chapter Installation is held they will show their Chapter Copy of the

Annual Report to the Installing Officer for inspection and have the officers sign the Installation Signature Page which is furnished with the Annual Report Forms and return it to the Grand Secretary. The Signature Page will then be affixed to the Chapter Report for a permanent record. Failure to comply with these directives will forfeit the vote of the Chapter at Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,
 Frances Burbank
 Shirley Martindale
 Billie Wilk

Jan Haag
 Marquette Whitfield
 Joyce Tigert

MR. MURRAY WATSON: We have an amendment to the amendment which reads - They would suggest the following language and move that it be substituted for the change as just read. "Chapter 8, Article 234, Duties, Secretary.f. The Secretary shall forward the Annual Report, together with all fees due the Grand Chapter, to the Grand Secretary no later than June 8th. When the Chapter Installation is held, they will show their Chapter Copy of the Annual Report to the Installing Officer for inspection and have the officer sign the Installation Signature Page which is furnished with the Annual Report Forms and return it to the Grand Secretary within ten days after the date of Installation. The Signature Page will then be affixed to the Chapter Report for a permanent record. Failure to comply with these directives will forfeit the vote of the Chapter at Grand Chapter."

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the amendment to the amendment.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion for adoption of the amendment to the amendment. Is there any discussion? Hearing no discussion, we will proceed to vote on the amendment to the amendment. All in favor, please raise their blue card. All those who are opposed, same sign. The motion is adopted. Thank you, sir.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have adopted the amendment to the amendment. So now on Amendment No. 15 we will vote on the -Oh, I beg your pardon. I'm sorry. I didn't see you, Brother. Someone turn his PA system on where I can hear him.

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Yes, sir.

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Reverend Jim Scott, Bethlehem Chapter No. 728. I would like to propose an amendment to Amendment No. 15 as amended. This has been already filed in triplicate with the secretary's desk. To restore the wording omitted from the previous Chapter 8, Article 234, Duties, Secretary.f., to restore the words, "Provided, that if the report, with remittance, is forwarded to the Grand Secretary's Office on time and minor errors of omission or calculation are contained therein, and correction thereof, including payment of any extra amount due, is made within ten (10) days after notice from the Grand Secretary of such error or errors, such Chapter shall not be considered as being in arrears, and shall be entitled to vote in Grand Chapter."

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this amendment to the amendment and would like to speak to it if I have a second.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: All right. I do not have a copy of that amendment, so as far as I know you can speak to it at this moment.

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I did file a copy with the Grand Secretary.

This simply restores the wording that would be a protection to Chapters that made honest errors and give the Chapters and the Grand Secretary a formal method of dealing with those errors and omissions. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Brother Scott, would you give us just a moment to look this over? I'm just now seeing it, and we want to look it over because we don't want to do something that we later have to change.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Please, sir, stay near the mikes. I understood you to say that you had delivered the copy, signed by two of the members, to this Grand Secretary?

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Yes, sir. I delivered three copies this morning to the Grand Secretary. It is merely replacing the last two sentences, I believe, of the original.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I'm just confirming that. We can save the discussion for a little bit.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Brother Scott, the way I see it, you're just adding back in the last two sentences from the original back to the amendment to the amendment; right?

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Yes, ma'am, that is correct. I felt it was something that should not have been deleted.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: All right. We will vote on the amendment to the amendment, that those last two lines of the original amendment be added back to the first amendment. Now Brother Scott's is the second amendment. The second amendment is to add to the first amendment the last two lines that were in the original amendment. Can you understand what I'm saying?

VOICES: No.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Okay. That we add the last two lines of the amendment that was in the amendment to the amendment that was in the original amendment. We have a motion and a second that we adopt amendment to the amendment to the original Amendment No. 15. All in favor of adopting this amendment to the amendment will please raise your card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Now then, we're going to vote on the amendment to the amendment to the original amendment, as amended. [laughter] Thank you, Donna, for teaching me a few things! So now we're going to vote on the amendment to Amendment 15 as amended. All in favor will raise your blue card. Thank you. All opposed, same sign.

Now then, the amendment to the original amendment has passed as amended. So now we're going to vote on the original Amendment 15, as amended. All in favor of voting on the original amendment as amended a couple of times, more or less -- all in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. [applause]

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Now that concludes all of the amendments to the Code of Laws. Now we'll take up the resolu-

tion. Resolution No. 1.

(Resolution No. 1 reads as follows:)

RESOLUTION No. 1

WHEREAS, following a recommendation from the Worthy Grand Matron at the Grand Chapter Session in 1959, Grand Chapter adopted an Amendment creating the Purposes and Policies Committee, and

WHEREAS, the purposes of this committee include "any and all proposals for new adventures, new policies, etc. that may be suggested from time to time in the future", and

WHEREAS, in 1959 and also at the present time we feel that a committee composed of 15 members is more advantageous and more representative for such an undertaking rather than a smaller committee of five members, and

WHEREAS, the Purposes and Policies Committee consists of the eight members of the Corporate Board, the Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences and five members (one from each of the five Districts) appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron, serving for staggering terms,

With reference to that the Resolution adopted at our 1996 Session of Grand Chapter creating the Home Options Evaluation (HOPE) Committee, which reads as follows:

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.

d. Committee will exist until goals and objectives reached or termination voted upon by Grand Chapter.

WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSE

That the above Resolution be deleted and the responsibilities of the HOPE Committee be assigned to the Purposes and Policies Committee and that they hold special meetings to accomplish these duties.

WE ALSO PROPOSE THAT

Item No. 2 of the 1996 Resolution (as shown above) will be carried out which called for the dissolution of the Long Range Development Task Force since the Long Range Development Task Force also was a duplication of the duties and responsibilities of the Purposes and Policies Committee.

Submitted by:

Lola Wallace

Patsy Washington

Cheryl Kothermann

Letha West

Yvonne Brownfield

Shirley Jones

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this resolution. Now we have an amendment to the resolution that has been proposed. [reading] We, the undersigned, propose the above resolution be deleted and responsibilities of this Committee be assigned to the Purposes and Policies Committee and that they hold special meetings to accomplish these duties by amending Article 152-J, Purposes and Policies Committee, as follows: Purposes and Policies Committee, Code of Laws, pages 109 to 110, paragraph A, no change; paragraph B, no change; subparagraph 1, no change; subparagraph 2, no change; add a new subparagraph 3 to read as follows: All considerations for long range Home option evaluation, including (a), investigation of other Grand Jurisdictions as to their experience in Home operation alternatives; (b), solicit and evaluate written specific suggestions from the membership pertaining to our present Home operations and responsibility; (c), determine if a suggestion is sufficiently applicable for further study; (d), hold special meetings to accomplish these duties; and (e) report at each Grand Chapter Session on activities and progress with appropriate long range proposal to the Grand Chapter for the OES Home of Texas. Renumber 3 to 4, no change. Renumber 4 to 5, no change. Renumber 5 to 6, no change.

And they propose also that item 2 of the 1996 Resolution as read will be carried out which called for the dissolution of the Long Range Development Task Force since the Long Range Development Task Force also was a duplication of duties and responsibilities of the Purposes and Policies Committee.

Worthy Grand Matron, we move the adoption of the amendment to the resolution.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Sister Frances Burbank.

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm not certain – and the Jurisprudence Committee may have to help with this. I know when we have amendments presented under the 90-day ruling, certainly anything in that can be amended at Grand Chapter as far as the wording or something that was omitted. Help me decide. I believe that this is adding an entirely new section that was not in the original amendment. Therefore, I'm wondering if it is in order. I'm just raising a question about whether it can be added at this time since it is almost –

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is my opinion that it can not be added in its entirety at this time. It is too far afield and adds too many new changes without being in the 90-day ruling, and this membership has not seen it – it's by far too cumbersome just to be read to this membership. [applause]

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, is that as a point of order against the amendment to the resolution?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: To the resolution. The amendment that you just read to the resolution. Now that's up to the membership. It also only has one signature. The law is we have to have two signatures.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: You sustained the point of order?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Yes, sir.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: All right. I move then the adoption of the resolution as originally read.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: As originally. Okay. This has been ruled out of order, and we have a motion to go back to the original resolution. All in favor will please show by the raising of their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Thank you.

Now we're back to the original resolution. I invite the Worthy Grand Patron to preside.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Patron.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I recognize the Worthy Grand Matron.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: I beg your pardon.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Sister "Peaches." Please wait.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, there's a couple of sentences in this resolution – the original resolution that I do not like, and I would like to speak to those.

Sisters and Brothers, you are people of intelligence. You will know, we will all know, if we ever need to have an alternative to our Home. I think to have a few people searching out alternatives to our Home is utterly insulting to us at this time. [applause] Last year Sister Rosemary Swetland put \$130,000 into the Home Endowment Fund – or you did under her leadership. This year you've just heard

this morning that we have put another quarter of a million dollars and over into the Home Endowment Fund. This is your money. You have worked hard for us to keep our Home. I still say we are keeping our ladies in the Home upset. And you see how our membership in the Home is down. What lady wants to come in there if we're each year bringing amendments in, having resolutions, that we study some alternative measure. Our forefathers did not build that Home in 1924 for us to put our ladies in another facility. [applause] Our forefathers did not envision that we would not carry out their wishes. You have given your hearts out. You have opened your hearts, your pocketbooks, and you have given this year to the Home Endowment, which is what is going to keep us alive.

Sisters and Brothers, I am against any committee. We do have a Long Range Planning Committee. If they have any suggestions, they bring them to this body. I am against any Committee going out to other states, to find at this point in time some alternative measure to our Home. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Further discussion?

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Worthy Grand Patron, I am Lola Wallace, Past Matron of Ridglea Chapter No. 999. I simply wanted to say that the simple addition here of item number two, which dissolves the Task Force, is all that we need out of the original resolution. And that is the one that deletes the Long Range Task Force.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister "Peaches," our Jurisprudence Chairman is available. Restate that part because he was busy for a moment – about what you're talking about substituting.

MRS. LOLA WALLACE: Okay. It's not a substitution. It's the original amendment that's printed in your book. I'm just saying that that is all we need from Resolution No. 1 is to retain the item two that dissolves the Task Force. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister "Peaches."

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Brother Murray.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: I'd like to make the final report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: All right, sir.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: We, your Committee on Jurisprudence – I'd like to ask them to stand: Jean Nesbitt, B. F. Hutson, Joe Jeffers and Evelyn Conger – want to thank you for allowing us to serve you and to work with you this year on your Jurisprudence Committee. This is the final report of your Jurisprudence Committee. We appreciate the efficient manner in which you have conducted the business of this Grand Chapter. My special thanks to each of you members who have allowed us to have this consent calendar. You know, for the first time I can remember, we're through with jurisprudence on Friday morning –

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Brother Murray, excuse me, but we haven't voted on this resolution yet.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: We have also 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 commend our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron for their understanding and courage and for their dedication to you the membership of this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, we appreciate your trust in each of us and thank you for the privilege of serving in this place of service. Worthy Grand Matron... (Worthy Grand Patron, Parliamentarian and Mr. Watson confer.) I'll wait before I make this last point!

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I believe we have a Brother in the West.

MR. MILTON BRANCH: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Milton Branch, Worthy Patron of McKinney Chapter No. 518. You are looking for an alternative to not close the Home. Okay. Every year they bring it up that they want to close the Home. I am not in favor of closing the Home. And my opinion would be this: It may not be - I mean, you may not agree with me. But I think if we could get one Past Grand Matron to go into that Home, those ladies would have a security idea. You may laugh at me but those ladies are not coming in because every year they hear that they're going to close it. This is an idea to think about. A Past Grand Matron would not want to go into the Home, but that would be an incentive that they would have something to think about that, that they would not be going to close the Home. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Milton. Are you going to choose who's going to go in there for us?

Okay. Sister "Peaches," I was so involved. Would you come here just a moment and tell me what you said back there. Sister Caty in the meantime -I recognize Sister Caty. (Worthy Grand Matron and Mrs. Wallace confer.)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister Caty, under discussion she has said you can go ahead and speak a moment.

MRS. CATY ATKINS: Okay. As most of you know, I do live in the Home, and I don't want the Home closed, but it's not necessarily because I live there. It's because I love the Home, and I wouldn't want it closed if I didn't live there. And they are scaring the ladies half to death. No one will want to come in like that. I did come in under those conditions because I had that much faith in the membership. But some of these people need to think about it. They need to come over to the Home and see what it's like. A lot of the people in here have never even been to the Home. Anyway, I'm definitely against anything that would pertain to closing the Home. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Caty.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I think we've gotten a little bit away from the original amendment. The original amendment, all it says is we also propose that number two of the 1996 resolution as shown above will be carried out, which calls for the dissolution of the Long Range Task Force, since the Long Range Task Force also was a duplication of the duties and responsibilities of the Purposes and Policies. So if we vote to accept the resolution, we will delete everything except what I just read to you. So we'll delete all of the above that has been in there before. And all you will have is where it says we also propose that item number two. Is there any discussion on the original amendment? I will now entertain a motion - We have the motion. I will entertain a second. Brother Richard.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Second.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: -- that we accept Resolution No. 1. All in favor of Resolution No. 1 as amended, please show your uplifted blue card. And all you will have is that last paragraph in there. All in favor.

Where it says, "We, the undersigned, propose," do you see that? "That the above resolution be deleted and the responsibilities of this Committee be assigned to the Purposes and Policies Committee and that they hold special meetings to accomplish these duties."

And then we propose to do away with item number two, which reads the 1996 resolution as shown above will be carried out, which calls for the dissolution of the Long Range Development Task Force since the Long Range Development Task Force also was a duplication of the duties and responsibilities of the Purposes and Policies Committee. What we're doing is dissolving the whole thing if we vote this. If we vote for this amendment of this resolution, we'll be dissolving the whole thing and we'll go back to the original Purposes and Policies Committee, and then if they ever need more duties assigned, we will have a resolution at that time. This just dissolves -- takes all this garbage out.

All in favor of this resolution. All opposed. Motion carried. Thank you, Brother Murray. [applause]

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Okay, Worthy Grand Matron. Are we having fun yet?

Worthy Grand Matron, we move the adoption of the final report of your Jurisprudence Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the final report of the Jurisprudence Committee. It has been moved and seconded that we accept it. All in favor will raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

MR. MURRAY WATSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we are through with our amendments and resolutions before noon on Friday. [applause] And I've had my sermon for the morning. We will be going to our Grand Line luncheons. We would love for you to stay in here because we're going to have plenty of time because I'm going to let you out a little early. Let's please stay in here and get this completed.

I recognize Sister Doris Efird who will bring our benediction.

MRS. DORIS EFIRD: Let us lift our hearts together in prayer. Our Father and God, we come to Thee this morning in prayer with joyful hearts and grateful spirits for the great country in which we are privileged to live. Help us to guard and protect the freedoms with which we are so mercifully blessed. We thank You, Lord, for the opportunity to meet in a spirit of brotherly love with our fellow members. Like the heart of the eagle, dear Father, give us the strength and courage to soar above the pettiness of life and seek every opportunity to be a friend to our fellowman. Help us to be constant in our efforts and worthy of the friendship of others. Bless this assembly, Lord. May all our deliberations be made peacefully and without conflict and in accordance with Thy holy will. As we leave this place this morning, Father, keep us in Thy tender care and give us a safe return, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Doris Efird, for your prayer and for your concerns for this Grand Chapter.

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

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this session of Grand Chapter from labor to rest, and you are therefore directed to permit no one to enter or leave this Grand Chapter room.

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

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

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar. [The Holy Bible was closed.]

I now declare this "Symbols of Freedom" Session called from labor to rest until 1:30 p.m. Let's all go and have wonderful luncheons. I want to thank this membership for your courtesy and for getting us through in such a competent manner.

"LET FREEDOM RING" Friday Afternoon Session October 10, 1997

1:15 p.m. Musical Harmonies Mr. John Esquivel, Jr.
Defenders of Freedom Committee

1:30 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Molly Goodpasture
Past Grand Matron

Mr. B. F. Hutson
Past Grand Patron

MRS. MOLLY GOODPASTURE: Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. It is my privilege to say words of greeting and welcome with my good friend, Mr. B. F. Hutson, our esteemed Past Grand Patron. These remarks come to you from a heart filled with gratitude, first of all, because we are Americans, a free people living in a land we love and a nation which will always wave "Old Glory"; second, because our Heavenly Father has preserved our lives that we may meet again in our beloved Grand Chapter. It is most fitting that we assemble here today to pledge anew our loyalty and to reaffirm our faith in our nation, our Order and our God.

Grand Marshal, you will direct the Grand Officers and Grand Pages into the Grand Chapter room for the "This Is My Country Drill." [Drill performed to a great deal of applause.]

I invite the Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. [applause and standing ovation as

they come to the East.] Sisters and Brothers, please join me in extending Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. [Grand Honors given.] Will the Grand Officers assume their stations.

“Time passeth and love endureth.” Without love for our Order and the wisdom in directing it, our Order will die. The outside world does not care so much what our ideals are; it is the kind of lives we live that interests them. The Order will only be as great as the efforts of the individuals who comprise our membership. May we be inspired by high ideals that will permit us truthfully to say that we stand together as one family for freedom, liberty, justice and truth, and that we are ever ready to share these standards with others.

Our Past Grand Patron, Mr. B. F. Hutson’s sterling qualities and devotion to our Order are outstanding. We are fortunate to have him as a member of our Grand Chapter. I invite him to bring remarks.

MR. B. F. HUTSON: Thank you very much, my good friend and Sister, Molly. “Let Freedom Ring”; Sisters and Brothers, it has rung here today. That march stirs you up and I mean gets us off to a good start. I’ve never been on Broadway, but I don’t think they’ve got anything on Broadway that can beat these gals and men around that floor. That Grand Marshal is doing a good job. Let’s give her one more good hand. [applause]

I can’t tell you how pleased I am to be in this place today. I wish to thank my good friend, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard, for permitting me to do this. This is a pleasure, one that I shall always cherish. But I shall not take a lot of time and just thank you very much for allowing me to do this. Now I will turn it back to you, Sister Molly.

MRS. MOLLY GOODPASTURE: Worthy Grand Patron, a philosopher once said, “Happy is he who has a task to perform.” Your duty has been one of service. I hope that this bit of philosophy has proven true as you have served your duties this Grand Chapter year. Worthy Grand Patron, you will be long remembered for your sincerity, attention to detail and loyalty to our Order.

Worthy Grand Matron, you have an excellent record and have written your name with love, mercy and kindness on the hearts of all of the members by your pleasing personality, happy smile and genial manner. Worthy Grand Matron, in presenting you the gavel, I thank you for the courtesy shown in inviting B. F. and me to open this Friday afternoon session. I hope it will be a very happy one. During the year you have had many heartaches, but please remember you are surrounded by members who love you. I now present you your gavel.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Molly Goodpasture, my very dear friend, for calling this session of the Grand Chapter of Texas to order. How pleased I am to have you do this.

Brother B. F. Hutson, I thank you also for serving with Sister Molly to call this session to order. Your friendship has always been very important to me.

Brother Richard, I know you would like to make remarks to these two, your own district Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Yes, ma’am. Thank you very kindly, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Molly, Brother B. F., I am so grateful for you calling this session to order. God is not only blessing the USA, He is blessing our Grand Chapter

session. And because of folks like all you Past Grands, you help bless us for a good afternoon. Thank you very kindly for assisting in doing this call to order.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this "Let Freedom Ring" Session of Grand Chapter from rest to labor, and direct him to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, you are directed to close the doors of this Grand Chapter and permit no one to enter or leave without orders from the Presiding Officer.

GRAND SENTINEL: Sister Grand Warder, the doors are secure. There will be no interruptions.

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

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are entitled to be seated in this Grand Chapter room.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain and report if all present are entitled to be in this Grand Chapter room. [Grand Chapter was proved.] Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order and are entitled to be in this session.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Associate Grand Matron. It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar. [The Holy Bible was opened.] I now call on our Past Grand Matron, Sister Betty Phillips Hager, to bring our invocation. Sister Betty.

MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS HAGER: Our dear, gracious Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your love and Your guidance and Your protection of our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and the membership of Texas. Thank You for the splendor of our United States, for our freedom of speech and expression in this noble land. Thank You for offering freedom with justice for all, to continue to protect and defend all generations and to allow freedom to ring in this noble land.

Lord, bless with grace the United States, and may we strive to continue to do all that Thy would have us to do. In Thy Name, we pray. Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now declare this "Let Freedom Ring" Session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, this session is called from rest to labor. You will permit no one to enter or leave this session while the doors are closed unless ordered to do so by the Presiding Officer.

Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Thank you, my sweet friend, Sister Betty, for bringing our invocation. Your timely words will be a great inspiration to us in this afternoon's session. I appreciate and love you very much.

I have a couple or three announcements that I would like to make before we go any further. Those of you – the Worthy Matrons or their Chapter Representatives

– that want the reports, please see Sister Billie from the Grand Secretary's office over to my left.

Grand Pages, this evening when you come into the Chapter room before the ESTARL and Memorial, you will find the ballot boxes at each stairwell. Pick those up and take them to your places, and that way it will be more timely for you to collect the offerings. Is that all, Brother Don?

GRAND SENTINEL: Worthy Grand Matron, we would like to ask that all Assistant Grand Warders, Assistant Grand Sentinels and Grand Pages who are not working at this point in time, if you'll go to Section 7; and if you're here and you haven't gotten your assignment, go to Section 7. Also, for some reason or another, about twenty of our Grand Pages did not show up or could not work. We're going to need some help, especially tomorrow. And if you can help us, if you'll go over to Section 7 and see Sister Terry so she can have us plenty of pages tomorrow during our election. It's very important. We need about twenty extra people if we possibly can. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Don. The 1997-98 Sister Yvonne Brownfield's items are on sale out near the registration. Please sometime at your convenience visit those places and check on Sister Yvonne's great works that she's going to be doing next year and pick up anything that you might want to use.

I recognize the Grand Choir. They seem to have an announcement over here.

MR. IVAN WALLACE: Sisters and Brothers, we have a special treat today. We have a gentleman that most of you know that is going to play for us. We could stand here all day and tell about his accomplishments and things he has done. But right now, the thing that's probably strongest on his mind is he has been appointed to be the Grand Organist for the Grand Lodge of Texas for 1998. [applause] But right now he wants to favor us with a number that he has written especially for the Worthy Grand Matron. The name is "Alma." [applause following playing of "Alma" by bother John Esquivel.] John Esquivel.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, my good friend, John Esquivel. I had the pleasure of serving on the floor as Associate Grand Conductress when Brother John was our Grand Organist. I have admired his beautiful talent, his wonderful music. And, John, you honor me with that beautiful song. Thank you so much, and I know Grand Chapter thanks you for coming and playing the music this afternoon, this prelude for our session. Thank you, John. [applause]

I didn't properly thank the Jurisprudence Committee, and I have in my podium book that we would continue with our jurisprudence and introduce Brother Murray Watson. Well, that has passed us by. We're finished with that, but I'm bound and determined I'm going to say to this Committee what I wrote to say to them.

I wish to thank the Jurisprudence Committee not only for their work at this session, but for their work and sage advice all year. They were always willing to perform any duty that I asked of them. They're all my friends, and I would like for the membership to thank them for their efficiency in presenting this legislation. I doubt that there's any of them left here, but if there is – oh, they're all here! Now that's faithfulness! [applause] That's faithfulness, fellows and girls. I knew you would be. You're just wonderful. Thanks again.

We're going to pause in our business right now, and I am going to call on the Texas Cardinals to come and give a report that they would like to make. Brother

Oliver Chamberlin, I recognize you and your Committee.

MR. OLIVER CHAMBERLIN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers all:

This past year has been exciting and progressive for the TEXAS CARDINALS, INC. With the approval of the members of this Grand Chapter in Beaumont last year, our plans were quickly put into effect at our first annual meeting in January 1997.

After our kick-off meeting, the District Liaison Officers began a membership campaign which has been successful and profitable. At this time, I will ask our Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Harold Todd, Past Grand Patron, to bring you up-to-date on our finances. Brother Harold.

MR. HAROLD TODD: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, this is just a recap of our financial report. It's a recap of the financial statement from February 18, 1996 through September 30, 1997.

BEGINNING BALANCE (Funds from Steering Committee)	\$ 4,563.72
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TOTAL RECEIPTS:

Dividends, Donations, memberships, Sale of Pins, Ear Rings, etc.	\$22,833.26
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SUB TOTAL	27,396.98
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:

Purchase of Ear Rings, Red Bird Pins, cost of Incorporation	1,902.68
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SUB TOTAL	25,494.30
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BALANCE ON HAND AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1997	\$25,494.30
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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1997	546
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HAROLD C. TODD
Secretary/Treasurer

MR. HAROLD TODD: Now we have a couple of thousand in transit that has been out here at this table, so we're very happy about our coming year.

MR. OLIVER CHAMBERLIN: Thank you, Brother Harold.

I would be remiss at this time if I did not acknowledge the dedication of our Vice Chairman, Sister Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron. We have had a great team as we worked through the varied requirements for setting up this unusual organization. The District Liaison Officers:

DISTRICT I	O. D. Christian, P.G.P.
DISTRICT II	Betty Phillips Hager, P.G.M.
DISTRICT III	Jayne Yenger

DISTRICT IV Rosemary Swetland, P.G.M.
 DISTRICT V Paul Zappe II

have done a fantastic job. Our thanks to them and their Assistants for their hard work. And, I believe Sister Doris Hester, Grand Examiner, District 5, could be named Liaison Officer-at-Large for her constant work on memberships. Our Ex-Officio members, Sister Lola Wallace, Chairman, Board of Grand Trustees, and Sister Rennie Ofton, R.W.G.T., General Grand Chapter, also have been faithful workers.

We also express our appreciation to Brother Paul Ofton and his grandson, Dale, for providing the CHARTER MEMBER GOLD CARDS. These will continue for all memberships through December 31, 1997. Our goals for this next Triennium are:

1. Continue our support of Texas' Commitment to host the General Grand Chapter Assembly Meeting when Sister Rennie Ofton begins her service as Most Worthy Grand Matron.

2. Continue to solicit new memberships and renewals of the Triennium Memberships.

3. Plan for a reception in Detroit, Michigan, in the year 2000 when Sister Rennie will be a candidate for election as Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress.

4. Continue prudent management of the funds entrusted to us to ensure adequate monies will be available to host the General Grand Chapter Assembly in Texas, without the requirement for any Texas Grand Chapter funds.

Our next annual meeting will be held in San Antonio on Sunday, January 11, 1998. A detailed announcement will be published in the Grand Chapter Bulletin for December, 1997.

In closing, we express our sincere appreciation to you, the membership of this Grand Chapter, for your enthusiastic support which has provided the momentum for our successful year.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report and the attached financial report.

Oliver B. Chamberlin, P.G.P.
 Chairman, Texas Cardinals, Inc.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
TEXAS CARDINALS, INC.

FROM AUGUST 1, 1997 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 1997
 BEGINNING BALANCE AS OF JULY 31, 1997 \$21,677.99

RECEIPTS :

8-13-97 Memberships & Pins	\$1185.00	
8-18-97 Dividend	90.88	
8-20-97 Memberships & Pins	855.00	
9-03-97 Memberships & Pins	355.00	
9-18-97 Sept. Dividend	100.43	
9-22-97 Memberships & Pins	1230.00	
SUB TOTAL	3816.31	3,816.31

DISBURSEMENTS:

NONE

SUB TOTAL

25,494.30

ENDING BALANCE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1997

\$25,494.30

HAROLD C. TODD
Secretary/Treasurer

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Texas Cardinals, Inc. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, we will proceed to vote for this report. All in favor, please raise your cards. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. And now I recognize Sister Rennie Ofton.

MRS. RENNIE OFTON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members All: Thank you for the privilege of this time to express my sincere appreciation to this Grand Chapter. Your unqualified acceptance of the Texas Cardinals, Inc., has been most gratifying, and you just cannot know what this has meant to me personally and to the progressive planning for Texas to host the General Grand Chapter assembly a few years from now.

To Oliver, Wanda, Harold, and I might add Bobbe, Max and Cleta, how can I ever say thank you to all of you for your many hours of hard work to make this into a viable organization. You all are great, my very special friends. To O. D., Betty, Janie, Rosemary and Paul and Doris, what a fabulous job you have done. My heart-felt thanks goes to all of you. You're great!

To you, the membership of this Grand Chapter, please know you are the wind beneath my wings, and my hope for the future of our endeavor to serve General Grand Chapter. This time last year I was not sleeping too well because of the great commitment that we in Texas had made to General Grand Chapter. I was even wondering if I should go out and get a night job so we could start getting a little money set aside. The financial commitment was really beyond my imagination. Now because of your love and support, I'm relaxing more and more each day, and I'm still sleeping at home most of the time.

My heart is very humble and full of love for each of you. As we continue through the years, please know how much you mean to me and how wonderful it is to represent the Grand Chapter of Texas and you the membership. Thank you very much. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The Examining Room is closed and will open from nine to ten tomorrow morning. They're closed for the day. They've given 15 certificates. That's great. Thank you, Nancy.

I now recognize the Board of Grand Examiners.

**REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINER,
DISTRICT 1**

MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons,

Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

Thank you to the membership of Grand Chapter for granting me the honor and privilege to serve as the District One Member of the Board of Grand Examiners.

I would like to give special recognition to the dedicated teachers in the subordinate chapters who so diligently prepared their members for the proficiency examinations. This report is a reflection of the love of many special Sisters and Brothers and of the team effort exemplified throughout the District One School Schedule.

It is with pride that I submit the following report for District One for the Grand Chapter year of 1996-1997.

CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY

TOTALS BY SECTION	A's	B's
Section 1	112	
Section 2	151	
Section 3	80	
Section 4	193	1
Section 5	149	1
Section 6	59	
Section 7	111	1
Section 8	108	1
Section 9	116	1
Section 10	115	
 Total Number of "A" Certificates earned were		 1194
Total Number of "B" Certificates earned were		5
Total Number of Certificates earned were		1199

This total includes 77 members who achieved Certificates for the first time. A Detail Report by Section and 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.

I would like to thank the members of my chapter, Dal-Cliff Chapter # 574, for the many ways in which they continually express their love and support.

To the membership of Texas, I sincerely appreciate every courtesy and kindness extended to the office of Grand Examiner and to me, personally. Your love encircles my life and makes the position of Grand Examiner of District One a most pleasurable one. 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 GRAND EXAMINER DISTRICT 2

MRS. JOYCE BALL: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

I wish to thank the membership of Grand Chapter for the privilege of serving as Grand Examiner of District Two for the past three years. It has been one of the greatest experiences in my life to serve our Order in this capacity. I appreciate the honor conferred upon me and my Chapter, Friendship No. 1008, Odessa.

Thank you, District Two, for your love, friendship, and support. Because of your willingness and capable assistance in the performance of my duties, I am able to submit this final report as the Grand Examiner of District Two.

"A" CERTIFICATES ISSUED 556
 "B" CERTIFICATES ISSUED 9
 TOTAL CERTIFICATES ISSUED 565

	"A" CERTIFICATES	"B" CERTIFICATES	TOTAL
Section 1	33	0	33
Section 2	84	1	85
Section 3	43	1	44
Section 4	45	0	45
Section 5	26	0	26
Section 6	64	1	65
Section 7	58	1	59
Section 8	111	0	111
Section 9	32	4	36
Section 10	60	1	61
Total	556	9	565

Respectfully submitted,
 Joyce Ball
 Board of Grand Examiners
 District Two

It is my pleasure to recognize my co-worker and friend! Sister Sharon Fentress, Grand Examiner, District Three.

REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINER DISTRICT 3

MRS. SHARON FENTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

This has been another rewarding and 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	353		353
Section 2	73		73
Section 3	40		40
Section 4	45	1	46
Section 5	37		37
Section 6	68		68
Section 7	60		60
Section 8	76		76
Section 9	78		78
Section 10	82		82
Total	912	1	913
	“A” Certificates	912	
	“B” Certificates	1	
	Total Certificates Issued	913	

There were sixty-seven, “First Timers”, those members who earned their first Certificate of Proficiency in the schools of District Three. This is an increase of fifteen over the number issued last year and a very encouraging figure.

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 “Ladies Accessories” booth benefiting the Home and Country Celebration and a love gift benefiting the Founders Day Celebration, both sponsored by the Board of Grand Examiners. The membership was generous as always and our project was very successful in providing a generous donation 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 Karen Morgenthaler.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Fentress
Board of Grand Examiners
District Three

REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINER DISTRICT 4

MRS. KAREN MORGENTHALER: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

This was my first year to serve on the Board of Grand Examiners as the District Four member, and it has been a wonderful and challenging year. A special thank you to the membership for allowing me the privilege of serving our beautiful Order in this position.

It is my pleasure to submit the following report:

"A" Certificates:	1,243
"B" Certificates:	11
Total Certificates:	1,254

CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY 1996-1997

	"A" Certificates	"B" Certificates	Total
Section 1	104	3	107
Section 2	172	3	175
Section 3	80		8
Section 4	176		176
Section 5	304	2	306
Section 6	84	1	85
Section 7	84		84
Section 8	60	1	61
Section 9	60	1	61
Section 10	119		119

A Detailed Report by Chapter is on file with the Grand Secretary and each Chapter in District Four has been forwarded a list of their members earning Certificates of Proficiency.

To Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for making my 1st year as Grand Examiner an exciting one but most of all for the love and support you gave me.

To Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, and Sister Barbara it was a delight to travel with you both this year – may all good things come your way.

A special thank you to the District Deputy, Sister Elizabeth Wise, the ten Deputy Grand Matrons of District 4 and to the Traveling Secretary, Sister Vivian Thomas for your thoughtfulness and many deeds of kindness.

To the Membership thank you for allowing me to serve this year – we have been able to renew old friendships and to make new ones – this is what Eastern Star is all about the friendships we have with one another.

Respectively Submitted:
 Karen T. Morgenthaler
 Grand Examiner - District 4

It is my pleasure to recognize Sister Doris Hester, Grand Examiner of District 5.

REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINER DISTRICT 5

MRS. DORIS HESTER: Thank you, Sister Karen.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Officer and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers, and Distinguished Members of Texas Grand Chapter.

The Report of the Grand Examiner of District 5 is the result of the love and dedication of the membership. I want to extend my deep appreciation to all who assisted with the examinations.

It is with much pride that I submit the following report for District Five for the Grand Chapter Year of 1996-1997.

CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY

TOTALS BY SECTIONS	A's	B's
Section 1	48	
Section 2	23	
Section 3	58	2
Section 4	35	
Section 5	34	
Section 6	117	1
Section 7	163	1
Section 8	62	
Section 9	90	2
Section 10	81	
Total Number of "A" Certificates earned were		711
Total Number of "B" Certificates earned were		6
Total Number of Certificates earned were		717

Each Chapter in District Five was sent a complete list of their members earning Certificates of Proficiency. A Detailed Report is on file in the Grand Secretary's Office.

It has been a joy and pleasure to have traveled with the School Officers. Special thanks to our Ten Deputies for all their hard work in planning for their schools. To my pages, drivers, and the membership, thank you for every courtesy extended to the Office of Grand Examiner and to me personally.

Thank you the membership for allowing me the privilege of serving as the District Five Member of the Board of Grand Examiners. I wish each of you much "HAPPINESS" and may God Bless you always.

It is my pleasure to present my Co-Worker and friend, Sister Nancy Brown, Grand Examiner At-Large.

Fraternally,
 Mrs. Doris Jean Hester
 Board of Grand Examiners
 District Five

**REPORT OF
 GRAND EXAMINER AT LARGE**

MRS. NANCY BROWN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: It is my pleasure to report that

in our Examining Room yesterday and today, we have issued 15 "A" certificates and one "B" certificate, two of these going to members who are receiving their very first certificate. I encourage those of you who did not have an opportunity to take your examination during the last year to please come by the Examining Room tomorrow morning. We will be open between nine and ten, and we look forward to seeing many of you at that time.

My final report will be presented tomorrow morning.

Fraternally submitted,
Nancy Brown,
Grand Examiner at Large

I move the adoption of these reports.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, ladies. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of the Grand Examiners. I have a motion and a second to accept these reports. All in favor, raise your card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my Sisters and my friends.

It is my pleasure to present the District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Deputy Grand Matrons, my special ones. I recognize Sister Sandra Perdue.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT 1

MRS. SANDRA PERDUE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Trustees, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is indeed a pleasure to present the following report for District 1 for 1996-1997. A complete report of all five districts will be printed in the Official Proceedings.

Worthy Grand Matron, it is with a heart full of thanks that I extend my appreciation to you for allowing me to be District Deputy Grand Matron in your home District, District One. It was an honor, not only for myself, but for my parent Chapter, Grand Prairie Chapter No. 219.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for choosing the "Terrific Ten" Deputy Grand Matrons that you chose to represent you in District One. They are all very special ladies who performed their duties well. Our friendships have become enriched this year through our service and love for this great Order. It is with great pleasure that I introduce them to the membership of Texas:

Section One: Mrs. Kay Carlton, whose "Wind Beneath My Wings" School was held in Denton on April 17, 1997 with 192 present.

Section Two: Mrs. Kay Drescher, whose "Winging Our Way Home" School was held in Plano on April 19, 1997 with 416 present. This was the Worthy Grand Matron's home section.

Section Three: Mrs. Nada Crouch, whose "Just a Closer Walk" School was held in Sulphur Springs on April 10, 1997 with 136 present.

Section Four: Mrs. Mary Ann Edwards, whose "The Heart of America" School was held in Dallas on April 5, 1997 with 348 in attendance.

Section Five: Mrs. Katherine Hopkins, whose "On the Wings of Flight" School was held in Grand Prairie on April 12, 1997 with 311 present.

Section Six: Mrs. Belle Dean, whose "Up, Up and Away" School was held in Palestine on April 15, 1997 with 152 in attendance.

Section Seven: Mrs. Linda Guy, whose "Rendezvous With the Stars" School was held in Jacksonville on April 1, 1997 with 226 in attendance.

Section Eight: Mrs. Margaret Brown, whose "On Eagle's Wings" School was held in Longview on March 29, 1997 with 386 present.

Section Nine: Mrs. Ann Clifton, whose "Sweet Land of Liberty" School was held in Atlanta on April 8, 1997 with 206 in attendance.

Section Ten: Mrs. Rosemary Swantick, whose "Soaring With Our Leader" School was held in Wills Point on "April 3, 1 997 with 348 in attendance.

Sister Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for your dedication to the Order and for the inspiration you have been to us all through your difficult times this year. You have taught us to soar like the Eagle with strength and courage. You have touched my life and I will forever treasure our friendship.

Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, how honored we were to have you join us for the schools in District One. It was a pleasure to get to know you and Sister Barbara better. Thank you, too, for your dedication to our Order.

Sister Marlene Dibrell, Board of Grand Examiners, District One, thank you, not only for such great efficiency in the Examining Room, but for your kind and caring ways in all you do. You are a special lady and I was glad to have gotten to know you better.

Sandra Tedford, Traveling Secretary to the Worthy Grand Matron in District One, we had such an enjoyable time on the school schedule because of your sweet smile and helpfulness. Your friendship is a treasured gift that all of us in District One enjoy.

On behalf of the "Terrific Ten" Deputy Grand Matrons and myself, we would like to extend our thanks to the members of District One for every courtesy. Your attentiveness at the Schools, the honorary memberships, the love gifts, every act of kindness was appreciated. May you continue to work together in love and service for the betterment of our Order.

