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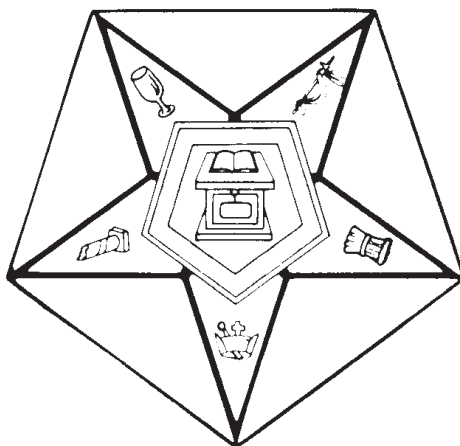
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**The Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of The Eastern Star**

**Extends Fraternal Greetings and  
Welcomes you to the**

**123rd Session**

**“TREASURE’S OF LIFE”**



**AUGUST 25, 26, 27, 2005  
MOODY GARDENS CONVENTION CENTER  
GALVESTON, TEXAS**

**Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler**  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

**Mr. Jerry L. Martin**  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

**Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner**  
*Grand Secretary*

## WORTHY GRAND MATRON



Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star

## WORTHY GRAND PATRON

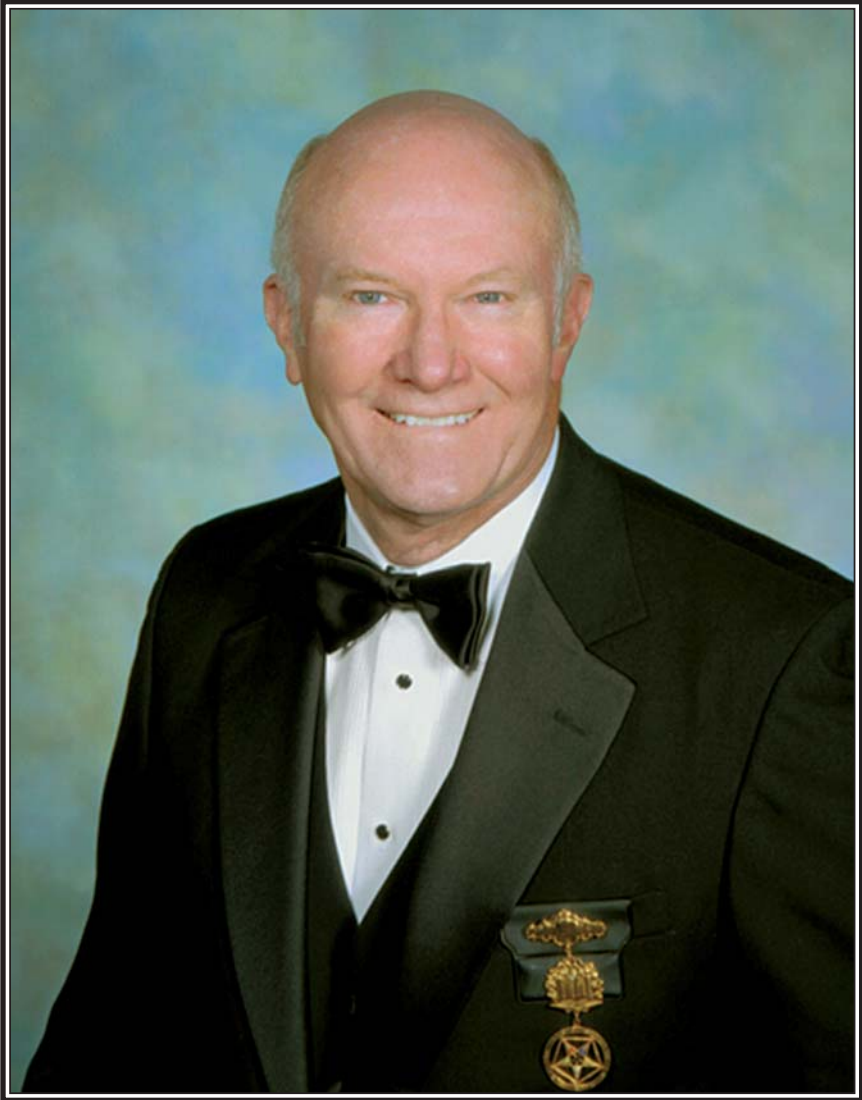


Mr. Jerry L. Martin  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star

**SPECIAL GUEST**



**Mrs. Patricia Rasmusson**  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
General Grand Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star

**SPECIAL GUEST**

Mr. Loyal L. Stark  
Most Worthy Grand Patron  
General Grand Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star

**SPECIAL GUEST**



**Mrs. Rennie Ofton**  
Right Worthy Grand Conductress  
General Grand Chapter  
and Past Grand Matron of Texas

### SPECIAL GUESTS



**MR. H. LEE STALLINGS**  
Director of the General  
Grand Chapter Vision Team



**MR. BILLY H. COMBEST**  
Knights Templar Eye  
Foundation  
Committee, Chairman



**MRS. ALMA CARTER**  
Registration Committee



**MR. HENRY S. MARTIN**  
Visioneer For Texas



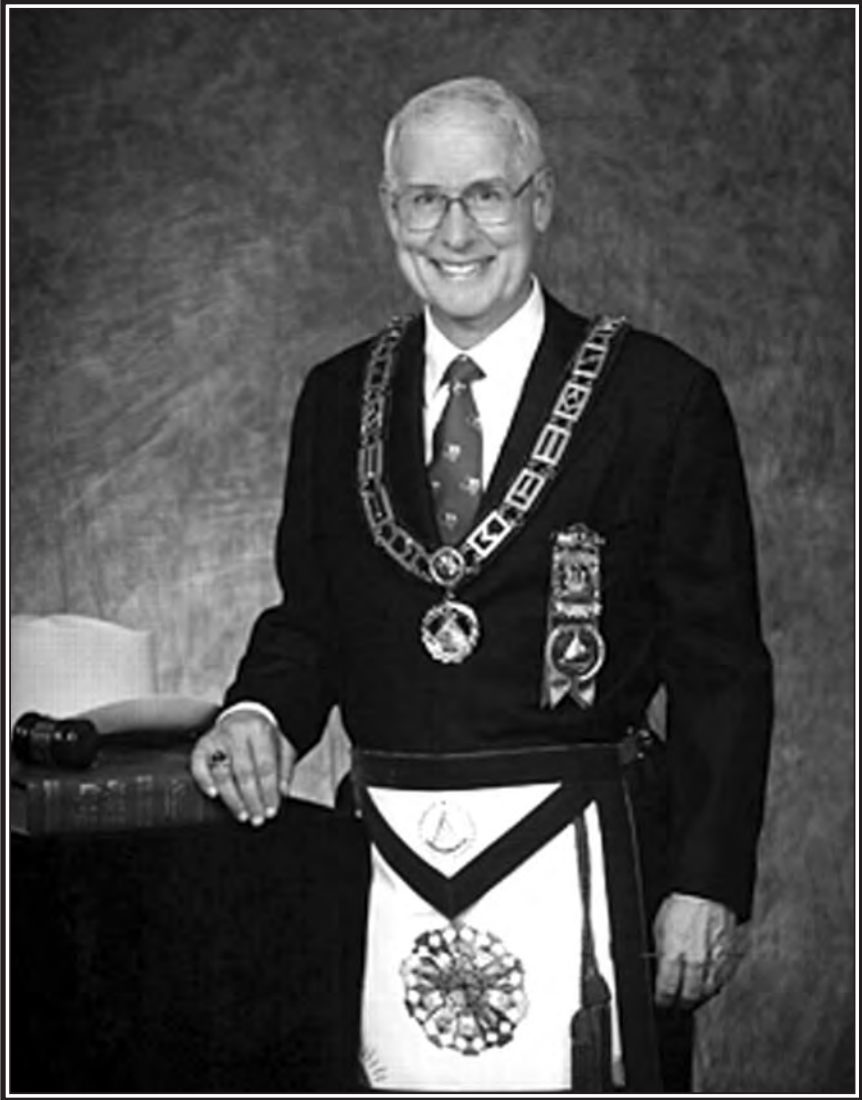
**MRS. SYLVIA GARCIA**  
Deputy to the  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
in Mexico