**STATISTICAL REPORT
DISTRICT ONE**

Chapters assigned	146
Chapters Demised	0
Chapters Consolidated	2

Chapters Instituted	0
Chapters Inspected	146
Chapters Not Inspected	0
Schools Conducted	10
Schools Attended Officially	10
Schools Attended Unofficially	88
Letters Written	3066

Chapters consolidating were Cockrell Hill No. 971 with Flora Chapter No 794 and R. A Terrell No 194 with Forney No. 557.

No money was received from Grand Chapter and any expenses incurred were considered a "labor of love" by myself and the "Terrific Ten" Deputy Grand Matrons.

It is with pleasure that I introduce Sister Betty Unlaub, District Deputy Grand Matron, District Two.

Fraternally,
Sandra Perdue
District Deputy Grand Matron
District One

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT 2

MRS. BETTY UNLAUB: Thank you, Sister Sandra Perdue, my special friend and District Deputy Grand Matron, District 1.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, for your confidence and trust in me, and for the honor you bestowed upon Dumas Chapter No. 653, in allowing me to serve as your District Deputy Grand Matron in District Two.

It is a pleasure to present the annual report for District Two and a special honor and privilege to introduce the ten Deputy Grand Matrons who served our district with faith and love. This report is made possible as a result of their labors and devotion for our beautiful Order.

Sister Eulliah Jeffers of Section 1 held the "Touch Others With Your Wings" School in Borger on March 20, 1997 with 82 registered.

Sister Marcia Benton of Section 2 held the "Strength of an Eagle" School in Amarillo on March 22, 1997 with 195 registered.

Sister Willyne Norman of Section 3 held the "Bells of Freedom" school in Floydada on March 13, 1997 with 73 registered.

Sister Pat Moore of Section 4 held the "Under the Shadow of an Eagle" School in Brownfield on February 22, 1997 with 142 registered.

Sister Su-san Couch of Section 5 held the "Celebrating Our Heritage" School in Memphis on March 18, 1997 with 72 registered.

Sister Liz Orr of Section 6 held the "Spirit of the Eagle" School in Wichita Falls on February 25, 1997 with 136 registered.

Sister Liz is unable to be with us.

Sister Mary Charles Dixon of Section 7 held the "This Is My Country" School in Abilene on February 20, 1997 with 183 registered.

Sister Fran Johnson of Section 8 held the "Soaring the Heights" School in Odessa on March 15, 1997 with 204 registered.

Sister Jane Womack of Section 9 held the "Texas Wildflowers" School in Ft. Stockton on March 11, 1997 with 81 registered.

Sister Louise Pierce of Section 10 held the "Eagles of Love" School in El Paso on March 8, 1997 with 115 registered.

In addition to the District Two Schools, I had the privilege to also teach one of the District Five Schools. Sister Betty Turner of Section 2 held the "Western Skies Where Eagles Fly" School on March 6, 1997 in Big Lake with 61 registered. Thank you Worthy Grand Matron, for the confidence placed in me by asking me to teach this School and a special thanks to the chapter in that section. Your generous hospitality and kind words of encouragement will always be one of my fondest memories.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF DISTRICT 2

Chapters Assigned	86
Chapters Demised or Consolidated	1
Chapters Instituted	0
Chapter Inspected	86
Chapters Not Inspected	0
Schools Conducted	11
Schools Attended Officially	21
Schools attended Unofficially	45
Letters Written	2,033
Miles Traveled	57,659

The ten special and lovely Deputy Grand Matrons of District Two join me in extending our grateful appreciation to Sister Alma Carter, our Worthy Grand Matron. Your positive attitude is contagious and your love for our Order is reflected by your actions. Thank you for allowing us to walk with you this year and for all those precious memories that we all share. I especially want to thank you for blessing me with ten fantastic deputies whose friendship I shall treasure always.

To Brother Richard Ochs, our Worthy Grand Patron - your presence at all our Schools truly endeared you to our membership. Your love of our Order is truly reflected by all the kind and caring things you do for others. It was a joy to have you and Sister Barbara by my side as we traveled the many miles through District Two.

To Sister Joyce Ball, Grand Examiner of District Two - what a pleasure to have shared this year with you. The membership of District Two truly appreciates your love and dedication and the many hours of efficient service you provided in the examining rooms at each of the schools.

To Sister Marjorie Errington, Secretary for the Worthy Grand Matron - District Two - You helped each of us in so many ways, but we especially thank you for your valuable assistance to the Worthy Grand Matron. I especially want to thank you for being such a good friend and always being there when I needed you.

To the Membership of District Two - We thank all of those chapters for every courtesy and for each act of kindness extended to the School Officers. We especially thank you your attendance at the School and for the honorary memberships and Certificates of Appreciation that you so graciously gave us and we trust we will always be worthy of this honor. We thank you for your willingness to serve and the cooperation you gave which made each of the schools special and made this year so wonderful and filled with precious memories.

Respectively submitted,
Betty Unlaub
District Deputy Grand Matron
District Two

It is with pleasure that I recognize Sister Jean Hunt, my special friend and District Deputy Grand Matron, District Three.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT 3

MRS. JEAN HUNT: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

It was an honor to serve this year as your District Deputy Grand Matron in District III. I will always treasure the friendships made with the 10 very special Deputies you selected to serve as your representatives in this district. The Creative ways they used your theme for the year in each of the schools was always a special treat for us when we arrived on "school day". It has been a joy working with each of them this year, and we shall always keep in our hearts the many happy memories we share.

It is my pleasure to introduce your friends and mine the Deputy Grand Matrons of District Three.

Mrs. Annette Curry, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 1: "Soaring to New Heights" Eastern Star School held November 23, 1996 in Fort Worth with 24 chapters and 476 in attendance.

Mrs. Claudia Blair, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 2: "Soaring With Eagles" Eastern Star School held December 10, 1996 in Mineral Wells with 11 chapters and 129 in attendance.

Mrs. Patricia Johnson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 3: "Blue Bonnet" Eastern Star School held December 12, 1996 in Albany with 4 chapters and 72 in attendance.

Mrs. Ann Eckerson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 4: "Old Glory Forever Waves" Eastern Star School held November 26, 1996 in Dublin with 11 chapters and

68 in attendance.

Mrs. Judy Lunsford, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 5: "The Heart of An Eagle" Eastern Star School held November 19, 1996 in Comanche with 4 chapters and 130 in attendance.

Mrs. Margie Schooley, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 6: "Winged Spirit" Eastern Star School held November 14, 1996 in Burnet with 9 chapters and 203 in attendance.

Mrs. Frances Williams, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 7: "The Eagle Has Landed" Eastern Star School held November 16, 1996 in Copperas Cove with 7 chapters and 204 in attendance.

Mrs. Mattie Schier, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 8: "Wings of Knowledge" Eastern Star School held November 12, 1996 in Georgetown with 8 chapters and 226 in attendance.

Mrs. Hazel Nesmith, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 9: "The Greatest Gift of Love and Knowledge" Eastern Star School held December 14, 1996 in Waco with 12 chapters and 267 in attendance.

Mrs. Delphine Reed, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 10: "Liberty Bells Ringing for Freedom" Eastern Star School held November 21, 1996 in Hillsboro with 11 chapters and 213 in attendance.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, I count this year of service as one of the special blessings in my Eastern Star life. Thank you for your patience and gentle guidance as we embarked on a new adventure, "The First Schools" of the new year. Traveling through District Three was a great experience.

You were a great traveling companion and "roomie" and a wonderful friend.

My respect and admiration for your Knowledge, your love for the membership and your courage cannot be measured.

Your ten Deputies and myself want to thank you for the opportunity to serve in these places this year. We appreciate your kindness and encouragement as we made plans for the schools and carried out your instructions.

We wish for you only the best things life has to offer.

Worthy Grand Patron, Richard, it was great getting to serve with you a second time. Your friendship is very special. My thanks to you and Barbara for your encouragement and for your assistance as we arrived at each destination. The ten Deputies and myself think you are "Grrreat" and you will always have a special place in our hearts.

Sister Sharon Fentress, "My" Grand Examiner, your experience in traveling the school schedule in the Grand Chapter van was invaluable. Thank you seems so little to say for all the things you did to assist the Worthy Grand Matron and myself.

Your "Perfect Work" is no less than what we can always expect from you. You give so much to the membership and please know how much we appreciate you.

Sister Cheryl Albrecht, District Three Secretary, thank you for all you do for so many. You are always there when we need you.

I shall always count your friendship among my many treasures.

Sister Nell Koontz, Humanitarian Chairman District Three, your presentation of our Worthy Grand Matron's Humanitarian Program was a "Highlight" at every school. A special Thank You from each Deputy and myself for your love and support.

Chapters Assigned	101
Chapters Demised	0
Chapters Consolidated	3
Chapters Inspected	101
Chapters now in District Three	98
Schools Conducted	10
Schools attended officially	20
Schools attended unofficially	31
Letters written	843

Southside Chapter No. 673 consolidated with South Hills Chapter No. 835 and became South Fort Worth Chapter No. 835.

Temple Chapter No. 153 consolidated with Vashti Chapter No. 32 and Dublin Chapter No. 910 consolidated with Stephenville Chapter No. 801.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Hunt
District Deputy Grand Matron,
District Three

MRS. JEAN HUNT: It is now my pleasure to present my co-worker and friend, Sister Elizabeth Wise, District Deputy Grand Matron of District 4.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT 4

MRS. ELIZABETH WISE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is with a loving heart that I present the record of service of District Four for the 1996-1997 year. And it is a special privilege to introduce the ten Deputy Grand Matrons who served District Four with pride and love:

Mrs. Doris Wagner, Section I. The "Soar With The Heart Of An Eagle" School held on February 15, 1997 at Nacogdoches.

Mrs. Georgia Campbell, Section II. The "Gathering Of The Eagles" School held on February 1, 1997 at Silsbee.

Mrs. Mickie Ulch, Section III. The "Saluting Our Heritage" School, held on February 4, 1997 at Crockett.

Mrs. Anita Westermann, Section IV. The "Elegant Eagles Airline Flight #44" School held on February 8, 1997 at Baytown.

Mrs. Ola Mae Davis, Section V. The "Spirit Of The Red, White, And Blue" School held on March 1, 1997 at Houston.

Mrs. Virginia Akins, Section VI. The "Star Spangled School Of Instruction" School held on February 13, 1997 at Bryan-College Station.

Mrs. Glenda Klemm, Section VII. "The Great Eagle Pow-Wow" School held on February 6, 1997 at Navasota.

Mrs. Jeanie Price, Section VIII. The "Spirit Of Old Glory" School held on February 11, 1997 at Caldwell.

Mrs. Margaret Stuart, Section IX. The "American Patriotism: Texas Style" School held January 28, 1997 at Rosenberg.

Mrs. Irene Coulter, Section X. The "Under His Wings" School held January 30, 1997 at Freeport.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, the Eagle has landed and the Lord has delivered us safely home. I thank you for inviting me to participate in your year of service. I consider this a sweet honor bestowed upon me and Kirbyville Chapter No. 263. Through this invitation my life has been deeply touched. With vision and a search for knowledge you prepared for your year of service. It is my wish to you to continue your vision and search so our Order may continue to achieve the great work it strives to accomplish.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs, thank you for walking the O.E.S. road with District Four. We are grateful for your friendship and love. Thank you Barbara, for sharing him with the membership.

Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Grand Examiner of District Four, we appreciate all of the hard work toward the schools. Many hours of midnight oil were burned. The membership of District Four is very appreciative.

Sister Vivian Thomas, District Four Secretary, you are truly Eastern Star. How smoothly things flowed through your dedication. Thanks for your sweet smile.

To the membership of District Four, I say thank you. The road I traveled had many bumps this year. The Lord did not guarantee us a smooth ride, just a safe landing. Through your love, support, encouragement, and prayers you helped to make my travels more gentle.

To my husband "Sunny", I thank you for all of your love, support, understanding, and encouragement. Thank you for making that extra special effort to make every one of my schools. I know it was difficult at times. And thanks for the broad shoulder to lean on each time I needed it.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT FOUR

Chapters Assigned	143
Chapters Demised or Consolidated	4

Chapters Instituted	0
Chapters Inspected	142
Chapters Not Inspected	1
Schools Conducted Officially	8
Schools Attended Officially	8
DDGM	6
DGM	94
Letters Written	2834

MRS. ELIZABETH WISE: It is my pleasure to present Sister Gerry Dusek, District Deputy Grand Matron of District 5.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON DISTRICT 5

MRS. GERRY DUSEK: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a special privilege to serve as District Deputy Grand Matron and an honor to work with these ten Deputy Grand Matrons in District V. The results of their tireless efforts for this Grand Chapter year are attached hereto to be reflected in the proceedings of this session.

It is with much pleasure that I introduce these individuals at this time:

Mrs. Anna Lewis, Section One (1)
 Mrs. Betty Turner, Section Two (2)
 Mrs. Ruth Steele, Section Three (3)
 Mrs. Cleo Chaney, Section Four (4)
 Mrs. Peggy Carr, Section Five (5)
 Mrs. Karen Wright, Section Six (6)
 Mrs. Donna Perkins, Section Seven (7)
 Mrs. Carolyn Shannon, Section Eight (8)
 Mrs. Jerline Standridge, Section (9)
 Mrs. Lucille Payne, Section Ten (10)

These deputies are to be commended for their year of service to this order.

Section 1: "On The Wings of An Eagle" School was held January 16, 1997 in San Angelo, with 91 present.

Section 2: "Western Skies - Where Eagles Fly" School was scheduled for January 9, 1997, and had to be rescheduled for March 6, 1997, in Big Lake, because of inclement weather, with 61 present.

Section 3: "La Estrella Del Oriente" School was held January 14, 1997, in Kerrville, with 78 present.

Section 4: "Under The Double Eagle" School was held January 7, 1997, in Uvalde, with 72 present.

Section 5: "Walking With The Wind-Reaching The Mountain Top" School was held January 21, 1997, in Devine, with 123 present.

Section 6: "The Spirit of America" School was held in New Braunfels, on January 18, 1997, with 364 present.

Section 7: "United We Stand", School was held in San Antonio, on January 11, 1997, with 264 present.

Section 8: "Let Freedom Ring" School was held in Port Lavaca, on January 23, 1997, with 120 present.

Section 9: "Serving With Dignity and Pride", School was held in Corpus Christi, on January 25, 1997, with 324 present.

Section 10: "The Freedom Bell Rings" School was held in Harlingen on January 4, 1997, with 282 present.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT FIVE

Chapters Assigned	99
Chapters Demised or Consolidated	2
Chapters Instituted	0
Chapters Inspected	99
Schools Officially Attended	20
Schools Attended Unofficially	26
Letters Written	2,558

Worthy Grand Matron, it is with grateful and loving hearts that we express our appreciation to you for allowing us the opportunity to serve the Grand Chapter in these places of honor. Your kind and loving ways of encouraging and allowing us to serve in our own manner, as well as your personal demonstration of strength and courage, have truly inspired each of us.

Worthy Grand Patron, your dedication to the Grand Chapter of Texas has been an inspiration to the membership. We truly appreciate your special efforts in attending the schools in District V and your willingness to assist in our travels across the state.

Sister Doris Hester, Grand Examiner, we wish to express our appreciation for your efforts on behalf of District V. The membership appreciates your efficiency and dedication in the examining room.

Sister Nell Smith, District V Secretary to the Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for all your efforts and support. We appreciate your consistency to our Worthy Grand Matron and to the Order of the Eastern Star.

To the membership of District V, your attendance at the schools and the many acts of kindness will always serve as a remembrance of this special year of service. Each of the Deputy Grand Matrons joins me in saying "Thank You" to all of you.

Fraternally submitted,
Geraldine "Gerry" Dusek
District Deputy Grand Matron,
District V

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the combined printed reports of the District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Deputy Grand Matrons.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the District Deputy Grand Matrons. Is there any discussion? All in favor will raise your cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Before these five District Deputies and these fifty or so Deputies leave this stage, I want to express my appreciation. They did not need to thank me for allowing them to be my representative in their own sections. I thank them for taking on these wonderful positions and for a great year on the school schedule. No one could have ever been treated nicer than my Deputies and District Deputies treated this Worthy Grand Matron. I appreciate the membership for your attendance in the schools. I appreciate all the kindnesses you showed to your school officers. Thank you, my dear Deputies and my dear District Deputies. Sisters and Brothers, have you ever heard quicker reports from the District Deputies and Deputies, and their work will be in the Proceedings. Thank you. [applause]

[Singing of "I'll Fly Away" by Grand Choir.] Grand Choir, that sounds so good. Let's all stand and let the membership choir sing along.

I now recognize my Secretarial Committee for their report. My District 1 secretary could not be here, so Sister Marjorie Errington, my District 2 secretary, will give the report.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAL COMMITTEE

MRS. MARJORIE ERRINGTON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Distinguished Members:

It was a privilege and honor for each of us to serve on the Secretarial Committee this Grand Chapter year.

The District Secretaries traveled many miles with the Worthy Grand Matron, attending all Schools for Instruction, and performing all secretarial responsibilities required, including letters of thank you to each Chapter participating in the Schools.

We want to thank the District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Deputy Grand Matrons for all of the courtesies bestowed upon us.

This Committee has strived to be helpful in serving the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter and each line officer with whom we served during the year 1996-1997.

I would like to introduce the following District Secretaries:

Mrs. Cindy L. Reeves, Secretary at Large
 Mrs. Sandra Tedford, District 1
 Mrs. Marjorie Errington, District 2
 Mrs. Cheryl Albrecht, District 3
 Mrs. Vivian M. Thomas, District 4
 Mrs. Nell Smith, District 5

The Line Officer Secretaries:

Mrs. Sandra Fitch, Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Ann Kelly, Associate Grand Matron

Mrs. Diane Davidson, Associate Grand Matron

Mrs. Jayne Yenger, Grand Conductress

Mrs. Sheryl F. Kolterman, Board of Grand Trustees

Mrs. Janet W. Holland, Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences

Fraternally submitted,
Marjorie Errington

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Marjorie, before we vote on the motion, let's get all the Secretaries to come up. This is just the report of my own traveling secretaries, but I want the others to come up because I know what kind of service they gave their Grand Line Officers.

Thank you, ladies, for all the service, not only of my own personal secretaries for the different districts, but for all of you who were secretaries to your Grand Line Officers. I know when I was in line how hard my secretary worked, and I know you have done the same. I appreciate that.

You have heard the report of the District Secretaries for the Worthy Grand Matron. We will include with that the secretaries of each Grand Line Officer. It has been moved and seconded that we accept this report. Is there any discussion? All in favor will raise their blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, ladies. And on behalf of your Grand Line Officers, thank you for your work this year.

I recognize Sister Bonnie Mathison, Poet Laureate, for her report.

REPORT OF THE POET LAUREATE

MRS. BONNIE MATHISON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It was been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Poet Laureate for the 1996-1997 Grand Chapter year. I am deeply grateful both to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, who appointed me, others who had faith in me, and to my Sisters and Brothers who expressed enjoyment in my poetry.

It was my great honor to share twelve poems submitted to the Bulletin for publication with the membership. Also, one in a School of Instruction book on request of the Deputy Grand Matron, and other times in Chapter meetings when my talent was needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Mathison
Poet Laureate 1996-1997

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 Poet Laureate. All in favor, please raise your blue cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Bonnie, for your lovely poems in our Bulletin and all that you've sent me. Thank you so much.

I now recognize the Museum Committee, Sister Helen Erskine and her Committee.

REPORT OF THE MUSEUM COMMITTEE

MRS. HELEN ERSKINE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

On Tuesday, November 12, 1996, Mrs. Ruby White and I took Mrs. Rosemary Swetland's 1995-1996 Grand Chapter dress to the Museum. Mrs. Frankie Head brought Mrs. Joyce Roberts' 1976-1977 Grand Chapter formal. Received a letter from Mrs. Rosemary Swetland that Mrs. Cynthia May Watts' dress could not be found.

Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus wrote that due to the war, there were no dresses for Installation.

On March 3, 1997, Ruby White and I took 18 tulle dress covers for those Past Grand Matron dresses not already covered. Mr. Ron Johnston gave the Museum 14 small bells that were used by the ladies in the Home in 1924-1925 to get service as needed.

On April 25-26, the Committee had the Museum open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Due to the rain, people found the Museum extra nice.

On July 25, Frankie Head, Frank Erskine and I took inventory.

Several items were donated to the Museum: a small O.E.S. purse, 2 O.E.S. handkerchiefs, a key ring, curlers used in the O.E.S. Home Beauty Shop. Mr. Jack Harnaday gave two Rituals, 1891 and 1929, and a 1944 Grand Chapter program. A quilt that belonged to Mrs. Mildred Speight, Worthy Matron of Bethlehem Chapter No. 728, Houston, 1946-1947, was donated. Members embroidered their names on the squares. A list of items received this year is attached to the 1996-1997 Inventory.

Founders Day, August 1-2, the Museum was opened both days from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There was a good group Friday and over 300 people on Saturday.

My thanks to Mrs. Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, for this appointment and for the very efficient members appointed to the Committee, to whom I owe much appreciation: Mrs. Lillie Mae Eades, Mrs. Gladys Woolsey, Mrs. Frankie Head, Mrs. Magdalen Cardwell, Mrs. Mary Taulbee.

Helen Erskine, Chairman
Museum Committee
1996- 1997

MRS. HELEN ERSKINE: Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this report be adopted.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second to adopt the report of the Museum Committee. All in favor will raise your blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Thank you, sweet ladies, for your report of the Museum Committee. After this Grand Chapter, I will have something for you to go in there.

I have been told that in our handicapped area we have people that are sitting in there that are not handicapped, and it is causing some of our people that really need to get in those chairs not to have a place to sit. If you're not handicapped or are a caregiver for a handicapped person, please don't sit in those chairs because we do have several handicapped. If you are a caregiver, you are welcome to sit – at least one person – with the handicapped person. Thank you.

Sister Janie Fikes, the Chairman of the International Temple Committee, could not be with us today due to illness in her family. Her report will be printed in the Proceedings in its entirety. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I'd like to recognize, as soon as they get to the East, the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolence for their report and for the report of the Superintendent/Administrator of the Home.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: 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 1996-1997.

Following the election at Grand Chapter in Beaumont, a meeting of the Board was called to welcome Mrs. Maxine Nance the District V member. The following officers were elected.

Lindsey Pynes	Chairman	District II
Delbert Shoemaker	Vice-Chairman	District I
R.J. "Tom" Warner	Secretary	District IV
Betty Capps	Treasurer	District III
Maxine Nance	Member	District V

There were (13) meetings held this year plus many telephone conferences. There were many visits to the Home by all Board Members.

There were several Grand Officers and some of our membership at several of our meetings, which was most appreciated by all Board Members.

The renovation program continues at the Home, and things look better than I have ever seen them. Brother Ray White, Chairman of the Renovation Committee,

has worked very hard at the Home. He has stopped all roof leaks which we are thankful for plus many other things that needed repairing. He presently is working on the Garage and it's beginning to look like a different building.

We feel like one of the most improved items at the Home is the Infirmary. Our Superintendent/Administrator Mr. Ron Johnston, and our new Director of Nursing, Mrs. Jackie Ransom is beginning to put together a team of Nurses and Aids that we are all very proud of.

A few years ago Sarah Coursey suggested having our meetings at the same time the Board of Trustee's had theirs, and we have continued that tradition and the results have been most positive.

Our main focus as a Board this year is to make our ladies lives as enjoyable as possible, which includes good health, good food in an atmosphere as near like the Home they left as is possible. This could not be accomplished without the help of many volunteers who we appreciate so very much.

We are pleased to report that at this time all accounts are current, and we have not had any financial problems, thanks to the Membership for the per capita increase, and we will continue to hold expenses as low as is possible.

Benevolent Aid has been given to fourteen members in thirteen Chapters. Also emergency aid to six additional Chapters. This fund is one way we are able to give assistance to our members who find themselves in financial difficulties.

There are currently 50 ladies in the Home. We were saddened by the death of eight of our Residents this year. During the year the Board has acted upon all of the requests and applications that were submitted.

Applications for Residency	9	Pending 3
Entered the Home	2	
Rejections	1	
Withdrawn	3	

Some of the applications were withdrawn because of health reasons.

During my five years on the Board I have been pleasantly surprised by the many volunteers that have given of their time and talent to the Home and ladies.

I thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for their dedication to the Home and for the cooperation and advice given to the Board, and I want to express our appreciation to the Board of Grand Trustees.

I want to express to the ladies of our Home and to all employees the joy I have experienced in being on your Board, and to say how I have enjoyed being in your presence. I have memories of you that I will cherish for the rest of my life.

To the Membership, I thank you for this most rewarding and gratifying experience.

Fraternally submitted,
 Lindsey Pynes, Chairman
 Delbert Shoemaker, Vice-Chairman
 R. J. "Tom" Warner, Secretary
 Betty Capps, Treasurer
 Maxine Nance, Member

**SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES
1996-1997**

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 Supplement Report of the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for the fiscal year 1996- 1997.

I would like to introduce to you the other members of your Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences.

Delbert Shoemaker
R.J. "Tom" Warner
Betty Capps
Maxine Nance
Jan Holland

Vice-Chairman District I
Secretary District IV
Treasurer District III
Member District V
Appointed Secretary District III

I would like to begin my remarks by expressing my appreciation to each Board Member I have served with, and to express to you the membership for the opportunity to serve as your Board Member for the past five years. Five years seems like a long time, but looking back it has passed very quickly.

I would like to report that we have lost another resident since my report that is in your Advanced Report. Sister Agnes Eaves passed away which brings our deaths for the year to nine. We now have 49 Residents in the Home.

Five years ago the Home was having financial problems that was very stressful to the Board of Directors, Board of Grand Trustees, to the ladies in the Home and to you the membership: But thanks to you, the membership, you raised the per-capita tax, released the funds for renovation and as a result, the Home looks different, the bills are paid, and the ladies are happier. The Board of Directors would like to express to the membership a special thanks for this responsible act.

To the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we thank you for the assistance you both have given us, and for the privilege of serving the membership with you.

To all of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons that we served with, we want to say a special thanks. To the Board of Grand Trustees, we thank you for your cooperation in every problem we have encountered. To the employees at the Home who are so dedicated, we want to say thank you for all that you do for the Home.

To the ladies at the Home who have always made me feel welcome, I say a special thanks to you, and I will miss you.

To Edna Cowsert, a resident at the Home who volunteered to inventory every item in the Home, we the Board of Directors say a very special thanks to you. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I would like to report to you that Edna has made a picture of every item in the Home and has placed them in two loose leaf binders with a detailed description of each item. One book is to be kept in the Home, and a copy is to be kept in the State Office.

Once again I want to express to the membership the opportunity you have afforded me to serve as your Board Member.

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 1996-1997.

I move the adoption of this report.

Fraternally submitted,
Lindsey Pynes, Chairman

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second to adopt the report of the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences. Is there any discussion? All in favor of adopting this report will please hold up their blue cards. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

We are ready for the Superintendent's report.

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: As all of you know, our Superintendent is not a member of the Order, so I'm giving his report for him.

WRITTEN REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATOR OF O.E.S. HOME

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Other Distinguished Members and Friends.

It is with mixed emotions that I write, and have this report read to you at Grand Chapter. I feel inadequate to address this assembly, but what I must say, I state with sincerity and singleness of purpose, without fear, but in the spirit of love.

Each quarter, I receive an inspiring professional magazine called "The Home Herald." It is a magazine describing the Masonic Home in Elizabeth, New Jersey. The articles are written by the staff of the Home. The articles explain what is happening in their Home, and the wonderful things that they are doing to serve their members to bring joy, fulfillment and balance to the residents for the remainder of their days. The magazine is full of happening which I would like to see the Eastern Star Home of Texas doing. Last year for example, the residents, friends, families, and the Masons contributed nearly 78,000 man-hours of service to their community. The Home itself received over 20,000 man-hours to support the members of the Home. The hosts of participants came from all walks of life to assist in program development, social outings, library programs, writing letters for those who needed special help, encouraging residents participation in sports, arts, and crafts, exercises, dinner parties and even dances.

Our Home needs the support of all the Chapters and individuals who can provide the leadership and commitment for individualized assistance. Our Home needs individuals who have patience. We need individuals who know the value of sacrifice and who understand that sometimes all that is needed is a friendly presence and a happy smile to bring joy to our lovely ladies. We need your talents to

serve in the Infirmary, assisting residents with the simple task of letter writing, and to assist them in activities or personal care. We need nurses, social service people, and sometimes occasionally home health people. Our ladies in the retirement center also need your support and love. They need support groups also. They need to be invited out for outings other than church and chapters. They need family social settings, the arts and crafts, libraries, and entertainment.

Our wonderful Home needs active participants who have knowledge of gardening to help the ladies in working in the garden area and caring for our pecan trees. Finally, our Home is in need of individuals who would like to help in putting together a development program to share our Home with the members of Eastern Star. Individuals who are willing to correspond with other Chapters, individuals willing to get our message out as to how great our Home really is, individuals like you.

I love this Home, it has such great potential. In my life, I have known people with great potential who amount to nothing. Why? Because these individuals were afraid to take the challenges of new opportunities. You, the members of Grand Chapter, have it within you to change and develop this beautiful Home for what it is. The Eastern Star Home of Texas is not a perfect organization. There is no perfect Home and no one is perfect but God.

The Eastern Star Home staff works hard. Within its limited resources the Home provides the best possible care for its residents. All residents receive care under the direction of a Medical Director who provides basic care for the ladies. Ladies needing a specialist whose needs can be met are recommended to see a specialist. The Home provides a clean homelike environment for the most part for the ladies in the Infirmary. Under the direction of a Director of Nursing the resident receives occupational speech and physical therapies and other skilled services.

Despite the level of care provided, some still speak negatively about the Home. Mr. J.T. McCreary, son of the late Ibbie McCreary said this about the Eastern Star Home, "Thank you again for all you have done to make life enjoyable at the retirement home. She loved it upstairs very much. It was a blessing for her to have been under such love and care. And thanks for your continued love and support while Ibbie was in the Infirmary as well as making her funeral services so memorable. My wife and I are in profound gratitude." . . . May each of us be as proud of the Home that we have as Mr. McCreary has stated.

I know that many are confused as to what is happening in the healthcare industry environment, and have many concerns and unanswered questions. Let me state, that even the experts are unsure of the direction of healthcare. No one is willing to go out on a limb and project what the healthcare environment will be like in ten years. However, a common theme is present regarding healthcare, that is that companies and organizations will need to adapt to change if they are to succeed. The Eastern Star Home of Texas must be marketed in a positive way. The membership must explore the window of opportunity, and evaluate the opportunities and challenges of tomorrow.

Our Home has a census of 49. Twenty-one residents are in the Infirmary and 28 are in the retirement section. We could easily support 75 to 80 residents without raly taxing the membership. This last year, I have witnessed the passing of nine of our lovely ladies; from our "Home" from eldest spoke person, Clara Wynne, to Irene Steele who was buried in our beautiful "Rose Garden." Each of those nine ladies was someone dear and very special to the Home. Each had an impact on the other residents and staff. In many ways, the ladies and staff were affected by their presence their words, and actions.

Another major disappointment was in the number of applicants applying for residency into the Eastern Star Home. We had (10) apply this past calendar year. Two were accepted and have moved in, (3) changed their minds, (1) was rejected and (4) are now pending.

Our scheduling of activities were many. Individuals from many Chapters freely gave of their weekends to come to the Home for very special activities. Bingo parties, banana split parties, special church groups and other organizations donated their time and talents. Our "special" parties included Christmas, New Years Eve, Mothers Day, Easter, and Valentines were appreciated by all residents.

In closing, may I say that I feel blessed to be a part of this wonderful organization. I know that the past is incomplete that we must work for a better future. A better future can be resolved if we unite ourselves to insure the safety, health, happiness, and well being of all our residents of the Eastern Star Home. I look forward to working with you, in the future, for this is my goal.

Respectfully
Irv Johnston "Ron"
Superintendent

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the report and second that we adopt the report of the Superintendent/Administrator of the Home. Is there any discussion? All in favor of adopting that report will please signify by showing your blue card. All opposed. Thank you, and thank you, Brother Lindsey. Please extend to Brother Ron Johnston our gratitude. The ladies seem to enjoy him, and he has made a difference in our Eastern Star Home. Would you give him my personal thanks for all that he has done for us over there? I appreciate him.

MR. LINDSEY PYNES: I certainly will, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I would like for the ladies that are here from the Home - I want to bring them up tomorrow; I understand there's not too many here today. Will all of you be back tomorrow? Those that cannot come back tomorrow, please let me know at this time. You'll all be back tomorrow. Why don't you stand, ladies, and let us see you. We love you and we want to give you a hearty welcome today. [applause]

We are trying to get through with as much business as we can today, and tomorrow we will have elections so we'll have a lot of time in between. We'll bring you and the 50-year members up here so we can tell you all how much we appreciate and love you. Thank you, ladies, for being with us. We enjoy you so much. [applause]

Grand Choir, could you give us a little music? [Singing of "America, the Beautiful."] Thank you, Grand Choir. I would like to make one announcement. The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons that are serving now, the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons that are immediate Past Matrons and Patrons that served for Brother Richard and me, you that are a 100 percent Chapters, we will have the Humanitarian Drill this evening, and you're welcome to come. In fact, we want you to come and be in this drill. Be here at 6:45 and get your instructions from your Humanitarian Chairman, General Chairman and Grand Marshal. They will give you the exact things that you will be needing to do, which is very little. They'll just give you a few instructions.

At this time I would like to call on Brother Henry Martin for some announcements.

MR. HENRY MARTIN: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, with me is our Housing Chairman, Janice Herridge. For those of you who are staying with us at the Adam's Mark Hotel, this announcement is primarily for you. The last two days we have had some difficulties with our elevators.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We know!

MR. HENRY MARTIN: I understand. We have been working with the hotel during those two days to resolve them. We have just come from a meeting with the general management of the hotel, and I'd like to give you the results. The elevators that are in operation have had parts replaced by the elevator repair company. They have assured us that absolutely without question there are no safety issues involved on any of the elevators.

Now, the hotel has agreed to have the representatives of the elevator company on site in the control room behind the elevator bank 24 hours a day from three o'clock today until the end of the day Sunday, and we will have been checked out by then. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, that's costing the hotel \$300 per hour to do that. But we feel like it's worth it for your safety and convenience. We will have from now on, they assure us, four working elevators. [applause] Those elevators will be staffed with personnel from the hotel operating them. We will have the house-keeping people off the elevators during our peak times. There will be no elevator holdup because the maids are using it to go from floor to floor. The maids are now walking up the stairs. The hotel has asked us to convey to you their sincerest apologies for the inconveniences that you've experienced. We have said that we will communicate that to you.

Now, we also felt like that some reconciliation for your inconvenience should be forthcoming from the hotel. We recommended a solution, a plan, and they have accepted that the last night of your stay at the Adam's Mark Hotel, they will reduce the room rent by \$10 on every room. You will receive at your express checkout time a letter of apology from the hotel. It will go under your door. The express checkout will be something that's slipped under your door on the last night.

We also want to ask you who are here to express to those people who are staying at the Adam's Mark, who perhaps have left already, what I have just said. Please tell them this plan and what the hotel is doing for us. And also we want to apologize to any of you who were not hotel guests, but were there and experienced the inconvenience.

Sisters and Brothers, we've done, we believe, what we could to ensure your safety and convenience. And we believe the hotel has cooperated with us to the extent possible. So I wanted to share this information with you while you're all here. Hopefully, it will alleviate any concerns that you have regarding the elevators at the Adam's Mark.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this opportunity. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Henry. Sisters and Brothers, my Executive and Arrangements Committee cannot completely control – they were not put in charge of elevators for this Grand Chapter. They do apologize. I would sincerely hope, if you have any complaints, you get with the Worthy Grand Matron. This group has worked so hard, and I would appreciate it if you would be

kind and speak kind to them, because I appointed them. We took the hotels that were available in Dallas. We had no problems whatsoever except with the elevators. They were to have those changed out before we arrived, but the work could not be done. So I apologize to you. If you have any complaints, please bring them to the Worthy Grand Matron and not my Executive and Arrangements Committee. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

I recognize Brother Harry Cunningham.

MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, I want to compliment the service we have received with transportation, on a positive side. [applause] It has been outstanding. I have been coming to Grand Chapter I don't know how many years. But I want to tell you something, with all due respect, every time I've gone out the front door there has been a vehicle waiting to get me away from there. I tell you, Shirley New and the transportation crew and the Arrangement Committee, I compliment you, and I think all the Past Grands would feel the same way. Thank you very much. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Harry. The photographer has told us that there are pictures outside and that you can also order pictures from him. If you need any information, please see Brother Cleo. I can't keep it all in my mind or straight up here about your pictures, so please visit with Brother Cleo on that. He can give you the information, he or his wife and I'm sure one of them will be outside. If you have not had your picture taken – your group, please go and do them.

I now recognize the Resolutions Committee for their report. I don't see the Resolutions. How about the Historians?

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN COMMITTEE

MRS. DONNA DOUGLAS: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a wonderful experience to serve as General Chairman of the Grand Historian Committee and to work with the following members:

District 1, Constance Parker
 District 2, Jane Ramos
 District 3, Nola Branch
 District 4, Gail Smith
 District 5, Marian "Boots" Draper

It was our responsibility to have the Historical Highlight books available for the membership. As General Chairman, I encouraged the members of this committee to visit Chapters in their District in order to promote the availability of these books. An article was also placed in the Bulletin to encourage every Chapter and member to secure a copy for their reference.

Constance Parker, District 1 Chairman issued 12 books for a total of \$120.00.
 Jane Ramos, District 2 Chairman – 6 books - \$60.00.
 Nola Branch, District 3 Chairman – 10 books - \$100.00.

Gail Smith, District 4 Chairman – 12 books - \$120.00.
 Marian "Boots" Draper, District 5 Chairman – 9 books - \$90.00.
 Donna Douglas, General Chairman – 22 books - \$220.00.

This made a combined total of 71 books and \$710.00. There were also many orders placed directly through the Grand Secretary's office. A very special thank you to those who purchased Historical Highlight books this year.

It was also my pleasure to be informed by a member of some very old bells stored away in the Eastern Star Home that would perhaps be of historical significance to the Museum. The bells were used by residents of the Eastern Star Home many years ago, when in need of assistance. After conferring with the Worthy Grand Matron, I contacted Nola Branch, District 3 Chairman. With complete cooperation from Frances Burbank, Grand Secretary; Bettie Garretson, South Hills Chapter No. 835, who works at the Home and Ron Johnston, Superintendent, the bells were located. With the assistance of Sister Helen Erskine, Museum Chairman, the bells now occupy a special place in the Museum.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for allowing us the privilege of serving on this committee. We are so pleased we could add a special touch of history to our beautiful museum and to share with the membership the Historical Highlight books.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Donna Douglas
 General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move for the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of the Grand Historians. It has been moved and seconded that we adopt this report. All in favor of this adoption will raise their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, we're moving quite fast. I'm only going to have one more report; we're going to close by four o'clock this afternoon because we have a big evening this evening. We will have plenty of time to do what we have left tomorrow between the elections. So I'm going to call on Sister Barbara Grosvenor at this time. If anyone has any announcements that they need to have made this evening before we close, they better get them here quickly.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING COMMITTEE

MRS. BARBARA GROSVENOR: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, our Distinguished Guests and our Sisters and Brothers:

The Development and Marketing Committee continue to follow up on grant opportunities for the Eastern Star Home. The Committee is continuing to research Foundations appropriate to fund organizations such as our Home.