**MR. RAUL GARCIA**  
Deputy to the  
Most Worthy Grand Patron  
in Mexico and Central America



## SPECIAL GUEST



Mr. Elmer Murphey III  
Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas  
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

## **DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Most Worthy Grand Matron  
And Most Worthy Grand Patron

Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons  
And Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons

General Grand Chapter Officers and Committees

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

Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas  
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

Installed Grand Officers and Officers of  
Grand Chapters of Other Grand Jurisdictions

Deputies of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
And Most Worthy Grand Patron

Special Appointees of General Grand Chapter

Grand Representatives of Texas in Other Jurisdictions

Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions  
In Other Jurisdictions

Grand Representatives of Other Jurisdictions in Texas

Distinguished Members of all Appendant Bodies

Distinguished Members and Leaders of the  
Fraternal Youth Organizations

**HONORED GUESTS**

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, 2004-2005

Texas' Own General Grand Chapter Officer And Committee Members  
 Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress  
 Mr. H. Lee Stallings, Director of the General Grand Chapter, Vision Team  
 Mr. Henry S. Martin, Vision for Texas  
 Mrs. Alma Carter, Registration Committee  
 Mr. Billy H. Combest, Knight's Templar Eye Foundation Committee, Chairman

**PAST GRAND MATRONS**

Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus  
 Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith  
 Mrs. Molly Goodpasture  
 Mrs. Mildred Sharpe  
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 Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast  
 Mrs. Joyce Roberts  
 Mrs. Mary M. Brown  
 Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
 Mrs. Lena Maye Cook  
 Mrs. Elise Hammack  
 Mrs. Beulah Speer  
 Mrs. Elsie Paladino  
 Mrs. Betty Phillips Benham  
 Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
 Mrs. Jane Gregory  
 Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green  
 Mrs. Wanda Fairchild  
 Mrs. Rosemary Swetland  
 Mrs. Alma Carter  
 Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield  
 Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane  
 Mrs. Betty Y. Friend  
 Mrs. Naomi Wolfe  
 Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon  
 Mrs. Sharon Fentress  
 Mrs. Doris Jean Hester

**PAST GRAND PATRONS**

Mr. Richard T. Porter  
 Dr. O. D. Christian  
 Mr. Murray Watson  
 Mr. Wayne Jones  
 Mr. B. F. Hutson  
 Mr. Harry G. Cunningham  
 Mr. Joe Jeffers  
 Mr. Graham H. Childress  
 Mr. Glenn Whitaker  
 Mr. Garland W. Rattan  
 Mr. Leland G. Benefield  
 Mr. Charles Morris  
 Mr. Billy H. Combest  
 Mr. Richard Ochs  
 Mr. Kenneth R. Gregory  
 Mr. Henry S. Martin  
 Mr. H. Lee Stallings  
 Mr. Duane Buddy Baker  
 Mr. Harold Trammell  
 Mr. Ed Warner  
 Mr. Jack W. Guy

### INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT



MRS. NANCY BROWN  
Associate Grand Matron



MR. NELSON CAMPBELL  
Associate Grand Patron



MRS. NELL SMITH  
Grand Secretary



MRS. BETTY PRATER  
Grand Treasurer



MRS. GERALDINE DUSEK  
Grand Conductress



MRS. JOYCE GILBERT  
Associate Grand Conductress



MRS. LILLIAN TRAVIS  
Grand Chaplain



MRS. SHARON MOSMEYER  
Grand Marshal



MRS. SUSAN SMITH  
Grand Organist

## INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT



MRS. MARIE ADAMSON  
Grand Adah



MRS. LEAH HAYES  
Grand Ruth



MRS. BETTY MARTIN  
Grand Esther



MRS. HEIDI JENKINS  
Grand Martha



MRS. DONNA HERRINGTON  
Grand Electa



MRS. EDNA MARSH  
Grand Warder



MR. WINFRED WHITLOCK  
Grand Sentinel



MRS. JUDY NORTHRUP  
Fraternal Correspondent

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



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Member, District 3



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Member, District 4



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Member, District 5

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Grand Examiner At Large



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



MR. RAY HERTENBERGER  
Executive Chairman



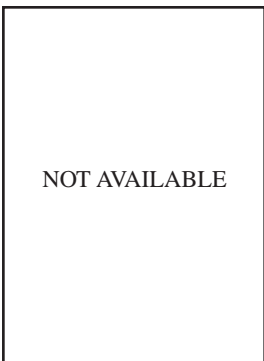
MR. OSCAR MOSER  
Co-Chairman



MRS. BETTY MURRELL  
Secretary



MRS. GLADYS COX  
Treasurer



MRS. LYNN KEARNEY  
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE



MRS. SHERRY DIECKMAN  
Credentials Committee

### ARRANGEMENTS



MR. JOHN ELKINTON  
Chairman



MR. DWIGHT VON HEEDER  
Co-Chairman



MRS. SHIRLEY MEERSCHIEDT  
Secretary



MRS. MARTHA FLOWERS  
Decorations Chairman



MRS. LAURA MOORE  
Decorations Co-Chairman



MRS. PAT STALLINGS  
Distinguished Guests  
Chairman

**ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)**



MRS. COY BAKER  
Distinguished Guest  
Co-Chairman



MR. MARK DIECKMAN  
Elections Chairman



DR. FRED A QUENZER, JR.  
FIRST AID Chairman



TONI & MONTE CRAWFORD  
Housing Chairmen



MRS. SHARLENE MONROE  
Information Chairman



MRS. SHARON WILLINGHAM  
Social Chairman

**ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)**



MR. ROLAND E. "GENE"  
REYNOLDS  
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MR. WALTER WILSON  
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Vendor Chairmen



MR. DERRELL FOGARTY  
Labyrinth Chairman



MR. RAYMND W. BEYER  
Set-Up Chairman

### *The Sand Dollar*

*A local legend says that the sand dollar was created as a  
Reminder to beautiful young women.*

*It seems that once a beautiful woman wanted riches and  
Decided that the way to obtain them was to marry a very wealthy older man.*

*She found this man and persuaded him to marry her.*

*After they were married she was both untruthful  
And unfaithful to her husband.*

*Before too many years her husband died.*

*Now she was wealthy, but she had no true friends.*

*She found herself surrounded with dishonest, loveless,  
And unfaithful people who were only interested in her money.*

*She went to church one lonely day and prayed for love.*

*But her prayers went unanswered.*

*Then one night in a dream a voice came to her and said,*

*“Walk the beach tomorrow morning.*

*I have created something there to give answers you seek about life.”*

*The next day she rose early and walked the beach.*

*There in the sand among the sea shells was a  
Beautiful shell-like dollar with a five ray design.*

*As she picked it up, she heard the voice again,*

*“This sand dollar has keyholes.*

*Each unlocks one of the gifts of life –*

*Honor, beauty, riches, long life, and love.*

*But you must find the keys yourself through hard work,*

*Honesty, faithfulness and respect for other.”*

**THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**  
**August 25, 2005**

**“Footprints in the Sand” Session**

11:00 a.m.	United States Marine Color Guard
11:30 a.m. Musical Prelude	Mrs. Gladys Cox, PM
Master of Ceremonies	Mrs. Elsie Paladino, PGM
Assisting Grand Marshal	Mrs. Beluah Speer, PGM
Special Music	Mrs. Melissa Simonton Grand Soloist

**Processional of Distinguished Members and Guests**

12:15 p.m.	<b>Presentation of Grand Officers of 2004 - 2005</b>
Mrs. Betty Jo Dean	Grand Chapter Sweetheart Escorted by Mr. David Ouellette
Mrs. Ella Summers	Grand Chapter Mom Escorted by Mr. Michael Summers
Mr. Henry Schlitzkus	Grand Chapter Dad Escorted by Mrs. Bettie Schlitzkus

**Board of Grand Examiners**

Mrs. Betty M. Scott	District 1 Escorted by Mr. Andrew Scott
Mrs. Bess Caldwell	District 2 Escorted by Mr. Alvin “Al” Caldwell
Mrs. Joyce Nicklas	District 3 Escorted by Mr. David Nicklas
Mrs. Christine Armstrong	District 4 Escorted by Mr. Don Armstrong
Mrs. Jerre Lucas	District 5 Escorted by Mr. Robert Lucas
Mrs. Mary Ruth White	At-Large Escorted by Mr. Joseph White

**Board of Directors**

Mr. Jack Beall, Chairman	District 1 Escorted by Mrs. Charlotte Beall
Mr. Raul Garcia, Vice Chairman	District 5 Escorted by Mrs. Sylvia Garcia
Mrs. Jo Ann Snow, Secretary & Treasurer	District 3 Escorted by Mr. Jack Friend
Mr. Gary Steele	District 1 Escorted by Mrs. LeJean Steele
Mr. A. L. Casparis	District 2 Escorted by Mrs. Nell Casparis
Mr. Dwayne Maserang	District 2 Escorted by Mrs. Flora Maserang
Mrs. Jayne Yenger	District 3 Escorted by Mr. Joseph Dale Yenger, III
Mrs. Mickie Campbell	District 4 Escorted by Mr. Ray Campbell
Mr. Forrest Smith	District 4 Escorted by Mrs. Gail Smith
Ms. Lori Goldman	District 5 Escorted by Mr. Johnny Hester
Mrs. Judy Northrup	Fraternal Correspondent Escorted by Mr. Ray Hertenberger
Mr. Winifred Whitlock	Grand Sentinel Escorted by Mrs. Daphine Whitlock
Mrs. Edna Marsh	Grand Warder Escorted by Mr. L. P. Marsh
Mrs. Donna Herrington	Grand Electa Escorted by Mr. Bill Herrington
Mrs. Heidi Jenkins	Grand Martha Escorted by Mr. Richard Jenkins
Mrs. Betty Martin	Grand Esther Escorted by Mr. Jerry L. Martin
Mrs. Leah Hayes	Grand Ruth Escorted by Mr. Steve Ireland
Mrs. Marie Adamson	Grand Adah Escorted by Mr. Irving Adamson
Mrs. Susan Smith	Grand Organist Escorted by Mr. Richard Smith

Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer	Grand Marshal Escorted by Mr. Gary Mosmeyer
Vrs. Lillian Travis	Grand Chaplain Escorted by Mr. Paul Romine
Mrs. Joyce Gilbert	Associate Grand Conductress Escorted by Mr. Jimmy Gilbert
Mrs. Geraldine "Gerry" Dusek	Grand Conductress Escorted by Mr. Hubert Dusek
Mrs. Betty Prater	Grand Treasure Escorted by Mr. James B. Stewart
Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner	Grand Secretary Escorted by Mr. George Drenner, Jr.
Mr. Nelson Campbell	Associate Grand Patron Escorted by Mrs. Georgia Campbell
Mrs. Nancy Brown	Associate Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Gayle Brown
Mr. Jerry L. Martin	Worthy Grand Patron Escorted by Mrs. Betty Martin
Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler	Worthy Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Tom Morgenthaler

## PRESENTATIONS

Bible and Bible Marker	Mrs. Fran Reedy Mrs. Betty Lynn
Square and Compasses	Mr. Elmer Murphey, III Most Worshipful Grand Master



**FLAG PRESENTATIONS**

United States	Mr. Oscar Moser
Canadian	Mr. Arthur Drescher, Jr.
Texas	Mr. Thomas F. Griffin
Minnesota	Mr. Derrell Fogarty
California	Mr. Walter Wilson
Christian	Mr. Dwight Phillips
Eastern Star	Mr. Dwight Von Heeder
1:00 p.m. Call to Order	Mrs. Betty Friend, PGM Mr. Lee Stallings, PGP
Invocation	Mr. Henry L. Martin, PGP
“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal	Installed Grand Officers and Pages

**ENTRANCE OF INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS**

Welcome to Galveston	Mr. Ray Hertenberger Executive Chairman, Executive Committee
Greetings	Mayor City of Galveston
Greetings	Member of City Council of Galveston

Greetings

Mrs. Marlene Dibrell  
 Supreme Deputy  
 Miss Kailee Rabbins  
 Jr. Past Grand Worthy Advisor  
 Grand Assembly of Texas  
 International Order of Rainbow for Girls

Greetings

Mrs. Linda Henderson  
 Jurisdictional Guardian of Texas  
 Job's Daughters International

Greetings

Mr. J. Weldon Clampitte  
 Grand High Priest  
 Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Greetings

Honorable Elmer Murphey, III  
 Most Worshipful Grand Master  
 Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A. M.

Response to Welcome & Greetings

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler  
 Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Jerry L. Martin  
 Worthy Grand Patron

Presentations

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

**RITUALISTIC CEREMONIAL OPENING**

Installed Grand Officers

Opening Ode - "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Grand Choir and Assembly  
 Directed by Mr. Keith Buice  
 Grand Choir Director

Flag Presentation	Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer Grand Marshal
Pledge of Allegiance	Mr. Jerry L. Martin Worthy Grand Patron
The National Anthem	Grand Choir & Assembly
“O Canada”	Grand Choir & Assembly

### FORMAL INTRODUCTIONS

Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron  
 Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons & Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons  
 Elective & Appointive Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter  
 General Grand Chapter Committee Members  
 Ambassadors for the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron  
 and a Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron  
 Deputies to the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron and a  
 Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron  
 Special Appointees of the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand  
 Patron and a Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron  
 Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of Texas  
 Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A. M.  
 Installed Grand Officers & Elected Boards of Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Ambassadors for the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron  
 Deputies to the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron  
 Special Appointees of the Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron  
 Grand Representatives of Texas in Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas  
 Grand Committee Members & Appointments of Other Grand Jurisdictions  
 Presiding Officers & Distinguished Members of All Appendant Bodies  
 Youth & Adult Leaders of Fraternal Youth Organizations