The Committee appreciates the support of the membership on the Worthy

Grand Matron's Humanitarian Programs. These contributions show the support our Grand Chapter and the Eastern Star Home has from its members. This type of self support will enhance grant requests to Corporations and Foundations. The membership is expected to provide the major financial support for our organization. Contributions from the Corporate and not for profit organizations are generally considered the "last dollars in". We raise dollars from our membership through our per capita contributions, as well as additional dollars provided through donations as our financial support for our Home.

Some Corporations and organizations have opportunities for employees to increase the dollars they donate to their favorite charity by providing "matching dollars". If your employer provides this opportunity, please get information from your Human Resource or Personnel Department.

Foundations will generally respond to specific projects of an organization. This may be to request funds to bring our building up to city or county codes or enhance the services provided for the residents of the Home. During this next year, this Committee will work closely with the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences to develop specific projects to improve our Home. Perhaps with specific projects, we will be able to secure funding for some improvements needed for the Home or the Infirmary.

I want to thank our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, for the opportunity of serving this Grand Chapter as this Committee's Chair. Our Committee will continue to seek funding that will make our Home even better and then more inviting to additional residents.

Fraternally submitted,
 Development and Marketing Committee 1996-1997
 Mrs. Barbara Grosvenor – District 1, Chair
 Ms. Gerry Isaacs – District 1
 Mrs. Nancy Sims – District 4
 Mrs. Linda Stein – District 5

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the motion, and I have a second, that we adopt the report of the Development and Marketing Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor of accepting this report will do so by raising their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Thank you. It has been adopted, Sister Barbara.

Sisters and Brothers, we have a wonderful evening this evening. We all have time to go back and rest for a few minutes and change clothes and get back over here in due time. But we are going to close this session. I do encourage all of you to come back for our wonderful ESTARL service, our Humanitarian service and our beautiful Memorial service that has been planned by our Grand Chaplain. I know it will be a beautiful evening. We will also give the breast cancer research funds to the two companies or boards at this time. I'm not even sure what I'm called, much less anybody else! They're the recipients from all of your generosity to the breast cancer research. Please come and be in attendance. Afterward you can go to the candidates' parties if you'd like. You cannot get in until after we close. But please come, attend those parties. Do not get out on the streets this evening. Eat in your hotels this afternoon; it will be safe. You're getting out early enough to go eat and get back to your hotels because this is the night that there will be a little bit of rowdiness out on our streets, not so much in our neighborhoods, but further downtown. I would admonish you not to go down to the West End because there will be a lot of young people down there for Texas/OU weekend, and it can get a little bit rowdy.

I recognize Sister Virginia Lynn Green for our benediction.

MRS. VIRGINIA LYNN GREEN: Would you bow your heads, please. Our dear gracious and precious Heavenly Father, we come to You this afternoon with grateful and humble hearts for the many blessings of this day. We ask Your continued blessings on the leaders of our Order as they seek Your daily guidance as they serve. Dear God, tomorrow is a very serious day of business as we elect those who will be leading our Order in the next few years. Bless each of them who have offered their service, and let them know You have a special place of service for them no matter the results of tomorrow's elections. Let us be grateful You have chosen a special place of service for each of us. And let us be willing to perform any service You have for us. We thank You, dear Lord, for Your Son and for the sacrifices You made for us. In His Holy Name we pray, Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, my friend, Sister Virginia Lynn Green, for those beautiful words. You know what you mean to me, and I appreciate you so much.

Sister Grand Warder, we're about to call this "Let Freedom Ring" Session of Grand Chapter from labor to rest. You will inform the Grand Sentinel and direct him to permit no interruptions while we're thus engaged.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest, and you are directed to close the doors and 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: It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar. [The Holy Bible was closed.] I now call this "Let Freedom Ring" session from labor to rest until 7 p.m. We invite each one of you to join us at seven for the Humanitarian, ESTARL and Memorial service, after which many of you will practice for the Installation and will attend the candidates' parties. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, for your attendance today, as well as your attention.

"FREEDOM AND JUSTICE FOR ALL"
Friday Evening Session
October 10, 1997

6:45 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Marian "Boots" Draper
Past Matron, Prospect Hill Chapter No. 817

7:00 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Jane Gregory
Past Grand Matron

Mr. Joe E. Jeffers
Past Grand Patron

MRS. JANE GREGORY: My Sisters, Brothers and Guests: Through the kindness and graciousness of our Worthy Grand Matron, I am privileged to call to order

this "Freedom and Justice for All" Session of our Grand Chapter with Brother Joe E. Jeffers, Past Grand Patron of District 4, and my good friend.

To my special friend, Sister "Boots" Draper, for the beautiful musical interlude and especially for that "Strawberry Time March" – it really conjures up precious memories – thank you, my dear.

Brother Joe, I know you would like to greet this assembly.

MR. JOE JEFFERS: Thank you, beloved friend and Past Grand Matron, Jane Gregory. It is indeed an honor to stand before this assembly to call to order this session of this Grand Chapter. I wish to express my appreciation to the Worthy Grand Matron for her allowing me to do this with Sister Jane Gregory. It is an honor that I will remember for a long time. God bless each and every one of you. Thank you.

MRS. JANE GREGORY: At this time we invite the Grand Marshal to direct the Floor Officers and their Personal Pages to perform "This Is My Country" drill. [applause following drill] Let's tell them again how beautiful that was! [applause]

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and other Floor Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. The Grand Officers will enter the Grand Chapter room. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. [applause and standing ovation as they come to the East.]

Sisters and Brothers, I present to you our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter; our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. [Grand Honors given.]

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma, our friendship started twenty years ago when we served as District Deputy Grand Matrons for Sister Kathy Johnston, and the bond between us was instant. We have traveled together over the world. The bond between us only grew stronger. We have shared much joy and too many sorrows with each other, which only again made our friendship much stronger. You are a beautiful, beautiful lady. You were a beautiful Grand Marshal for me, and you have been a wonderful Worthy Grand Matron for this membership.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Ochs, our friendship too goes back for many years with your Barbara and my Moe. I know of your devotion and love for the Order of the Eastern Star, your service through the years on the Board of Grand Trustees and many other important Committees, one being chairman of Credentials for me. So it was no surprise that you would be chosen to serve as our Worthy Grand Patron, and as was expected, you have served with dignity and honor, taking a place in the annals of our history.

Brother Joe, I know you too have a deep friendship with these two and would like to greet them.

MR. JOE JEFFERS: Thank you, Sister Jane. Sisters and Brothers, this Worthy Grand Matron is the Worthy Grand Matron. I never met a stronger human being in my life. I think the world of her, and I deeply appreciate the opportunity of standing here this evening with her and with Brother Richard Ochs. I am awed by their dedication and devotion to the Order of the Eastern Star and to you the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas. God bless you both. [applause]

MRS. JANE GREGORY: Again, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for the signal honor of opening your Friday evening session with one of our finest Past Grand Patrons, Brother Joe Jeffers. I extend to you your gavel.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The Grand Officers will assume their stations.

Our invocation will be given by Sister Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York and a Past Grand Matron of Texas. Sister Mary.

MRS. MARY BROWN: My Sisters and Brothers, join with me in prayer. Our Father God, we humbly seek Thy presence in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Thank you for Sister Alma and Brother Richard who have been inspiring leaders in love of our country, service to others and submission to Thy will. Bless and protect them as they continue in their work for Thee. Forgive us where we have failed Thee, and strengthen and guide us in the paths You would have us take. All this we ask in the name of our Precious Jesus, Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Jane Gregory, my friend, and Brother Joe Jeffers for calling this "Freedom and Justice for All" session to order. Both of you have been a big part of my life for a good number of years, and I am honored to call you my friends. Sister Mary Brown, thank you for putting us in the frame of mind that we may hear the message and feel the wonder of God's work this evening.

I recognize Sister Marty Drescher to introduce those who will receive Breast Cancer Research Funds.

MRS. MARTY DRESCHER: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters, Brothers, Friends all: I have the honor and privilege to introduce to you tonight Caroline Ferrill, Affiliate Service Coordinator of the Susan G. Komen Foundation, and April Box, Assistant Vice President of the Baylor Foundation.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is my honor to present these checks to each of you. I only asked the membership to donate in lieu of corsages for me and favors at my banquets to give to this fund. As you can see, this generous membership has done much more. It is my pleasure to present the Baylor Research Foundation and Susan Komen Research Foundation for Breast Cancer Research \$10,000 each. [applause]

MS. CAROLINE FERRILL: The Komen Foundation was founded in 1982 by Nancy Brinker in honor and in memory of her sister Susan Komen. The story that I know is that with just a shoebox full of money and a handful of friends, the idea was begun. It's estimated that by the end of 1997, over \$90 million will be raised. The Komen Foundation is the largest private researcher that dedicates money solely to research – breast cancer research. And just because of all of you, this will go on and will live for those of us who need it. Thank you. [applause]

MS. APRIL BOX: Thank you so much for your commitment and generosity, for all that you've done for Baylor Health Care System and all that you do in our community. Baylor Health Care System has been a long-time leader in clinical research, and we continue to do that, specifically in breast cancer. But something that I've been asked to announce tonight that is particularly exciting in the area of breast cancer that you don't hear very often is that Baylor Health Care System will be the second organization in the country to launch a new research study that is breast cancer prevention. And that's a word that you don't hear very much, but it's

something that we're doing now and we look forward to it. Your contribution is definitely going to improve lives and save them as well. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Sister Pat Archer for her Humanitarian report.

REPORT OF THE HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE

MRS. PAT ARCHER: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished East, my beloved Sisters and Brothers:

Serving on the Humanitarian Committee has been an exciting year of service. It has been our joy and pleasure to serve Grand Chapter in this capacity and you, the membership of Texas, have made our year a rewarding one. You caught the **BOLD VISION** of our Worthy Grand Matron and like an eagle, you soared beyond the present.

Worthy Grand Matron, you chose five lovely and dedicated ladies to serve on this committee with me. We have formed lasting friendships, and we extend to you our very special thanks.

I would like to introduce our District Chairmen, who did such an outstanding job that they made mine an easy one. Mrs. Marilyn Lee, District One; Mrs. Bonnie Varnell, District Two; Mrs. Nell Koonce, District Three; Mrs. Ramona Nance, District Four; Mrs. Emma Lou Parnell, Five; and with great pride and pleasure, I present the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patrons of the 528 one hundred percent or more Chapters, who will present the "Joy of Giving" Humanitarian Drill under the direction of our lovely Grand Marshal, Mrs. Joyce Fields.

These beautiful people represent what our Order is all about. They have indeed supported our Worthy Grand Matron's projects, Home Endowment, O.E.S. Home Fund and ESTARL, and the Worthy Grand Matron's Special Projects, Home Renovation Fund and Breast Cancer Research. Thank you my Sisters and Brothers.

I am pleased to give a partial report for the Humanitarian Projects through September, and the Special Projects through August. We will conclude our final report in a few short weeks.

WRITTEN REPORT OF THE HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE

General Chairman - Pat Archer
District Two - Bonnie Varnell
District Four - Ramona Nance

District One - Marilyn Lee
District Three - Nell Koonce
District Five - Emma Lou Parnell

DISTRICT SUMMARIES

District One:

Number of members	17,873	
Number of Chapters	146	
Number of Chapters participating	146	
100% Chapters	126	
200% Chapters	8	
300% Chapters	4	
500% Chapters	1	
Amount for Home Endowment		\$14,824.91
Amount for O.E.S. Home		4,603.22
Amount for ESTARL		5,316.77
Total District One Contributions		\$24,744.90

District Two:

Number of members	9,589	
Number of Chapters	86	
Number of Chapters participating	83	
100% Chapters	67	
200% Chapters	2	
Amount for Home Endowment		\$ 4,994.75
Amount for O.E.S. Home		1,645.99
Amount for ESTARL		3,855.00
Total District Two Contributions		\$10,495.74

District Three:

Number of members	12,193	
Number of Chapters	101	
Number of Chapters participating	97	
100% Chapters	77	
200% Chapters	10	
300% Chapters	3	
400% Chapters	1	
500% Chapters	1	
600% Chapters	1	
Amount for Home Endowment		\$12,774.96
Amount for O.E.S. Home		3,290.50
Amount for ESTARL		1,891.96
Total District Three Contributions		\$17,957.42

District Four:

Number of members	19,600	
Number of Chapters	143	
Number of Chapters participating	137	
100% Chapters	116	
200% Chapters	10	
300% Chapters	4	
400% Chapters	1	
Amount for Home Endowment		\$13,158.00
Amount for O.E.S. Home		4,300.17
Amount for ESTARL		6,575.07
Total District Four Contributions		\$24,033.24

District Five:

Number of members	11,213
Number of Chapters	99
Number of Chapters participating.....	97
100% Chapters	85
200% Chapters	8
300% Chapters	2
400% Chapters	1
Amount for Home Endowment	\$ 5,911.13
Amount for O.E.S. Home	2,905.59
Amount for ESTARL	6,762.71
Amount for Other	20.00
 Total District Five	 \$15,599.43

Grand Chapter Totals:

Number of members	70,468
Number of Chapters	575
Number of Chapters participating.....	560
100% Chapters	471
200% Chapters	38
300% Chapters	13
400% Chapters	3
500% Chapters	2
600% Chapters	1
Amount for Home Endowment	\$51,663.75
Amount for O.E.S. Home	16,745.47
Amount for ESTARL	24,401.51
Amount for Home Renovation	9,435.07
Amount for Breast Cancer Research	20,000.00

Total Grand Chapter Contributions to Humanitarian and
Special Projects \$122,245.80

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Archer
General Chairman
Humanitarian Committee

Worthy Matrons and Patrons on the floor, you will be led out the same way you came in.

This concludes the Humanitarian Drill.

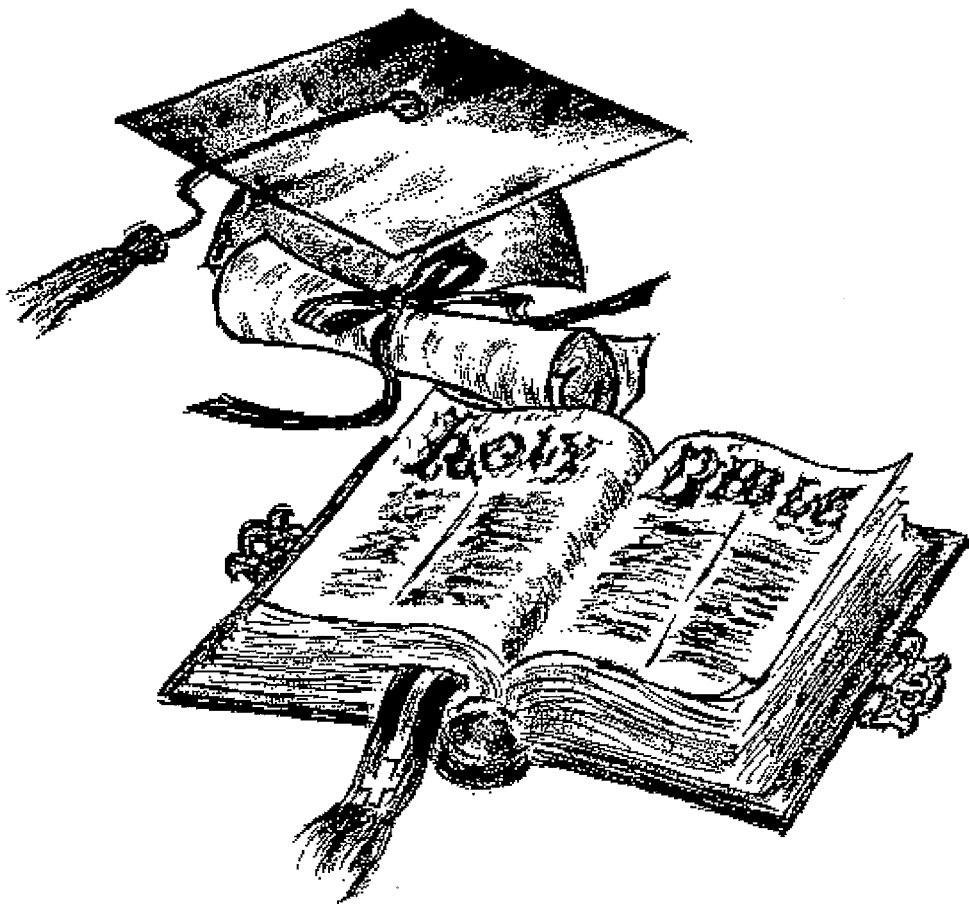
WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, let's move off as quickly and as quietly as we can so we can get on with the rest of our evening. Thank you, Sister Pat Archer, and your Committee for that great report. We certainly appreciate it. Sisters and Brothers, let's please be as quiet in our movement as we can and we will go on.

Sister Grand Conductress, you will open our Holy Bible. [The Holy Bible was opened.]

I recognize Sister Helen Hare for her ESTARL report. Sister Helen.

Soaring To Greater Heights With the Lord

ESTARL Service and Awards



Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Helen Hare
ESTARL Chairman
October 10, 1997

REPORT OF THE ESTARL COMMITTEE

MRS. HELEN HARE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Good evening.

VOICES: Good evening.

MRS. HELEN HARE: I thought there was someone out there. Let's try it again. Good evening.

VOICES: Good evening.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Praise the Lord. He lives and we live in His love as we soar to greater heights with the Lord.

Joining me to welcome all of you here are the five excellent District Chairmen of the ESTARL Committee: Mrs. Mildred Sanders, District 1 where 15 awards were given; Mrs. Mary Scates, District 2, 6 awards; Mrs. Doris Moore, District 3, 11 awards; Reverend James Scott, District 4, 10 awards; Mrs. Chet Pitts, District 5, 15 awards.

It has been such a great privilege serving on this Committee, and now this evening is a wonderful climax to an exciting year. Thank you all for joining us. Gregory Dumas, a recipient from District 3, will lead us in our invocation. Please remain seated.

MR. GREGORY DUMAS: Please join me in a word of prayer. Father, we are here to honor and glorify Your Name. We thank You for Your grace and Your provision, Your loving kindness. You are the giver of all good gifts, and all good things come from Your very hand. You give immeasurably more than we could ask or even think. We remember tonight, Father, the ultimate gift, the gift of all ages, Your inexpressible sacrifice. In remembrance of the gift of Jesus Christ, we thank those whom You have blessed for their gift. We who have received are truly honored and thankful. In the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, amen.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Thank you, Greg. We are going to have a song next, and this song was one of my father's favorites. In the last "He Lives" in the chorus, we're going to hold that because He really does live. Will you please stand and join us in singing the first and third verses of "He Lives." ["He Lives" sung in unison.]

Thank you. That was beautiful. You may be seated. Reading from the Word of God is Kris Barnett, recipient from District 2.

MR. KRIS BARNETT: Tonight's Scripture reading comes from the Book of Mark, Mark, Chapter 10, starting in Verse 17. [reading] As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "Why do you call me good," Jesus answered. "No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments. Do not murder; do not commit adultery; do not steal; do not give false testimony; do not fraud; honor your father and mother." "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said, "go sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have the treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." At this the man's face fell. He went away sad because he had great wealth. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the

rich to enter the kingdom of God." The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." The disciples were even more amazed and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God. All things are possible with God." Peter said to him, "We've left everything to follow you." "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the Gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age and in the age to come, eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

MRS. HELEN HARE: Thank you for that message from God's Word.

Glen Brunk, a recipient from District 5, will bring us a message in song.
[applause following song]

What a beautiful way to praise the Lord! Thank you so much.

There are many things I could say about the young man who will bring our message. In high school he served as a youth minister in his church; he attended the University of Texas Pan American, majoring in business administration, then served as an ADC caseworker in the Texas welfare department. During this time he also volunteered with Campus Life Youth for Christ. He then went back to UT/Pan American to study psychology and counseling, which gave him a double major. John then served as district director for Campus Life Youth for Christ for five years. Feeling the call of the Lord to become a minister, he entered the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, receiving his Master's degree in theology. John was called to the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth. There just like his grandfather did at his first church, John found Angie, the love of his life. Eastern Star has been a part of John's life forever. In Michigan he and his mother served as Martha, and one month before he was born they were elected Associate Conductress. His respect for the Order and support of his mother's participation is understood by all who know him. I could go on for hours about how great he is, but I promised him I wouldn't and I promised him I wouldn't embarrass him. So I'll just say it is with a mother's pride I introduce my son, John Seldon Hare. [applause]

REVEREND JOHN HARE: I'd like to start with a confession. I always get nervous when my mother introduces me because I'm never quite sure what facts in my past she's going to pull out. You did well! It is an honor for me to be here this evening. Ten years ago in a room much like this in Fort Worth, Texas, I received my scholarship from this organization when I was in seminary. I wish this year's recipients well in their endeavors, and I know that you will support them as you work in your communities as they do their work in theirs.

As we prepare ourselves to go to God's Word tonight, let us pray. Precious God, may the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in Your sight, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

"Too Much Weight - Too Little Runway"

Mark 10:17-31

The ground was covered with wreckage when they arrived at the site. Smoke and ash filled the air like a cloud of death. They had seen it all - and had heard it all! And the image was still fresh in their minds! It was an image that they would not soon forget!

He had done all the pre-flight stuff just like always. He had gone down the list – item by item – and everything seemed to check out. Everything was in order! He was ready to soar! But just as he was ready to lift off – he felt it! The strain on the engine confirmed his fears!

He was too heavy! He struggled to get control! He knew that the runaway was not long enough to gain enough speed! And try as he might – he knew that he would never clear the trees – and he didn't! Now – the darkness surrounded him like a shroud. He was lucky! He was able to walk away – but he would never be the same again!

As they made their way through the broken pieces of his life, the disciples wondered what had happened. He had such great potential! He had everything going for him! He was smart – well off – faithful – a promising recruit to become one of them. But just when it looked as if he had it made – Jesus sent him crashing down in despair!

What went wrong, they wondered. Why did Jesus do it? Why did Jesus suddenly turn on this man like that? The disciples were confused – and maybe just a bit upset. Didn't Jesus like the guy? Was it something personal? Was there something that they had missed as they watched and listened to their Conversation? What happened! What went wrong!

What did go wrong that night? Here was a man who understood and obeyed the laws of Moses! Here was a man who could say "Yes – I have done that!" To all the rules and regulations of his faith! Here was a man who – by everything we can see and hear – was ready, willing and able to follow Jesus! Here was a man who longed to soar in the heights of the heavenly Kingdom!

And Jesus knew all that! Jesus looked at this man – and he knew that he was more than qualified to bear the name "disciple." But he also knew something else about this man! He knew that there was something weighing him down – something that would keep him from taking off – something that would not allow him to reach the heights that he so longed for.

What was it? What was the weight that kept this man from soaring – from following – from being a trusted disciple? Jesus knew! "Go and sell all your possessions and give it to the poor!" The man probably never heard the rest of what Jesus said to him! All he probably heard was the strain on the engine. He probably never saw the look in Jesus' eyes. All he saw was the end of the runway.

He was obedient – and faithful – but he was also wealthy. And he was unable – or unwilling to give up what he thought was most valuable in his life. His possessions were his number one priority – and when Jesus asked him to give them away – he suddenly realized that he couldn't do it! So – with great sadness in his heart – he turned and walked away!

But still the disciples did not understand! Mark makes a point of telling us that following Jesus comes with a cost – a sacrifice that must be made! The disciples – the ones who had seen and heard it all had made sacrifices, but they still had things in their lives that kept them from understanding! They thought the issue was money – but it wasn't!

Oh, it would be nice if it was just about money. If it were we could all cash in our chips right now – but we know that's not so. We can't earn eternal life – no matter what we do! We can keep the commandments until we're blue in the face –

sign our paychecks over to our favorite charity or church – rattle our tin cups for our supper and still not earn a place at God's banquet table!

The kingdom of God is not for sale! The poor can not buy it with their poverty any more than the rich can buy it with their riches. The kingdom of God is God's unconditional gift – to be given to whomever God pleases – for whatever reasons please God!

The real issue is freedom! You have got to be free to receive the gift! You can not be otherwise engaged. You can not be tied up right now – or too tied down to respond to Jesus' call. You can not accept God's gift if you have no spare hands to take it with. You can not make room for it if all your rooms are full of something else. You can not follow if you are not free to go!

I think that is why the man went away unhappy. He understood all at once that he was not free. His wealth was supposed to make him free – but kneeling in front of Jesus he realized that it only weighed him down. Jesus invited him to follow, but he knew that his possessions held him like a ball and chain. He is the only person in the whole gospel of Mark who walked away from Jesus.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God." They were amazed – and I'm not so sure why! After all, two of them had left their fishing boat (not to mention their father). Another one had left a promising career – pushing his chair away from his tax collector's desk to follow.

All of them had walked away from something – but not because it was a qualification for the job of "disciple." It was more like a consequence! Jesus called – they followed – and stuff got left behind. Not because it was bad – but because it got in the way. Not because they had to – but because they wanted to! Jesus called – and nothing else seemed all that important anymore.

And that's how it is with us! There are things that keep us from following Jesus – from soaring to new and greater heights. Maybe its our money. Maybe its our sense of pride. Maybe its our families – or our dignity – or our attitude toward someone else! There is something in each of us that weighs us down – that holds us back – that keeps us from feeling God's grace under our wings.

And Jesus has a way of confronting us – just like he did with each of his disciples – just like he did that man that night. He knows what it is that keeps us from flying higher. Jesus challenges us to let go of and to give up whatever it is, and to take his hand. We can never take that hand as long as we're afraid to open our hand and put it in his.

Why did he do it? Why did Jesus send that man down in flames? Why does Jesus challenge us – force us to look so closely and honestly at our priorities? He does it because he loves us! How did Mark put it? "And looking at him, Jesus felt a love for him..." Jesus wants us by his side – to reach those new heights – to experience the wonder of his grace – to know the joy of his heavenly plan!

A friend once told me that a minister's job is to comfort the afflicted – and to afflict the comfortable. Sometimes we ministers are too much into comforting and too little into afflicting. Sometimes it seems as if we have made discipleship such a small and trivial thing that we have made it seem cheap.

I remember the old joke about the evangelist who – after preaching a long

sermon – gave an Altar call. “Come to the Altar and give your life to Jesus Christ!” He said. But no one came. In frustration, the evangelist said, “come to the Altar, as a way of saying that you love and honor God!” Still, no one came!

In even greater frustration, the evangelist appealed to the congregation, “come to the Altar as a way of saying that you want to live a better life.” No one moved! Finally – in an act of desperation, the evangelist called out, “If you love your mother, come to the Altar!”

No – this gospel reminds us that there are risks in hearing Jesus calling us. It reminds us that discipleship is not cheap! It reminds us that we are carrying things that weigh us down – that hold us back – that make that runway of obedience seem awful short. And yet that’s how it is in the discipleship business!

And you know – this young man just might have been willing to pay that cost. Later on, in Mark’s gospel – as Jesus is walking through the Garden of Gethsemane – just as the soldiers come to arrest him – there appears a young man – wearing nothing but a linen sheet – and he is following Jesus. Was he this young man? Had he finally done what Jesus asked him to do?

I don’t know – but the possibility is intriguing! Maybe the runway wasn’t too short after all! Maybe Jesus’ call to follow was stronger than the chain that weighed that young man down! Maybe he did see Jesus’ love for him that night! Maybe Jesus’ challenge had made a difference in his life after all.

And maybe it will make a difference in our lives, too! Maybe ministers can get away with some afflicting as well as comforting! Maybe it is possible for you and I to have a second chance when it comes to getting rid of the things in our lives that keep us from accepting Christ’s gift of grace and salvation!

Look at your own lives! Check to see if there is anything at all weighing you down – keeping you from spreading your wings – keeping you from fully trusting in Jesus! Is there anything at all that is keeping you from experiencing the up-lifting wind of God’s holy spirit in your life? Is there anything more valuable – more important in your heart than Jesus?

And when you locate that extra weight – that ball and chain – you’ll have to make a choice! Will you take a hike – or a hand? One young man walked away from Jesus! The disciples walked away from the things they held most dear – not because they had to – but because it was in their way! They set themselves free – not because they had to – but because they wanted to!

Can’t fly? Maybe you’re carrying too much weight! Maybe that’s why that runway seems to be a bit short! The good news is that God understands us – and loves us – and is more than capable of giving us the lift we need to clear the trees! All we have to do is open our hearts and hands – open our wings – let go of what holds us – and trust Him! After that – the sky is just the beginning!

Let us pray. Precious God, tonight we ask for Your grace in our lives and help us to spread our wings, to get rid of the extra weight and to trust our hearts to Your love. Amen.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Thank you, John, and happy birthday tomorrow.

We are pleased to tell you we were able to give 57 ESTARL awards this year for a total of \$23,750. The Committee unanimously agreed to give an award to all

applicants that showed a real dedication to the Lord's work and completed all of their paperwork. These awards are possible because of the generosity of our membership. I just wish you could all read the impressive applications and letters written by these young people. Now is the time we are asking you to give from your heart so that we can add to the amounts of these awards. Lisa Muratore, recipient from District 1, will be playing our offertory music, following the prayer by Reverend James Scott, the chairman of District 4.

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Tonight we are gathered to award the Eastern Star Training awards for Religious Leadership. Your Committee is grateful for the generous support of the Chapters and the Membership of Texas which have made it possible for us to award scholarships to all the qualified applicants who completed all the requirements.

ESTARL is unique among the programs of our General Grand Chapter and the Grand Chapter of Texas. This program reaches out to the larger Christian community and demonstrates the love that Eastern Stars have for our Christian sisters and brothers and our commitment to the Great Commission given to all Christians by our Lord and Savior that we "make disciples of all nations." ESTARL is Eastern Star in action.

We invite you to participate this evening in this Eastern Star outreach. All of the candidates this year were, in the opinion of your committee, "worthy and well qualified." We were impressed with their work as reflected in their transcripts and we were inspired by the commitment to our Lord and His service which they expressed in answering the questions on the application. We wished we could have given more money to each of the applicants. More money would allow us to increase the amount of many of the smaller scholarship awards. I promise your gift will reap rewards of love and service - service to Our Lord and His Church.

It is my prayer this evening that our Lord will enter into the heart of each person here - that the inspiration of this service and the offerings of word and music by our recipients will inspire each of us to dig a little deeper into our pockets and purses and invest in the future.

To paraphrase the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

"Let your light (the Light of our Eastern Star) so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in Heaven."

AMEN

[applause following offertory by Lisa Muratore]

MRS. HELEN HARE: We are so excited by the number of recipients with us tonight. Many were not able to attend because of other commitments. Six are attending school out of state. They sent their regrets and thanks for the support we are giving them. At this time I invite Sister Alma Carter, our Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron, to come to present the award certificates to our honorees. If you are a relative, friend or a member of the Chapter that recommended them, please stand as their name is called and they receive their certificate. Each district chairman will announce their recipients. Mildred from District 1.

MRS. MILDRED SANDERS: Those recipients from District 1 who were unable to attend tonight: Sara Barbary, Mark Plemmons, Tony Hefner, Charles

Huffland, John Pena, Alan Roark and Mark Stemmerick. Those that are able to be here tonight, I'm happy to introduce Daniel Carr, Rusty Dollar, Cory Heinz, Ricky Lee Huggins, Lisa Muratore, Eric Vaughn.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Mary from District 2.

MRS. MARY SCATES: I'm sorry that the ones that I call their names could not be here tonight. Walter Wayne Pearce, Paul Reams, Alisa Solley and Jean Wanett. And I'm so happy to have Kristopher Barnett, Friendship Chapter 1008, Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas; and Lonnie Poe, Happy 562, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Doris from District 3.

MRS. DORIS MOORE: The names of those who could not be with us this evening are: John Bradley Bunting, William Talmadge Kimbell, Douglas Greathouse, Katherine Groom, Laurie Roxanne Miller, Shane Mize, Wesley Sherman and Jennifer Truelove. Those that are privileged to be with us and we're privileged to have them with us are Gregory Dumas sponsored by Polytechnic Chapter No. 420 attending Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth; Jeremy Nowell sponsored by Arlington Chapter No. 249 attending Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas; Tammy Southerland sponsored by North Fort Worth Chapter No. 684 attending Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. Thank you.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Reverend Scott from District 4.

REVEREND JIM SCOTT: Only one has checked in from District 4. I'll read all the names, and if one of them snuck in here and I don't know they're here, come up when you hear your name, please. Those who are not here: Brenda Clark, Frances Foger, Capri Grimes, Janice Huntsinger, Matthew L. Himes, Russell A. Munch, Jason Post, Jan Singletary and Kevin Trinkle. Here tonight: Tamara Jo Talton sponsored by Ransford Chapter No. 135 attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Chet from District 5.

MRS. CHET PITTS: The ones that are not here are: Mark Becker, Lisa Marie Burgess, Laura Ashley Cowan, Matthew Drumbheller, Shelia Marie Griffith, Kevin Griffith, Frances Ann Coopman, Susan Marie Schneller. The ones that are here: Kathleen Ann Alexander sponsored by San Juan 726 attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas -- she isn't here; she didn't come, I'm sorry. Tommie Roxanne Broxie sponsored by Oakville Chapter 521 attending Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. If the Chapters that I call are here and the recipients are here, would you please stand. Glen Brunk, Luling Chapter No. 155, attending Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth; Janet Fluth, Portland Chapter 1108, attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas; Cheryl Kay Murray, sponsored by Harlingen Chapter 641, and attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas; Alexandra Smith, Fidelis Chapter No. 963, attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Just in case we didn't get people checked off with the right one, have we missed anyone who is here tonight? Thank you.

A very special song, "On Eagle's Wings," will be sung by Cheryl Murray, recipient of District 5. [applause following song] What a wonderful song and beautifully rendered! Thank you so much.

The young man who was to bring our benediction has a two-year-old daughter who has been very ill in the hospital, and they have just found the problem. She has diabetes, but is seriously ill. We ask you to remember Douglas Greathouse II and his family in your prayers. Jeremy Nowell has offered at the last moment to fill in for us with the benediction, and we appreciate it so much. He's also from District 3. And please remain seated for the benediction.

MR. JEREMY NOWELL: Let us pray. Father, we thank You for being with us tonight, and we thank You for this Chapter and its commitment to You. Lord, as we prepare to leave this place, I ask You to protect us on our way home, and I ask You to allow us the strength that the disciples displayed when they left everything to follow Jesus. I just pray that we would be able to leave different things in our lives that would hinder us. I ask that Your Spirit would show us things that are keeping us from following Christ. It is in Jesus' Name that we ask these things, amen.

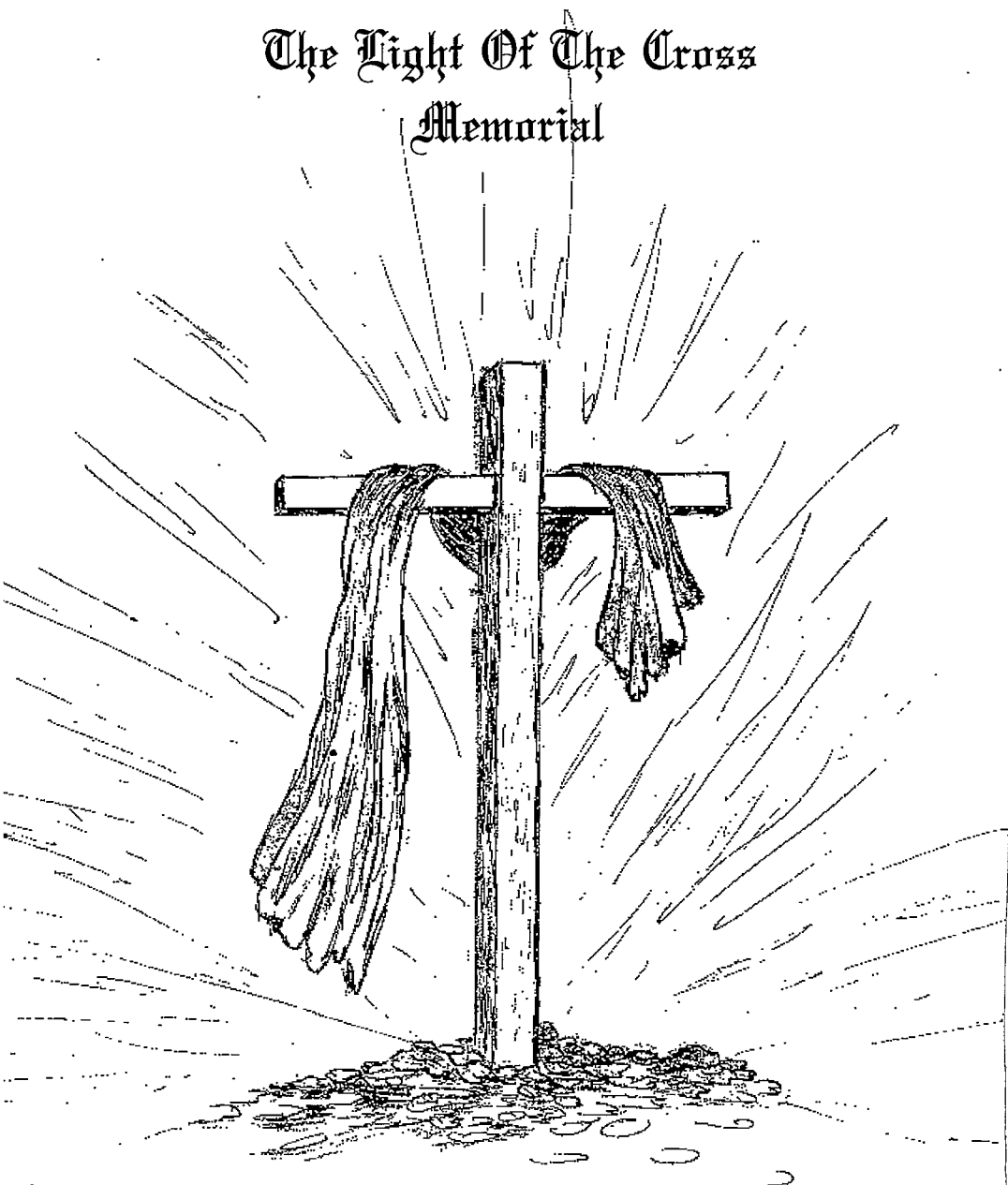
MRS. HELEN HARE: Worthy Grand Matron, this concludes our ESTARL service.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Helen, for that beautiful report. We will have its adoption tomorrow morning. I would like to congratulate each one of the recipients, such fine young people, and we were so happy to give you these scholarships. We invite you to stay for our Memorial program if you would like to. We know that some of you may have a busy evening, but you are most welcome to stay with us.

I recognize Sister Betty Prater, Grand Chaplain, who will bring the Memorial Service and her report.

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Sisters and Brothers, if you'll bear with us for just a moment, we're going to call a brief recess for some preparation.

The Light Of The Cross Memorial



Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Chaplain

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, my Distinguished Sisters and Brothers, and Friends, we extend to each of you a sincere welcome to the Light of the Cross Memorial Service in honor of those who have gone to their eternal resting place.

Our love, sympathy, and prayers were extended to other Grand Jurisdictions in the loss of their beloved members:

1 Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	1 Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus
47 Past Grand Matrons	46 Past Grand Patrons
1 Associate Grand Matron	1 Grand Martha
	and
1 Past Most Worthy Grand Patron from the Grand Chapter of New Jersey	

Ninety-eight memorial cards were mailed to other Grand Jurisdictions and 98 condolence letters were sent to the families and loved ones of those who had passed away. Sympathy, Get Well, and Thinking of You cards, as well as memorials, were sent to 55 families of our members.