*“Some people come into our lives and quickly go.  
 Some stay for awhile leaving footprints on our hearts  
 And we are forever changed.”*

Welcome and Greetings

Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Right Worthy Grand Conductress  
General Grand Chapter  
Past Grand Matron of Texas

Response to Welcome

Mrs. Barbara Benton  
Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron  
General Grand Chapter  
Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma

Greetings - Other Grand Jurisdictions

Mrs. Carolyn Hacker  
Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma

Greetings

Mrs. Pat B. Rasmusson  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
General Grand Chapter  
Past Grand Matron of Minnesota

Mr. Loyal L. Stark  
Most Worthy Grand Patron  
General Grand Chapter  
Past Grand Patron of California

Business Reports

Benediction

Mr. Duane "Buddy" Baker, PGP

Closing of the Holy Bible

Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

**Session Called from Labor to Rest  
Until 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Evening**

**General Banquet will begin promptly at 5:00 p.m.  
In the Moody Ballroom.**

**THURSDAY EVENING SESSION**  
**August 25, 2005**

**“Treasured Moments” Session**

6:30 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Susan Smith  
Grand Organist

7:30 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Betty Benham, PGM  
Mr. Joe E. Jeffers, PGP

“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Pages  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**Entrance of Grand Officers**

Opening of the Holy Bible Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mr. Leland G. Benefield, PGP

**Grand Representative Program** Mrs. Judy Northrup  
Fraternal Correspondent

“Angels Watching Over Me” Drill Grand Representatives of Texas  
and Visiting Jurisdictions  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**Humanitarian Program** Mrs. Ann Wyatt  
Humanitarian General Chairman

Presentation of Chapters 100% Humanitarian  
Worthy Matron, Worthy Patrons, Jr. Past Matrons and Jr. Past Patrons  
“Lures of the Sea” Humanitarian Drill  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

## Humanitarian Chairmen

District I	Mrs. Jane Clabaugh
District II	Miss Mary Charles Dixon
District III	Mrs. Pat Turner
District IV	Mrs. Ann Baileaux
District V	Mrs. Sandra Johnson

Benediction

Mr. Richard Ochs, PGP

Closing of the Holy Bible

Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

**Session called from Labor to Rest  
Until 8:00 a.m. Friday Morning**

“When we come to the end of a perfect day,  
 And the end of a journey too;  
 We find a thought that is big and strong,  
 And a wish that is kind and true;  
 For memory has painted this perfect day  
 With colors that never fade,  
 And we find at the end of a perfect day  
 The souls of the friends we’ve made.”

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**FRIDAY MORNING SESSION  
August 26, 2005**

**“Surf’s Up” Session**

8:00 a.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Donna Loggins, PM

8:30 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Sharon Fentress, PGM  
Mr. Ed Warner, PGP

“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Pages  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**Entrance of Installed Grand Officers**

Opening of the Holy Bible Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mrs. Alma Carter, PGM

**Session Called from Rest to Labor**

Reports:

(All Committee Chairmen are to be seated in the East until their pictures have been taken. Please be available at all times since you may be called upon earlier or later than scheduled.)

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Board of Directors          | Mr. Jack Beall, Chairman        |
| Board of Grand Examiners    |                                 |
| By-Laws                     | Mrs. Louise Morrison            |
| Chapters Under Dispensation | Mrs. Edna Goette, Chairman      |
| Credentials Committee       | Mrs. Sherry Dieckmann, Chairman |
| Educational Fund            | Mrs. Carolyn Martin, Chairman   |
| ESTARL                      | Mrs. Jacalyn DeLange, Chairman  |
| Executive                   | Mr. Ray Hertenberger, Chairman  |

Grand Choir Director	Mr. Keith Buice
Grievance and Appeals	Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Chairman
OES Home Endowment	Mrs. Pat Koehn, Chairman
Humanitarian	Mrs. Ann Wyatt, Chairman
International Temple	Mrs. Joyce Gillett
Jurisprudence	Mr. H. Lee Stallings, Chairman

Benediction	Mr. Frank Hemby, PP
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Closing of the Holy Bible	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek Grand Conductress
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**Session Called from Labor to Rest  
Until 2:00 p.m.**

*Please join us for  
Our Grand Line Officers Luncheon*

“If some life has been brightened,  
Some load been lightened  
Some joy been heightened,  
Along the way;

Some Faith made clearer,  
Some Hope made dearer,  
Heaven brought nearer,  
To sad or gay;

The year’s work, though ended,  
The labor expended.  
The flowers that were mended  
Will blossom with fruitage  
Always.”

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**FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION  
August 26, 2005**

**“The Mariner’s Dream” Session**

1:30 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Linda DuBoise, WM

2:00 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Jane Gregory, PGM  
Mr. Henry Martin, PGP

“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Pages  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**Entrance of Installed Grand Officers**

Opening of the Holy Bible Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, PGM

**Session Called From Rest to Labor**

Recognition and Presentation of Fifty-Year Members

Reports Continued:

New Business, Amendments, and Special Committees

Development and Marketing

Museum

Miss Diane Davidson, Chairman

Parliamentarian

Mrs. Jean Staples

Purposes and Policy

Mr. Billy Combest, Chairman

Titles, Deeds and Properties

Mr. Jim Rippey, Chairman

Webmaster

Mr. Bill Bane, Chairman

Secretaries

Mrs. Betty Fogarty, Chairman

Poet Laureate

Mrs. Juanita Gregory

Benediction

Mr. Paul Romaine, PP

Closing of the Holy Bible

Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

**Session Called from Labor to Rest  
Until 8:00 p.m.**

Please join us for the District Banquets  
Convention Center

Followed by the ESTARL and Memorial Program

“Peace to their memory - let it grow  
Greener with the years, and blossom through the flight  
Of ages; let the light  
Stream on their deeds of love, that shunned the sight.  
Of all but Heaven, and in the book of fame  
The glorious of their virtues write,  
And hold it up for men, and bid them claim  
A palm like theirs and catch from them the hallowed flame.”

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**FRIDAY EVENING SESSION**  
**August 26,2005**

**“Moonlight Bay” Session**

7:30 p.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Karen Black, PM

8:00 p.m. Call to Order Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, PGM  
Mr. Garland Rattan, PGP

“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Installed Grand Officers and Pages  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**ENTRANCE OF INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS**

Opening of the Holy Bible Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mrs. Elsie Hammack, PGM

Presentation Job’s Daughters

*“Jesus: The Fisher of Men”*  
ESTARL Service Award Ceremony

*“Grace Without Measure”*  
Memorial Program

*“Friends are like small grains of sand  
Some carry with the tide,  
While others are securely held,  
They’re always by your side.”*



*Jesus: The Fisher of Men*  
ESTARL Service and Awards

*Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler*  
Worthy Grand Matron

*Mr. Jerry L. Martin*  
Worthy Grand Patron

August 26, 2005  
7:30 p.m.