We deeply mourn the passing of 2,413 members of our Subordinate Chapters this year. Knowing that our loss is Heaven's gain, we know that they are now rejoicing with their loved ones gone before.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for appointing me as your Grand Chaplain. When I was installed a year ago, I accepted with great humility and with a prayer in my heart that God would walk with me as I represented our Order. So many beautiful lives have touched mine this year. I thank God every day for giving me this memorable time and I sincerely hope that my service has pleased you, Worthy Grand Matron, and more importantly, has pleased our Father in Heaven. I hope that He will use this service to comfort the hearts of those who have lost friends and loved ones this year.

THE LIGHT OF THE CROSS MEMORIAL SERVICE

John 11:25 "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. Believeth thou this? "

This memorial service is lovingly dedicated to Sister Jeannie Hinsley, the daughter of our Worthy Grand and a member of Plano Chapter No. 703. On June 20, 1997, God stretched forth His arm, reached for her outstretched hand, and gently folding her to His breast, tenderly whispered, "well done, My good and faithful servant." All of us feel a keen loss in Jeannie's passing. She was a genteel young lady of great intellect, a courageous heart, unlimited energy, and unwavering faith. She was small in stature but tall in courage and strength. She was a teacher by vocation, loved by her students and the faculty with whom she worked. David Starr Jordan said it so well when he wrote "Be a life long or short, its completeness depends on what it was lived for."

Our Worthy Grand Matron will light the Candle of Everlasting Love in remembrance of Sister Jeannie.

How fragile are the days of our lives . . . the silver cord is so silently and swiftly loosened, as our loved ones slip from us. We who are left here today pause to pay loving tribute to the memory of our friends and loved ones who have gone to their eternal reward. We cannot discuss our problems with them, neither can we expect help from their willing hands, but still we feel their presence and we know that they have gone on to greater works and service. We do not say that their day is over, but rather that their day has just begun. This memorial is not done in sorrow, but in loving remembrance of them. We know that God in His infinite wisdom makes no mistakes. He has called some of our loved ones home after long and fulfilling lives, while others He has called home in the vigor of life, or in their youth. However, it is not the length of life, but the quality of life that matters.

TRIBUTE TO THE PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

General Grand Chapter was saddened as a brilliant link in the golden chain was broken on March 30, 1997 when Sister Thelma R. Bailey, Most Worthy Grand Matron, 1979-82, passed away. There will be others who will fill the station of Most Worthy Grand Matron, however, no one will ever take her place; nor will they fill that vacant spot which her absence leaves in our Order, in her Chapter, in her State, and throughout General Grand Chapter.

A floral tribute to her memory will be placed at the foot of the cross by Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Texas.

**Matthew 11:28: "Come unto me,
all ye that labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest."**

TRIBUTE TO THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

Many other distinguished members of General Grand Chapter passed through the door to Everlasting Life this year. We extend our love, sympathy and prayers to the families and members of these who have been called home. The flame of their lives will continue to glow, reflecting their service and dedication to our Order.

A floral tribute will be lovingly placed at the foot of the cross by Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Chairman, Appeals and Grievances, General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Texas.

**John 8:12: "I am the light of the world;
he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness,
but shall have the light of life."**

TRIBUTE TO THE GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Our Sister Grand Jurisdictions have been saddened as God called their beloved members home to their final reward. Knowing that their service was rendered in faith and love, we extend our appreciation for their dedication to our Order.

Mrs. Sherrill R. Cain, Member of the Scottish Rite Language Disorders Committee of General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Texas, will place a floral tribute at the foot of the cross in their memory.

**John 14:18: *"I will not leave you comfortless;
I will come to you."***

TRIBUTE TO OUR GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS MEMBER

The brittle thread by which we are bound to life was broken on October 25, 1996, the day after the Memorial Service at our last Grand Chapter Session, when our beloved Past Grand Matron, Sister Cynthia Mae Watts, walked through the valley of the shadow of death and was gently lifted by our Father to her eternal home.

As we pause to pay tribute to her memory, we are reminded of her gentle spirit, strength of character, and abiding faith. She was surpassed by none in her love and devotion for the Order of the Eastern Star, for her family, for her Church, and for her God.

A floral tribute to her memory will be presented by Mrs. Mary Brown, Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron to New York and Past Grand Matron of Texas.

**Psalms 23:4: *"Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil for thou art with me,
they rod and thy staff they comfort me."***

TRIBUTE TO THE SUBORDINATE CHAPTER MEMBERS

As we pause to give love's tribute to the deceased members of our subordinate chapters, we are reminded of the vacancies left behind by a faithful officer or a member. Whether taken by a sudden death or a prolonged illness, the hurt is still the same. We cherish their memory knowing that their earthly tasks are done but their influence will live on forever. Let us not sorrow, but rather rejoice that our hearts and lives touched their's.

A floral tribute will be reverently placed at the foot of the cross by Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, Special Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of Texas.

**Matthew 5:4: "Blessed are they that mourn;
for they shall be comforted."**

Mrs. Sharon Harbison, Grand Soloist, District 4, will sing the moving and beautiful "The Holy City." [applause following singing]

God gives us each a gift of life to cherish from our birth;
He gives us friends and those we love to share our days on earth.
He watches us with loving care and takes us by the hand,
He blesses us with countless joys and guides the lives we've planned.
Then when our work on earth is done, He calls us to His side,
To live with Him in happiness where peace and love abide.

The Installed Grand Officers and their Personal Pages will now perform "The Light of the Cross" formation under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Fields, Grand Marshal.

After the formation is in place, we will worship as Ms. Carolyn Sue Daniel sings "The Twenty-third Psalm."

Following the draping of the Altar, Mr. Jack Rowland will perform a beautiful trumpet rendition of "Taps."

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters Conductress, Associate Conductress and Grand Chaplain, you will reverently drape our Holy Altar in memory of our departed Sisters and Brothers.

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Our Heavenly Father, we thank You for loving and watching over us through another year and for giving us the courage and strength to bear our sorrows. As we pause to pay tribute to the memory of our departed loved ones, we thank You for the hope of eternal life.

We are grateful to you for the lives of our Sisters and Brothers, for the privilege of knowing and loving them.

Father, we give these loved ones and friends back to You, who gave them to us. Yet, as You did not lose them in giving, so we do not lose them by their return to You. We commend to your special care those hearts which have been saddened by the passing of a loved one or friend. May they be comforted by the realization that the parting is temporary and the meeting glorious and eternal. All these things we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Grand Conductress, you will close the Holy Bible.

Our benediction will be pronounced by our lovely Past Grand Matron, Sister Elsie Paladino.

MRS. ELSIE PALADINO: Let us bow as we go to the Throne of Grace. Our Heavenly Father, we indeed know that You live. We have witnessed and felt Your

presence here this evening. Father, we are grateful for that presence. Father, we would ask that You comfort those who seek to be comforted. Heal those who seek to be healed. And, Father, protect those who need Your protection, and, Father, each one needs Your protection. Father, You have given each one of us our own day and our own experiences today. We pray that our actions have been pleasing unto You. Father, give us peaceful rest. Let us return refreshed to our tasks tomorrow with hearts filled with compassion and love that we may be kind, forgiving and forbearing one toward another. Loving Father, we would ask that You continue to surround this Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with love and strength as they continue their duties. Father, bless and protect and guide us as we depart. We ask these things in Thy precious Son's Name, amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: This session is closed until Saturday morning at 8 a.m. The rehearsal for the 1997-98 Installation of Grand Chapter Officers will be immediately in this arena. The candidates' reception will be held in Ballroom A. Good night, my loved ones.

**“THE LAND OF THE FREE”
Saturday Morning Session
October 11, 1997**

7:45 a.m. Musical Prelude..... Mrs. Marilynn Lee
Humanitarian Chairman, District 1

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

Mr. Harold Todd
Past Grand Patron

MRS. RENNIE OFTON: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members of the United Grand Chapter of Australia, other Grand Jurisdictions and our own beloved Sisters and Brothers of Texas: This day is a gift from our God above, and what we do with it will be our gift to Him. We praise Him for His love unto us always. Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for the privilege of serving in this place today to open “The Land of the Free” Session of our Grand Chapter. It is my pleasure and honor to be serving with a very special friend and fine Brother, Past Grand Patron Harold Todd. Our years of friendship with him and Cleta have meant much to Paul and me. Sister Marylynn Lee, we have enjoyed your musical prelude, and I know the membership would like to join me in expressing our appreciation to you. [applause]

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the record of your service this past year will leave an indelible mark in the history of our Grand Chapter. Your dedication, love for the Order and its members and strength in caring on the work of our Order will bring special memories for many years to come. We have been pleased with the presence of all of our Distinguished Guests. However, I believe we have been honored indeed to have a fine group from the United Grand Chapter of Australia coming today. They surely are a long way from home. And, certainly, we

hope our special brand of Texas hospitality will make their trip worthwhile. Brother Harold Todd, would you bring greetings to our Sisters and Brothers.

MR. HAROLD TODD: Thank you, ma'am. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished Members and my Sisters and Brothers: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for giving me the privilege of opening this Saturday morning "The Land of the Free" Session with Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, General Grand Chapter of Texas. It is fortunate we have Sister Rennie with us as our forthcoming leader. And where else but in the land of the free can you find the freedoms that we all hold dear: freedom of speech where we can even criticize our government, we can even criticize our government without fear; freedom to worship as we choose; freedom of the ballot. And since today we will be choosing those that will lead our Order for the coming year, what better title of this session than "Land of the Free."

Thank you again, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing me to have a part in this session.

MRS. RENNIE OFTON: Thank you, Brother Harold.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will direct the Grand Officers in the "This Is My Country" drill. [Drill performed for the last time to much applause.] Thank you, Grand Officers and Pages, for another beautiful drill.

Worthy Grand Matron, a note has been passed to me that there is a group of Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine recruiters out in the foyer. Shall we let them in? [laughter and applause] I invite the Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. [As the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress met the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to bring them to the East, they presented them with bouquets of roses. Applause and standing ovation as they came to the East.] Sisters and Brothers, you will join in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. [Grand Honors given.] Worthy Grand Matron, with love, respect and best wishes for God's guidance for you this day, I present to you your gavel of authority.

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

Thank you, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, our own Past Grand Matron. How proud we are of you in Texas, Sister Rennie. Thank you, Brother Harold Todd, for serving with Sister Rennie. Your support this year has not gone unnoticed by this Worthy Grand Matron. To my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Nancy, thank you for bringing our invocation this morning. Your words will make our day go better I know. Worthy Grand Patron, I know you would like to thank Sister Rennie and Brother Harold.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Rennie Ofton, Brother Harold Todd: Your assistance this morning in calling this session to order, in which we are going to have elections shortly, is greatly appreciated. And, Sister Allen, thank you, Past Grand Matron.

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

GRAND WARDER: Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this Grand Chapter from rest to labor. You will permit no one to enter the Grand Chapter room unless otherwise directed.

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. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are entitled to be seated in this Grand Chapter room.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will ascertain and report if all present are entitled to be seated in this Grand Chapter room. [The Grand Chapter was proved.] Worthy Grand Matron, all present are entitled to be seated in this Grand Chapter room.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. I now call on my own Past Grand Matron, Sister Nancy Bailey Allen, to bring our invocation.

MRS. NANCY BAILEY ALLEN: Would you please bow your heads this morning. Our most gracious Heavenly Father, we reverently invoke the blessings for those assembled on this particular day. We thank You for the Christian fellowship we enjoy with the members, and we thank You for the opportunity of serving this great Order. We are so grateful for the many blessings bestowed upon each of us. Father, we thank Thee for the Order of the Eastern Star and for the high ideals it stands for. We are grateful for the services rendered not only to our own members, but to our communities and our states, our nation and in other lands. We thank Thee for those who have directed the affairs of our beloved Order this year. We thank Thee for their faith and for their loyalty. And as we begin this session, may Thy Spirit direct us in all our deliberations and give us wisdom and understanding so that the things that we do and the plans we make may have the approval of God. In Jesus' Name we pray, amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now declare this "Land of the Free" Session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this session from rest to labor and you will permit no interruptions.

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. While our Committee is setting up the tables and chairs for our election – they're going to do that as quietly as possible, and we're going to continue with some of our preparations for the election so we can get on with our elections today and get on with some of our reports.

But, first, Sister Grand Conductress, you will open our Holy Bible. [The Holy Bible was opened.] Thank you, Grand Conductress.

Will all voting delegates please raise your cards. Brother Joe, are all the non-voting delegates in 15, 16 and 17? Okay. If you are not a voting delegate, please go to sections 15, 16 and 17 in the upper area where the sign says "Non-voting

delegates." It would help our Pages if as many of the voting delegates that could, would get on the lower level – I don't mean the floor level. I mean that lower level. That way the Pages wouldn't have to climb so high to pick up your ballots. It would save them so much, and we would appreciate it greatly. I know you can't all get down there, but the lower you could get, the more we would appreciate it.

Sisters Marty Drescher, Pat Archer, Helen Hare and Betty Prater, please come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, our Grand Choir is going to sing for us right now. [Singing of "A Mighty Fortress."] Thank you, Grand Choir. I recognize Sister Marty Drescher for her report on Breast Cancer Research.

REPORT OF THE BREAST CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE

MRS. MARTY DRESCHER: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: My report is as of October 1st. This year of service to Grand Chapter has been one of love, of caring, of giving and of strength. When planning for this project, Sister Alma and I had common goals: to educate and to encourage this membership to be generous in giving to breast cancer research in hopes that through education and research, the membership of Texas could help fight against this disease. Five articles were published in the Bulletin; information was made available at the four schools of instruction. Additional donations were made by two Chapters to the American Cancer Society and to the American Red Cross for flood relief in North Dakota. Donations to the Breast Cancer Research fund to date are \$14,354.77. Additionally, during this Grand Chapter session the total now is \$20,000. These are including \$9,915 for honoring the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron; \$175 honoring the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons; \$520 in lieu of flowers and gifts at the schools of instruction; \$1,636 for memorials for Jeanie Hensley; \$552 memorials for other members of the Order; and \$1,554 honoring officers of Subordinate Chapters and Installing Officers.

The support of this great membership to this deserving project has been both overwhelming and heartwarming. I wish to commend those members who answered the call to arms for this fight. Finally, I would like to acknowledge our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma, for the tremendous role model she has been for all of us throughout this difficult year. Let us continue past today in our quest for a cure. Thank you so much. [applause]

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Marty Drescher. And thank you for acting as a Committee of one. I know every lady in here, as well as the Brothers, appreciate all that you have done for this Committee and for breast cancer research. Thank you, my dear.

Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Breast Cancer Committee given last evening. All in favor, raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I now recognize Sister Pat Archer for the report of the Humanitarian Committee.

MRS. PAT ARCHER: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the report for the Humanitarian Committee that was presented last evening.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Humanitarian Committee given last evening. All in favor will please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I recognize Sister Helen Hare.

MRS. HELEN HARE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests and members of the Grand Chapter of Texas: It is with pride that I make this final addendum to the ESTARL report given October 10, 1997.

During the "E.S.T.A.R.L. Love Offering" our wonderful membership gave a total of \$3,533.00. With this generous offering and the monies that have come in since August 2, 1997 we are able to give an additional amount to our thirty-one smaller awards of \$100.00 each.

This brings the total of the 57 Awards to \$26,850.00.

I would like to tell you that one of our Chapters during this year collected "Pennies For Heaven" for the E.S.T.A.R.L. Fund – what a clever idea. Maybe some of the rest of us can come up with unusual ideas this next year! Every little bit helps.

Sincerely and Fraternaly
Helen M. Hare
General Chairman, ESTARL Committee
1996-1997

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and second that we adopt the report of the ESTARL Committee given last evening. All in favor, please raise your blue cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Helen Hare, and your Committee for all the work that you did.

I now recognize my friend, our Grand Chaplain, Sister Betty Prater.

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Grand Chaplain's report as presented last evening.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Grand Chaplain given last evening. All in favor, please raise your blue cards. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my good friend, Sister Betty Prater, for a most beautiful, beautiful Memorial Service last evening. [applause]

Before I begin to call the Tellers, I would like to ask some of the following Committees to be on stage. We may have time before our ten o'clock election to give some reports. If we do not, we will intersperse them with our election: Endowed Membership, our Chairman is not here, but if anyone wants to give her report, we would be glad for those district members to come forth; Resolutions; Bulletin; Chapter History; Defenders of Freedom, Founder's Day; General Chairman of Chapter Projects; Home and Country Celebration; Music; Pursuit of Excellence; and Time and Talent. We want all these reports so when our election is over, we can go home

so Sister Yvonne will have plenty of time for all of the arrangements she has made for this evening.

Brother Garland Rattan will be our Election Judge, and he will give us our report a little later. But it takes a while for our Tellers to get down, so I'm going to call them first and then we will go ahead with other business while they're coming down, if they will come down quietly.

Our Table Judges today will be: Table 1, Sister Mildred Sharpe; Table 2, Sister Molly Goodpasture; Table No. 3, Sister Rennie Ofton; Table No. 4, Sister Doris Efrid; Table No. 5, Mrs. Mary Brown – Sister Mary, do you feel like being a Table Judge or would you rather us get someone else? She can tell me later. Table No. 6, Brother B. F. Hutson. Sister Virginia Lynn Green will be assisting Brother Garland Rattan. The Table Judges for Table No. 1 – I mean, the Past Grands for Table No. 1 will be: Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Wanda Fairchild, Oliver Chamberlin, Jane Gregory; Table No. 2, Patricia Major Neinast, Elsie Paladino, Harold Todd, Sherrill Cain; Table No. 3, Rosemary Swetland, Elise Hammack, Lois Bell, Joyce Roberts; Table No. 4, Billy Combest, Lena Maye Cook, O. D. Christian, Lallah Mae Vollus; Table No. 5, Joe Jeffers, Ralph Davis, Nancy Bailey Allen, Leland Benefield; Table No. 6, Murray Watson, Betty Phillips Hager, Jean Nesbitt and any other Past Grand that would like to assist. I want to be sure that our Arrangements Committee will have two or three extra chairs sitting at each table so our Past Grands may rest between elections and not have to stand up all day.

Tellers for Table No. 1: Martha Sanderson, Esther Hays, Linda Roye, Jo Ann Williams, Mary Ella Morris, Bill Johnson, Bernice Trulan, Betty Carter, Earline Woodall, Donald Pettke, Carolyn Brock, Betty Barr, James Pollack, Magdalene Cardwell, Joyce Huey, Mattie Herrin, Glen Rowe, Mary Meason, Dwight Von Heger, Jane Dunsford.

Table No. 2: Dorothy Wade, Joe Nance, Ahtrell Dalton, Dorothy White, Adele Smith, Judith Cook Fowler, Joyce Waddell, Lois Fulton, Charles Whitfield, Jack Guy, Bess Madison, Langston Brown, Gilbert Champion, Leah Hayes, Claudette Carroll, Katherine Clark, Jewel Gammon, Teresa Penninger, Katherine Rose, Margie Faircloth.

Table No. 3: Agnes Smith, Delores Hartley, Carl Starkey, Martha Cameron, Ethel Pratt, Kathleen Bixenstein, Jerry Trees, Frank Draper, Linda Puckett, Evelyn Berry, Alma York, Acey Guile, Nelda Jo Davis, Sylvia Ritchey, Linda Goodlett, D. A. Morris, Joyce Champion, Grace Stovall and Sue Shoemaker.

Table No. 4: Ruth Fitts, Rose Ann Lowry, Millie Barbee, Donna Haltom, Carolyn Shafter, Helen Carls, Carl Drescher, Bill Honeycutt, Ann Hogan, Jo Ann Drescher, Eunice Vincent, Sue Cook, Oma Bush, Ruth Jameson, Marie Sutton, Viola Whiteside, James Parker, Keith Ulch, Adele Smith, Judith Goldman.

Table No. 5: Jo Nell Cooper, Mary Frances Royal, Jarlene Pearce, Lillian Anderson, Christine Armstrong, Vickie Campbell, Darla Teeter, Joy Pat Miller, Mary Ceat Hill, Lou Mohon, Jim Clifton, Patricia Predgo, James Kinsell, Ann Worsham, Ailene Brisco, Lois Urkey, Joyce Saling, Bill White, Jerry Glover, Eloise Norton.

Table No. 6: Barbara Gregory, Mary Horan, Rita Marrs, Frankie Henson, Jack Ellison, John Elkington, Mary Lou Piedlau, Sue Donahue, Pat Whitehead, Rita Lytle, June Adair, Christene Thomas, Carol Coleman, Henry Cook, Harold Ainsworth, Frank Hembree, Frances Frazer, Betty Warlick, Pat Wilder, Kathy Teal.

Past Grands, if you are unable to serve at your table, I think there will be plenty of Past Grands at the table. If they need help, they will let me know.

If the Tellers will go to their respective tables quietly, I'm going to call on Sister Mattie Herrin. Since the General Chairman of Chapter History could not be here, I'm going to call on her to give her report on Chapter History, because I have called her as a Teller. She's my own secretary so I can do what I want with her!

REPORT OF THE CHAPTER HISTORY COMMITTEE

MRS. MATTIE HERRIN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

The Chapter History Committee District Chairmen are:
 General Chairman, Mrs. Mary Meason
 District I, Mrs. Mattie Herrin
 District II, Mrs. Bess Madison
 District III, Mrs. Susan I. Hall
 District IV, Mrs. Zaidee Ruth Jinks
 District V, Mrs. Nelda Hastings

Worthy Grand Matron, the members of this committee thank you for selecting us to serve on this very interesting and worthwhile committee. We also consider it a huge success.

Texas has 562 Chapters and we received reports from 439 Chapters. We also want to recognize District V for being 100%. That is great. Every District worked hard and every Chapter heard from provided interesting reading. Thank you committee members for helping the Worthy Grand Matron to fulfill her desire to have a permanent record of our Chapters.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mary Meason
 General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: If they're in the hall, would Bess Madison, Susan Hall, Zaidee Ruth Jinks and Nelda Hastings please come to the East for a picture.

Sisters and Brothers, it has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Chapter History Committee. All in favor, please raise your card. All opposed, same sign. We have Sister Zaidee Ruth here with us from District 4. I don't know if there are any of the others here or not, I have not seen them. I would like to say that the Chapter history books are completed, and they are beautiful. If you did not get your Chapter history in and would like to at a later date, if you will send it to us, we will combine it with the others and get it in the proper spot in those books. And they are absolutely lovely!

May we have a song from the Choir, please. [Grand Choir sang "Victory in Jesus."] Thank you, Grand Choir.

I now recognize Sister Bobbie Paul from the Resolutions Committee to bring the report.

If I have called your Committee and you are a District Chairman, will you please come up and sit with your Chairman on the stage so you might have your picture made with them.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

MRS. BOBBIE PAUL: I am pleased to present the Resolutions Committee:

Sarah Crowder – District II
Eleanor E. McFarland – District III
Emma Snider – District IV
Ann Stuart – District V
and I'm Bobbie E. Paul – District I.

The Worthy Grand Matron has asked me to present the report of the Committee in that I am from the district hosting Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers, members and visitors of the Grand Chapter:

"The clock of time has unwound bringing us to the closing hours of the delightful and greatly enjoyed "Freedom's Light" Session. Much planning and labor has gone into this production. On behalf of each member and visitor present, we voice to all who had a part in the plans and labor of their execution, our grateful appreciation.

During the past year, tragedy and time have touched the world, calling to eternal rest the great and the small in all fields of life. For their lives, the love and the tender memories that they leave behind, we thank God.

God gave us life and through Him whose star we follow, He promises us life eternal if we but believe. We have been blessed in the fact that the chain of our beloved Past Grand's has not been broken during the closing year. However, at the last session of Grand Chapter, during the beautiful memorial service, our senior Past Grand Matron, Cynthia Mary Watts heard her master call, "Come Home" and she closed her eyes in peace.

On Friday evening the Grand Chaplain in the sacred "Hour of Remembrance" of the "Light of the Cross" Memorial expresses for Grand Chapter and all of us our love, respect and tender memory of this beautiful lady and outstanding leader of our Order.

Many of our members have been lost in sorrow in the loss of loved ones. We enfold all of them with our love and sympathy and with poetic privilege say:

*They are not gone, on this we say,
They are not gone, they are just away.
To a fairer land, they have passed . . .
We shall see them again some day.*

To all members so touched, our love and understanding, sympathy reaches out to you.

Our report could not be concluded without an expression of appreciation to the Worthy Grand Matron for asking us to be a part of the "team" of love, lifted on the wings of the eagle of service.

To those who shall shortly take to the reins of fraternal leadership, we say, God's speed . . . accept the challenge and reach for ever greater things.

Lastly, Worthy Grand Matron, you have been an example of strength, a role model, as you have faced leadership problems and the difficult task of giving back to God, your second beloved daughter. To you and the Worthy Grand Patron who has been a strong arm of strength, we say in behalf of the Grand Chapter:

"We love you for what you are, yes . . . but greater is our love for what you make of us when we are with you."

Fraternally submitted,
Bobbie E. Paul
District I Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You have heard the motion and a second that we accept the report of the Resolutions Committee. All in favor will please raise their blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I'm going to briefly go back through, since some of them were not here at first and have not reported at their tables. First, I'm going to call the Table Judges and then I'm going to call the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons and give them their assigned table. Table judge for Table 1: Mrs. Mildred Sharpe; Table 2, Mrs. Molly Goodpasture; Table 3, Mrs. Rennie Ofton; Table 4, Mrs. Doris Efird; Table 5, Mrs. Mary Brown; Table 6, Mr. B. F. Hutson. If any of these ladies or gentlemen cannot be at their table today, one of the other Past Grands will just have to work as judge until they can get here, or even the rest of the day.

Table 1: Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Wanda Fairchild, Oliver Chamberlin, Jane Gregory; Table No. 2, Patricia Major Neinast, Elsie Paladino, Harold Todd, Sherrill Cain; Table No. 3, Rosemary Swetland, Elise Hammack, Lois Bell, Joyce Roberts; Table No. 4, Billy Combest, Lena Maye Cook, O. D. Christian, Lallah Mae Vollus; Table No. 5, Joe Jeffers, Ralph Davis, Nancy Bailey Allen, Leland Benefield; Table No. 6, Murray Watson, Betty Phillips Hager. And Jean Nesbitt cannot come to the table, Betty. And if Murray doesn't show up, you're it! Or B. F. is it, one or the other. Whichever one of you. Y'all draw straws!

Real quickly, I'm going to run through the Tellers. I see that they are certainly not all there by any stretch of the imagination. But I would like to make the assignment of those who will be on the adding machines: Ed Pickett, Laurel Roth and Kathy Jackson.

Table No. 1, if you did not hear your name called, please go quickly. Martha Sanderson, Esther Hays, Linda Roye, Jo Ann Williams, Mary Ella Morris, Bill Johnson, Bernice Trulan, Betty Carter, Earline Woodall, Donald Pettke, Carolyn Brock, Betty Barr, James Pollack, Magdalene Cardwell, Joyce Huey, Mattie Herrin, Glen Rowe, Mary Meason, Dwight Von Heder, Jane Dunsford. And I see you're not near full over there. Monroe Cooper, Karen Graham, Judith Van Horn, Arthur Payne, Patricia Petit, Nancy Ellen Lewis, Agnes Frankhauser, Lemma Godsey, Barbara Scott Grant.

Table No. 2: Dorothy Wade, Joe Nance, Ahtrell Dalton, Dorothy White, Adele Smith, Judith Cook Fowler, Joyce Waddell, Lois Fulton, Charles Whitfield, Jack Guy, Bess Madison, Langston Brown, Gilbert Champion, Leah Hayes, Claudette Carroll, Katherine Clark, Jewel Gammon, Teresa Penninger, Katherine Rose, Margie Faircloth. I'm going to call some extra ones. Doreen Hamlin, Peggy Burns, Jeff Geyer, Ray Atkins, June McGinty, Elsie Wright, Carol Stone, Leslie Lowery.

Table No. 3: Agnes Smith, Delores Hartley, Carl Starkey, Martha Cameron, Ethel Pratt, Kathleen Bixenstein, Jerry Trees, Frank Draper, Linda Puckett, Evelyn Berry, Alma York, Acey Guile, Nelda Jo Davis, Sylvia Ritchey, Linda Goodlett, D. A. Morris, Joyce Champion, Grace Stovall and Sue Shoemaker, Sue Lockhart, Toni McMillan, Mary Winn, Dr. David Mordoski, Winfred Harbison, Sr., Ruth Steele, Dr. Paul Beechner, Sue Stevens, Yvonne Ceat, Janell Lowe.

Table No. 4: Ruth Fitts, Rose Ann Lowry, Millie Barbee, Donna Haltom, Carolyn Shafter, Helen Carls, Carl Drescher, Bill Honeycutt, Ann Hogan, Jo Ann Drescher, Eunice Vincent, Sue Cook, Oma Bush, Ruth Jameson, Marie Sutton, Viola Whiteside, James Parker, Keith Ulch, Adele Smith, Judith Goldman, Carl Winchel, Robin Merchant, JoAnn Squyres, Virginia Scott, Sandra Power, Leonard Ramos, Becky Walker, Letha Adams.

Table No. 5: Jo Nell Cooper, Mary Frances Royal, Jarlene Pearce, Lillian Anderson, Christine Armstrong, Vickie Campbell, Darla Teeter, Joy Pat Miller, Mary Ceat Hill, Lou Mohon, Jim Clifton, Patricia Predgo, James Kinsell, Ann Worsham, Ailene Brisco, Lois Urkey, Joyce Saling, Bill White, Jerry Glover, Eloise Norton, Patsy LaGrone, Marie Skidmore, Ella Mae Dotson, Robbie Pynes, Mary Meason, Joyce Martin, Billie Ann Booth.

Table No. 6: Barbara Gregory, Mary Horan, Rita Marrs, Frankie Henson, Jack Ellison, John Elkington, Mary Piedlau, Sue Donahue, Pat Whitehead, Rita Lytle, June Adair, Christene Thomas, Carol Coleman, Henry Cook, Harold Ainsworth, Frank Hembee, Frances Frazer, Betty Warlick, Pat Wilder, Kathy Teal, Crystal Roper, Bill Creech, Christene Santos, Angel Navarro, Howard Porter, John Cagel, Nelson Campbell, Pam Lackey, Gwen Husky, Dorothy O'Brien, Dean Hildebrand, Virginia Hodges, Jane Snow, Charlotte Stevens. Would you please go quickly.

To Table No. 1, I would like Iris Stone, Winn Walton, Virginia Wolfram, Delores Coker, Frances Carr, Ariane Terrace, Jeannie May, Jean Pettigrew, Nola Cole. To Table No. 2: Shirley Hainline, Charles Womack, Jean Hembee, Edna Rambo, Joy Bentley, Georgia Franklin, Shirley Ann Cook, Mildred Harvey, Mary Calvert, Marcie Eisenbise and Edward Piedlau. Table No. 3 - you need four - Kate Carlson, Sam Jeffers, Pat Moore, Karen Wright and Carolyn Shannon. Table No. 4: Milton Branch, Betty Rose, Dorothy Edge, Betty Pettke, Zena Wilson, Lillian Furr, JoNell Berry, Marcie Benton, Wylene Norman, Annette Curry. Table No. 5: Claudia Blair, Patricia Johnson, Ann Eckerson, Georgia Campbell, Mikki Ulch, Betty Turner, Ruth Steele, Cleo Chaney, Carolyn Shannon, Charlene Strandridge, Lucille Payne. Betty, how many do you need over there? Three. Table No. 6: Peggy Carr and Anita Westerman.

Two, you need six or seven, Pat? As soon as you arrive at your tables, would you please sit so we can tell how many more we need. It would make it much easier. We have some up high that are coming down, so let's see. These can go to any table: Kay Drescher, Nada Crouch, Maryann Edwards, Katie Hopkins, Bell Dean, Linda Guy, Margaret Brown, Ann Clifton and Rosemary Swantek. Go to any table that may need you.

Grand Choir Director, today is our Grand Sentinel's birthday. How about a "Happy Birthday" to Brother Don Long. ["Happy Birthday" sung.]

As you come down and get to your tables, let's be seated quickly so we can see how many more we lack. To Table No. 5: Kathy Tull, Jerry Eisenbise and Ann Wallace.

Fran Johnson, Jane Womack, Louise Pearce, Susan Crouch, would you please come on down and fill in wherever you're needed. Table No. 1 still needs five. Come on down as quickly as possible. Hazel Nesmith and Frances Williams, would you please come down and be ready to serve at any table.

Pat, do you need anyone at your table? How about three? Rennie, do you need anyone at your table? How about four? Does four need anyone, Sister Lallah Mae? Table No. 5, are you full? You think you're full. Okay. And I believe No. 6 is okay. I think this is going to get them. I think that's going to just about fill them up. Okay. They're full, I believe. To my Deputies, if you're not needed, I appreciate your coming down.

I now recognize Sister Helen Fuqua for General Grand Chapter Projects and her Committee. If there are any Chairmen of the General Grand Chapter Projects Committee, please come to the East.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

MRS. HELEN FUQUA: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron. Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been my special privilege to serve Grand Chapter this year as General Chairman of the General Grand Chapter Special Projects Committee. Those who served as District Chairmen are:

District 1	Mrs. Nena Jackie Wilder
District 2	Mrs. Sue Stephens
District 3	Mrs. Teresa Peninger
District 4	Mrs. Fae Boutotte
District 5	Mrs. Patricia Le Sturgeon

The General Grand Chapter in the last Triennial worked with Grand Chapter to form committees that would hopefully benefit both. This year the Worthy Grand Matron combined the committees of General Grand Chapter into one committee, forming the General Grand Chapter Special Projects Committee.

We were admonished to promote the General Grand Chapter Journal, and in doing this we received 41 one year and 6 three year subscriptions. However, due to

a price increase by General Grand Chapter, many of these subscriptions were returned to the Chairman and then back to the membership. There have been 7 one year subscriptions at the new price. The total collected on subscription was \$479.00.

This committee asked permission to receive donations for General Grand Chapter Cancer Research. Since that time we collected a total of \$299.50. This was sent to General Grand Chapter in hopes that this donation would be the one to find a cure for the dreaded disease of cancer.

The total collected by this committee was \$778.50.

The committee wishes to thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the special privilege of serving this Grand Family on the General Grand Chapter Special Projects Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Fuqua, General Chairman
General Grand Chapter Special Projects

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the General Grand Chapter Projects Committee. All in favor will signify by raising their blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Helen, and your Committee for tying up the loose ends of our General Grand Chapter Projects Committee.

I now recognize Sister Edna Goette for the Pursuit of Excellence Committee.

REPORT OF THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

MRS. EDNA GOETTE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for the privilege of serving as the General Chairman of the Pursuit of Excellence Committee this year, and for your selection of the members who were to assist me.

It is with pleasure that I introduce the District Chairmen:

Mrs. Melba Jones, District One
Mrs. Kathryn Frentress, District Two
Mrs. Patsy R. Hewlett, District Three
Mrs. Dortha M. Burnett, District Four
Mrs. Wanda Hachenberg, District Five

Would all members of the Pursuit of Excellence Committee please stand, while I complete the report.

The duty of this Committee was to sell at the schools a small flag sticker priced at one dollar to those who passed the proficiency examination.

I proudly give the following report:

District One	\$544.00
District Two	\$198.00
District Three	\$602.00
District Four	\$563.00
District Five	\$502.00

Receipts from Grand Secretary for money submitted by the
 Worthy Grand Matron from the School Schedule \$518.00

TOTAL \$2,927.00

Included in the amount for District Five of \$502.00 includes \$105.00 receipt from the Grand Secretary submitted by Doris Hester, and \$10.00 submitted by Oma Bush for District Five.

Included in the amount of \$198.00 for District Two is a receipt from the Grand Secretary for \$25.00 submitted by Edwy Jackson.

Receipts from Grand Secretary for the \$518.00 submitted by the W. G. M.

11/22/96	\$ 6.00
12/9/96	20.00
12/18/96	10.00
2/4/97	83.00
2/19/97	123.00
4/11/97	<u>276.00</u>

\$518.00

I have receipts for all money listed above from the Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,
 Edna Goettee
 General Chairman
 Pursuit of Excellence Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Pursuit of Excellence Committee. All in favor will please raise your blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. This Committee has worked very hard and has done a most magnificent job for Grand Chapter. Thank you, Committee.

Fran Johnson, have you gone back upstairs? If you haven't, would you please go to Table 4. Fran Williams. I have two Frans, Wanda! Fran, can you hear me? She's coming. All right. Doris, she'll be right there.

Do we have anyone up here to give the report of the Endowed Membership for Sister Vera? Our Chairman of the Endowed Membership is ill and could not be with us. I do not have anyone in the East, but she made her report; and it will be filed for the Proceedings and will be listed in the Proceedings.

WRITTEN 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. Dorothy High, District I Chairman
Mrs. Marguetta Whitfield, District III Chairman
Mrs. Carolyn Cagle, District IV Chairman
Mr. Jack W. Friend, District V Chairman

These Sisters and Brother have visited Chapters and Schools of Instruction to promote the Endowed Membership program this year.

From November 1,1996 to July 1997 there has been 146 Endowed Memberships purchased, making a total of 1349 memberships as of June 19,1997, of which we the membership is very proud of and thank the membership for all this.

On behalf of the others on this committee and myself we want to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for selecting us for this place of service to our order, and the membership for supporting and participation in this very important program.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Vera Evans, General Chairman
Endowed Membership

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I think we have time for one more while we're waiting for our Credentials Committee to give their report before we can start the voting process and our registration is closed. I recognize Sister Sarah Coursey for our Registration report. We're not going to give Sister Sarah's report just now because the Committee is still out there putting things together, so we'll get that a little later because they've worked very hard, and I want them in here.

Sister Carol Hall, would you and your Committee please come. I recognize Sister Carol Hall, Chairman of the Bulletin Committee.

REPORT OF THE BULLETIN COMMITTEE

MRS. CAROL HALL: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Distinguished Guests:

We, the members of the Bulletin Committee thank you, Alma Carter, Worthy Grand Matron, and Richard Ochs, Worthy Grand Patron for giving us the opportunity to serve Grand Chapter for the Fraternal year of 1996-1997.

Bulletin Report: New Subscriptions	840 @ \$12.00	\$10,080.00
Renewals	2,108 @ \$12.00	25,296.00
Miscellaneous	353 @ \$ 1.00	<u>353.00</u>
		\$35,729.00

Worthy Grand Matron, according to your charge to donate \$20.00 to Home Endowment for those who sold twenty subscriptions or more, as of this date, we have two:

Betty Rose, District III
Marie Balentine, District IV

A very big thank you to these two hard working members.

Thank you to the District Chairmen and committee members, especially those chairmen and committee members who had displays at our school of instruction, who assisted in making their District 100%, and the Grand Secretary's Office for maintaining these records

Respectfully submitted:
Carol S. Hall, General Chairman
Martha Cameron, District I
Joyce Waddell, District III
Karen Olson, District V
Ruth Risinger, District II
Patsy LaGrone, District IV

I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second that we adopt the Bulletin Committee report. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Carol; and I will get my check to the Grand Secretary for the Home Endowment. And thanks to those ladies who sold twenty or more new subscriptions to the Bulletin.

How about another quick song? [singing by Grand Choir]

Sisters and Brothers, I just had a request that the Pages be allowed to pass the ballots in front, so they wouldn't have to climb through the rows. I concur, and I will allow the Pages to take their hands off the ballots long enough [applause]. The rows are short and they can keep their eyes on the ballot. And we're all Sisters and Brothers.