*Mrs. Jacalyn DeLange*  
General Chairman

ESTARL PROGRAM  
*"Jesus: The Fisher of Men"*

Welcome	Mrs. Jacalyn DeLange General Chairman
ESTARL Committee	Mrs. Bonita McElroy, District I Mrs. Shirley Rattan, District II Mrs. Jacque Cates, District III Mrs. Annette Clark, District IV Mrs. Beverly Sinclair, District V
Invocation	Ms. Brandi Johnson Recipient
Song	Mr. Adam Grubb Recipient
Scripture Reading	Mr. Brandon Martinez Recipient
Message	Mr. Jack Womack Recipient
Offertory Prayer	Ms. Wanda Boehm Recipient

ESTARL LOVE OFFERING

Musical Selections	Mr. Gene Hobbs Mr. Doug Wintermute Mr. Paul Evans Recipients
Presentation of Awards	Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler Worthy Grand Matron Mr. Jerry L. Martin Worthy Grand Patron Assisted by ESTARL Committee
Response from Recipients	Ms. Bobbie Sparks Recipient
Benediction	Mr. Anthony Risner Recipient



*Grace Without Measure*

*Memorial Service*

*2004-2005*

**“GRACE WITHOUT MEASURE”**  
 Memorial Program  
 2004-2005

Musical Prelude	Mrs. Susan Smith Grand Organist
Grand Chaplain Report	Mrs. Lillian B. Travis Grand Chaplain
Invocation	Mr. Kenneth Gregory Past Grand Patron
“Amazing Grace”	Grand Choir
Poem	Mrs. Juanita Gregory Poet Laureate
<b><i>“I Believe”</i></b>	Mr. Ron Fuqua
Tribute to General Grand Chapter Members	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain
Flower Presentation	Mrs. Elsie Paladino Past Grand Matron Mr. H. Lee Stallings Past Grand Patron
Tribute to Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain
Flower Presentation	Mrs. Jane Gregory Past Grand Matron Mr. Billy Combest Past Grand Patron
Tribute to Officers of Grand Chapter of Texas	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain
Flower Presentation	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland Past Grand Matron Mr. Joe E. Jeffers Past Grand Patron
Tribute to Grand Chapter Officers of Other Jurisdictions	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain

Flower Presentation	Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon Past Grand Matron Mr. Jack Guy Past Grand Patron
Tribute to Subordinate Chapter Members	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain
Flower Presentation	Mrs. Betty Friend Past Grand Matron Mr. Henry Martin Past Grand Patron
<i>“No Other Word for Grace but Amazing”</i>	Mrs. Melissa Simonton Grand Soloist
Draping of the Altar	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek Grand Conductress Mrs. Joyce Gilbert Associate Grand Conductress Mrs. Lillian B. Travis Grand Chaplain
<i>“It is Well with My Soul”</i>	Mr. Keith Bice Grand Choir Director
Flag Presentation	Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer Grand Marshal
Tribute to the Military	Mrs. Lillian Travis Grand Chaplain
<i>“America the Beautiful”</i>	Assembly
Benediction	Mr. Harry Cunningham Past Grand Patron
Taps	
Closing of the Holy Bible	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek
Grand Conductress	

Following the ESTARL and Memorial Program  
All Participants are requested to remain for the rehearsal of the  
2005-2006 Installation of Grand Officers



**SATURDAY MORNING SESSION**  
**August 27, 2005**

**“Bon Voyage” Session**

7:30 a.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Antoinette “Toni” Crawford, PM

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, PGM  
Mr. Billy Combest, PGP

“Jewels By The Sea” Drill Installed Grand Floor Officers and Pages  
Directed by Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal

**ENTRANCE OF GRAND FLOOR OFFICERS**

Opening of the Holy Bible Mrs. Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress

Invocation Mr. Henry Schlitzkus, PP

**Session Called from Rest to Labor**

Reports Continued:  
(All Committee Chairmen are to be seated in the East until their pictures have been taken. Please be available at all times since you may be called upon earlier or later than scheduled.)

Unfinished Business:

Final Credentials Report Mrs. Sherry Dieckmann, Chairman

Adoption of Memorial and Grand Chaplain Report Mrs. Lillian Travis  
Grand Chaplain

Appointment of Election Judges

(All Candidates and the person nominating them are to be seated in the East.)

10:00 a.m.

**Election of Officers**

Special Music

Mrs. Susan Smith  
 Grand Organist  
 Mrs. Shirley Echols

Reports Continued:

Grand Soloist

Mrs. Melissa Simonton

Bulletin

Mrs. Delphia Von Heeder, Chairman

Captains Log

Mrs. Mary Pike, Chairman

Endowed Membership Stamp

Mrs. Annette Curry, Chairman

Footprints in the Sand

Mrs. Nannette Gwaltney, Chairman

Founders Day

Mrs. Nelda Robertson, Chairman

Grand Chapter Yearbook

Mrs. Kay Huffman, Chairman

Grand Historian

Mrs. Cheryl Albrecht, Chairman

In Search of Treasures

Labels and Worksheets

Miss Caryn Harris, Chairman

Melodies of the Sea

Mrs. Lynnda Wilkins, Chairman

Mysteries Beneath the Sea

Mrs. Betty Warlick, Chairman

Pillows of Support

Mrs. Gail Smith, Chairman

Proficiency

Mrs. Fleeta Fannett, Chairman

Public Relations

Mrs. Rebecca McMinn, Chairman

Rob Morris Jewel

Mrs. Joanne Burbridge, Chairman

Shipmates Celebration

Mrs. Wanda Hollingsworth, Chairman

Star Search for a Cure

Mrs. Nancy Wood, Chairman

Starfish of Hope

Mrs. Linda Henderson, Chairman

The Fishermen

Mr. Bill Wyatt, Chairman

Vision

Mrs. Janice Herridge, Chairman

Invitation to the 2005-2006 Grand Chapter Session

Recognition and Presentations

Election Results

Benediction

Rev. Paul E. Lowe, Jr.

Closing of the Holy Bible

Mrs. Geraldine Dusek

Grand Conductress

**Session called from Labor to Rest  
 Until 6:30 p.m. Saturday Evening**

Please join us for the 2005-2006

Installation of Officers

Processional of Distinguished Guests will begin at 6:30 p.m.

## SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND APPRECIATION

Special Acknowledgement	2004-2005 Arrangement Committee
Decorations	Mrs. Martha Flower, Chairman Mrs. Laura Moore, Co-Chairman
Altar Cloth and Drape, Kneeling Bench Cover, Bible Cover, Bible Marker	Mrs. Frances Reedy
Pedestal Covers	Mrs. Betty Lynn Mrs. Cora Ferguson
Holy Bible	Mr. John Elkinton Mrs. Frances Elkinton
Square and Compasses	District Deputy Grand Matrons Mrs. Pam Dean, District I Mrs. Andi Martin, District II Mrs. Donna Hill Pope, District III Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger, District IV Mrs. Karen Wright, District V Mr. Ray Hertenberger, Executive Chairman
Gavels	Mr. & Mrs. James Williams
Music "Karen's Treasures"	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, PGM Mrs. Gladys Bruce Cox
Music "March of the Mariners"	Mrs. Delphia VonHeeder Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, PGM
Special Thank You to:	Mr. Tom Morgenthaler
	"Without your love, and encouragement none of this would have been possible."

"Ours is an Order that should stand  
 A light upon a Nation's hill,  
 A voice forbidding all that's ill  
 A source of inspiration in the land,  
 Its strength, not brick, nor stone, nor wood,  
 But Justice, Love and Brotherhood."