I have word that our Credentials will be reporting any moment. So if you don't mind standing up again, ladies and gentlemen, how about just one more song? Have something that everybody can stand up and sing. Let's get jolly! [singing by Grand Choir]

Oh, yes! We have someone that wants a mike in the back, and I believe it's one of our ladies at the Home, if I can see that well. Okay, Caty, let's hear what you have to say. You're on.

MRS. CATY ATKINS: It's two of the ladies. I have a letter that has been passed around about putting gates up at the Home. Well, we have taken a poll, and the majority of the ladies do not want a gate. We've got a gate in the back. We don't need anymore gates. They say there's bad people. There's bad people everywhere, but there's good people too. We don't want to be locked in either. Anyway, we don't want it. And Emmalou has got something to say to you. And that's my opinion. Okay? [applause]

MRS. EMMALOU RUSHING: Worthy Grand Matron, I have been at the Home going on eight years. I have never felt that I needed security. I have never been uneasy one moment in that Home since I've been there. There are ladies in the residence that need things to be done and I think the money should be spent on the ladies in the residence and the infirmary. There's some things that those ladies down there need. Instead of security, I think they'd better take care of the ladies first. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Worthy Grand Matron, may I? Worthy Grand Matron, I wish to apologize to the ladies. I've asked for additional security. So if there is a problem with it, we must blame it on the Worthy Grand Patron. I was interested in seeing some of the doors that have access into the Home limited because, for instance, at the top of the emergency stairwells for getting out, there isn't any reason for somebody to be able to get in. I had mentioned gates. But the gentleman was okayed for doing personal solicitation. And I appreciate the kind of help he intended to do. But I do wish to apologize to the membership for this. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Ladies at the Home, we have our Credentials. We will speak to that a little bit later, but I'm sure what I'm going to do is defer that to our Worthy Grand Matron who will be Worthy Grand Matron this evening. [laughter]

I now recognize our Chairman of Credentials, Sister Lorrie Faith-Owens, who will give us our Credentials report, she and her co-workers who have worked very hard, and who balanced, I think, the first time they counted – them and Registration. We're very proud of them.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

MRS. LORRIE FAITH-OWENS: Thank you. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, My Sisters and Brothers:

At this time, with pride and pleasure, I introduce the members of the Credentials Committee who worked diligently, cheerfully and enthusiastically, exhibited excellent teamwork and gave loving service to our Grand Chapter.

Sister Lorrie Faith-Owens	District I - Chairman
Sister Flora Jean Black	District I
Brother Alvin Coleman	District I
Sister Jeanie Rainwater	District I
Brother Carl Unlaub	District II
Sister Judy Baker	District III
Sister Janice Hoffman	District IV
Sister Janell Trees	District V

My thanks to the Registration Committee for its hard efforts and cooperation. This teamwork made for a pleasant atmosphere in which to do our respective tasks for this Grand Chapter.

To the Grand Chapter of Texas members who have been anxiously waiting this morning, it is with satisfaction and delight that we the Credentials Committee

present this Final Report.

Total Number of Chapters Represented		440
Total Number of Voting Delegates Registered		2,640
Delegates divided as follows:		
Number of One-Vote Ballots issued	1825	= 1825
Number of Two-Vote Ballots issued	382	= 764
Number of Three-Vote Ballots issued	119	= 357
TOTAL BALLOTS ISSUED	2326	
TOTAL NUMBER ELIGIBLE VOTES ISSUED		<u>2946</u>

Lovingly submitted,
Lorrie Faith-Owens
Chairman - Credentials Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this final report by the Credentials Committee.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, it has been moved and seconded that we accept the report of the Credentials Committee. Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor will vote by the uplifting of their blue card. Those opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, Sister Lorrie Faith-Owens, and your wonderful crew. We appreciate all of your hard work so much. And if Carl Unlaub went back to the room to sleep, I'm going to get him!

I now recognize our Election Judge, Brother Garland Rattan.

MR. GARLAND RATTAN: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I appreciate the confidence that you have shown in me this morning by allowing me to serve you and the Grand Chapter in this capacity. A few comments to expedite the election. First, my Sisters and Brothers, you know that your ballot must be signed. I know that our very efficient Credentials and Registration people had you sign it as you picked it up. It must be signed here at the top. Should you find it necessary to leave this Grand Chapter room, you must show your signed ballot, your dues card and registration card in order to return to the Chapter room. No one will be allowed to enter or leave the Grand Chapter room between the time when the ballot has been declared open until it is declared closed with the exception of the Assistant Grand Sentinels. We know that they will step just inside the door, deposit their ballots and immediately return to their stations. There will be microphones in the West, the North and the South; and then, of course, there will also be one in the East.

There will be ample time for all nominations. Only the name of the candidate, the name, number and location of the Chapter to which the candidate belongs and the office for which nominated shall be given. No member of this Grand Chapter shall be nominated for more than one elective office at any one session of Grand Chapter. No member shall hold two offices, either elective or appointive, at the same time. When there are no further nominations, the Presiding Officer will declare the nominations closed.

If there is but one nominee, election will be made by acclamation, which simply means by voice. If there is more than one nominee, they will come promptly to the East and they will be here when they are nominated to be introduced. If there is no election on the first count, the name of the person receiving the lowest number

of votes will be dropped. We will proceed with another ballot. In case two or more candidates tie on the lowest number of votes, and there are at least two other candidates receiving a higher number of votes, then all candidates tied on the lowest number of votes shall be dropped. The election shall then proceed until some candidate has received a majority of all votes cast.

The ballot will then be declared open, and you will be directed to use a definitely numbered ballot for that election. Do not write your ballot until you have been directed to do so because only the numbered ballot directed for the election will be counted. When all have voted, the Pages will be directed to collect the ballots. And when all ballots have been collected, the Presiding Officer will declare the ballot closed. The Pages, upon receiving instruction from the Presiding Officer, will pick up their ballot boxes. They will then proceed to collect all ballots in their area, including the Assistant Grand Sentinels. Under no circumstances will a person deposit more than one ballot. Let me say right now that the Arrangements Committee, for your convenience and for the Pages, have moved ballot boxes to the landing there as a convenience to the Pages so you won't have to climb up and down those stairs so many times.

Any irregularities will be reported to me, and I will in turn report them to the Worthy Grand Matron. When all ballots have been collected by the Pages, you will proceed to the tables assigned for counting of the ballot. Now let me say the number of these tables one more time so that the Pages will be familiar. Starting on my left, Table 1 – and you can see the numbers on the table – 2, 3, and on around to my right, 4, 5, 6. You will wait until the Presiding Officer declares the ballot closed and directs you to deposit your ballots on the table. You will return to your stations immediately for the next ballot. If any Page needs to leave this Grand Chapter room, the ballot box will be placed in the care of another Page until you return. It is not to be taken outside of this Grand Chapter room.

My Sisters and Brothers, I hope that you will bear with us this morning. It is crowded to walk down between the rows of seats without stumbling over everyone's feet. I'm going to ask that if the Pages cannot walk in front of you and hold the ballot box, that she be allowed to pass it down, watch it very carefully. I believe that we can proceed faster if we do that. And I know that we will have your cooperation. I heard the Worthy Grand Matron make this announcement earlier, and I appreciate it. I am sure that every delegate in this room knows exactly for whom they're going to cast their ballot. But to assist with the spelling of names, there will be several boards listing all nominees in the order in which they are nominated. I am asking the Tellers to list the names on their sheets in the same order as they are listed on the board to facilitate the counting of ballots. If you would wait until the names are where you can see them, there would be less chance of there being a question as to your intentions of who you are voting for. If it cannot be determined whose name is on the ballot, the Table Judge will bring it to me. We have Arrangements Committee people on each of the boards – the easels, the boards with the names. And if you can't see a board, they will turn the boards accordingly to where everyone has an opportunity to have plenty of time to see the names and cast your ballot.

There will be no ballot discarded by Table Judges. Sisters and Brothers, I believe that the last name will be all that is necessary on your ballots. As you well know, one ballot can make a difference in an election. Therefore, I admonish you to listen carefully to the instructions as to the ballot number for that particular election. Every year there are votes lost by writing on the wrong ballot. If it is on the wrong ballot, it will not be counted. And please do not fold your ballot. It makes it more difficult for the Tellers to count. When a table has completed a count, only

the Table Judge for that table will bring the count, accompanied by me, to the adding machines which are in the West. And the tables back there where the three Certified Public Accountants with their machines are roped off for a purpose. Please do not congregate or bother those people in any way.

I will bring the results to the Presiding Officer who will announce the results of the ballot. Sisters and Brothers, you are a loving membership. You have been kind in the past not to demonstrate on behalf of the one who has been elected. I know that you will show the same courtesy today. After an election, the Worthy Grand Matron will present the one elected for that particular office and you may at that time show your enthusiasm and appreciation.

Worthy Grand Matron, I have a note that says Pages are needed for the ballot tables. We need Pages for the lower level apparently and for the handicapped section. Do we not have enough Pages? Do we need volunteers? Is that what this note tells me?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Terry, do we have enough Pages? Okay. Thank you. We have enough.

MR. GARLAND RATTAN: Are there any other questions or problems? If none – The question is: Are there Pages for the Teller tables? The Pages on the floor level will have to collect ballots from the people seated on the floor, which includes the Teller tables. And also a Page will need to collect the ballots in the East. Let's make sure we're covered. And if nobody gets to you, well, we'll get somebody to you to collect your ballot. Okay?

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We will ask, "Has everyone deposited their ballot," before we close a ballot.

MR. GARLAND RATTAN: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I believe we're ready to proceed.

MRS. DORIS EFIRD: Brother Garland, this is Doris Efird from Table 4. We need at least one of the boards located where all the Tellers can see so that they will know in what order the candidates are listed.

MR. GARLAND RATTAN: Okay. I've instructed the Arrangements people to move them, turn them so that everybody has an opportunity to see. We are flexible. We'll turn it your way. We may have to turn it back another way until everybody can see. With six pedestals and six boards and we move them around, everyone should have equal access. Anything else? [No response.] Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Garland. Sisters and Brothers, we're given specific instructions in our Code of Laws regarding elections. I quote: Nominations: Only the name, number and location of the Chapter where the candidate belongs and the office for which they shall be nominated. Worthy Grand Patron.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I invite you to preside.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Worthy Grand Matron, the nominations are now open for the office of Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Worthy Grand Patron, I place in nomination the name of Sister Yvonne Brownfield for the office of Worthy Grand Matron for the ensuing year. She is a member of Copperas Cove Chapter No. 1070.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor say "aye." All opposed. Worthy Grand Matron, I return the gavel.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Yvonne Brownfield has been elected Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Jurisdiction for the ensuing year. Sister Yvonne, do you accept?

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Yes, Worthy Grand Matron, because I don't think you'd let me get out of it.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: That's exactly right! [laughter and applause]

I now recognize our Worthy Grand Patron.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I am Richard Ochs, Past Patron of Amarillo Chapter 787. I nominate Brother Kenneth Gregory, member of Spurger 315 and Wisteria 823 for the office of Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation Brother Kenneth Gregory for the office of Worthy Grand Patron. All of those in favor will signify by saying "aye." Those opposed. Brother Kenneth Gregory has been elected Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Brother Kenneth, do you accept? I think it's too late, Kenneth, to back out.

MR. KENNETH GREGORY: Worthy Grand Matron, with a humble heart I accept. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you. Nominations are now in order for the office of Associate Grand Matron.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Yvonne Brownfield. I nominate for the office of Associate Grand Matron Sister Alma Lynn Bane, a Past Matron of Waco No. 7.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Sister Alma Lynn Bane for Associate Grand Matron. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, the nominations will close and we will proceed to elect by acclamation Sister Alma Lynn for the office of Associate Grand Matron. All in favor will please signify by saying "aye." Those opposed. Sister Alma Lynn, what do you say, girl?

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, with love in my heart and service in my thoughts, I accept. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you. Nominations are now in order for the office of Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

I recognize Sister Mary Marble.

MRS. MARY MARBLE: I am Mary Marble, Worthy Matron of Edwin J. Keist

Chapter No. 959. It is my honor to place in nomination the name of Henry Martin as Associate Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Henry Martin has been placed in nomination for the office of Associate Grand Patron. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, the nominations will cease and we will proceed to elect Brother Henry by acclamation. All in favor will signify by saying "aye." All of those opposed, say "no." Brother Henry, do you accept after this afternoon's session is over?

MR. HENRY MARTIN: Worthy Grand Matron, with appreciation for the confidence expressed by this membership, I accept. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Nominations are now in order for the office of Grand Secretary for the ensuing year?

MR. CHRIS MILLER: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Chris Miller, Past Patron of A. E. Shirley No. 986 in Amarillo. I am honored to place the name of Marjorie Errington, Past Matron of Bonita 184 of Amarillo, for the office of Grand Secretary.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Are there other nominations?

MRS. JUDY MOHLENBERG: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Judy Mohlenberg, Worthy Matron of Ridglea Chapter No. 999. I place in nomination the name of Charlene Littlewood, Past Matron of Ridglea Chapter 999 and a Dual Member of Crowley Chapter No. 1125, for the office of Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by written ballot. We will use ballot number 1. Can everyone see a board? If you can't, the fellows will turn them around so you can see them. I now declare the ballot open. Sisters Assistant Grand Warders, you will permit no one to enter or leave until the ballot is declared closed except our Assistant Grand Sentinels who will enter to vote at the door and whom you have already received your instructions. There is one door that Brother Garland has already given you your instructions on. Will the Pages please start collecting the ballots?

We will please have the candidates to come up so everyone can see them. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce two ladies who probably don't need any introduction to you, but Sister Marjorie Errington and Sister Charlene Littlewood whose names were placed in nomination for Grand Secretary. I wish you Sisters much luck.

Could we have a board turned for a brief moment to the East so that some of our people in the East might see. [singing by Grand Choir] Thank you, Grand Choir. Have all the ballots been picked up? Let's proceed on down to Tables 1 and 2. Does anyone have a ballot that has not been picked up? Ladies, please proceed to Tables 1 and 2. If there are no ballots outstanding, I now declare the ballot -- I beg your pardon. We're not going to close it until they get through. Ladies, let's don't forget to get our Grand Sentinels to ballot. I now declare the ballot closed!

Grand Warders on the door, be sure and inform the Grand Sentinels outside which ballot it is and who is on the ballot -- please -- so they'll know who they're voting for.

Nominations are now in order for the office of Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

MRS. EARLINE ROGERS: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Earline Rogers, Past Matron, Graham Chapter No. 668. It's my pleasure to place the name of Patsy Wilson, Past Matron of Graham Chapter No. 668, for the office of Grand Treasurer of this Grand Jurisdiction for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Patsy Wilson has been nominated for the office of Grand Treasurer. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Patsy Wilson for the office of Grand Treasurer will say "aye." Those opposed "no." Patsy Wilson, you have been elected Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

GRAND TREASURER: From the heart I accept. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you. Nominations are now in order for the office of Grand Conductress for this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Alma Lynn Bane.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Alma Lynn Bane, a Past Matron of Waco Chapter No. 7 and a Dual Member of Franklin Chapter No. 311. It is my honor to place in nomination the name of Sister Betty Friend for the office of Grand Conductress – she is a Past Matron of New Braunfels Chapter No. 771 – for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Betty Friend has been nominated for the office of Grand Conductress. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect Sister Betty Friend by acclamation. All in favor will say "aye." Opposed, "no." Sister Betty Friend, you have been elected Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, with great love for the membership of Texas and with pride in the Order of the Eastern Star, I am so glad to accept. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Betty.

Nominations are now in order for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Mildred Love.

MRS. MILDRED LOVE: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Mildred Love, a Past Matron of Aldine Chapter No. 1088 and Andral Vann Chapter No. 741 in Houston. I am proud to place in nomination the name of Sister Naomi Wolfe, a Past Matron of Hurst Chapter No. 1099, Andral Vann Chapter No. 741 and now serving as Worthy Matron of Andral Vann Chapter No. 741 for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Jurisdiction for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Naomi Wolfe has been nominated for the office of Associate Grand Conductress. Would all of you who are going to make nominations please go ahead and come to the mike and call the names in the order which they were drawn.

MRS. BETTY GIBBONS: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Betty Gibbons, a Past Matron of Duncanville No. 1014. I am proud to place in nomination the name of Jimmie Lee McMahan, a Past Matron of Duncanville No. 1014, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Jurisdiction for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Sister Jimmie Lee McMahan has been placed in nomination.

MRS. CAROLYN SUE DANIEL: My name is Carolyn Sue Daniel, Worthy Matron, Templar Chapter No. 374. I am pleased to place the name of Sarah Valkus Coursey, Past Matron, Templar Chapter, in nomination for the office of Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Sarah Coursey has been nominated for the office of Associate Grand Conductress.

MR. WAYNE RUSSELL: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Wayne Russell, Past Patron of Floydada Chapter No. 31. I'd like to place in nomination for the office of Associate Grand Conductress Dell Gray, Past Matron of Floydada Chapter No. 31.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Dell Gray has been placed in nomination for the office of Associate Grand Conductress. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by ballot these Sisters. We will use ballot number 2. Will those whose names have been placed in nomination please come and stand in the order your names were called. We have Sister Naomi Wolfe, Sister Jimmie Lee McMahon, Sister Sarah Coursey and Sister Dell Gray. Thank you, my Sisters. I wish each one of you good luck. I now declare the ballot open.

I'm going to call for a report during the time the Pages are collecting the ballot for this election. This has been one of the greatest groups and have worked the hardest. I call on Brother Forrest Smith and the Defenders of Freedom for their report.

REPORT OF THE DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM COMMITTEE

MR. FORREST SMITH: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a sincere pleasure to serve as General Chairman of the Defenders of Freedom Committee this year. Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alma Carter, formed this special committee with the hope that we would be nearer to the Endowment of our Home.

Those serving as District Chairman this year are:

Donny Broughton - District I
A.D. Jackson - District II
Jeff Geyer - District III
Larry Autrey - District IV
Perry Steele - District V

By the combined efforts of these District Chairmen, the committee members and you the membership I am proud to report, as of October 1, 1997, the total amount received is \$48,945.19. Collected at Grand Chapter \$2,250.00 equals a grand total of \$51,195.19. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the privilege of serving on this Special committee of Grand Chapter this year.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of the Defenders of Freedom and

the membership for their love and support of this grand Order and their support of the Home. We hope that this will help to endow it.

Fraternally submitted,
Forrest Smith, General Chairman
Defenders of Freedom Committee

I make a motion that this report be accepted.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of the Defenders of Freedom Committee. It has been moved and seconded that we accept this report. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Sisters and Brothers, it is my happy privilege and my happy message to you that this report will bring the total endowment over \$250,000 this year. Give yourselves a hand. [applause] Thank you so much.

Grand Choir, how about a little hallelujah music on that one. [singing by Grand Choir of "The Eyes of Texas."]

Have all the ballots been collected? Are there any ballots that have not been collected? Will the Pages take the ballots to Tables 3 and 4 and please stand by and do not deposit them until I declare the ballot closed.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now declare the ballot closed.

Nominations are now open for the District 3 member of the Board of Grand Trustees. Those who are going to make the nominations will please come in the order they were drawn.

MRS. BEVERLY SELF: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Beverly Self, Worthy Matron of South Fort Worth Chapter No. 835. I'm pleased and proud to place in nomination the name of Sister Frances Burbank, a Past Matron of South Fort Worth Chapter No. 835, for the office of Board of Grand Trustees, District 3.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Sister Frances Burbank has been placed in nomination for the Board of Grand Trustees.

MR. JAMES NOE: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm James Noe, Worthy Patron, Mansfield 876. It is with pleasure that I'd like to put into nomination Frank E. Smith who's a Past Patron of Mansfield 876, for the Board of Grand Trustees, District 3.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Frank Smith has been placed in nomination for the Board of Grand Trustees for District 3. Will Sister Frances and Brother Frank please come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce to you Sister Frances Burbank and Brother Frank Smith. You'll give them a great welcome. [applause] Are there other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the ballot open. [applause] We will proceed to vote with ballot number 3.

Sisters and Brothers, while we're collecting the ballots, can everyone see a board? I don't think we really need to see a board for Burbank and Smith, but if you don't know them, you may want to. But while they're picking up these ballots, we have one of the finest young men to sing for us. We're going to have a romping, stomping time. "John, the Revelator" by Brother Darren Brown. [applause]

MR. DARREN BROWN: If you know this song, go ahead and sing along. Before I start, I want you to look at the person to your right and just tell them "I'm glad you're here." Even if you don't mean it! [applause following song]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Darren, we'll hear from you a little later I hope. [applause]

Do we need any ballots picked up anywhere? Pages, you will take your ballots this time to Tables 5 and 6. Don't dump them until I close it. I'm going to wait until you all get there. Before they all get here and we close this ballot, is there anyone that has not had their ballot picked up? Anybody in this building who has not had their ballots picked up? I now declare the ballot closed.

In the absence of Sister Wanda Kimball, I recognize Sister Doris Wyont from District 4 who will give the report of the Fraternal Visitation.

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL VISITATION COMMITTEE

MRS. DORIS WYONT: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: I am Doris Wyont, District 4 Chairman of the Fraternal Visitation. It is my pleasure and honor to be asked to read this report for Sister Wanda Kimball, General Chairman, who is unable to attend Grand Chapter.

FRATERNAL VISITATION COMMITTEE 1996-1997 GRAND CHAPTER REPORT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

This year, I have had the pleasure of working with five wonderful chairman, and I would like to introduce them at this time.

District I – Dr. Linda Jay Puckett
District II – Sister Margie Daniel
District III – Sister JoAnn Snow
District IV – Sister Doris Jean Wyont
District V – Sister Mary Ella Morris

We had 176 members serving this great State of Texas on our Fraternal Visitation Committee. I ask that all members present please stand while I give this report. I would like to express my THANKS to each of you for a wonderful job well done.

The purpose of this Committee was to encourage visitation among the many Chapters of Texas, to promote friendship and brotherly love and to distribute the Worthy Grand Matron's calendars among our members for a small donation to be used for our Eastern Star Home.

From the calendars distributed we have collected the following:

District I	\$1,569.00
District II	1,091.00
District III	1,388.00
District IV	1,820.00
District V	1,362.00
And from other sources	978.00
Making a Grand Total of...	\$8,214.00

Thank you, and may God bless each of you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wanda Kimball,
Fraternal Visitation Committee
General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I have a motion and a second that we adopt the report of the Fraternal Visitation. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my Sisters, for that great report.

Darren, do you have another song? If not, the Grand Choir will sing. Okay. We'll hear from Darren Brown again.

MR. DARREN BROWN: This is a song about a good friend of mine. I think most of you know him. His name happens to be Jesus Christ. "He Is a Mighty Good Friend." [applause following song]

Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner, District 1.

MRS. NETA CAIN: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Neta Cain, Worthy Matron of Dal Cliff Chapter No. 574. It is my pleasure to nominate Sister Marlene Dibrell, a Past Matron of Dal Cliff No. 574, for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners, District 1, for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Neta. The name of Sister Marlene Dibrell has been placed in nomination for the office of Grand Examiner from District 1 for the ensuing year. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation Sister Marlene Dibrell. All in favor will say "aye." All opposed, "no." Sister Marlene Dibrell, you have been elected for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners from District 1 for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL: Worthy Grand Matron, I do accept and I sincerely thank the membership for granting this privilege of service.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Marlene. [applause]

Nominations are now in order for the office of Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, District 2.

MRS. MARIE RAINES: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Marie Raines, Worthy Matron of Burkburnett Chapter No. 655. I have the honor to present for nomination Christolene Dickson for the Board of Directors Grand Chapter Benevolence, District 2.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Christolene Dickson has been nominated for the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences from District 2.

MRS. MARTHA HOVER: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Martha Hover, Past Matron, Bonita Chapter No. 184 in Amarillo. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Norma Graham, Past Matron, Bonita Chapter 184, Amarillo, for the office of Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences, District 2.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Sister Norma Graham has been placed in nomination for the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences for the ensuing year. Would those Sisters please come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce Sister Christolene Dickson for the Board of Directors Grand Chapter Benevolences and Sister Norma Graham from District 2 for the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences. Thank you, my Sisters. Are there other nominations? I now declare the ballot open. Pages, you will pick up the ballots; and we will use ballot number 4.

I would like for our ladies of the Eastern Star Home to please get ready to come to the East. Just get them prepared to come; don't come at this moment.

Grand Choir Director, Brother Bill, we have another birthday boy here today. Brother Cleo. Let's sing to our photographer, Brother Cleo Ellison. ["Happy Birthday" sung; then "How Great Thou Art" sung by Grand Choir.] Thank you, Grand Choir.

Sisters and Brothers, I know you think I called some of them out of order, but what I'm doing is those noncontested Grand Examiner races, we're going to get those out of the way between elections so we won't have to do that later. Sisters and Brothers, we have an election. It took 1,408 to elect. Errington: 1,447; Littlewood, 1,368. I declare Marjorie Errington elected Grand Secretary. Let's do not have any demonstrations, please. We can give her a hand later. I would like for Sister Marjorie to come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce to you your newly elected Grand Secretary, Sister Marjorie Errington. Congratulations, Marjorie! [applause]

If you're writing this down, the number of votes cast was 2,815. And that's why it took 1,408 to elect.

Has everyone cast their ballot? Is there anyone anywhere with a ballot that needs to be picked up?

VOICE: Worthy Grand Matron, we have two ballots that need to be picked up.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: All right. There's a Sister on the way.

Will the Pages proceed to Tables 1 and 2 with your ballots. Is there anyone else with a ballot that needs to be picked up? [no response.] I now declare the ballot closed.

I now recognize Sister Nina Burkett for her report of the Time and Talent Committee.

REPORT OF THE TIME AND TALENT COMMITTEE

MRS. NINA BURKETT: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and other Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

Will the Time and Talent Committee members please stand?

I wish to thank the other members who have served as my co-chairman and chairman of the Districts. Because of them and the other committee members, we have had a very successful year for the Time and Talent Committee.

It is my pleasure to introduce to you the following:

Mary Mollins – Co-Chairman
Exa Mae Howell – District I Chairman
Faye Murphy – District II Chairman
Geraldine Jackson – District III Chairman
Jean Hodson – District IV Chairman
Sylvia Garcia – District V Chairman

On the floor are the other members of the Committee.

As of September 18, 1997, we have received an amount of \$4,219.00 from donations for the Eagle stickers, and from special donations for the Mothers' Day Party. The membership gave generously for the party, \$1,079.00. Refreshments were furnished by the general chairman and co-chairman and the committee members of District I and District III. A monetary gift of \$20.00 was given to each elegant Eagle. After the gifts there was \$39.00 remaining which was added to the ladies special account at the Home. Total contributions were \$5,298.00.

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 Elegant Eagles who reside in our beautiful Home.

Respectively submitted,
Nina Burkett, General Chairman
Time and Talent Committee

Addendum: Since this report was written, we have received an additional \$140.00 for stickers making the grand total \$5,438.00.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this report be adopted.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, my Sisters. Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion and a second that we adopt the Time and Talent Committee's report. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Thank you, my Sisters, for that report.

While we're doing this, will the ladies of the Home please be escorted up. Bennett, will you please wait and let our Grand Marshal bring them up for us. ["Let Me Call You Sweetheart" sung as the ladies of the Eastern Star Home were escorted to the East.] My Sisters and Brothers, to me this is the heart of our benevolent work in the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas. [applause] How pleased I am! We have

with us today Sister Lillian Martin, Sister Mary Edna King, Sister Eunice Ethridge, Lorraine Lochmiller, Peggy Allen, Ann Frerking, Emma Lou Rush, Edna Cowsert and Katy Atkins. Sisters and Brothers, let's just tell them how much we love them. [applause] Do any of you want to say something to the membership just briefly?

MRS. EDNA COWSERT: To the membership, I would like to say thank you. We depend on you; we love you. And we want you to come to see us. We love to show off our beautiful Home. We love every day. It's your Home as well as ours. Please come to see us. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Edna. You all still read; she still writes the "Home Happenings" at 91. [applause] And is singing in our Choir! Thank you, ladies. ["I'll Fly Away" sung by Grand Choir as Ladies of the Eastern Star Home return to their seats in the arena.]

I would like for Sister Joyce Gilbert to come to the East, please. Sisters and Brothers, I recognize Sister Joyce Gilbert and her Committee to give the Music report.

REPORT OF THE MUSIC COMMITTEE

MRS. JOYCE GILBERT: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

I wish to thank you for the honor of serving you as general chairman of your Music Committee. It has been a delight and a time of getting to know more of this membership.

There are 124 members on this committee. Will they please stand, while I give this report.

I wish to recognize the District Chairman: Sisters Billie Branch - District One; Sue Barnes - District Two; Helen Dupree - District Three; Leona Ellison - District Four; and Mary Ellen Penwell - District Five.

Worthy Grand Matron I have a wonderful report because of these District Chairmen and committee members.

In all the sales were: \$9,587.44.

A complete report will be given to the Grand Secretary.

I hope the music has brought joy to the ones that have listened and I know it has brought much love to me. Thank you!!

District One - Billie Branch \$1,432.00 Total Sales

District Two - Sue Barnes \$999.94 Total Sales

District Three - Helen Dupree \$620.00 Total Sales

District Four - Leona Ellison \$1,813.00 Total Sales

District Five - Mary Penwell - I have not received anything from the District Chairman. Some of the members have sent directly to me! \$464.00 total Sales.

Respectively submitted,
Joyce Gilbert
General Chairman - Music Committee

I move for the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and second that we adopt the report of the Music Committee. All of those in favor will please raise their blue card. Opposed, same sign. And, of course, the motion carried. I want to not only thank the Committee for all of their hard work, but certainly Sister Joyce Gilbert. She also composed our peppy march that we have all been marching to around here. So thank you, my dear friend, Sister Joyce Gilbert, for that and for each one of you for your hard work. [applause]

Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner of District 2.

MRS. LOUISE PIERCE: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Louise Pierce from Woodbine Chapter No. 738, Past Matron, El Paso, Texas. I would like to place in nomination the name of Bonnie Varnell, Past Matron of Fabens Chapter No. 764, for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 2.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Bonnie Varnell has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner of District 2.

MRS. NELL CASPARIS: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Nell Casparis, Worthy Matron of Odessa Chapter 447. It is my pleasure to nominate Kimi Kidd, Past Matron of Odessa Chapter 447 and a Dual Member of Friendship Chapter 1008, for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 2.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Kimi Kidd has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner of District 2. Would Sister Bonnie and Sister Kimi please come so the membership may see you. Sisters and Brothers, I have the pleasure of introducing Sister Bonnie Varnell and Sister Kimi Kidd whose names have been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner of District 2. Thank you, my Sisters. We will proceed to elect by ballot for the office of Grand Examiner of District 2. I now declare the ballot open. Ballot number 5.

Sisters and Brothers, we have a report; we do not have an election. We have the report of Associate Grand Conductress. It takes 1,385 to elect. Wolfe - 1,010; McMahan - 823; Coursey - 305; Gray - 632. We will drop the name of Coursey and vote on the other three. As soon as we close this other ballot, we will open the other one.

Let's now have Darren to sing another song while we're waiting.

MR. DARREN BROWN: Actually, Alma had wanted some famous singers to perform for you today, but they forgot to register so they couldn't get in. Actually, this is a fun song where I do some different vocal impressions. Hopefully, you'll know who they are. If not, you can see me afterwards and I can tell you which ones. [applause following singing]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Darren, would you come to the East with me, please. Sisters and Brothers, in case some of you may not know this young man or may not have recognized all those voices, this is the son of our own Nancy and Gayle Brown, the grandson of J. B. and the late Doris Easterling. Darren, thank you for coming and doing this for us. You can sing for this group any time you want to. [applause]

Has everyone cast their ballot? Has every ballot been picked up for ballot number 5? Would you proceed to Tables 5 and 6.

As soon as we close this one, we will proceed with the Associate Grand Conductress.

I would like to ask this membership if anyone has found a Past Grand Matron's pin of Oklahoma. Past Grand Matron Sister Marjorie McConnell lost her pin. So if you find it, would you please give it to me or one of the Past Grand Matrons and we'll see that Sister Marjorie gets it. Thank you.

I now declare this ballot closed.

We will proceed with ballot number 6 for the Associate Grand Conductress with the names of Wolfe, McMahan and Gray. I now declare the ballot open. The ballot is open; let's watch the doors, Sisters Grand Warders.

Sisters and Brothers, we have an election for the Board of Grand Trustees from District 3. It takes 1,330 to elect. Burbank - 1,773; Smith - 886. I declare Sister Frances Burbank elected to the Board of Grand Trustees. Sister Frances, do you accept?

MRS. FRANCES BURBANK: Worthy Grand Matron, with an humble heart and very grateful to this membership, I accept. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, Sister Frances Burbank. [applause]

Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner of District 3 -- I beg your pardon. I've got a ballot open. Excuse me. I have too many notes and not enough mind! [Singing by Grand Choir of "Love Lifted Me."]

Have all the ballots been gathered? We have one down here; Grand Martha. Would one of the Pages come and get Grand Martha's? Have all the ballots been gathered? We have 1, 2, 3 and 4 open that they could take some more. Are you counting on 4? It's free. Pages, let's take these ballots to Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4. Are there any ballots that are yet to be picked up? [No response.] I now declare the ballot closed.

Sisters and Brothers, we have an election for Board of Grand Chapter Benevolence, District 2. We have 2,607 votes. It requires 1,304 for an election. Dickson - 1,268; Graham - 1,339. I declare Sister Graham elected to the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences. Norma, would you come to the East, please. Sisters and Brothers, this is Sister Norma Graham who has been elected to the Board of Grand Chapter Benevolences. [applause]

Are the 50-year members ready to come to the East? If not, would you please get ready. While the 50-year members are getting ready, I recognize Sister Sarah Coursey for the report of the Registration Committee.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

MRS. SARAH VALKUS COURSEY: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

On behalf of the Registration Committee, I extend our most sincere thanks for the opportunity of serving Grand Chapter. It is my pleasure to introduce those who have worked so diligently on this committee:

District I - Neta Cain, Deleita Sechrist, Janeva Tuell
 District II - Dell Gray
 District III - Edna Jefferies
 District IV - J. J. Freeze
 District V - Henry (Hank) Knapp

Allen Tuell has served as our Computer Programmer and processor.

CATEGORY	PRE-REGIS.	REG. AT GR. CHAP.	TOTAL REGISTRATION
We are pleased to submit the following report.			
Voting Delegates	2394	241	2635
Non-Voting Members	353	50	403
Other Grand Jurisdictions	95	41	136
TOTAL REGISTRATION	2842	332	3174
LESS: Exempt from fees- OES & Masonic Home Residents	(16)	- 1	- 17
TOTAL REGISTRATION WITH FEES	2826	331	3157
TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES COLLECTED AT \$10.00 EACH	\$28,260.00	3,310.00	31,570.00
LESS: Refunds	(\$30.00)		-30.00
TOTAL NET MONIES DEPOSITED	\$28,230.00	3,310.00	31,540.00

Respectfully submitted
 Sarah Valkus Coursey,
 General Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and the second that we adopt the report of the Registration Committee. All those in favor, please raise your blue card. Opposed same sign. Motion carried.

Thank you, Sister Sarah, for that wonderful report. Sisters and Brothers, I want us to tell Sister Sarah and her Committee, especially Sister Sarah and those who worked with her in her home doing this registration – if you've never worked on the Registration Committee, you have not the foggiest idea how hard that is and how hard you work. I just want to thank her and this wonderful Committee. And I want you to know they balanced the first thing. They were balanced by three o'clock Monday afternoon. She has done a magnificent job. I thank you. [applause]

Are our 50-year members ready to come to the East? Our Grand Marshal is proceeding to the back to bring our 50-year members to the East.

Nominations are now in order for Grand Examiner of District 3.

MRS. CHERYL ALBRECHT: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I recognize Sister Cheryl Ann.

MRS. CHERYL ALBRECHT: I'm Cheryl Albrecht, Junior Past Matron of Crescent Chapter No. 820 in Fort Worth. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Sharon Fentress for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 3, for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect Sister Sharon Fentress to the office of Grand Examiner of District 3. All in favor will say "aye." Those opposed, "no." Sister Sharon Fentress, you have been elected to the office of Board of Grand Examiners for District 3 for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

MRS. SHARON FENTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, it is with joy in my heart that I accept the opportunity to serve the membership of District 3 as their Grand Examiner and this Grand Chapter for this ensuing year. My thanks to each of you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Sharon.

Are the 50-year members now ready? We now have our 50-year members coming to the stage. ["Trust and Obey" sung as the 50-year members came to the stage.] I hope I have all the names in order. If I do not, I would ask this group to please excuse me because I may not know every one of them. I do want to tell you that the lady to my far left, the first lady, is Gladys Knight. She is a 75-year member as of February 1997. [applause] She is from Dumas 653. Our next one is Mary McKenzie, Betty Oller, Pauline White, Helen Gothe, Joyce Roberts, Wanda Singleton, Maureece Hall, Bernice Houston, Louise Pierce, Nancy Specht, Margaret Roberts, Alice Ochs, Donnie Virginia Salen, Betty Garrett, Stella Marie Simpson, Betty Jo Martin, Jewel Clark, Doris Efird – I know I'm getting that one right; and this next one, Jean Nesbitt. I know I'm getting that one right. Frances Burbank, Patricia Wood, Ellen Hortering, Lena Maye Cook, Beatrice Simpson, Irene Faulks. I know Jo Ann Fertsch. Tula Mae Potts, Nancy Sutton and Dortha Burnett.

I think I missed one up here. Did I miss one not calling their name? I may have called them wrong, but I called them. Thank you, my Sisters. [applause] Don't we have any 50-year guys back there? Lordy, that's a shame! Thank you for coming up; thank you for being here today and I'll join you in about six or seven years. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: May I address these, Worthy Grand Matron?

Thank you for affording me the privilege of greeting each one of these, being 50 years in the Order of the Eastern Star. Your service to your Subordinate Chapters and this Grand Chapter is very much appreciated. This is a very special privilege for me since my mother is one of our 50-year members. Have a great time today. God bless all of you because certainly God has blessed this Grand Chapter and America. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Nominations are now in order for the office of Grand Examiner of District 4.

MR. JOHN ELKINGTON: Worthy Grand Matron, I am John Elkington, Past Patron of Pearland Chapter No. 1065. It's my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Karen Morgenthaler, Past Matron of Pearland Chapter No. 1065, for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 4.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, John. The name of Karen Morgenthaler has been placed in nomination for Grand Examiner of District 4. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation Sister Karen Morgenthaler. All of those for Sister Karen Morgenthaler for District 4 Grand Examiner please say "aye." Opposed, "no." Sister Karen, you have been elected to the office of the Board of Grand Examiners, District 4. Do you accept?

MRS. KAREN MORGENTHALER: Worthy Grand Matron, it is with a very humble heart that I accept. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Nominations are now in order for Board of Grand Examiners, District 5.

MRS. DOROTHY WHITE: Worthy Grand Matron, I am Dorothy White, a Past Matron of Beeville Chapter No. 422. It is with much pleasure that I place the name of Sister Doris Jean Hester, a Past Matron and the Worthy Matron of Beeville Chapter No. 422, in nomination for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners of District 5 for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Doris Hester has been placed in nomination for the office of Board of Grand Examiners of District 5 for the ensuing year. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Doris Hester for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners, District 5, for the ensuing year please say "aye." Those opposed, "no." The "ayes" have it. Sister Doris, you have been elected to the office of the Board of Grand Examiners for District 5. Do you accept?

MRS. DORIS HESTER: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. With much love for the Order of the Eastern Star and the membership of Texas, I do most humbly accept this position for the ensuing year. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Nominations are now in order for the Board of Grand Examiner At-Large.

MRS. SANDRA GOFF: Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Sandra Goff, Worthy Matron of Castleberry Chapter No. 1028. It's my pleasure to nominate Nancy Brown, Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter No. 1028 in Fort Worth for the office of Grand Examiner At-Large for the ensuing year.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: The name of Sister Nancy Brown has been placed in nomination for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners for Grand

Examiner-At-Large. Are there other nominations? Hearing none, we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Nancy Brown for the Board of Grand Examiners At-Large will please say "aye." Opposed, "no." The "ayes" have it. Sister Nancy Brown, you have been elected to the Board of Grand Examiner At-Large. Do you accept?

MRS. NANCY BROWN: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I consider it an honor and a privilege to get to serve the Order of the Eastern Star for the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas as Grand Examiner At-Large for the ensuing year. I do accept. [applause]

I recognize Sister Charlene Littlewood for the report of the Home & Country Celebration.

REPORT OF THE HOME & COUNTRY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

MRS. CHARLENE LITTLEWOOD: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished members all. Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for giving me such a fine committee to work with. Will all the members of this committee please stand as I introduce the other chairmen.

Harold Trammell	General Co-Chairman	Laura Longerbone	District 3
Reba Fox	District 1	Terry Haltom	District 4
Karen Kidd	District 2	Arthur Tolbert	District 5

We would be remiss if we did not thank all the non-committee members who helped in any way. In addition, we wish to thank the membership for supporting our efforts by purchasing fish fry tickets, variety show tickets, and advertisements in the variety show program; donating items to be auctioned or sold, sponsoring a child, and attending the auction and yard sale.

When our activities on April 25 and 26 got rained out, we just moved inside the Home and made the best of a wet situation. We had to cancel the visit by the children from the Masonic Home and School and postpone the auction until Founder's Day, but all other activities were completed. Everyone was cooperative and patient and a good time was had by all, especially the Regal Eagles, who enjoyed our being inside. The Stars Over Texas Variety Show on Saturday night, which spotlighted our talented members from across the state, was fantastic.

The following expenses include a \$2,000.00 donation to the Masonic Home and School and the purchase of 19 canopies which can be used during future celebrations.

Home & County Celebration	Receipts	Expenses	Profit
Activities for both weekends	\$25,948.43	\$5,202.18	\$20,746.25

Several of our members volunteered to conduct a yard sale in conjunction with the Founder's Day celebration. This sale consisted of leftover items from previous sales and furniture, jewelry and other items no longer needed by the Home.

Home Fund	Receipts	Expenses	Profit
Yard Sale	\$3,795.75	\$ 30.00	\$3,765.75

For a total profit for our Home by these hard working committee members of \$24,512.00.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Charlene. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion and second that we accept the report of the Home and Country Celebration. All in favor. Please raise your blue card. Those opposed. Motion carried. I want to thank Sister Charlene. Having worked several years on the Board of Grand Trustees with her, I knew that if I wanted it done, Charlene would do it. And this Committee has been wonderful. Despite the rain, we had a very, very productive Home & Country Celebration. Thank you, dear ones. [applause]

I now recognize Brother Frank Smith for the report of the Founder's Day Committee.

REPORT OF THE FOUNDER'S DAY COMMITTEE

MR. FRANK SMITH: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers.

It is my please to introduce, Sharon Prague and Harold McMahan, who served as Co-Chairman. My District Chairmen were: James Brookshire - District I; J. Mac Benton - District II; Ray Pettigrew - District III; Mrs. Regina Garner - District IV and Jerry Trees - District V.

Sisters Alma and Brother Richard, thank you, for the opportunity to serve on this Committee with all the wonderful committee members. With the help of the Committee and the participation of the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction, any task can be accomplished.

Founder's Day was held at the Eastern Star Home, August 1st and 2nd, 1997. We had beans and jeans on Friday evening and on Saturday, we had other items and events. Due to the heavy rains that occurred during the Home and Country Celebration, the auction was held during Founder's Day, so the membership could participate in the auction. Also, a yard sale was held during Founders Day. All this was to help raise monies for our beautiful Eastern Star Home.

It is my pleasure to submit the following report:

Donations as of 10-01-97 from 297 Chapters	\$20,778.30
Founder's Day Celebrations	<u>1,292.02</u>
Total	\$22,070.32

I wish to thank the Committee Members, the Chapters and the Membership for their participation. To ALL who had a part in Founder's Day 1997, THANK YOU.

Respectfully submitted,
 Frank E. Smith, General Chairman
 Founder's Day Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Frank. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report and second of the Founder's Day Committee. All in favor will please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried. Brother Frank, we had a great time. It was a little warm, but your Committee worked very hard and we had a wonderful time and a wonderful report. I want to thank you and this hard-working Committee for all that you did for our Home for Founder's Day. [applause]

Our Associate Grand Matron would like for it to be announced that the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons will participate in the drill at the close of Installation. Worthy Matrons and Chapter Representatives, please remember that you may order the report that will be the report of this Grand Chapter session over to my left, near the Secretary's desk.

Sisters and Brothers, we do not have an election. Total votes: 2,724. Total to elect: 1,363. Wolfe - 1,272; McMahan - 913; Gray - 539. We will drop the name of Gray and proceed to elect by ballot Wolfe or McMahan. Sisters and Brothers, we will be balloting on ballot number 7. I now declare the ballot open.

Sisters and Brothers, would the following persons please come to the East: Henry Smith, a representative of Orange Chapter No. 214, LaVerne Griff, Frank Hembree, Allene Barnhill, Herbert Clayton, Lorraine Belcher, Jennifer Bachelor - I believe it is; Annabelle England, Robert C. Rife, Booker McGee, Nancy McCain, Monroe Ezzerneck, Rachel Jackson, Linda Ezzerneck, R. Mary Wolfe, Linda Lee Bagley, Cindy Corbin, Milly McCarver, Preston Starlights of Houston, W. J. Blair - that's old Joe, Edith Curtis, Patsy Jones, Betty Porter. And would the Committee - the Chairmen of the Defenders of Freedom please come and join Brother Forrest up here. Sisters and Brothers, we're going to hand out the buttons from the Defenders of Freedom. These people have bought buttons down here, and I'm going to hand them out to them. They didn't buy a button; they donated to the Defenders of Freedom. We're giving them a button.

Are all the ballots picked up? How about putting them on 1, 2, 3 and 4, and we will dismiss 5 and 6. Thank you. Has everyone's ballot been picked up? Is there anyone whose ballot has not been picked up in this arena? I now declare the ballot closed.

Sisters and Brothers, we have an election. We had 2,684 total ballots. It took 1,343 to elect. Varnell - 1,305; Kidd - 1,379. Kimi Kidd, you have been elected to Grand Examiner of District 2.

MS. KIMI KIDD: With much appreciation, Worthy Grand Matron, to the membership of Texas, I accept this place of service. Thank you. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I understand there was some confusion about what I said about the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons doing a drill. It is after the Installation tonight for Sister Yvonne, not the end of our day here.

I would like for our ladies at the Home to stand one more time, my Regal Eagles. I would just like to say to you how happy we are to have you at this Grand

Chapter session. Your health and welfare are our most important benevolent concern. We love and respect each of you to the highest degree. I hope to visit you as much as possible after this Grand Chapter session. Thank you, ladies.

I would also like to have any Sisters or Brothers present who are residents of the Masonic Retirement Home to please stand and let us recognize you. Do we have any members present from the Masonic Retirement Home? There's one in the Choir. To all of you, let's give them a big hand and recognize them. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for being here. [applause]

I recognize Sister Nancy Brown to give the report of the Grand Examiner At-Large.

REPORT OF THE GRAND EXAMINER-AT-LARGE

MRS. NANCY BROWN: 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:

*“Long may our land be bright
With Freedom’s holy light;
Protect us by thy might,
Great God, our King!”*

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma Carter, thank you for sharing with us the “vision” of the eagle as we have looked toward the future this year. Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Richard Ochs, we are grateful to you for encouraging us to seek out the Fruits of the Spirit within ourselves. Each of you has truly been an inspiration to us, and your love for our Order is always evident.

My humble thanks go to the membership of this wonderful Grand Jurisdiction for the privilege of serving as Grand Examiner-At-Large. My life has been immeasurably enriched by the friendships formed and renewed during the past year.

To the other five members of the Board of Grand Examiners, your support and friendship helped to make the year even more special. It was a joy to work with each of you.

To those who assisted in the Examining Room during the “Freedom’s Light” Session, I wish to express my utmost thanks. Please know that it is through your willingness to help that I am able to submit the following report.

DISTRICT I	5 A	0 B
DISTRICT 11	2 A	0 B
DISTRICT 111	10 A	1 B
DISTRICT IV	2 A	0 B
DISTRICT V	2 A	0 B

The total number of certificates issued was 22.

May we continue to have God as our leader so that the Light of Freedom may forever shine forth in America!

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Fraternally submitted,
Nancy Brown
Board of Grand Examiners-At-Large

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the Grand Examiner At-Large. All in favor, please raise your blue card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

I want to remind our Officers to turn in your badges immediately after this session is over.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the following ladies in the West: Sisters Mattie Herrin, Betty Prater, Mildred Blair, Barbara Ochs and Mary Crow. My dear Sisters, each of you have worked for many years in your Subordinate Chapters. You have served with me as my Officers with love and devotion this year. I love and appreciate each one of you. Sister Mattie Herrin, you have served my own Chapter for about twenty years as our Secretary. I'm so happy to give you this Commission. My dear friend, Betty Prater, no one – no one – deserves anything more from a Worthy Grand Matron than you deserve this, and I'm happy to give it to you, my dear. Sister Mildred Blair, who has had the Sister station this year, my friend and neighbor, you and Joe have worked so long, and I'm certainly happy to give you this Commission. Sister Barbara Ochs, I know that Richard could not function without you. So I won't have to stomp on him so much, I'll turn him back over to you and let you take care of him. But, Barbara, thank you for everything you have done, not only for Grand Chapter but for me personally. Sister Mary Crow who has been the Social Chairman of this session of the Arrangements Committee, so many years you have worked, not only in Eastern Star, but in Nile; in all the things that you belong to, you have worked with distinction. I'm happy to give you this Commission.

Sister Mattie Herrin, your Commission is to Georgia; Sister Betty Prater, yours to Kentucky; Sister Mildred Blair, yours to Louisiana; Sister Barbara Ochs, yours to Maryland; Sister Mary Crow, yours to the Big Apple, New York. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will please escort these wonderful Sisters to the East. [applause]

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, will you please escort this hard-working Executive and Arrangements Committees to the West.

I forgot! They get Grand Honors today. I was trying to cheat you out of probably one of the few times you'll get Grand Honors. So let's give them Grand Honors, Sisters and Brothers. [Grand Honors given.] [applause]

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, will you please present the Executive and Arrangements Committees in back of Esther's Station.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Worthy Grand Matron, I have the honor of presenting the Executive and Arrangements Committees.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Grand Conductress. It is my great honor and privilege to publicly thank this group for all your hard work these last

two years. Your giving of your time and your hard work has shown greatly during this Grand Chapter session. Each of you has performed your duty with love and dignity. I know we should never call names if we cannot mention everyone. However, I must give a special thanks to Henry Martin, Executive Chairman; Joe Blair, Arrangements Chairman and my computer guru; Wanda Gilmore and Trey Smith, Co-Chairmen of the Arrangements Committee. I would also like to thank Carroll Macon who is not a member of this Committee but who made our sign.

To all of you, not only to the chairman of each division and each committee, but to each person who did one thing, I can never, ever thank you enough. To each one of you, I can only say God bless you, I thank you and I would like for this Grand Chapter to say thank you also. Sisters and Brothers, let's give them a hand. [applause] While you're standing back there, I would also invite Sister Zena Wilson to come and give the invitation to next year's Grand Chapter.

You may step to the side. Zena wants her people to line up back there. I invite Sister Yvonne Brownfield and Brother Kenneth Gregory to the East.

MR. GARLAND RATTAN: Worthy Grand Matron, I want to thank all who helped in the election this morning, and I want to thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve Grand Chapter in this manner.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Brother Garland, thank you not only for performing this duty, but carrying it out to my instructions. You have done this election with dignity, timely, and we appreciate not only your effort, but the great way you handled it. We have gone through this election very quickly. We're all happy to get out as early as we can. Thank you for doing exactly the things that I instructed you to do. Thank you. [applause]

MRS. ZENA WILSON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Will the 1997-98 Executive and Arrangements Committee please go to the West.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

As the clock quickly ticks the closing of the "Freedom's Light" Session of Grand Chapter, we look to the West and extend the warm hand of friendship to each of you.

Plans are under way for the 116th Session to be held in Fort Worth, the gateway to the West. Our invitation is extended from the distinguished Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of District Three: Sisters, Agnes Lee Howard, Elise Hammack, Doris Efirid and Wanda Fairchild, and Brothers, Herbert L. Arnold, Richard T. Porter, Paul Huffhines, Murray Watson, Wayne P. Jones and Leland G. Benefield: And from Jean Hunt, District Deputy Grand Matron of District Three.

We have expressions of welcome from officials of our great city, the Convention Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce, the Masonic Bodies and the Eastern Star Chapters of District 3, Section 1.

Bill Prague . . . Are you ready . . .

Fort Worth!! It's a date in '98.

Respectfully submitted,
Zena Wilson
Chairman, Invitation Committee

I move the adoption of this report.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON: Tell them the date.

MRS. ZENA WILSON: October 29, 30 and Halloween, 31!

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Zena Wilson. You have heard the motion that we have Grand Chapter next year in Fort Worth, and it looks like it's a date in '98. I know that all of you will say a big "yes" to this and nobody will say "no." All right! Let's hear your "yea's." The motion is adopted that we do this. Thank you. I want to wish for Sister Yvonne and Brother Kenneth all things that are good, all things that are kind, all things that are gentle, and all things that are lovely next year. May they have a wonderful, wonderful year. [applause]

I would like to say to our Grand Choir how much we appreciate all of their work. I didn't have to tell them whenever I needed a song. They just knew when I was out of words, so they just went ahead. [applause]

Conductresses, I'm sorry. I guess I left you out there hanging loose.

Sisters and Brothers, we have an election, but I would like for you to stay for a few more minutes. It is early yet, and I would like for you to stay through our closing. It won't be but about five more minutes until we will be closing. If the Pages will leave your boxes so the Arrangements Committee can pick them up, it will help them greatly. Thank you.

Wolfe - 1,453; McMahan - 1,127. Sister Naomi, will you please come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce Sister Naomi Wolfe, the Associate Grand Conductress-Elect. Thank you, Sister Naomi. [applause]

MRS. NAOMI WOLFE: With much love and humble heart, thank you for electing me. Yes, I do accept! [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Worthy Grand Patron, do you have any words you'd like to leave with the membership at this time?

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, I sure do. Thank you; thank you; thank you; thank you! [applause and standing ovation.]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, I addressed you a year ago with my alpha speech. Today I address you with my omega speech, my first and my last as your Worthy Grand Matron. When I leave this dais today, I leave with a grateful heart, a heart filled with love and thanksgiving for this wonderful membership. You have given so generously of your love, your benevolence, your time and your talents. Your generous spirit has overwhelmed me this year. Our Order will be stronger and greater for your concerns and love. Remember, God shares with the person who is generous. You are indeed generous Sisters and Brothers. I would like to leave you with the closing lines I wrote in the September "Bulletin."

"Thank you, my friends, for giving me the strength and courage to look not so much at what I have lost, but what I have left." Thank you, my wonderful Sisters and Brothers. [applause and standing ovation.]

Thank you, my friends. To Sister Yvonne and Brother Kenneth, the best of everything. I hope all of you will remain and come to the Installation this evening.

I now recognize Sister Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron, who will bring our benediction.

MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND: Sisters and Brothers, may we please quietly lift our hearts and thoughts to the Great God Almighty. Kind and gracious loving Father, the hour has now arrived for us to gently close the record book of service for the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, for 1996-97. May You have found us worthy of the purposes and the dedication to the true principles of this great fraternity, that of charity, truth and loving kindness. We thank You, Father God, for Your all-seeing care and protection of our wonderful leaders of the years; and we pray Your continued rich blessings of mercy and protection on those nearing the moment of accepting the reins of leadership. Father God, may we in our own humble and simple way express to You our gratefulness for Your unconditional love of each of us and for Your continued guidance, wisdom and protection as we go forth from this place of service to our respective homes. And, Father God, may we always be reminded that You will never leave us comfortless or alone, but will hold us close in Your heart until the divine plan of our life has been unfolded to complete fruition into a beautiful flower through Your design of Your children. We pray this humbly in the name of the Father God, the creator of mankind, His Son Jesus Christ who gave up His life for us, and the Holy Comforter who abides with us now and forevermore. Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Rosemary Swetland.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling this 115th Grand Chapter session from labor to rest and direct him to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to engage in the closing of our Grand Chapter session, the 115th of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. You will permit no interruptions 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. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar. [The Holy Bible was closed.]

I now call this 115th Grand Chapter Session from labor to rest until 6 p.m. for the Installation of the Officers. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, this Grand Chapter session has been called from labor to rest.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Please do not pick up any of the decorations or anything on the floor after the session because each thing belongs to someone. Officers, please remember to turn in your badges to Sister Frances.

WRITTEN REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE COMMITTEE

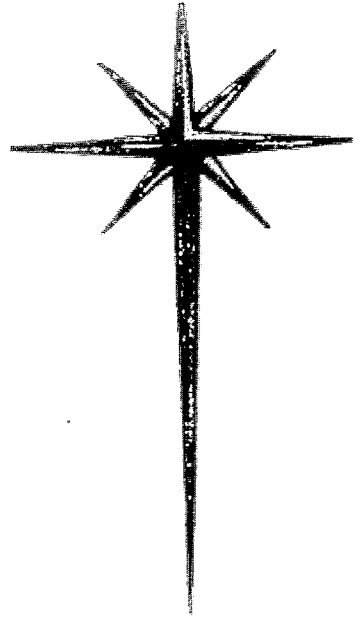
Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, My Sisters and Brothers

attending this 115 Freedom's Light Grand Chapter Session:

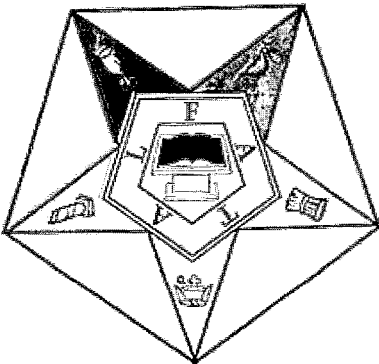
It's been a pleasure this year serving on the Committee of International Temple. Responses from the chapters were just great. The notes, letters, and interest from the membership wanting to be 100% was very touching. There were a total of 134 chapters with a total amount of \$2,804, including a memorial, contributing to new members, duals, and catching up to be 100%. I apologize for the inconvenience caused by the postal truck fire and this will soon be taken care of. A beautiful and loving gift to myself was having the opportunity to visit International Temple in Washington, D. C. Thank you again Worthy Grand Matron for allowing me to serve with you and our Worthy Grand Patron this Grand Chapter Year, for loving me and being my friends.

Fraternal love,
Janie Fikes
International Temple Committee

*Preserving
the
Past
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*Planning
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Future*



*The 116th Installation of The Grand Chapter of Texas
October 11, 1997
Dallas, Texas*

**THE GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

PRESENTS

**THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH
INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS
1997-1998**

**PRESERVING THE PAST
WHILE PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE**

Dedicated to

Max E. Brownfield

1909-1996

Father-In-Law of the Worthy Grand Matron

October 11, 1997

**Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield,
Worthy Grand Matron**

**Mr. Kenneth Gregory,
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 Alsup

Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast

Mrs. Joyce Roberts

Mrs. Mary Brown

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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 Eford

Mrs. Betty Phillips Hagar

Dr. Effie Mae Davis

Mrs. Jane Gregory

Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF TEXAS
(Continued)

Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Mr. Gene Belk
Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland	Mr. Ralph A. Davis
Mr. Herbert L. Arnold	Mr. Wayne P. Jones
Mr. J.T. Sanders	Mr. B. F. Hutson
Mr. Richard T. Porter	Mr. Harry G. Cunningham
Mr. Harold Todd	Mr. Joe E. Jeffers
Mr. C.A. "Bill" Holmes	Mr. Graham H. Childress
Mr. Paul Huffhines	Mr. Glenn Whitaker
Dr. O.D. Christian	Mr. Garland Rattan
Mr. Murray Watson	Mr. Leland Benefield
Mr. T.L. "Duke" Weaver	Mr. Charles Morris
Mr. Oliver B. Chamberlin	Mr. Billy Combest

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. Joseph W. Regian,
Most Worshipful Grand Master
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

Mrs. Pearl Mills,
Supreme Chaplain and Supreme Inspector of Texas
International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning
Texas Jurisdictional Guardian International Order of Job's
Daughters

Note: to All Distinguished Guests and members, 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.

SPECIAL GUESTS

**Copperas Cove No. 1070
District 3, Section 7**

**Spurger No. 315
Wisteria No. 823**

(Seated in the North and South Reserved Sections)

INSTALLATION PROGRAM

5:30 P.M

MUSICAL PRELUDE Mrs. Earnestine Winterrowd,
P.M. Odessa No. 447

MASTER OF CEREMONIES Dr. Effie Mae Davis
Past Grand Matron

ASSISTING GRAND MARSHAL Mrs. Betty Phillips Hagar
Past Grand Matron

CALL TO ORDER Mrs. Alma Carter
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Richard Ochs
Worthy Grand Patron

PROCESSIONAL Distinguished Members of
The Grand Chapter of Texas and
Other Distinguished Members and Guests

PRESENTATION OF THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS,
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAND CHAPTER
BENEVOLENCES AND THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

**PRESENTATION OF THE
GRAND OFFICERS OF 1997-1998**

- Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield Worthy Grand Matron
Escorted By Mr. Robert Brownfield
and Ralph Davis, PGP
- Mr. Kenneth Gregory Worthy Grand Patron
Escorted By Mrs. Juanita Gregory
- Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane Associate Grand Matron
Escorted By Dr. Charles W. Bane
- Mr. Henry Martin Associate Grand Patron
Escorted By Mrs. Opal Martin
- Mrs. Marjorie Errington Grand Secretary
Escorted By Mr. Kris Miller
- Mrs. Patsy Wilson Grand Treasurer
Escorted By Mr. Herbert Wilson
- Mrs. Betty Friend Grand Conductress
Escorted By Mr. Jack W. Friend
- Mrs. Naomi Wolfe Associate Grand Conductress
Escorted By Mr. Robert Wolfe
- Mrs. Becky Cathey Potts Grand Chaplain
Escorted By Mr. Charles Potts
- Mrs. Ann Kelly Grand Marshal
Escorted By Mr. J.B. Kelly
- Mrs. Mary Ferguson Grand Organist
Escorted By Mr. Virgil Ferguson

Mrs. Carolyn Broom..... Grand Adah
Escorted By Mr. Glen Broom

Mrs. Karen KiddGrand Ruth
Escorted By Mr. Horton Kidd

Mrs. Jo Ann Snow Grand Esther
Escorted By Charles Snow

Mrs. Marion Von HeederGrand Martha
Escorted By Mr. Dwight Von Heeder

Mrs. Mickey Gunder..... Grand Electa
Escorted By Mr. Fred Gunder

Mrs. Elwanda Spindor Grand Warder
Escorted by Mr. John Spindor, Jr.

Mr. J.J. Freeze Grand Sentinel
Escorted By Mrs. Brenda Freeze

Mrs. Carol Hall Fraternal Correspondent
Escorted By Mr. Clyde Hall

PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE Mr. Scott Brownfield
Son of the Worthy Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE MARKER Mrs. Cindy Holland
Worthy Matron, Wagner #111, Springhill, LA

PRESENTATION OF THE SQUARE AND COMPASSES
..... Mr. Rick Holland
Member, Wagner #111, Springhill, LA

FLAG PRESENTATION
United States Mr. Robert Brownfield

Texas Mr. Jack W. Friend

Christian Mr. Charles Snow

Eastern Star Mr. Forrest Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mr. J.T. Sanders

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Assembly Led By
Mr. B.F. Hutson

PRESENTATION OF THE STAR POINT EMBLEMS:

Narrator Mrs. Jane Gregory
Past Grand Matron

Adah Mrs. Margaret Jones
Past Matron
Escorted By Mr. Wayne P. Jones
Past Grand Patron

Ruth Mrs. Lois Bell
Past Grand Matron
Escorted By Mr. Oliver Chamberlin
Past Grand Patron

Esther Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green
Past Grand Matron
Escorted By Mr. Garland Rattan
Past Grand Patron

Martha Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen
Past Grand Matron
Escorted By Mr. Harry Cunningham
Past Grand Patron

Electa Mrs. Lena Maye Cook
Past Grand Matron
Escorted By Mr. Jim Cook
Past Patron

OPENING THE HOLY BIBLE Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane
Grand Conductress

INVOCATION Mr. Leland Benefield
Past Grand Patron

**PRESENTATION OF THE
INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS**

INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER Mrs. Elsie Paladino
Past Grand Matron

ASSISTING INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER Mr. Billy Combest
Past Grand Patron

INSTALLING GRAND CHAPLAIN Mrs. Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Grand Trustee

INSTALLING GRAND MARSHAL Mrs. Elise Hammack
Past Grand Matron

INSTALLING GRAND ORGANIST Mrs. Rosemary Swetland
Past Grand Matron

INSTALLING GRAND SECRETARY Mrs. Jean Nesbitt
Past Grand Matron

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

CLOSING OF THE HOLY BIBLE Mrs. Betty Friend
Grand Conductress

GREETINGS..... Mr. Harry G Cunningham
 Deputy Grand Master
 Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas
 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
 And Past Grand Patron of Texas

INTRODUCTION OF MRS. PEARL MILLS
 Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus
 Past Grand Matron

GREETINGS..... Mrs. Pearl Mills
 Supreme Chaplain and Supreme Deputy in Texas
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

RAINBOW DRILL AND PRESENTATION Miss Holly Lewis
 Grand Worthy Advisor
 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls
 And Dallas Area Rainbow Assemblies

PRESENTATIONS

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S JEWEL Mrs. Alma Carter
 Past Grand Matron

WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S JEWEL Mr. Richard Ochs
 Past Grand Patron

PAST GRAND MATRON'S JEWEL Mrs. Betty Prater

PAST GRAND PATRON'S JEWEL Mrs. Barbara Ochs

PRESENTATION OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S YEAR

..... Mrs. Wanda Fairchild
Past Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF THE HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM

..... Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast
Past Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF THE BROWNFIELD MARCH

.....Mrs. Sherrill Cain
Past Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF THE MUSIC. Mrs. Mary Ferguson
Grand Organist

ADDRESS Mr. Kenneth Gregory
Worthy Grand Patron

ADDRESS Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
Worthy Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF THE “SHEAF WITHIN THE STAR”
FORMATION UNDER THE DIRECTION OF
MRS. ANN KELLY,
GRAND MARSHAL

SOLO: “OTHERS” Mrs. Rebecca Schaefer,
Grand Soloist

BENEDICTION Mr. Charles Morris
Past Grand Patron

RECESS

*To the Visitors you may be excused at this time
with our heartfelt thanks for sharing this evening with us.*

- CALL FROM REST TO LABOR Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield
- RITUALISTIC CLOSING OF GRAND CHAPTER Members Only
- CLOSING ODE: "FAMILY OF GOD" 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.

A Breakfast honoring the Newly Elected
Associate Grand Conductress
will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Fairmont Hotel,
Sunday October 12, 1997.

The School for the Deputies will begin at 10:00 a.m., October 12, 1997
in the Pavilion Room at the Fairmont Hotel. Past Grand Matrons,
Past Grand Patrons, Floor Officers and Elected Board's
are invited to attend.

INVITATIONS

Copperas Cove Chapter No. 1070
cordially invites you to attend
Banquet and Fraternal Visit of the
Worthy Grand Matron and
honoring
the Worthy Grand Patron
on Saturday, October 18, 1997
at the Civic Center in Copperas Cove.

SPECIAL THANKS

- Thanks To the Dedication exhibited by our Executive and Arrangements Committee “*You Done Good*”

- Thanks to my Secretaries, Ann Kelly and Diane Davidson, for their assistance in planning and preparing for tonight. A Special thanks to J.B. Kelly, the extra secretary, for his computer wizardry.

- Thanks to Mary Brown, Deputy Grand Matron District Four, Section Seven for the beautiful program cover.

- Many of the beautiful things you see tonight were either made or donated by special ones. You know who you are and you know my deep appreciation.

- My thoughts go to Alvis Stovall, Francis Kinsinger, J.W. McGinty, Fern Treadaway of District Three, Section Seven, and Jessie Davis and John Spindor who had so looked forward to tonight, but are in the Grand Chapter above.

Worthy Grand Matron's Schedule

October 18	Banquet and Fraternal Visit of Worthy Grand Matron and honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Copperas Cove Chapter No. 1070
October 23	75th Anniversary of Graham Chapter No. 668
October 24	75th Anniversary of Pasadena Chapter No. 711
October 25	Banquet and Fraternal Visit of Worthy Grand Matron and Honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Spurger Chapter No. 315
October 26	75th Anniversary of New Boston Chapter No. 700
November 3 - 6	General Grand Chapter Orlando, Florida
November 13	School in District 2, Section 1
November 14-15	School in District 2, Section 2
November 18	School in District 2, Section 3
November 20	School in District 2, Section 5
November 21-22	School in District 2, Section 4
November 23	75th Anniversary Tea of De Leon Chapter No. 693
November 28-29	Texas/Louisiana Exchange Visit

We Hatched a New Chick in
Memphis...



And Now We are Going with
Her to Orlando!

*“Entreat me not to
Leave thee, or to return
From following after thee;
For whither thou goest,
I will go and where thou
Lodgest I will lodge;*



*Thy people shall
Be my people
Thy God
My God.”*

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 1997-98

On coming back to the Convention Center for installation, the scene had shifted from that of patriotism to that of a pastoral setting. The Worthy Grand Matron's theme for the year is "Friendship Is Constant."

Front stage was lined with live ferns. Front stage floor level had a nine-foot long yellow runner which had stand-up cutouts of a sheaf of wheat and three gleaners. On the runner were sheaves of wheat used in the Chapters of the Worthy Grand Matron's Home District. Small fences intertwined with sunflowers and topped with blackbirds ringed the wheat.

The stations of Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress had pine, four-foot high fencing surrounding them. Sunflowers and fall-colored leaves were twined about the fence.

All Officers were seated in white rocking chairs which had been loaned by the Masonic Retirement Home. Star Point pedestals were maple with 12-inch round tops. The altar cloth was of gold cloth with a yellow lace overlay.

Dresses for the Lady Officers were two-piece, candlelight in color. There was a full skirt with a chiffon overlay and a white hip length overblouse with short sleeves embellished with sequins and gold braid in the front.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our Guests from the United Grand Chapter of Australia. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present our own Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of Texas. Assisting Grand Marshal, we are honored with the presence of some most distinguished Masons this evening. Will you present the Most Worshipful Joseph W. Regian, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and other Masonic Officers. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present the Leaders of our Youth: Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Chaplain and Supreme Inspector in Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls; Mrs. Rebecca G. Koenning, Texas Jurisdictional Guardian International Order of Job's Daughters, and her escort is Mr. Blaine Koenning, Executive Officer for DeMolay in Texas, Active Member of DeMolay International.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters, Brothers and Friends, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to call this 115th session of Grand Chapter to order.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: At this time we are honored with the presence of our Elected Boards. Will they please come forward for this presentation. The first of our Elected Boards is the Board of Grand Examiners. The next Elected Board is the Board of Directors of Grand Chapter Benevolences. The next Elected Board of this Grand Chapter is the Board of Grand Trustees.

Hickory, dickory, dock, the mouse went up the clock. And all the little mouse said, "Goody, there's no cats here. Let's run." We're going to begin our run this evening with the introduction of the Officers for the coming year. The first is our Fraternal Correspondent, Mrs. Carol Hall, escorted by Mr. Clyde Hall. Our Grand Sentinel is Mr. J. J. Freeze, escorted by Mrs. Brenda Freeze. Our Grand Warder is Mrs. Elwanda Spindor, escorted by Mr. John Spindor, Jr. Grand Electa is Mrs. Mickey Gunder,

escorted by Mr. Fred Gunder. Grand Martha is Mrs. Marion Von Heeder, escorted by Mr. Dwight Von Heeder. Grand Esther is Mrs. Jo Ann Snow, escorted by Mr. Charles Snow. Grand Ruth is Mrs. Karen Kidd, escorted by Mr. Horton Kidd. Grand Adah is Mrs. Carolyn Broom, escorted by Mr. Glenn Broom. Grand Organist is Mrs. Mary Ferguson, escorted by Mr. Virgil Ferguson. Grand Marshal is Mrs. Ann Kelly, escorted by Mr. J. B. Kelly. Grand Chaplain is Mrs. Becky Cathey Potts, escorted by Mr. Charles Potts. Associate Grand Conductress is Mrs. Naomi Wolfe, escorted by Mr. Robert Wolfe. Grand Conductress is Mrs. Betty Friend, escorted by Mr. Jack Friend. Grand Treasurer is Mrs. Patsy Wilson, escorted by Mr. Herbert Wilson. Grand Secretary is Mrs. Marjorie Errington, escorted by Mr. Kris Miller. Associate Grand Patron is Mr. Henry Martin, escorted by Mrs. Opal Martin. Associate Grand Matron is Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, escorted by Dr. Bill Bane. Worthy Grand Patron is Mr. Kenneth Gregory, escorted by Mrs. Juanita Gregory. Worthy Grand Matron is Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, escorted by Mr. Robert Brownfield and Mr. Ralph Davis, Past Grand Patron of Texas.

In the Altar presentation this evening, the beautiful altar cloth was made by Pat Turner, Deputy Grand Matron, District 3, Section 9. The Bible is being presented by Mr. Scott Brownfield, who is the youngest of three sons of our Worthy Grand Matron. The Bible marker and the beautiful Bible cover were made by Mrs. Bobbie Paul. The Bible being used in this ceremony was given by Robert to Yvonne on their wedding day. The pedestals were made by Dutch Treadway, Past Patron of Clifton Chapter No. 283.

The Bible is being presented by Scott Brownfield. The Bible marker is being presented by Mrs. Cindy Holland, Worthy Matron of Wagner Chapter No. 111 of Springhill, Louisiana, who Yvonne installed. The Square and Compasses are presented by Mr. Rick Holland, a member of Wagner Chapter No. 111 of Springhill, Louisiana, nephew of the Worthy Grand Matron.

The 50-year pin of Max Brownfield, Robert's father, is being used this evening. The pin was presented to him by Past Grand Master, Farris Benham, one day before Max died.

In the flag presentation this evening, we are honored to have the presence of four former members of the Armed Forces. The United States Flag is being presented by Robert Brownfield, U.S. Army, Retired, Paratrooper. The Texas Flag is being presented by Mr. Jack Friend, husband of Mrs. Betty Friend, and a former member of the U.S. Air Force. The Christian Flag is being presented by Mr. Charles Snow, U.S. Army, Retired, and the husband of our Jo Ann Snow. The Eastern Star Flag is being presented by Mr. Forrest Smith, who is a former Navy Seal.

Brother J. T. Sanders, Past Grand Patron of Texas.

MR. J. T. SANDERS: Sisters and Brothers, will you join me in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. [Pledge given in unison; following by singing of the National Anthem.]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Mrs. Jane Gregory, Past Grand Matron of Texas, will begin the narration.

MRS. JANE GREGORY: The beautiful teachings of our Order are portrayed in the five degrees which we refer to as our Star Points. The Founder of our Order, Dr. Rob Morris, began with the five-pointed star as the emblem of our Order. He envisioned each point as portraying the relationship of a woman to a Master Mason; that is, a daughter, a wife, a mother, a sister and a widow. He searched the

Scriptures for characters to portray these five relationships of women to a Master Mason. He chose Jephthah's daughter or Adah, Ruth, Queen Esther, Martha and the Elect Lady or Electa. Outlining the labyrinth of our Star and encircling the word of God rest the emblems of our Order. These emblems, which represent the five degrees, serve as reminders of the distinguished heroines and challenge us to so live that our lives will reflect the virtues of these faithful servants of God.

The emblems used tonight belong to our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect's Chapter, Copperas Cove No. 1070, except for our Cup which was presented to Sister Ann Kelly when she served as Grand Electa for our Past Grand Matron, Sister Jean Nesbitt, in 1986-87.

The blue ray of our star represents the daughter station and reminds us of the heavens and all that God has given us. Jephthah's daughter, one of the nameless women in the Bible, has been given the name Adah. Adah's lesson of fidelity teaches us to be faithful to our convictions of right and duty. The emblem is the sword and veil presented by Mrs. Margaret Jones, escorted by our Past Grand Patron, Brother Wayne Jones.

The yellow ray of our star represents the widow station and reminds us of the sunshine which drives away the darkness. Ruth was constant in her devotion to her mother-in-law Naomi, and with love in her heart gleaned the golden grains of life's harvest. Ruth's lesson of constancy teaches us to be steadfast and true. The emblem is the sheaf, and it is being presented by Sister Lois Bell, our Past Grand Matron, escorted by Brother Oliver Chamberlain, Past Grand Patron.

The white ray of our star represents the wife station and reminds us of the great white light from the star which God has given us. Esther, an orphaned Jewish damsel, was chosen to be the queen of Persia. Her devotion to other people is an inspiring lesson of loyalty. The emblem of this station is the crown and scepter and is presented by Sister Virginia Green, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Brother Garland Rattan, Past Grand Patron.

The green ray of our star represents the sister station and reminds us of the uncertainty of human life. Martha's faith in God never wavered. It was Martha to whom Jesus spoke the assuring words, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And he that liveth and believeth in me shall never die." The emblem is the broken column, and it is presented by our Past Grand Matron, Sister Nancy Bailey Allen, escorted by our Past Grand Patron, Brother Harry Cunningham.

The red ray of our star represents the mother station. It reminds us of our Heavenly Father's love for all of us. Electa reflected love through her acts of kindness and hospitality. Her lesson of love teaches us God's greatest commandment, that we love one another. The emblem is the cup of charity and hospitality and is presented by our Past Grand Matron, Sister Lena Maye Cook, escorted by Brother Jim Cook.

When you see these emblems of our Order, be reminded of the lessons of fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love which they convey. Resolve to strive earnestly to make these virtues so evident in your lives that all that we meet will know that we are in the service of the One who is the Perfect Light of our star in the East.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: The Bible on our Holy Altar will be opened by our Grand Conductress, Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane. [The Holy Bible was opened.]

Our invocation will be given this evening by our Past Grand Patron, Brother Leland Benefield.

MR. LELAND BENEFIELD: Dear Lord, thank You for being with us this evening. We have just closed another chapter in the history of our Order. We ask for Your blessings on our ceremonies this evening. We ask for Your guidance for these new officers and leaders as they assume their duties. Be with each of our members as they travel home. Thank You for Your blessings and forgiveness where we have failed Thee. In Christ's Name we pray, amen.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Thank you, Brother Benefield, for that beautiful invocation.

It is a pleasure this evening to introduce our Installing Grand Officer, Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron of Texas.