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**INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS  
PERSONAL PAGES AND SECRETARIES**

Worthy Grand Matron - Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler	Mrs. Pam Dean Mrs. Andi Martin Mrs. Donna Hill Pope Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger Mrs. Karen Wright Mrs. Betty Fogarty, Secretary Mrs. Iris Lowe, Secretary
Worthy Grand Patron - Mr. Jerry L. Martin	Mr. David Ouellette Mr. Karl A. Drescher, Jr. Mrs. Mary Brunet, Secretary Mrs. Vicki Smith, Secretary
Associate Grand Matron - Mrs. Nancy Brown	Mrs. Donna Ernst Mrs. Virginia Strong Mrs. Lorraine Williams Mrs. Patsy Hewlitt Mrs. Lou Lewis, Secretary Mrs. Nelda Truesdale, Secretary
Associate Grand Patron - Mr. Nelson Campbell	Mr. Norman Abshere Mr. Tom Clark Mr. Herman "Sonny" Wise Mrs. Elizabeth Wise, Secretary
Grand Secretary - Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner	Mrs. Loretta Lindley Mrs. Susan Neunschwander
Grand Treasurer - Mrs. Betty Prater	Mrs. Pat Archer Mrs. Mildred Blair Mrs. Sybil Davis
Grand Conductress - Mrs. Geraldine Dusek	Mrs. Ola Mae Davis Mrs. Geneva Dye Mrs. Oma D. Bush Mrs. Candice Heath Mrs. Gloria Bennett, Secretary Mrs. Shirley Bixenstine, Secretary

Associate Grand Conductress - Mrs. Joyce Gilbert	Mrs. Jo Ann Storie Mrs. Dee Seeley Mrs. Janette Fisher Mrs. Sula Reilly Mrs. Syble Yost, Secretary
Grand Chaplain - Mrs. Lillian B. Travis	Mrs. Ada Bruce Mrs. Mary Funderburg Mrs. Leota Romine Mrs. Vivian Quarles
Grand Marshal - Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer	Mrs. Linda Thomas Mrs. Sharon Cobb Mrs. Mary R. Brown Mrs. Patricia Bruce
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Grand Adah - Mrs. Barbara Marie Adamson	Mrs. Marita Lewis Mrs. Peggy Keeling Mrs. Laura Rivers
Grand Ruth - Mrs. Leah Hayes	Mrs. Sue Phares Mrs. Cindy Echols Mrs. Susan Ireland
Grand Esther - Mrs. Betty Martin	Mrs. Maurine "Tootsie" Creech Mrs. Polly McCamey Mrs. Joann Drescher
Grand Martha - Mrs. Heidi Jenkins	Mrs. Mary Burch Mrs. Jean Hemby Mrs. Velma Kleinfelder
Grand Electa - Mrs. Donna Herrington	Mrs. Martha Grissom Mrs. Nancy Caudill Mrs. Georgia Orr
Grand Warder - Mrs. Edna Marsh	Mrs. Alice Johnson Mrs. Joyce W. Shanks Mrs. Jamie Quenzer Mrs. Carolyn Sturgeon

Grand Sentinel - Mr. Winifred "Windy" Whitlock

Mr. George Hogg  
 Mr. Richard Graves  
 Mr. Howard Hudgins  
 Mr. Ronald Barker

### **ASSISTING GRAND WARDERS AND SENTINELS**

Beth Barkowskie	Joan Johnson
Gary Barkowskie	Johnny Johnson
Sheryl Bobbitt	Helen Mash
Deborah Delhomme	Angele Meyer
Vi Griffin	Mary Sue Newsom
Jerry Jackson	Deanna Pillow
H. L. "Shorty" Johnson	Paul Romine
Jack Johnson	Katherine Schmidt
	Doyle Thornton

### **GRAND CHOIR**

Mr. Keith Buice, Grand Choir Director

Margie Cook	Eileen Jones
Gladys Bruce Cox	Kim Lacy
Bill Crews	Wylma Peacock
Kathy Crews	Jack Ray
Betty Demaret	Pat Ray
Barbara Dreher	Marjorie Shenkir
Tony Dreher	Clara Shockley
Wanda Elder	Patricia Schellhase
Kathy Franks	Sandra Strong
Norma Fisher	Margaret Wood
Treaca Huston	Judy Watson
Jim Huston	Dr. Barbara Webb

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Ray Hertenberger	Executive Chairman
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Mrs. Bettye Murrell	Executive Secretary
Mrs. Gladys Cox	Executive Treasurer
Mr. Joseph White	Auditor

**ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**

Mr. John C. Elkinton	General Chairman
Mr. Dwight Von Heeder	General Co-Chairman
Mrs. Shirley Meerscheidt	Secretary
Mrs. Martha Flower	Chairman, Decorations
Mrs. Laura Moore	Co-Chairman, Decorations
Mrs. Patricia Stallings	Chairman, Distinguished Guest
Mrs. Iva Clark	Chairman, Distinguished Ushers
Mr. Mark Dieckman	Chairman, Elections
Mr. Paul Garner	Co-Chairman, Elections
Mr. Raymond W. Beyer	Chairman, Elections Setup
Mr. Earl M. Fields, Sr.	Chairman, Electrical
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Dr. Mary Hewitt-Levy	Co-Chairman, First Aid
Mrs. Toni Crawford	Chairman, Housing
Mr. Monte Crawford	Co-Chairman, Housing
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Mr. Derrell Fogarty	Chairman, Labyrinth
Mr. Frank Hemby	Co-Chairman, Labyrinth
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Ms. Cheryl Bobbitt	Co-Chairman, Lost & Found
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Mrs. Melanie Turner	Co-Chairman, Secretarial
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Mr. R. E. "Gene" Reynolds	Co-Chairman, Security
Mrs. MaeDell French	Chairman, Social
Mr. Bobby Smith	Chairman, Sound
Mrs. Patti G. Powell	Chairman, Special Needs
Mr. Dale French	Chairman, Special Needs
Mrs. Bonnell Wilson	Chairman, TMRC Ladies
Mr. Walter E. "Yank" Wilson	Chairman, Transportation
Mr. G. W. "Jr." Robertson	Co-chairman, Transportation
Mr. Dwight Phillips	Chairman, Vendors
Mrs. Norma Phillips	Co-Chairman, Vendors

## CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Sherry Dieckman, General Chairman  
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 Mrs. Rhonda Beamsderfer  
 Mrs. Cindy A. Newbury  
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## REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

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 Mrs. Flora Maserang  
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 Mr. Steve Koehn  
 Mrs. Martha Heffington  
 Ms. Carolyn Cox  
 Mrs. Jane Wert  
 Mr. Joe Nance  
 Mrs. Bobbie Welch

*“Some individuals dream of great accomplishments,  
 While others stay awake and do them.”  
 If it were not for each of you and your great accomplishments  
 And because of your love and dedication for our Order  
 Our Subordinate Chapters and Grand Chapter  
 Would not be as strong.*



**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Headquarters Hotel Moody Gardens Hotel

Co-Headquarters Hotel The Victorian Hotel

Additional Hotels Comfort Inn & Suites  
Super 8 Motel  
Econo Lodge

Grand Chapter Session & Banquets Moody Gardens Hotel &  
Convention Center

Wednesday	Noon Exhibits Open 10:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. 6:00 P.M. Special Program after Banquet	Moody Gardens Registration Open General Banquet	Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens
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Thursday	8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. 11:30 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	Registration/Credentials Informal Opening Formal Opening GGC Banquet Evening Session Grand Representative Program and Humanitarian Program	Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens
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Friday	8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. 8:30 A.M. 12:00 Noon 2:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	Registration/Credentials Morning Session Line Officers Luncheons Afternoon Session District Banquets Evening Session ESTARL and Memorial Service	Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens
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The Candidates Reception will follow after the program.