MRS. ELSIE PALADINO: Thank you, Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Master of Ceremonies. It is indeed an honor to be selected to be Installing Grand Officer for an Installation of Grand Chapter. Sister Yvonne Brownfield, I thank you for this privilege.

It is always a joy to introduce those who will be assisting in the Installation. It is my pleasure to introduce Mr. Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron, who will be Assisting Installing Grand Officer; Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Installing Grand Chaplain; Mrs. Elise Hammack, Past Grand Matron, Installing Grand Marshal; Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron, Installing Grand Organist; Mrs. Jean Nesbitt, Past Grand Matron, Installing Grand Secretary.

We will have a short recess to prepare for this ceremony of Installation.

[Installation of Grand Officers.]

MRS. ELSIE PALADINO: Worthy Grand Matron, it is with much love and pride that I present to you your gavel.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible. [The Holy Bible was closed.]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Hickory, dickory, dock, the mouse went up the clock. It's eight o'clock and still no cats. Let's have some fun.

We're going to have a presentation by Mr. Harry G. Cunningham, Deputy Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Cunningham.

MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Sister Effie Mae.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: It is my pleasure at this time to present to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron greetings from the Governor of Texas. Sister Yvonne, Brother Ken.

"Greetings to Ms. Yvonne Brownfield. Congratulations on your installation as Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. This ceremony provides a great opportunity for people to celebrate your accomplishments and to plan for the future with your leadership. The Grand Chapter of Texas

has touched the lives of many people during the years. The Eastern Star time and energy in providing assistance for people of all ages, from infants to seniors, represent the true Texas spirit of caring and sharing. Through the commitment to help others, Eastern Star improves the quality of life for your fellow residents. Texans applaud the many contributions of your organization. Laura joins me in sending best wishes on this special occasion." This is under the seal and signed, "Sincerely, Honorable George W. Bush, Governor of Texas." [applause]

I have a like letter for our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ken Gregory. Brother Ken. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: What an honor it is this evening for us to have with us as busy as he is, Mr. Joe Regian, who is the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. We're so honored to have greetings from him.

MR. JOE REGIAN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Brothers and Sisters: What a great honor and privilege it is to be among you and to be back in Texas. As you know -- I believe you've been told -- we've just come from Washington, land of the disenchanted, where we had the opportunity to mingle, mix and get to know people of our fraternity from around the world, primarily this time Denmark. And although there are those among us in this nation who would not consider Texas one of the premier Grand Jurisdictions in the world, let me tell you that in most quarters where Free Masons and their sisters, wives and those who love them gather, you are held in very high esteem as participants in this marvelous fraternity that we enjoy in Texas.

And on behalf of all the Grand Lodge, it's my privilege to bring you greetings and good wishes, particularly to these Officers that have been installed, for a successful year. We honor you; we believe in you and we love you. We all have a job that must be done together. What a marvelous treasure we have in our hands in this fraternity. I, too, have a missive that I would like to present to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, if you will, from an individual that you may recognize.

"To Yvonne Brownfield, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star; to Kenneth Gregory, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star: Congratulations upon your installation as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Hillary joins me in wishing you every success. William P. Clinton, President of the United States." [applause]

I stopped by the White House to see the President, but she was not there [laughter], nor was Bill.

Someone has asked me to make an additional presentation, and it is in the form of -- I'm going to call it a mouse -- someone might call it a rat -- for the rat race ahead. I have one for each of you, and I would present that to you at this time and again express my appreciation for the opportunity not only to be home, but to be among our friends tonight. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: How fortunate we are this evening to have a former Rainbow Girl introduce Mrs. Pearl Mills. Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus.

MRS. LALLAH MAE VOLLUS: Master of Ceremonies, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished

General Grand Chapter and Visiting and Other Members on our Platform, but my Sisters and Brothers all: The newly installed Worthy Grand Matron could never have guessed the emotional joy that she gave to me in inviting me to present Mrs. Mills. I was initiated into the Rainbow two days after Grand Assembly was constituted. I served through the chairs of Houston Assembly No. 8 and was the first Rainbow Girl in the world to become a Worthy Grand Matron. Our beloved Mark Sexon was the guest of honor at my session in 1946. Thus, you see, this is a special moment for me.

Mrs. Mills, will you come and stand by me. Pearl Mills is the third woman to serve as the Supreme Deputy in Texas. Dr. Cushing served under Dr. Sexon for just a few months. Then when the organization of the Grand Assembly was completed, his wife, Mrs. Daisy Cushing, became the Supreme Deputy. She was followed by Dallas' own Martha Marie Whitfield who served many years, and our jewel, Pearl, followed her. She has been serving for a number of years herself. Our Supreme Deputy controls the organization and guides our beautiful girls. Pearl is a member of Crane Chapter. She has served there as Worthy Matron. She has been married to her fine husband for fifty years. He is a strong arm of support to the Rainbow and to Pearl. In addition to her Deputyship in Texas, she has served in several stations in Supreme Assembly. At the present time she is Supreme Chaplain.

Pearl, as I place my arms about you, I represent the arms of this Grand Chapter, and I voice our appreciation for all that you are doing for our youth. Sisters and Brothers, I present Mrs. Pearl Mills, Supreme Deputy for the Order of the Rainbow in Texas. You will hail her with your applause. [applause]

MRS. PEARL MILLS: Thank you, my sweet, sweet and dear friend, Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, for that introduction. It's such a privilege for me to be here tonight and to greet you, my Sisters and Brothers. It's always a pleasure to be in an Eastern Star meeting. After all, my first love is Eastern Star. I do enjoy working with these girls in the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, but I must first say that I am an Eastern Star.

My Sisters and Brothers, it's always a pleasure to speak on behalf of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, and a special honor for me now to be able to give thanks to each of you for accepting these greetings from the Grand Assembly of Texas at this beautiful Grand Chapter Session. Many of you present are members of sponsoring bodies of the Assembly in Texas. And I do appreciate and thank you for this sponsorship. You know the joys you have received in not only knowing these girls, but having the opportunity of attending their meetings, availing yourself of the opportunity, knowing of their ideals and their ideas. They are our future. If we are not aware of their ideas, we will not know of our own future or theirs, nor will we know of our civic, social and fraternal lives in our daily living.

We cordially invite you to attend meetings, and especially to attend our 75th Diamond Jubilee session in Lubbock, Texas, June 16th, 17th and 18th, 1998, at the Lubbock Civic Center in Lubbock, Texas. Believe me, the girls need you and I need you too.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you have been ardent supporters of Rainbow this year not only to me personally, but to all the girls. We value that help given us. And now we're looking forward under this new leadership of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to this continued support. Thank you for the privilege of bringing 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."

Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to present this \$500 check from the Grand Assembly of Texas to the Grand Chapter of Texas. [applause] Now it's my privilege to present these beautiful Rainbow Girls in their regular formation for the Bible presentation to our Worthy Grand Matron. Girls, we will meet you at the Altar.

MISS RHONDA WEAVER: 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. Upon reflection, you will always remember that one of the first things brought to your attention in this Order was a copy of this old Book, which you placed next to your heart. You were taught that it alone would be the rule and the guide to your faith and practice. Upon each succeeding step in your advancement in this Order, you have been reminded that it alone is the rule and guide to your faith, that it will direct you to the temple of happiness, and that it will show you the way of all mankind.

And now at this most propitious hour among those who regard you as a Sister and in whose hearts have no doubt of their true wish for your future happiness, let me admonish to you a lasting and most successful wish, that you would find with this old Book, that it contains the mind of God, the state of mankind, 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. It is a traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the Rainbow Girl's light and the Christian's character. Through it, the gates of heaven are 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 justice.

And on behalf of this Grand Assembly, I now have the very distinct honor, as well as the supreme pleasure, of presenting to you this beautiful white Bible. May it be a beacon light to direct you through this life to the 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: Girls, you were beautiful! I want to tell you why the Grand Worthy Advisor was not here. She and her mother were on the way to present this Bible tonight, and they had an accident. They are not seriously hurt, it is my understanding, but they could not continue. So I know you will all be thinking of them. [applause as Rainbow Girls leave arena]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: It is a pleasure I know for this young lady to make this next presentation. Mrs. Alma Carter, Past Grand Matron, has a presentation to make.

MRS. ALMA CARTER: Worthy Grand Matron, would you please join me. Sister Yvonne, one year ago this beautiful jewel was placed over my heart. Tonight I place it over yours, from my heart to your heart, to remind us of the hearts of all of those members of the Order of the Eastern Star, those gentle hearts; that it does not matter who wears this pin, they love and they respect. It reminds us to guard that life with love, with gentle care and with respect. It reminds us of the duty -- the heavy duty sometimes -- in wearing this beautiful jewel. It reminds us of the heritage of those who have worn it before us. I know that you will wear it with love, with pride, with a gentle heart and a guiding hand. And it is my pleasure to pin it over your heart. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Another joyful presentation will be made by Mr. Richard Ochs, Past Grand Patron.

MR. RICHARD OCHS: Worthy Grand Patron, it is a very distinct privilege to be able to present you with the Worthy Grand Patron's jewel of Texas. This beautiful jewel is an antique. It has been passed down for 115 years. It's quite an opportunity, it's something that is very precious to our Grand Chapter and to those who have worn it. I congratulate you on being our Worthy Grand Patron. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Mrs. Betty Prater, a new Grand Representative to Kentucky, is going to present the pin that is brand new, a little bit different from this 115-year-old Worthy Grand Patron's traveling jewel that was just presented. Mrs. Betty Prater.

MRS. BETTY PRATER: My friend Alma, Past Grand Matron, you'll never know how happy and delighted I am to address you by that title. Only you and I know how we've both looked forward to this evening. My friend, we both know that respect cannot be bought or inherited; it must be earned. You have no doubt received and earned the respect of this membership by your love and devotion to our Order. You have honored me with the sweet privilege of presenting this beautiful Past Grand Matron's jewel. It's not merely a jewel to be displayed; it represents many years of hard work. I know that you will add brilliance and luster as you continue your service to our Order in the years to come. I remind you that you follow in the footsteps of some wonderful leaders. You have a rich heritage. Preserve it well. Congratulations! [applause]

MRS. ALMA CARTER: Thank you, Betty Prater, for presenting this pin to me. This pin will always remind me not only of my years of service to the Order of the Eastern Star, but five of the diamonds around the pentagon are from my wedding band from my dear husband Jack, all those years ago, that I do love more than anything. Thank you. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: We're so happy to have Mrs. Barbara Ochs come and make another happy presentation.

MRS. BARBARA OCHS: Brother Richard, my friend, the father of my children: It is with pleasure that I present to you your Past Grand Patron's pin. I wish that our dear friend, Betsy Ross, were here with us for some 25 years ago she made a remark to me that one day you would be Worthy Grand Patron. That dream has come true. I'm very proud of you. It has been a great year. Your service to our Order and with our Sister Alma has been one that we shall never forget. It is with pride that I present you this pin and pin it on your chest with our love. [applause] Your son has a presentation.

MR. RAYMOND OCHS: Dad, representing your family, our mom, your son that is not able to be here and Leighann and myself, I want to present a watch to you to represent the times that have past and the times that shall come, and may you wear it with pride and use it for a long time. And while I've got you here, I want to ask you – for those times that have past in supporting me in DeMolays, I want to ask you to help me on an adventure forward to become a Master Mason. [applause]

MR. RICHARD OCHS: Thank you. Worthy Grand Matron, I hope you'll give me just a moment. Worthy Grand Matron, thank you so much. Thank you, Barbara. This is our daughter, Leighann Bartolino; my son, Raymond Ochs, who has just – you gentleman don't work on him, I'll work on him real quick. But he's in Denton and I'm not sure what's going to transpire, but I know we've got places that can take care of young men who are willing. He was very active in DeMolay, and I probably overworked him and he did not choose until now. But he has been around Grandma and Grandpa a lot, and that has made a difference – Herman and Alice Ochs. There

are some that may be aware of some things that I'm not, but a couple of adopted girls of mine – Cindy and Kathy – Cindy flew in from Seattle, Washington, yesterday to be here today. And I want to thank all of them and all of y'all. Thank you very much. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: I said it was going to be happy, but I didn't realize it was going to be so happy, happy. We're so delighted that Leighann and this wonderful, wonderful young man could be here. He is a teacher of fine arts, and I know that this mother and father are very proud of his wish to become a Mason. Amen!

At this time Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron, will make a presentation of the Worthy Grand Matron's year.

MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD: Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers.

With much humility, I bring you the dedication of this 1997-1998 year. I appreciate being invited to present this to you.

MOTTO

Preserving the Past while Planning for the future.

EMBLEM

Sheaf

FUN EMBLEM

Brown Field Mouse

FLOWER

Sunflower (first flower for the station Ruth)

COLORS

Browns, beiges, tans, gold, yellow. All earth tones with a touch of turquoise

SCRIPTURES

WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Micah 6:8 - He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what cloth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

Psalms 121:1-2 - I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

MUSIC**WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

Church In The Wildwood, Others. Battle Hymn of the Republic,
Sentimental Journey, You Are My Sunshine, Pass It On

WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Blessed Assurance

Sister Yvonne Brownfield, Worthy Grand Matron, I pledge to you my support, my loyalty, and wish for you, a year of great achievement and happiness.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast, Past Grand Matron of Texas, will make the presentation of the Humanitarian Program for the coming year.

MRS. PATRICIA MAJOR NEINAST: My Sisters and Brothers, I present to you the Humanitarian Program for 1997-1998 of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

HOME ENDOWMENT FUND

Any person can contribute, devise or will to this Grand Chapter any amount of money, securities, real estate, stock, bonds, etc., for the purpose and use for which the home endowment is administered. Let us focus on the future by insuring the stability needed if our Home is to survive for those who follow us.

EASTERN STAR HOME

Our Home in Arlington has drawn the membership of Texas together from far and wide representing our love for one another. Funds for this area of responsibility will be used to cover the monthly operating expenses of our Home.

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This fund is to assist students of the ministry, religious music, education and missionaries. Though our Order is not a religion, each of us professed a belief in a Supreme Being. Therefore, let us be instrumental in assisting those who are dedicating their lives to those tenets.

**SPECIAL PROJECT
HOME RENOVATION FUND**

Though this fund is not part of the Humanitarian Program and will not assist a chapter to become 100%, it is important. Please continue to support this project for the betterment of our Home. We can prevent or at least slow down deterioration of our home by supporting this fund. This can be done in two ways. By sending donations direct to the Grand Secretary earmarked for the Home Renovation Fund, or by assisting a member of the Labor of Love Committee with needed supplies as appropriate.

Sisters and Brothers, assist our Worthy Grand Matron in all of these endeavors. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Mrs. Sherrill Cain, Member of the Scottish Rite Language Disorder Committee of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, will make the presentation of the "Brownfield March."

MRS. SHERRILL CAIN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: Ten years ago here in Dallas in this Convention Center I, too, was installed. It brings back a lot of happy memories when I found that you are going to use some of the Christmas season in yours, because she will have music entitled "The Sound of Christmas." This was taped and recorded by our own Past Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, who we have been able to enjoy her music tonight. I will look forward to these songs.

It is my pleasure to present tonight the "Brownfield March." The "Brownfield March" was composed by Sister Mary Ferguson, our installed Grand Organist. When she was composing this, she had a vision of a brown field. A brown field, you know, represents a new beginning. In a farmer's life, he has to plant. And when he does, there comes a time when the old harvest has to be harvested, and all the seeds are taken in except for those that hit the ground. When it hits the ground, the little creatures of God gather it, like the brown field mouse, and the birds, and the harvester ants and the rabbits and the squirrels. Then the seeds are planted for the coming year. These are the new seeds that will bring forth the harvest at a later date. They are covered with a blanket of mother earth, and it once again becomes a brown field. Then comes the snow, but the seeds are buried deep within the ground. It's so wonderful because they're warm and nice. And then God speaks to them and says, "Now is the time." And life begins to stir in the seeds in this ground, and it sprouts little green sprouts from the seed. And the seed rises up and in a short time the sun bakes down on it and warms it so that it becomes a beautiful, golden harvest. After the golden harvest comes, once again we have to harvest, and it will once again be gleaned and a new year will begin again.

It is my pleasure to present this "Brownfield March" which you will hear shortly, composed by Mary Ferguson. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: We're looking forward to hearing this. It's to be played by Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron. [applause following "Brownfield March"]

Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron, has a presentation to make.

MRS. ELSIE PALADINO: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron: On behalf of your Installing Grand Officers and those who have participated in this very happy occasion, we wish to present to you an expression of our appreciation for allowing us this privilege and for sharing in this evening with you. We shall have happy memories, and we hope that you do. [applause]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Kenneth Gregory, how we're looking forward to hearing your greeting.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Master of Ceremonies.

Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Installed Floor Officers and Elected Boards, Distinguished Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron – Sister Yvonne Brownfield – doesn't that sound great!

As I stand in this place of service to our beautiful Order, I am reminded of the words of Brother Ralph Davis in 1983 when he said "I thought when I was installed as Worthy Grand Patron that I would set the world on fire – then I found out she had all he matches." (Marjorie Johnson)

Sister Yvonne, it's alright that you have all the matches. Our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Florence A. Adair has admonished us to "Fan the Flames of Fraternalism" during the 43rd Triennium 1997-2000. So Sister Yvonne, you start the fires and I will stand by your side with the biggest fan I can find to fan those flames.

Sister Yvonne, Juanita and I have many fond memories of our association with you and Robert in the past. I remember once when you were staying in our home when you were a candidate for the Grand North – you said "everyone wants a cookie – and I keep telling them I can't pass out the cookies until I get the cookie dough."

Well, Sister Yvonne – you got the cookie dough – You've passed out the cookies! But I didn't have the slightest idea at the time I heard you make that statement that the cookie you were going to pass to me was going to come from the giant cookie company . . .

Sister Yvonne, I look forward to many more happy memories as we begin this year of service together. Thank you for the confidence shown by selecting me to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron. Juanita and I pledge you our total support in all the months and years ahead. Thank you for this opportunity of service to the membership of Texas this next year.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons – thank you for your words of encouragement. You have walked this way before and have left a rich legacy to follow. We look to you for guidance and direction. I particularly want to thank Brother Ralph Davis for his encouragement; Brother Billy Combest and his wife Freida for their guidance and direction, and Brother Richard Ochs and his wife Barbara for their kindness and thoughtfulness this past year. Thank you Brother Richard for that valuable lesson on how to "eat crow."

To the Installing Grand Officers – thank you for the beautiful installation. Sister Elsie – you and your assisting Grand Officers did a beautiful job. You have given each of the installed floor officers a night that will be cherished in our memories forever. Thank you!

At this time I would like to introduce to you my family. Would my wife please stand. This is my wife, Juanita, without whose love and support I would not be able to stand in this place of service. Next year on June 10th we will celebrate our Golden Anniversary. Thank you, Juanita, for all the love and support you have given through the years. Titles may come and titles may go – but you will always be the "first lady" of my life. I love you!

God has blessed us with four beautiful daughters – two live in California and one in Wisconsin, but we are fortunate to have one living in Austin, Texas. I would like to introduce my daughter, Karen Wadle and her husband of three weeks, Gregory Wadle. Sisters and Brothers, they are newlyweds and thought enough of their father and father-in-law to be here tonight. Thank you Karen and Greg.

If it were not for the members of Spurger Chapter No. 315 electing and initiating us into the Order of the Eastern Star on September 4th, 1980, Juanita and I

would not be members. Would the members of Spurger Chapter No. 315 please stand! Thank you Spurger Chapter. Please remain standing as you are joined by the members of our Dual Chapter – Wisteria No. 823. I have served as Worthy Patron of these two Chapters five times and am currently serving Wisteria as Associate Patron. Thank you Wisteria for the opportunity of service.

Please remain standing as you are joined by all the members of District IV, Section 2. Thank you District IV, Section 2 for all your support from the Line Officers Club and the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Club. I know that I can always count on you! Sisters and Brothers say thank you to these members.

There are two special ladies here tonight who have been very influential in our Eastern Star lives. The first is Sister Jane Minter – our Eastern Star Mother. Jane was initiated in 1938 by Judge Clyde Smith who served as Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas in 1937-38. Jane has always had a dream – that some day I would be Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you Jane for holding on to that dream.

The second is Sister Dortha Burnett, wife of Brother Leslie G. Burnett, Past Grand Patron who served with Sister Kathy Johnston. Brother Les and Sister Dortha installed Juanita and myself the first time we served in the East. Thank you Sister Dortha for your support through the years and I know that Brother Les is smiling down on us tonight.

To the Gleaners and Reapers – you have already been serving in the East for four months – yet there is much work to be done. The fields of our Order need to be plowed up – made ready for planting. We need to plant the good seeds of our Order: Fidelity, constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love. We need to uproot and cast out the tares and thorns of jealousy, envy, and strife that would grow up and choke out the harvest. If we are faithful and diligent in our efforts – when the fields are white unto harvest – we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

I want to thank you the beautiful membership for electing me to the office of Worthy Grand Patron. It truly is the highest honor you can confer upon a Brother. Thank you for this opportunity of service. My desire for you the membership is that you catch a vision of what could be for our Order in this Grand Jurisdiction. The writer of Proverbs tells us that “where there is no vision, the people perish.” Sisters and Brothers, I have a vision of what could be for the Grand Chapter of Texas. In my vision I see Chapters working together in harmony to accomplish our great charitable purposes – a membership that is growing not declining – reaching out to young adults. I see an Eastern Star Home that is totally endowed! Impossible you say? Not if each of our 60,000 members catch the same vision and develops the attitude “if it’s going to be it’s up to me.” Unified, there is nothing that we can’t accomplish.]

Sisters and Brothers – let’s catch a vision of what could be for our beautiful Order – then unify as a team to accomplish our goals.

Sisters and Brothers, my prayer for you this year is the same prayer Paul prayed for the Philipppians:

“May you always be doing those good kind things which show that you are a child of God, for this will bring much praise and glory to the Lord.”

Thank you very much. [applause and standing ovation]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: Thank you, Brother Kenneth, for your vision of the

future. At this time we're eager and anxious to hear our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Yvonne Brownfield.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Effie Mae. Can you hear me?

VOICES: Yes.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Do you care whether you hear me?

VOICES: Yes.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Effie Mae Davis, our Past Grand Matron and Mistress of Ceremonies; Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Trustee; other General Grand Chapter Representatives; our visitors from Australia; Past Grand Matrons; Past Grand Patrons; our illustrious and handsome gentlemen of Grand Lodge; these Rainbow Girls; my sweet, sweet Sisters and Brothers – Now before I go any further. We've got somebody who has lost their purse. Doris Busby has lost a purse. If anyone has found a purse, I will have her motel and information up here at the Secretary's desk. I'm sure she needs it if you've found it.

Now back to my greetings. What an evening! This was made possible by many, some listed in the program. However, I want to personally extend my appreciation for the rocking chairs that the Masonic Retirement Home has loaned us. I think this is great that we have them.

Can you hear me? [applause] They have loaned them, and I think it is just great that we have them. Of course, some of these ladies their feet won't touch the floor, but J. J. Freeze doesn't have that problem. [laughter]

I also want to personally extend my appreciation to Carroll Macon for putting my sentiments on display behind us. "Friendship is Constant." This constancy is shown in his and Phyllis's dedication to our beloved Order. And a special thank you to the Fort Worth Reapers and Gleaners for being at the entry doors to welcome each of you. You know what you mean to me. As Brother Kenneth said, you've got a headstart on us, but we're going to try to catch up with you.

The lovely Rainbow Girls for that Bible drill and presentation. My heart goes to Holly and her mother, but Sister Rhonda, thank you, darling, for doing such a beautiful job.

And there are other constant friends who were actively participating in this evening. I know that each of you know why you were asked to be with me tonight. You hold a special place in my heart and to the Order. Each of you are very dear to me.

And again I want to mention the visitors of Australia, I hope that this will be a repeat performance, that you will come back and be with us often because I have always been intrigued about your Grand Island – a country? Is that what it is, or an island? Your Jurisdiction or Grand Chapter. But, anyhow, we are so glad to have you. I promise the next time you're here, I'll know the proper term.

Sister Alma and Brother Richard, you have both left your mark on our beloved Order, and you both have a special place in my heart. I am so pleased that your son chose this Installation and this evening to give you such a heartfelt gift.

I want to thank my Chapter who provided me with this corsage and Robert's boutonniere, and my section, District 3, Section 7. We may be small, but our hearts beat with constancy. You're very special. In 1978 when we returned from Germany, you allowed us to become members of Copperas Cove Chapter No. 1070 where we served as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron in 1983 for Brother Ralph Davis and Sister Marjorie Johnson. This is a privilege that I owe you a deep debt of lifelong gratitude. Thank you, my dear friends. [applause]

Then my kids at the Altar. Stand up. I'm going to make you do it. Scott, that's you, too. Carol. What love I have for each of you. Rick, hold your hand up so they know who you are. Rick is my nephew, but I claim him as my own. His wife, Cindy, whose late grandfather served Louisiana as the Worthy Grand Patron - I believe it was in the year that Sister Molly Goodpasture was our Worthy Grand Matron. I had the honor of installing this sweet child as Worthy Matron of her Chapter. And, Scott, hold your hand up. [laughter] Our youngest, and of course his wife Carol. She takes care of him and tries to keep him straight. But he's our youngest, and he's my baby boy. He'll always be, and he doesn't like for me to say it! [applause] But I have been so blessed that you were with me tonight, and I am so proud. Before you sit down, I've got another family member who is equally important to mine and Robert's life and has been for a number of years. Robert's uncle, Donald Ray Scott, who lives in Richardson. Donald Ray, please stand up. [applause] You can sit down, but you can't leave! [laughter]

The fine Masons presenting the Flags. Thank you for presenting these colors. You're special, and I know that each of you served your branch of service and our country with pride and constancy. It's because of service that you and other persons have given to our country that we're able to be here tonight. Each of you are very special to me. One of them is my husband Robert. The Installation is dedicated to his father, whose 50-year pin we used on the Altar, that Brother Farris had given him. I think Brother Farris had to leave. But darling Papa Grunt is proud as punch this very minute because I know he's looking down on us, don't you, Rick?

Brother Kenneth Gregory, our Worthy Grand Patron, you and Juanita have been special to Robert and I for a number of years. I know that the membership will benefit from your wisdom and kind counsel. You're not only a gentleman, but you are a gentle man, and I am most fortunate that you agreed to travel this way with us. Thank you. [applause]

My Sisters and Brothers, there's thank you's of course in the program, and Sister Effie Mae expressed those at the time we went through the Installation. But all of you know how much I appreciate all of the hard work that was done for tonight. I would like to remind you that I recognize that you have given me a once-in-a-lifetime gift tonight, one of honor and responsibility. I accept it with an humble heart. I pledge to be constant, while we the membership work to preserve the past and plan for the future. Let us be kind, forbearing and forgiving one to another. Let us return kindness for hostility. Let us sacredly preserve our lips from slander and evil speaking, and whatever may be our failing, let us throw around each other the broad mantle of charity. Thank you. [applause and standing ovation]

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: At this time we would like to call on the Worthy Grand Matron of Copperas Cove Chapter, Mrs. Fran Williams, and the Worthy Patron, Mr. J. B. Williams, who have a presentation to make.

MRS. FRAN WILLIAMS: Worthy Grand Matron, would you join Jim and I, please. Jim and I are here in two capacities: one, as members of your Chapter to tell you how proud we are; and the other is emissaries of the City of Copperas Cove.

Speaking on behalf of Copperas Cove Chapter, I would like to extend an invitation to everyone to come to the first fraternal visit October 18th.

I have a letter signed by the Mayor of the City of Copperas Cove which reads: "Dear Mrs. Brownfield: On behalf of the citizens of the City of Copperas Cove, Texas, I extend congratulations on being elected as Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Because of this great honor and the considerable attention focused on the city of Copperas Cove on this occasion of your first official visit to your home Chapter in Copperas Cove, I am proclaiming Saturday, October 18, 1997, as Brownfield Day in Copperas Cove, Texas. A proclamation officially declaring Brownfield Day will be presented later at another date. Sincerely, The City of Copperas Cove, Texas, J. R. Durocet, Mayor." [applause]

And Worthy Grand Patron, Koko sends you and Juanita a kiss.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Now if all of you in here decide to come to Copperas Cove, it might swell at the seams, but you're all welcome.

DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS: And now, Sister Ann Kelly, Grand Marshal, what we're been looking forward to is this sheaf within the star. We want to see how you can get a sheaf of wheat within the star. It's all yours! ["Others" sung at conclusion of formation.]

Thank you, dear Mrs. Rebecca Schaefer, Grand Soloist, for that lovely solo, "Others."

Sisters and Brothers, before we have the benediction, may I remind you that we need to close this session. We ask that you remain. We will now have the benediction by Mr. Charles Morris, Past Grand Patron.

MR. CHARLES MORRIS: Let us pray. Our Heavenly Father, as we approach the close of this Grand Chapter session, we are grateful to Thee for the many blessings and achievements of the past year. We ask that Thy continued blessings be upon those who have served so faithfully this past year. Continue to be by their side; give them strength and understanding in all their tasks.

Father, as we begin a new year of service, we ask that Thy guiding hand be ever near. Protect our leaders in their travels throughout the year. Bless our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Give them wisdom, strength and courage in their leadership. May all their decisions be tempered with love and compassion. Father, be with each of us as we go our respective way. All this we ask in Thy Holy Name, amen.

[Recess following Installation.]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Grand Warder.

GRAND WARDER: Worthy Grand Matron.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: You will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this Grand Chapter 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 Grand Chapter from rest to labor, and you will permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

GRAND SENTINEL: There will be no interruptions.

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

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will open our Holy Bible. [The Holy Bible was opened.]

I believe the Board of Grand Trustees has a presentation they want to make.

MRS. PAT WASHINGTON: Sister Yvonne, Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I present to you the keys to this new Dodge van for you to use during the time that you are our Worthy Grand Matron as you travel the state and at other times when needed outside the state. Thank you so much for being our Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Patsy, and the Board of Grand Trustees. I would like to say that I readily recognize the fact that there have been those who have traveled before me in not quite as comfortable a vehicle and with so much room. I express my appreciation to the membership for allowing me the luxury to have plenty of room to stretch out. Thank you so much.

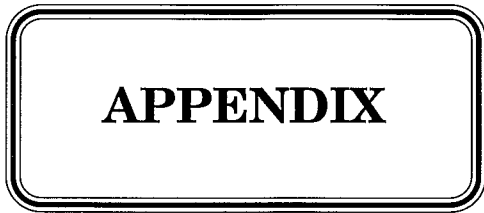
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WORTHY GRAND MATRON: I now declare this 115th Session of Grand Chapter closed.

Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

GRAND WARDER: Brother Grand Sentinel, this Grand Chapter is closed.

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APPENDIX

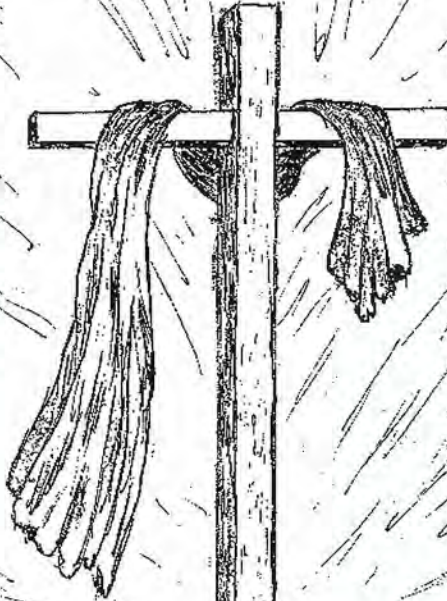
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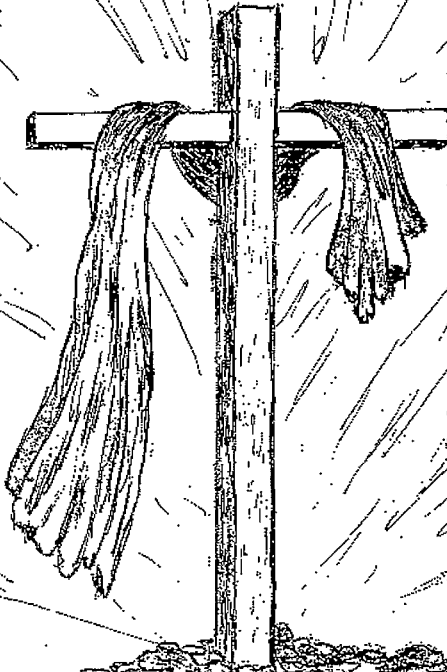
*"Somewhere the record is written
Of her work in our beautiful Star
Somewhere the reward will be given,
And the crown of Service she'll wear."*

The Light Of The Cross



IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
THE TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTEEN
MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
OF TEXAS
WHO ENTERED THEIR ETERNAL HOME
1996 - 1997

The Light Of The Cross



IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS OF OTHER
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- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Mrs. Helen C. Martin, 122 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001
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- MISSISSIPPI Mrs. Louise Putt, P.O. Box 142, Booneville, MS 38829
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- NEW YORK Mrs. Elizabeth Pounder, 71 West 23rd St., New York, NY 10010
- NORTH CAROLINA Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Oakley, P.O. Box 1398, Mooresville, NC 28115
- NORTH DAKOTA Mrs. Betty N. Bold, P.O. Box 473, Carrington, ND 58421
- NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND Mrs. Hilda M. Powroz, 26 Redbank Rd. Bedford, Nova Scotia, Canada B4Z 2V2
- OHIO Mrs. Jean Beck, P.O. Box 309, Mt. Blanchard, OH 45867
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- SASKATCHEWAN Miss Grace Montague 7-708 Ave. R North, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada S7L 2Z2
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- SOUTH DAKOTA Mrs. Norma L. Deadrick, P.O. Box 487, Platte, SD 57369
- TENNESSEE Mrs. Bonnie Poindexter, 1928 Abbott Cove, Cordova, TN 38018
- UTAH Mrs. Ruth E. Lay, 2100 E. 6200 So., Salt Lake City, UT 84121
- VERMONT Mrs. D. Christine Bigelow, P.O. Box 81, Randolph Center, VT 05061
- VIRGINIA Ms. Karen Trivette, P.O. Box 6633, Richmond, VA 23230
- WASHINGTON Mrs. Jean Sundet, 212 Wells Ave., So., Ste. D, Renton, WA 98055
- WEST VIRGINIA Mrs. Tillie Marcum, P.O. Box 1097, Ceredo, WV 25507
- WISCONSIN Mrs. Lois A. Nyman, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118-9349
- WYOMING Mrs. Betty Duncan, 1212 Turkey Track Lane, Gillette, WY 82716
- GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER Mrs. Betty Briggs, Right Worthy Grand Secretary,
1618 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009-2549

RECAP ON ELECTIONS

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Worthy Grand Matron Yvonne Brownfield
 Worthy Grand Patron Kenneth Gregóry
 Associate Grand Matron Alma Lynn Bane
 Associate Grand Patron Henry S. Martin
 Grand Treasurer Mrs. Patsy Wilson
 Grand Conductress Betty Friend
 Board of Grand Trustees, District I Patsy Washington
 Board of Grand Trustees, District II Patsy Neeper
 Board of Grand Trustees, District IV James O. Rippey
 Board of Grand Trustees, District V Shirley Jones
 Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District I
 Delbert Showmaker
 Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District III Betty Capps
 Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District IV
 R. J. "Tom" Warner
 Board of Directors, Grand Chapter Benevolences, District V Maxine Nance
 Board of Grand Examiners, District I Marlene Dibrell
 Board of Grand Examiners, District III Sharon Fentress
 Board of Grand Examiners, District IV Karen Morganthaler
 Board of Grand Examiners, District V Doris Hester
 Board of Grand Examiners-at-Large Nancy Brown

GRAND SECRETARY

	1st Ballot	2nd Ballot	3rd Ballot
Marjorie Errington	1,447 (Elected)		
Charlene Littlewood	1,368		

ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Naomi Wolfe	1,010	1,272	1,453 (Elected)
Jimmie Lee McMahan	823	913	1,127
Sarah V. Coursey	305		
Dale Gray	632	539	

BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES, District III

Frances Burbank	1,773 (Elected)
Frank Smith	886

BOARD OF DIRECTORS GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENCES, District II

Christolene Dickson	1,268
Norma Graham	1,339 (Elected)

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS, District II

Bonnie Varnell	1,305
Kimi Kidd	1,379 (Elected)

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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 Murrach	†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	†W.S. Hoskins	†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 B. Lane	†M.T. Bell	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle
1909	†Mrs. Carrie B. 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	†M.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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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. Tension	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson
1927	†Miss LuLu LeFan	†L.E. Tension	†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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1957	Mrs. Ruby Enloe	†Dr. Russell Holt	Mrs. Katherine Poulis	†Lewis T. Davis	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1958	Mrs. Katherine Poulis	†Lewis T. Davis	Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	†Dr. R.O. Fuqua	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1959	Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	†Dr. R.O. Fuqua	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Gerald C. Allen	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1960	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 Alsup	Paul Huffhines	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1973	Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsup	Paul Huffhines	Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast	Joseph B. Powell	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1974	Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast		†Mrs. Doris Easterling	O.D. Christian	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1975	†Mrs. Doris Easterling	O.D. Christian	Mrs. Joyce Roberts	†Perry Smithwick	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1976	Mrs. Joyce Roberts	†Perry Smithwick	Mrs. Mary Brown	Murray Watson, Jr.	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1977	Mrs. Mary M. Brown	Murray Watson, Jr.	Mrs. Rennie Ofton	Thurman L. Weaver	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1978	Mrs. Rennie Ofton	T.L. Weaver	†Mrs. Kathy Johnston	†Leslie G. Burnett	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	†Mrs. Jettie Hinton
1979	†Mrs. Kathy Johnston	†Leslie G. Burnett	Mrs. Lena Maye Cook	†Thurman H. Perry	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong
1980	Mrs. Lena Maye Cook	†Thurman H. Perry	Mrs. Elise Hammack	Oliver B. Chamberlin	Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong
1981	Mrs. Elise Hammack	Oliver B. Chamberlin	Mrs. Lois Bell	Gene Belk	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1982	Mrs. Lois Bell	Gene Belk	†Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	Ralph A. Davis	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1983	†Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	Ralph A. Davis	Mrs. Beulah Speer	Wayne P. Jones	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1984	Mrs. Beulah Speer	Wayne P. Jones	Mrs. Elsie Paladino	†Arnold Paul	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Frances Burbank
1985	Mrs. Elsie Paladino	†Arnold Paul	Mrs. Jean Nesbitt	†Leonard M. Ellington	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1986	Mrs. Jean Nesbitt	†Leonard M. Ellington	Mrs. Sherrill Cain	B. F. Hutson	Mrs. Louise W. Armstrong	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1987	Mrs. Sherrill Cain	B. F. Hutson	Mrs. Doris Efirid	Harry G. Cunningham	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1988	Mrs. Doris Efirid	Harry G. Cunningham	Mrs. Betty Phillips	Joe E. Jeffers	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1989	Mrs. Betty Phillips	Joe E. Jeffers	Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	Graham H. Childress	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1990	Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	Graham H. Childress	Mrs. Jane Gregory	Glenn Whitaker	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1991	Mrs. Jane Gregory	Glenn Whitaker	Mrs. Virginia L. Green	Garland W. Rattan	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1992	Mrs. Virginia L. Green	Garland W. Rattan	Mrs. Marcella Curry	Leland Benefield	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1993	Mrs. Marcella Curry	Leland Benefield	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Charles Morris	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1994	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Charles Morris	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland	Billy Combest	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace
1995	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland	Billy Combest	Mrs. Alma Carter	Richard Ochs	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Patsy Wilson
1996	Mrs. Alma Carter	Richard Ochs	Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield	Claude Ervin	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Patsy Wilson

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Grand Chapter of Texas,
Order of the Eastern Star

We have audited the accompanying 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, 1997 and 1996, and the related statements of activities and 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.

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 audit 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, 1997, and the changes in their net assets and its changes in cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note A to the financial statements, in 1997, the Grand Chapter and the Retirement Home changed its method of accounting for investments.

Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. Exhibits 1 through 6 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such 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.

Weatherford, Texas
January 21, 1998

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
October 31, 1997 and 1996

	1997	1996
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 541,611	\$ 565,799
Certificates of deposit	236,706	110,963
Investments held in trust	244,825	334,593
Unconditional promise to give	500,000	
Real estate notes receivable	26,710	38,210
Prepaid expenses	18,102	14,869
Accrued interest receivable	150,786	113,966
Inventory	36,456	58,016
Restricted cash and investments:		
Cash and cash equivalents	25,987	36,577
Certificates of deposit	122,124	137,324
Investments held in trust	8,006,554	7,291,209
Property and equipment	123,963	65,191
Other Assets	8,989	46,949
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 10,042,813	\$ 8,813,666
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts payable	10,835	28,612
Other accrued liabilities	22	655
Funds held for others	781,608	675,917
TOTAL LIABILITIES	792,465	705,184
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	1,136,039	860,165
Temporarily Restricted	434,233	485,127
Permanently Restricted	7,680,076	6,763,190
TOTAL NET ASSETS	9,250,348	8,108,482
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 10,042,813	\$ 8,813,666

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended October 31, 1997

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT				
Bulletin sales	\$ 76,862	\$	\$	\$ 76,862
Dues	722,116			722,116
Gifts and donations	86,582	10,370	621,585	718,537
Grand Session revenue	64,546			64,546
Home member receipts	44,441			44,441
Investment return	30,925	23,357	422,601	476,883
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments		1,192	207,361	208,553
Other revenue	48,008		248	48,256
Pension receipts	485,881			485,881
Special funds	253,439		15,752	269,191
Supply sales	58,940			58,940
Net assets released from restriction				
Restrictions satisfied by payments	<u>85,813</u>	<u>(85,813)</u>		
TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT	<u>1,957,553</u>	<u>(50,894)</u>	<u>1,267,547</u>	<u>3,174,206</u>
EXPENSES				
Compensation and related expenses				
Compensation	719,622			719,622
Payroll taxes	60,727			60,727
Medical insurance benefits	<u>2,932</u>			<u>2,932</u>
	783,281			783,281
Allowance to home members	32,050			32,050
Auto	7,569			7,569
Bad debt	6,797		14,505	21,302
Chapter benevolence	37,400			37,400
Depreciation	15,429			15,429
Food	129,976			129,976
Funeral	4,074			4,074
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	11,477			11,477
Grand Session expense	44,803			44,803
Insurance				
Property and casualty	41,962			41,962
Vehicles	7,015			7,015
Accident disability	38,935			38,935
Ladies medical	45,362			45,362
Investment trust fees	66		32,298	32,364
Legal and professional	22,989			22,989
Loss on damaged or sale of equipment	10,570			10,570
Medical				
Dental	2,080			2,080
Doctors	33,300			33,300
Hospitals	13,229			13,229
Patient care supplies	26,198			26,198
Prescription medication	77,947			77,947
X-ray and labs	2,228			2,228

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 EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 Year Ended October 31, 1997

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Office supplies	5,150			5,150
Other	47,355			47,355
Postage	28,868			28,868
Printing	132,757			132,757
Repairs and maintenance	101,100			101,100
Scholarships			250	250
Special funds	120,183			120,183
Supplies	21,835			21,835
Telephone	12,262			12,262
Utilities	121,040			121,040
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,985,287		47,053	2,032,340
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	(27,734)	(50,894)	1,220,494	1,141,866
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,163,773	485,127	6,459,582	8,108,482
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 1,136,039	\$ 434,233	\$ 7,680,076	\$ 9,250,348

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended October 31, 1996

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT				
Bulletin sales	\$ 79,674	\$	\$	\$ 79,674
Dues	773,561			773,561
Gain on property sale	4,800			4,800
Gifts and donations	107,903	30,198	111,225	249,326
Grand Session revenue	67,440			67,440
Home member receipts	123,004			123,004
Investment return	21,273	25,461	358,203	404,937
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments			44,671	44,671
Other revenue	21,350			21,350
Pension receipts	489,540			489,540
Special funds	208,110		159,762	367,872
Supply sales	109,653			109,653
Net assets released from restriction				
Restrictions satisfied by payments	<u>139,039</u>	<u>(139,039)</u>		
TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT	<u>2,145,347</u>	<u>(83,380)</u>	<u>673,861</u>	<u>2,735,828</u>
EXPENSES				
Compensation and related expenses				
Compensation	738,187			738,187
Payroll taxes	65,857			65,857
Medical insurance benefits	<u>3,333</u>			<u>3,333</u>
	807,377			807,377
Allowance to home members	34,950			34,950
Auto	8,464			8,464
Bad debt			650	650
Chapter benevolence	35,200			35,200
Depreciation	26,098			26,098
Food	148,299			148,299
Funeral	4,686			4,686
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	10,670			10,670
Grand Session expense	61,685			61,685
Insurance				
Property and casualty	38,930			38,930
Vehicles	4,052			4,052
Accident disability	39,630			39,630
Ladies medical	41,385			41,385
Investment trust fees	604		29,877	30,481
Legal and professional	26,836			26,836
Medical				
Doctors	40,730			40,730
Hospitals	14,633			14,633
Patient care supplies	28,428			28,428
Prescription medication	81,590			81,590
X-ray and labs	2,881			2,881

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 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 Year Ended October 31, 1996

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Office supplies	3,110			3,110
Other	38,828		161	38,989
Postage	27,631			27,631
Printing	154,835			154,835
Repairs and maintenance	172,250			172,250
Scholarships			1,550	1,550
Special funds	82,019			82,019
Supplies	44,528			44,528
Telephone	11,758			11,758
Utilities	106,853			106,853
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,098,940		32,238	2,131,178
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	46,407	(83,380)	641,623	604,650
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	813,758	568,507	5,885,914	7,268,179
UNREALIZED GAIN FROM PRIOR YEARS			235,653	235,653
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 860,165	\$ 485,127	\$ 6,763,190	\$ 8,108,482

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
For the Years Ended October 31, 1997 and 1996

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in net assets	\$ 1,141,866	\$ 604,650
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	15,429	26,098
Unrealized gain on investments	(213,851)	(29,409)
(Increase) decrease in unconditional promise to give	(500,000)	
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(3,233)	(3,818)
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable	(36,820)	(2,614)
(Increase) decrease in other assets	37,960	70,413
(Increase) decrease in inventory	21,560	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(17,777)	3,773
Increase (decrease) in other accrued liabilities	(635)	
Increase (decrease) in funds held for others	105,691	93,329
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>550,190</u>	<u>762,422</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of certificates of deposit and investment securities held in trust	(3,054,996)	(3,863,547)
Proceeds from sale/maturity of certificates of deposit and investment securities held in trust	2,532,731	3,271,055
Principal paydowns and charge offs on real estate notes receivable	11,500	13,415
Purchase of fixed assets, net	(74,201)	(4,585)
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(584,966)</u>	<u>(583,662)</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(34,776)	178,760
BEGINNING CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	<u>602,375</u>	<u>423,615</u>
ENDING CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	<u>\$ 567,599</u>	<u>\$ 602,375</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report

GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR AND
EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
October 31, 1997

NOTE A - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

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 G 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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NOTE A - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Promises to Give

Contributions are recognized when the donor makes a promise to give to the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets if the restrictions expire in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets depending on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets.

The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home use the allowance method to determine uncollectible unconditional promises receivable. The allowance is based on prior years' experience and management's analysis of specific promises made. Currently, there is no allowance account because collection of the promises to give is not doubtful.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Property and Equipment

Donations of property and equipment are recorded as support at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as unrestricted support unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. Assets donated with explicit restrictions regarding their use and contributions of cash that must be used to acquire property and equipment are reported as restricted support. Absent donor stipulations regarding how long those donated assets must be maintained, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service as instructed by the donor. The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home reclassified temporarily restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets at that time. Property and equipment are depreciated on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives.

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NOTE A - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial Statement Presentation

The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, *Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations*. Under SFAS 117, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. In addition, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home is required to present a statement of cash flows. As permitted by this new statement, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has discontinued its use of fund accounting and has, accordingly, reclassified its financial statements to present the three classes of net assets required.

Contributions

The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has adopted SFAS No. 116, *Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made*. The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home previously recorded revenue from the Home Renovation Fund as deferred revenue when it received these revenues. In accordance with SFAS No. 116, contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. As permitted by SFAS No. 116, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has retroactively applied the provisions of this new statement by restating net assets as of October 31, 1996. The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home made an adjustment to increase net assets as of October 31, 1996 by \$485,127. That adjustment represents the October 31, 1995 deferred revenue amount of \$468,507 plus the change in net assets as of October 31, 1996. This increase in net assets is reflected in the temporarily restricted net asset category.

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.

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EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
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NOTE A - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments

The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has adopted SFAS No. 124, *Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-for-Profit Organizations*. Under SFAS No. 124, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets. As permitted by SFAS No. 124, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home has retroactively applied the provisions of this new Statement by restating net assets as of October 31, 1995. Permanently restricted net assets were increased by \$235,653 which represents the unrealized gains on investments not recognized previously. The effect of this new Statement on the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home's net assets for 1996 and 1997 was an increase of \$29,409 and \$213,851, respectively, from what would have been reported under prior accounting principles. These effects are included in changes in temporarily restricted and permanently restricted net assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Grand Chapter and Retirement Home considers all highly liquid investments available for current use with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home do not consider cash and cash equivalents held in the investment trust as available for current use.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower cost or market determined by first-in, first-out method.

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NOTE B - INVESTMENTS HELD IN TRUST

The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home investments (not including certificates of deposits which are stated at fair value with cost equaling fair value) are stated at fair value for 1997 and 1996. SFAS No. 124 was implemented in the current year so unrealized appreciation was recorded in the statement of activities for both 1996 and 1997. Below is a summary of investments held in trust as of October 31, 1997 and 1996:

	October 31, 1997		
	Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Appreciation
Unrestricted:			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 244,825	\$ 244,825	\$
Total unrestricted	<u>\$ 244,825</u>	<u>\$ 244,825</u>	<u>\$</u>
Restricted:			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 1,216,017	\$ 1,217,209	\$ 1,192
Marketable equity securities	343,062	714,960	371,898
U.S. Government obligations	5,445,562	5,557,142	111,580
U.S. Government agencies	499,375	502,110	2,735
Other	15,000	15,133	133
Total restricted	<u>\$ 7,519,016</u>	<u>\$ 8,006,554</u>	<u>\$ 487,538</u>
October 31, 1996			
	Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Appreciation
Unrestricted:			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 334,593	\$ 334,593	\$
Total unrestricted	<u>\$ 334,593</u>	<u>\$ 334,593</u>	<u>\$</u>
Restricted:			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 920,063	\$ 920,063	\$
Marketable equity securities	337,657	538,065	200,408
U.S. Government obligations	4,942,150	4,989,334	47,184
U.S. Government agencies	802,656	828,688	26,032
Other	15,000	15,059	59
Total restricted	<u>\$ 7,017,526</u>	<u>\$ 7,291,209</u>	<u>\$ 273,683</u>

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EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
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NOTE C - RESTRICTED ASSETS

In addition to the restricted investments held in trust in Note B, certain cash and certificate of deposit are considered restricted also. The endowment fund's 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 Grand Chapter. The endowed membership fund is a custodial fund which is not included in the statement of activities because of its agency capacity. The Fannie V. Ward fund is restricted for funding scholarships. The educational fund is restricted for funding educational loans and certain scholarships. The home renovation fund is restricted for the repair and renovation of the home. In the year these repairs and renovations are completed, the restricted revenue is released in the amount of expenses for the fiscal year. The following is a summary:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Restricted Cash:		
Education Fund	\$ 9,884	\$ 7,841
Fannie V. Ward Fund	2,553	620
Endowed Membership Fund	5,054	25,832
Home Renovation Fund	8,496	2,284
Total Restricted Cash	<u>\$ 25,987</u>	<u>\$ 36,577</u>
Restricted Certificates of Deposit		
Education Fund	\$ 87,124	\$ 86,262
Fannie V. Ward Fund	35,000	35,000
Endowed Membership Fund		16,062
Total Restricted Certificated of Deposit	<u>\$ 122,124</u>	<u>\$ 137,324</u>
Restricted Investments Held in Trust		
Endowment Fund	\$ 6,888,666	\$ 6,246,893
Endowed Membership Fund	718,186	582,580
Home Renovation Fund	399,702	461,736
Total Restricted Investments Held in Trust	<u>\$ 8,006,554</u>	<u>\$ 7,291,209</u>
Restricted Receivables and Other Assets		
Endowment Fund		
Accrued Interest	\$ 127,820	\$ 95,876
Education Fund		
Unconditional Promises to Give	500,000	
Other Assets	5,200	18,201
Home Renovation Fund		
Accrued Interest	6,250	2,043
Total Restricted Receivables and Other Assets	<u>\$ 639,270</u>	<u>\$ 116,120</u>

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NOTE D - UNCONDITIONAL PROMISE TO GIVE

Unconditional promises to give consists of a \$500,000 donation from the Estate of Mary Kennington which will be used in the education fund for scholarship purposes. The Grand Chapter and Retirement Home will receive the money in fiscal year 1998, after the estate is settled.

NOTE E - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consists of the following:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Administration Building	\$ 130,395	\$ 118,333
Office Equipment and Records	68,002	62,742
Automobiles	139,372	138,797
Land	10,250	10,250
Home Building and Equipment	1,896,945	1,850,653
Other	<u>20,309</u>	<u>20,309</u>
	2,265,273	2,201,084
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>2,141,310</u>	<u>2,135,893</u>
	<u>\$ 123,963</u>	<u>\$ 65,191</u>

NOTE F - FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS

"Funds Held For Others" consists of the net assets of the endowed membership fund and the resident accounts. The endowed membership funds are held for the benefit of a members local chapter. Interest earned on the principal is remitted pro rata to each endowed member's chapter. The Grand Chapter receives the interest in the event of the chapter's demise. Resident accounts are held for residents of the Retirement Home and consist of unspent monthly allowances. In the event of the residents death, these accounts revert to the Retirement Home. Transactions for the year are as follows:

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NOTE F - FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS (Continued)

	Endowed Memberships		Resident Accounts	Total
	Principal	Income		
Balance at October 31, 1996	\$ 600,500	\$ 37,670	\$ 37,747	\$ 675,917
Endowed membership sales	79,500			79,500
Increase in home members cash fund			3,365	3,365
Interest income		40,083		40,083
Realized and unrealized gain on investments		3,488		3,488
Distributions to local chapters		(13,485)		(13,485)
Trust fees		(5,170)		(5,170)
Administration fees		(2,090)		(2,090)
Net increase in funds held for others	79,500	22,826	3,365	105,691
Balance at October 31, 1997	\$ 680,000	\$ 60,496	\$ 41,112	\$ 781,608

NOTE G - 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. The following summarizes the separate cash, investment accounts and operations of the Eastern Star Home of Texas as of October 31, 1997, and for the year then ended:

ASSETS

Cash, Certificates of Deposit and Government Securities	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 263,100
Investments held in trust	434,707
	<u>697,807</u>
Other Assets	
Real estate notes receivable	26,710
Prepaid insurance	5,498
Other	3,915
	<u>36,123</u>
Total Assets	\$ 733,930

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Accounts payable	\$ 8,710
Home member's cash fund	41,112
Net assets	684,108
	<u>684,108</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 733,930

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NOTE G - THE EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS (Continued)

REVENUE:	
Dues	\$ 551,918
Pension receipts	485,881
Donations	86,582
Special fund raising	91,721
Interest	21,541
Home member receipts	44,441
Other	<u>33,149</u>
 Total Revenue	 <u>1,315,233</u>
EXPENSES:	
Salaries	705,536
Food	129,976
Drugs and supplies	104,145
Professional care	50,837
Utilities	112,231
Insurance	125,390
Home maintenance	47,945
Fund raising expenses	26,329
Other	<u>97,114</u>
 Total Expenses	 <u>1,399,503</u>
 Excess of expenses over revenue	 (84,270)
 Beginning net assets	 572,033
 Transfers from the Grand Chapter	 <u>196,345</u>
 Ending net assets	 <u>\$ 684,108</u>

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NOTE H - GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

Once a year, the membership meets in what is called a Grand Chapter Session. This year's session was held in Dallas, Texas. The following is a synopsis of revenues and expenses from this session.

Revenues:

Registration fees		\$ 31,478
Other Grand Chapter Session revenue:		
Exhibitor fees	\$ 17,183	
Bus revenue	4,853	
Banquet fees	3,593	
ESTARL offering	3,538	
Other	3,241	
Donations	<u>660</u>	
 Total other Grand Chapter Session revenue		 <u>33,068</u>
 Total revenues		 <u>\$ 64,546</u>

Expenses:

Grand Chapter Session:		
The session	\$ 20,165	
Entertain visiting grand officers	745	
Registration forms/postage	1,078	
Ballots and voting cards	1,733	
Advanced reports	7,002	
Session and memorial programs	6,998	
Grand Warder/Grand Sentinel books	200	
Installation program	2,062	
Insurance	1,701	
Other	<u>3,119</u>	
 Total Grand Chapter Session Expenses		 <u>\$ 44,803</u>

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Endowed Membership Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
ASSETS												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 79,512	\$ 302,616	\$	\$ 80,148	\$	\$	\$ 79,335	\$	\$	\$ 541,611	\$	\$ 541,611
Certificates of deposit	72,274	164,432								236,706		236,706
Investments held in trust	27,231	217,594								244,825		244,825
Due from other funds	31,448	48,751		32,057				19,785		132,041	(132,041)	
Unconditional promise to give					500,000					500,000		500,000
Real estate notes receivable		26,710								26,710		26,710
Prepaid expenses	10,981	5,497					1,624			18,102		18,102
Accrued interest receivable			127,280					17,256	6,250	150,786		150,786
Inventory	36,142	314								36,456		36,456
Restricted cash and investments:												
Cash and cash equivalents					9,884	2,553		5,054	8,496	25,987		25,987
Certificates of deposit					87,124	35,000				122,124		122,124
Investments held in trust			6,888,666					716,186	399,702	8,006,554		8,006,554
Property and equipment	44,857	79,106								123,963		123,963
Other Assets		3,789			5,200					8,989		8,989
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 302,445	\$ 848,809	\$ 7,015,946	\$ 112,205	\$ 602,208	\$ 37,553	\$ 80,959	\$ 740,496	\$ 434,233	\$ 10,174,854	\$ (132,041)	\$ 10,042,813
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS												
Accounts payable	\$ 1,989	\$ 8,709	\$	\$	\$	\$ 127	\$	\$	\$	10,835		10,835
Other accrued liabilities	22									22		22
Due to other funds	37,666	32,058	30,615				31,702			132,041	(132,041)	
Funds held for others		41,112						740,496		781,608		781,608
TOTAL LIABILITIES	39,687	81,879	30,615			127	31,702	740,496		924,506	(132,041)	792,465
NET ASSETS												
Unrestricted	262,758	766,930		112,205			49,257			1,191,150	(55,111)	1,136,039
Temporarily Restricted					602,208			434,233		434,233		434,233
Permanently Restricted			6,985,331			37,426				7,824,965	55,111	7,880,076
TOTAL NET ASSETS	262,758	766,930	6,985,331	112,205	602,208	37,426	49,257	434,233		9,250,348		9,250,348
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 302,445	\$ 848,809	\$ 7,015,946	\$ 112,205	\$ 602,208	\$ 37,553	\$ 80,959	\$ 740,496	\$ 434,233	\$ 10,174,854	\$ (132,041)	\$ 10,042,813

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT											
Bulletin sales	\$ 76,862	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 76,862	\$	\$ 76,862
Dues	121,494	551,918		48,704					722,116		722,116
Gifts and donations		86,582	121,585		500,000			10,370	718,537		718,537
Grand Session revenue	64,546								64,546		64,546
Home member receipts		44,441							44,441		44,441
Investment return	7,879	21,541	416,344	1,151	4,659	1,598	354	23,357	476,883		476,883
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments			207,381					1,192	208,553		208,553
Other revenue	23,355	24,653				248			48,256		48,256
Pension receipts		485,881							485,881		485,881
Special funds			15,752				253,439		269,191		269,191
Supply sales	58,940								58,940		58,940
TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT	353,076	1,215,016	761,042	49,855	504,658	1,846	253,793	34,919	3,174,206		3,174,206
EXPENSES											
Compensation and related expenses											
Compensation	62,656	647,404					9,562		719,622		719,622
Payroll taxes	5,527	55,200							60,727		60,727
Medical insurance benefits		2,932							2,932		2,932
	68,183	705,536					9,562		783,281		783,281
Allowance to home members		32,050							32,050		32,050
Auto	5,380	2,189							7,569		7,569
Bad debt		6,797			14,505				21,302		21,302
Chapter benevolence				37,400					37,400		37,400
Depreciation	3,755	11,674							15,429		15,429
Food		129,976							129,976		129,976
Funeral		4,074							4,074		4,074
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	10,752	725							11,477		11,477
Grand Session expense	44,803								44,803		44,803
Insurance											
Property and casualty	2,912	39,050							41,962		41,962
Vehicles	1,083	5,952							7,015		7,015
Accident disability	3,909	35,026							38,935		38,935
Ladies medical		45,362							45,362		45,362
Investment trust fees			32,298				66		32,364		32,364
Legal and professional	22,989								22,989		22,989
Loss on damaged or sale of equipment	7,276	3,294							10,570		10,570
Medical											
Dental		2,080							2,080		2,080
Doctors		33,300							33,300		33,300
Hospitals		13,229							13,229		13,229
Patient care supplies		26,198							26,198		26,198
Prescription medication		77,947							77,947		77,947
X-ray and labs		2,228							2,228		2,228

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
Office supplies	2,698	2,454							5,150		5,150
Other	12,990	30,970							47,355		47,355
Postage	28,206	662					3,395		28,868		28,868
Printing	132,757								132,757		132,757
Repairs and maintenance	13,334	47,945						39,821	101,100		101,100
Scholarships					250				250		250
Special funds		414					119,769		120,183		120,183
Supplies	17,758	4,077							21,835		21,835
Telephone	2,854	9,408							12,262		12,262
Utilities	8,809	112,231							121,040		121,040
TOTAL EXPENSES	390,426	1,384,848	32,298	37,400	14,755		132,792	39,821	2,032,340		2,032,340
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS BEFORE TRANSFERS	(37,350)	(169,832)	728,744	12,455	489,904	1,846	121,001	(4,902)	1,141,866		1,141,866
Operating transfers in	13,998	406,578	64,785	32,057					517,416	(517,416)	
Operating transfers out	(223,536)		(119,898)				(127,992)	(45,992)	(517,416)	517,416	
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AFTER TRANSFERS	(246,890)	236,746	673,633	44,512	489,904	1,846	(6,991)	(50,894)	1,141,866		1,141,866
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	509,648	530,184	6,311,698	67,693	112,304	35,580	56,248	485,127	8,108,482		8,108,482
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 262,758	\$ 766,930	\$ 6,985,331	\$ 112,205	\$ 602,208	\$ 37,426	\$ 49,257	\$ 434,233	\$ 9,250,348	\$	\$ 9,250,348

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Endowed Membership Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
ASSETS												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 171,082	\$ 280,089	\$	\$ 67,693	\$	\$	\$ 66,955	\$	\$	\$ 565,799	\$	\$ 565,799
Certificates of deposit	40,051	70,912								110,983		110,983
Investments held in trust	187,392	147,201								334,593		334,593
Due from other funds	31,071								19,064	50,135	(50,135)	
Unconditional promise to give												
Real estate notes receivable		38,210								38,210		38,210
Prepaid expenses	2,853	3,659					8,357			14,869		14,869
Accrued interest receivable	244	267	95,876		1,840			13,696	2,043	113,968		113,968
Inventory	57,702	314								58,016		58,016
Restricted cash and investments:												
Cash and cash equivalents					7,841	620		25,832	2,284	36,577		36,577
Certificates of deposit					86,262	35,000		16,062		137,324		137,324
Investments held in trust			6,246,693					582,580	481,736	7,291,209		7,291,209
Property and equipment	20,837	44,354								85,191		85,191
Other Assets		30,588			16,361					46,949		46,949
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 511,212	\$ 595,594	\$ 6,342,769	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,620	\$ 75,312	\$ 638,170	\$ 485,127	\$ 8,863,801	\$ (50,135)	\$ 8,813,666
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS												
Accounts payable	\$ 1,549	\$ 27,023	\$	\$	\$	\$ 40	\$	\$	\$	28,612		28,612
Other accrued liabilities	15	840								655		655
Due to other funds			31,071				19,064			50,135	(50,135)	
Funds held for others		37,747						638,170		875,917		675,917
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,564	65,410	31,071			40	19,064	638,170		755,319	(50,135)	705,184
NET ASSETS												
Unrestricted	509,648	530,184		67,693			56,248			1,163,773	(303,608)	860,165
Temporarily Restricted								485,127		485,127		485,127
Permanently Restricted			6,311,698		112,304	35,580				6,459,582	303,608	6,763,190
TOTAL NET ASSETS	509,648	530,184	6,311,698	67,693	112,304	35,580	56,248	485,127		8,108,482		8,108,482
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 511,212	\$ 595,594	\$ 6,342,769	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,620	\$ 75,312	\$ 638,170	\$ 485,127	\$ 8,863,801	\$ (50,135)	\$ 8,813,666

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT											
Bulletin sales	\$ 79,874				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 79,874	\$	\$ 79,874
Dues	130,270	591,029		52,262					773,561		773,561
Gain on property sale		4,800						4,800	4,800		4,800
Gifts and donations		107,903	111,225					30,198	249,326		249,326
Grand Session revenue	67,440								67,440		67,440
Home member receipts		123,004							123,004		123,004
Investment return	6,535	11,932	354,412	1,272	2,104	1,687	1,534	25,461	404,937		404,937
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments			44,671						44,671		44,671
Other revenue		21,350							21,350		21,350
Pension receipts		488,540							489,540		489,540
Special funds	6,432		159,762				201,678		367,872		367,872
Supply sales	109,653								109,653		109,653
TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT	400,004	1,349,558	670,070	53,534	2,104	1,687	203,212	55,659	2,735,828		2,735,828
EXPENSES											
Compensation and related expenses											
Compensation	70,828	667,359							738,187		738,187
Payroll taxes	5,925	59,932							65,857		65,857
Medical insurance benefits	153	3,180							3,333		3,333
	76,906	730,471							807,377		807,377
Allowance to home members		34,950							34,950		34,950
Auto	4,846	3,618							8,464		8,464
Bad debt					650				650		650
Chapter benevolence				35,200					35,200		35,200
Depreciation	6,556	19,542							26,098		26,098
Food		148,299							148,299		148,299
Funeral		4,686							4,686		4,686
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	8,545	2,125							10,670		10,670
Grand Session expense	61,685								61,685		61,685
Insurance											
Property and casualty	3,614	35,316							38,930		38,930
Vehicles	1,234	2,818							4,052		4,052
Accident disability	1,606	38,024							39,630		39,630
Ladies medical		41,385							41,385		41,385
Investment trust fees			29,877				604		30,481		30,481
Legal and professional	22,382	4,454							26,836		26,836
Medical											
Doctors		40,730							40,730		40,730
Hospitals		14,633							14,633		14,633
Patient care supplies		28,428							28,428		28,428
Prescription medication		81,590							81,590		81,590
X-ray and labs		2,881							2,881		2,881

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	General Fund	Home Fund	Endowment Fund	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
Office supplies	2,817	293							3,110		3,110
Other	7,281	21,832				161	1,416	8,499	38,989		38,989
Postage	28,719	912							27,831		27,831
Printing	154,835								154,835		154,835
Repairs and maintenance	9,952	31,758						130,540	172,250		172,250
Scholarships						1,550			1,550		1,550
Special funds							82,019		82,019		82,019
Supplies	40,457	4,071							44,528		44,528
Telephone	3,038	8,720							11,758		11,758
Utilities	8,581	98,272							106,853		106,853
TOTAL EXPENSES	441,054	1,399,608	29,877	35,200	650	1,711	84,039	139,039	2,131,178		2,131,178
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS BEFORE TRANSFERS	(41,050)	(50,050)	640,193	18,334	1,454	(24)	119,173	(83,380)	604,650		604,650
Operating transfers in	253,079	195,091							448,170	(448,170)	
Operating transfers out			(303,608)	(32,057)			(112,505)		(448,170)	448,170	
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AFTER TRANSFERS	212,029	145,041	336,585	(13,723)	1,454	(24)	6,668	(83,380)	604,650		604,650
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	297,619	385,143	5,739,460	81,416	110,850	35,604	49,580	568,507	7,268,179		7,288,179
UNREALIZED GAIN FROM PRIOR YEARS			235,653						235,653		235,653
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 509,648	\$ 530,184	\$ 6,311,698	\$ 67,693	\$ 112,304	\$ 35,580	\$ 56,248	\$ 485,127	\$ 8,108,482	\$	\$ 8,108,482

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Description	Beginning Balance	Additions/ Adjustments	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED					
The One Group Treasury Only Money Market Fund	\$ 430,419	\$ 1,487,857	\$ 1,162,045	\$ 756,231	\$ 756,231
Marketable Equity Securities-					
Abbott Labs	518			518	36,788
Allogiance Corp	1,352			1,352	3,885
Atlantic Richfield Co.	22,034			22,034	32,825
American Express	17,310			17,310	46,800
AT & T	8,227		440	8,787	19,550
Ball Corp	18,210			18,210	21,000
BankAmerica Corp	19,800			19,800	71,875
Boeing Company	18,840			18,840	38,400
Bristol Myers Squibb Co	17,365			17,365	52,725
CSX Corporation	3,313			3,313	2,090
Dean Foods	21,342			21,342	42,863
Dresser Inds Inc	18,820			18,820	42,125
Dillard Department Store	26,184			26,184	34,763
Exxon Corp		2		2	3,072
GTE Corp	18,435			18,435	25,538
International Business Machines	5,325			5,325	19,700
Lucent Technologies	3,569			3,569	10,626
Motorola Inc.	22,828			22,828	24,800
National SVC Inds	18,008			18,008	30,875
Newell Co	17,480			17,480	30,700
Phillips Petroleum	14,925			14,925	29,025
Southwestern Bell and AT&T	7,700			7,700	41,993
SBC Communications, Inc.		5,843		5,843	7,635
Whitman Corp	17,677			17,677	28,875
WMX Technologies	17,395			17,395	16,232
	<u>337,657</u>	<u>5,845</u>	<u>440</u>	<u>343,062</u>	<u>714,960</u>
Marketable Debt Securities-					
Commonwealth Edison First Mortgage Co.	15,000			15,000	15,135

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED (Continued)								
U.S. Government Obligations	05/15/88	05/15/88	9.00%	199,868			199,868	203,626
	12/15/92	11/15/01	7.500%	208,938			208,938	212,376
	12/15/92	01/15/89	6.375%	149,438			149,438	151,313
	12/15/92	08/15/02	6.375%	194,000			194,000	205,126
	03/31/93	03/31/88	5.125%	199,250			199,250	199,750
	04/16/93	04/15/00	5.500%	199,907			199,907	199,250
	05/17/93	02/15/03	6.250%	204,197			204,197	204,188
	10/12/93	09/30/88	4.750%	200,657			200,657	198,688
	01/07/94	11/15/96	4.375%	198,813		198,813	0	
	01/07/94	04/30/88	5.125%	200,031			200,031	199,626
	07/19/94	06/30/89	6.750%	398,563			398,563	407,000
	01/07/94	04/15/00	5.500%	200,781			200,781	199,250
	01/07/94	08/16/03	5.750%	99,141			99,141	99,719
	12/02/94	11/15/04	7.875%	199,187			199,187	222,876
	06/30/95	06/30/00	5.787%	299,616			299,616	301,593
	01/02/96	12/31/97	5.250%	199,854			199,854	199,938
	01/02/96	12/31/00	5.500%	199,568			199,568	198,626
	01/02/96	12/31/00	5.500%	50,211			50,211	49,657
	01/02/96	11/15/88	5.500%	50,359			50,359	49,953
	01/02/96	08/15/03	5.750%	50,617			50,617	49,860
	09/13/96	02/15/03	6.250%	97,461			97,461	102,094
	09/13/96	08/15/89	8.000%	197,656			197,656	201,188
	09/13/96	08/15/02	6.375%	98,422			98,422	102,563
	09/30/96	09/30/01	8.375%	299,568			299,568	306,375
	05/15/97	05/15/07	8.625%		9,975		9,975	10,531
	04/02/97	05/15/06	8.875%		199,438		199,438	212,750
	04/02/97	05/15/05	8.500%		195,312		195,312	207,376
	09/02/97	02/15/07	6.250%		198,750		198,750	204,938
				<u>4,396,103</u>	<u>603,475</u>	<u>198,813</u>	<u>4,800,765</u>	<u>4,900,230</u>
U.S. Government Agencies- FNMA Securities	12/10/87	12/10/87	9.550%	499,375			499,375	\$ 502,110
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	03/07/90	08/25/87	9.200%	303,281		303,281	0	
				<u>802,656</u>			<u>499,375</u>	<u>502,110</u>
Total Endowment Fund - Restricted				\$ <u>5,981,835</u>	\$ <u>2,097,177</u>	\$ <u>1,664,579</u>	\$ <u>6,414,433</u>	\$ <u>6,888,666</u>

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND								
Cash and Equivalents	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$ 27,908	\$ 33,369	\$	\$ 61,277	\$ 61,277
Bank of Commerce Certificate of Deposit	06/07/96	04/01/97	4.250%	16,062		16,062	0	
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/97	6.128%	100,250		100,250	0	
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/00	6.250%	147,844			147,844	152,016
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/15/99	6.375%	99,594			99,594	101,063
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/98	6.000%	99,359			99,359	100,250
U.S. Government Obligations	06/11/96	05/31/01	6.500%	99,000			99,000	102,438
U.S. Government Obligations	06/10/97	11/13/01	6.560%	0	99,750		99,750	100,642
U.S. Government Obligations	06/10/97	11/04/02	6.565%	0	99,250		99,250	100,500
Total Endowed Membership Fund				\$ 590,017	\$ 232,369	\$ 116,312	\$ 706,074	\$ 718,186
GENERAL FUND								
Guaranty Federal Savings Bank Certificate of Deposit	07/18/97	04/18/98	5.500%	\$ 0	\$ 29,819	\$	\$ 29,819	\$ 29,819
Guaranty Federal Savings Bank Certificate of Deposit	09/23/96	04/23/98	5.870%	40,051	2,404		42,455	42,455
Cash and equivalents held in trust	Various	Various	n/a	187,392	357,540	517,701	27,231	27,231
Total General Fund				\$ 227,443	\$ 389,763	\$ 517,701	\$ 99,505	\$ 99,505
HOME FUND								
Wells Fargo Securities	05/28/97	05/28/98	5.330%	\$ 0	\$ 64,432	\$	\$ 64,432	\$ 64,432
First Interstate Bank Certificate of Deposit	09/08/95	06/06/97	5.290%	65,000		65,000	0	
Equitable Bank Certificate of Deposit	12/03/95	12/03/96	4.950%	5,912		5,912	0	
Colonial Savings Certificate of Deposit	08/14/97	09/14/98	5.750%	0	100,000		100,000	100,000
Cash and equivalents held in trust	Various	Various	n/a	147,201	70,393		217,594	217,594
Total Home Fund				\$ 218,113	\$ 234,825	\$ 70,912	\$ 382,026	\$ 382,026

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 EASTERN STAR HOME OF TEXAS
 SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value
<u>EDUCATIONAL FUND</u>								
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	03/24/96	03/24/97	4.450%	65,000		65,000	0	
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	04/04/97	10/04/98	5.800%	0	65,000		65,000	65,000
Guaranty Federal Bank Certificate of Deposit	10/16/96	10/16/99	6.000%	15,000	862		15,862	15,862
Total Educational Fund				\$ 86,262	\$ 65,862	\$ 65,000	\$ 87,124	\$ 87,124
<u>FANNIE V. WARD FUND</u>								
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	08/30/97	08/30/98	5.000%	\$ 0	\$ 35,000	\$	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	08/30/96	08/30/97	4.900%	35,000		35,000	0	
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	\$ 461,736		\$ 63,227	\$ 398,509	\$ 399,702
Total Home Renovation Fund				\$ 461,736		\$ 63,227	\$ 398,509	\$ 399,702
<u>ALL OTHER FUNDS</u>								
Total All Other Funds				\$ 1,028,554	\$ 725,450	\$ 751,840	\$ 1,002,164	\$ 1,003,357
GRAND TOTAL OF INVESTMENTS				\$ 7,600,406	\$ 3,054,996	\$ 2,532,731	\$ 8,122,671	\$ 8,610,209

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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, 1997

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	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
100% Chapters - Founders Day	\$ 21,199	\$
Affinity - Pins	61,211	360
Breast Cancer Research	16,001	20,000
Defenders of Freedom-501C3	30,100	25,969
Defenders of Freedom-501CB	21,335	15,561
Dress Buttons	150	297
ESTARL Special Funds	30,099	26,400 *
Fraternal Visitation	8,457	12,492
Founders' Day Activities	2,385	534
General Grand Chapter - Youth	1,033	
GGC Community-Mental Health/M.Retar	411	
GGC Heart	2,185	
GGC Scottish Rite Language Disorder	1,920	
Home & Country Day Activities	29,244	7,366
Int'l Temple Special Funds	1,213	1,213
Masonic Family Graphics	830	
Misc. Receipts	3,245	
Music	8,697	4,418
New Fraternal Fields		675
New Team 98		2,275
Prior Year's WGM Receipts	5,005	
Pursuit of Excellence	2,927	75
Time and Talent Stickers	5,418	1,656
Vantage - Label Program	374	478
	<u>\$ 253,439</u>	<u>\$ 119,769</u>

* Awards to seminary students

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
115TH GRAND CHAPTER SESSION
DALLAS, TEXAS**

RECEIPTS

Grand Chapter Advance for Installation	\$ 750.00
Grand Chapter Allowance for Session	19,250.00
Exhibitor Fees	17,183.35
Banquets	3,593.31
Bus Revenue	4,853.24
Donations	660.00
Registration at Session	2,490.00
ESTARL Offering	3,538.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$52,317.90

DISBURSEMENTS

Rent of Dallas Convention Center	\$12,840.00
Decorations	709.50
Electrical and Public Address	1,135.63
Spotlights	184.24
Signs	253.45
Housing Committee	158.80
Courtesy Cars	200.00
Security	996.00
Badges, Ditty Bags, Pencils, Scratch Pads, etc.	1,244.05
Photographs	56.10
Flag Rental	402.15
Postage	223.10
Return of Paraphernalia to Grand Chapter	157.11
Registration	2,490.00
ESTARL Offering	3,538.00
Printed Checks	42.30
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$24,630.73
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$27,687.17

Henry Martin, Chairman, Executive Committee
Ed Pickett, Treasurer, Executive Committee
Laurel Roth, Auditor, Executive Committee



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