Saturday	7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. 7:00 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M.  6:30 P.M.	Credentials Registration Session Open Election of Officers Recognition and Presentations Open Installation 2005-2006 Grand Officers	Moody Gardens  Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens Moody Gardens
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### Registration and Credentials

Wednesday	10:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Thursday	8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Friday	8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday	7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

**NO CREDENTIALS CAN BE PICKED UP AFTER 9:00 a.m. ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2005** NOTE: Registration of Voting Delegates for the Credentials closes promptly at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, August 27, 2005. Ballots are not transferable, and if lost, will not be replaced. Please sign your Ballot envelope immediately upon receipt and keep it in your care at all times.

A valid Receipt for Dues or Demit and Registration Badge is required for admittance to each Grand Chapter Session.

### Distinguished Guests

All General Grand Chapter Officers, Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons are invited to sit in sections designated for Distinguished Guests during all Sessions of Grand Chapter.

### Social Information

Distinguished Guests Hospitality	Moody Gardens
Grand Representatives Hospitality	Moody Gardens

### Grand Pages, Deputy Grand Matrons, Warders, Sentinels

Grand Pages, Assistant Grand Warders, and Assistant Grand Sentinels will be on duty 30 minutes before each Session. Please assist in proving Grand Chapter following the Installation on Saturday.

### Grand Choir

Grand Choir will be on duty 30 minutes before each Session.

### Reports

All reports must be brief, concise, and contain only relevant information. Time and cost of printing will not permit lengthy "thank you" messages. Reports will be limited to two - three minutes only. Reports must be typed in triplicate, double spaced, and given to the Grand Secretary after adoption.

CHAIRMAN: Please be readily available until your report has been given. Please watch the progress of the reports, as you may be called upon to give your report earlier or later than scheduled. The General Chairman will introduce the District Chairman, ask the members of the committee to stand during the report. After the report is read, pictures will be taken of the General Chairman, Co-Chairman, and District Chairmen with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

*"To be a star, You must shine your own light,  
Follow your own path, and don't worry about the darkness,  
For that is when stars shine brightest!"*

### Official Photographers

West Coast Photographers

Scheduled Pictures: (Please go immediately to the East)

Floor Officers and Pages

Formal Attire

Immediately after the Thursday Evening Session

Floor Officers and Pages

Daytime Attire

Immediately after the Friday Afternoon Session

Note: If you should desire individual pictures, please schedule directly with the Official Photographer.

### Drills and Formations

All Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Junior Past Matrons, and Junior Past Patrons of 100 % Chapters in the Humanitarian Program for the 2004-2005 are invited to participate in the Humanitarian Drill on Thursday evening. Please participate and represent your Chapter wearing any long dress and/or tuxedo or dark suit.

### First Aid

First Aid Room will be available in the Convention Center. Arrangements First Aid Committee will be on duty for all Sessions.

### Safety

As a safety precaution, we ask you to always walk in groups. Never walk alone going to or from the hotel or convention center.

### Proficiency Examinations

The Grand Examiner at Large, Sister Mary Ruth White, will have the Examining Room open on Friday from 8:00 - 10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. and Saturday from 8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. If, for any reason, you need to have an examination other than these specified times, please contact Sister Mary Ruth and she will arrange a mutually convenient time to assist you in taking your Proficiency Examination.

### Exhibits

The Exhibitors are set up in the Convention Center (2nd Floor), Wednesday, noon - 5:00 p.m., Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Various items are on display and for sale including formals, badges, jewelry, Eastern Star supplies, cosmetics, Masonic jewelry and other miscellaneous items.

*“We cannot tell the precise moment when friendship is formed.  
As in filling a vessel drop by drop,  
There is at last a drop which makes the heart run over.”*

#### 2004 - 2005 Project Items

The Worthy Grand Matron's Special Project items are available in the Convention Center Lobby.

#### Cardinals & Youth Organizations

The Cardinals and Youth Organizations are located in the Convention Center.

#### 2005 - 2006 Project Item

the 2005 - 2006 Special Project items are located on the 1st Floor - Convention Center.

#### Fifty-Year Members

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

*“May the trail of the wind leave its songs in you path,  
May the sun light the sky where you stand;  
May the pleasure of friendship be your through the day,  
With the clasp of a caring hand.”*

**THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER**

Oh, say, can you see,  
 By the dawn's early light,  
 What so proudly we hailed  
 at the twilight's last gleaming?  
 Whose broad stripes and bright stars,  
 thru' the perilous fight.  
 O'er the ramparts we watched,  
 were so gallantly streaming?  
 And the rockets' red glare,  
 the bombs bursting in air.  
 Gave proof thru' the night  
 that our flag was still there.

Chorus

Oh, say, does that  
 Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
 O'er the land of the free,  
 and the home of the brave?

**O, CANADA!**

O Canada! Our Home and native land!  
 True patriot love in all thy sons  
 command. With glowing hearts  
 we see thee rise.  
 The True North strong and free;  
 And stand on guard, O Canada,  
 We stand on guard for thee.

Chorus

O Canada! Glorious and free!  
 We stand on guard, we stand on guard  
 for thee. O Canada!  
 We stand on guard for thee.

**GOD, BLESS AMERICA**

God, bless America. Land that I love,  
 Stand beside her, and guide her.  
 Thru 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.

**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 or brag.  
 But, should auld acquaintance be  
 forgot,  
 Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

**TEXAS, OUR TEXAS**

Texas, our Texas!  
 All hail the mighty state.  
 Texas, our Texas!  
 So wonderful, so great!  
 Boldest and grandest,  
 Withstanding every test.  
 O empire-wide and glorious,  
 You stand supremely blest.

**DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS**

The stars at night, are big and bright.  
 Deep in the heart of Texas.  
 The prairie sky, is wide and high, deep  
 in the heart of Texas.  
 The sage in bloom is like perfume,  
 Deep in the heart of Texas.  
 Reminds me of the one I love,  
 Deep in the heart of Texas.

**HAPPY TRAILS**

Happy trails to you  
 Until we meet again.  
 Happy trails to you,  
 keep smilin' until then.  
 Who cares about the clouds  
 when we're together?  
 Just sing a song and  
 bring the sunny weather.  
 Happy trails to you,  
 til we meet again.

**I'LL FLY AWAY**

Some glad morning  
 when this life is o'er  
 I'll fly away;  
 To a home on God's celestial shore,  
 I'll fly away:

I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away;  
 When I die, hallelujah by and by;  
 I'll fly away.

Just a few more weary days and then,  
 I'll fly away;  
 To a land where joys shall never end,  
 I'll fly away.

**MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE**

My country, 'tis of thee,  
 Sweet land of liberty,  
 Of thee I sing;  
 Land where my fathers died,  
 Land of the pilgrim's pride,  
 From ev'ry mountainside  
 Let freedom ring!  
 Our fathers' God, to thee,  
 Author of liberty,  
 To thee we sing;  
 Long may our land be bright  
 With freedom's holy light;  
 Protect us by thy might,  
 Great God, our King!

**SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT**

There's a sweet, sweet spirit  
 In this place,  
 And I know it is the spirit  
 Of the Lord.  
 There are sweet expressions  
 On each face,  
 And I know it is the  
 Presence of the Lord.

Sweet, Holy Spirit  
 Sweet Heavenly Dove  
 Stay right here with us,  
 Filling us with your love.  
 And for these blessings  
 We lift our hearts in praise;  
 Without a doubt we'll know,  
 That we have been revived  
 When we shall leave this place.

**LOVE LIFTED ME**

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore.  
 Very deeply, stained within, sinking to rise no more;  
 But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry,  
 From the waters lifted me, now safe am I.  
 Love lifted me, Love lifted me.  
 When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.  
 Love lifted me, Love lifted me.  
 When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

**HIS NAME IS WONDERFUL**

His Name is Wonderful,  
 His Name is Wonderful  
 His Name is Wonderful,  
     Jesus my Lord.  
     He is the might King,  
     Master of everything.  
 His Name is Wonderulf,  
     Jesus my Lord.  
 He's the Great Shepherd,  
     the Rock of all Ages.  
     Almighty God is He.  
 Bow down before Him,  
     Love and Adore Him  
 His Name is Wonderful,  
     Jesus my Lord.

**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.  
  
 In my heart there rings a melody  
 There rings a melody with Heavens harmony.  
 In my hear there rings a melody  
 There rings a melody of love.

**FILL MY CUP, LORD**

Like the woman at the well I was seeking  
 For things that could not satisfy  
 And then I heard my Savior speaking  
 "Draw from My well that never shall run dry."  
 Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up, Lord  
 Come and quench this thirsting of my soul  
 Bread of Heaven feed me till I want no more  
 Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole.

**ALWAYS**

We'll be loving you, always  
 With a love that's true, always  
 When the things you've planned,  
 Need a helping hand,  
 We will understand, always, always  
 Days may not be fair, always  
 That's when we'll be there, always  
 Not for just an hour,  
 Not for just a day,  
 Nor for just a year, but always.

**HE KEEPS ME SINGING**

There's with in 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.  
 Chorus

**HE TOUCHED ME**

Shackled by a heavy burden,  
 'Neath a load of guild 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.

Chorus

**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.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,  
 Whose stem, impassioned stress  
 A thoroughfare for freedom beat  
 Across the wilderness!

Repeat Chorus

O beautiful for patriot dream  
 That sees, beyond the years,  
 Thine alabaster cities gleam,  
 Undimmed by human tears!

Repeat Chorus

**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.

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



**AMAZING GRACE**

Amazing grace!

How sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught  
my hear to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath bro't me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.  
When we've been there  
ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days  
to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun.

**THE GOOD LORD BLESS  
AND KEEP YOU**

May the good Lord bless and keep you,  
Whether near or far away.  
May you find that long awaited golden  
day today.  
May your troubles all be small ones,  
And your fortune ten times ten.  
May the good Lord bless and keep you  
til we meet again.  
May you walk with sunlight shining  
And a bluebird in every tree  
May there be a silver lining, back of  
every cloud you see.  
Fill your dreams with sweet tomorrow,  
never mind what might have been.  
May the good Lord bless and keep you  
til we meet again.

**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 as our Father, Brothers all  
were we  
Let me walk with my Brother in perfect  
harmony.  
Take each moment, and live each  
moment in peach eternally  
Let there be peace on earth and let it  
begin with me.  
Let peace begin with me, let this be the  
moment now  
With every 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.

**MY RAINBOW**

God placed a rainbow way up in the  
sky,  
A beautiful symbol so true,  
Its lovely colors of heavenly hue,  
Send showers of blessing anew.  
My Rainbow, I cannot tell what you  
mean to me.  
With your lesson of faith, hope and  
charity,  
It I could pattern my life,  
On your great service and love,  
The pot of gold I'm sure to find above,  
My Rainbow, symbol of promises ever  
true,  
Inspire me to live just as you.

## BEAUTIFUL TEXAS

You've all read the beautiful stories,  
 Of countries far over the sea  
 From whence came our ancestors,  
 To establish this land of the free  
 There are some folks who still like to  
 travel  
 To see what they have over there.  
 But when they go look, it's not like the  
 book  
 And they find there is none to compare.  
 To beautiful, beautiful Texas  
 Where the beautiful bluebonnets grow  
 We're proud of our forefathers  
 Who fought at the Alamo.  
 You can live on the plains or the  
 mountains  
 Or down where the sea breezes blow  
 And you're still in beautiful Texas  
 The Most beautiful state that I know.

## HARBOR LIGHTS

I saw the Harbor Lights,  
 They only told me we were parting,  
 The same old Harbor Lights  
 That once brought you to me.  
 I watched the Harbor Lights,  
 How could I help if tears were starting?  
 Good-bye to tender sights  
 Beside the silvery sea.  
 I longed to hold you near  
 And kiss you just once more.  
 But you were on the ship  
 And I was on the shore.  
 Now I know lonely nights,  
 For all the while my heart is whisp'ring  
 Some other Harbor Lights  
 Will steal your love from me.

## 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 wrath are stored;  
 He hath loosed the fateful lightning of  
 his  
 Terrible swift sword;  
 His truth is marching on.

Chorus  
 Glory! Glory, hallelujah!  
 Glory! Glory, hallelujah!  
 Glory! Glory,. Hallelujah!  
 Our God is marching on.

I have seen him in the watch fires of a  
 Hundred circling camps;  
 They have built him an altar in the  
 Evening dews and damps;  
 I can read his righteous sentence by the  
 Dim and flaring lamps;  
 His day is marching on.

Chorus  
 In the beauty of the lilies,  
 Christ was born across the sea,  
 With a glory in his bosom that  
 Transfigures you and me;  
 As he died to make men holy,  
 Let us live to make men free,  
 While God is marching on.

Chorus

**THAT OLD TIME RELIGION**

Give me that old-time religion,  
 Give me that old-time religion,  
 Give me that old-time religion,  
 It's good enough for me.

It was good for the Hebrew children,  
 It was good for the Hebrew children,  
 It was good for the Hebrew children,  
 And it's good enough for me.

It will carry us to heaven,  
 It will carry us to heaven,  
 It will carry us to heaven,  
 And it's good enough for me.

**THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD**

This is my Father's world.  
 And to my listening ears,  
 All nature sings and round me rings,  
 The music of the spheres.  
 This is my Father's World.  
 I rest me in the thought  
 Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,  
 His hand the wonders wrought.

**THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT  
 THAT NAME**

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,  
 here's just something about That name.  
 Master, Savior, Jesus,  
 Like the fragrance after the rain.  
 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,  
 Let all Heaven and earth proclaim,  
 Kings and Kingdoms will all pass away,  
 But there's something about that name.

**HOW GREAT THOU ART!**

O lord my God,  
 when I in awesome wonder  
 Consider all the worlds  
 Thy hands have made,  
 I see the stars,  
 I hear the rolling thunder,  
 Thy pow'r throughout  
 the universe displayed.

Chorus  
 Then sings my soul,  
 my Savior God, to Thee;  
 How great Thou art,  
 how great Thou art!  
 Then sings my soul,  
 my Savior God, to Thee;  
 How great Thou art,  
 how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come  
 with shout of acclamation  
 And take me home,  
 what joy shall fill my heart!  
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
 and there proclaim,  
 my God how great Thou art!

Chorus

**IN THE GARDEN**

I come to the Garden alone,  
 While the dew is still on the roses;  
 And the voice I hear,  
     falling on my ear,  
 The Son of God discloses.

And, He walks with me,  
     and he talks with me,  
 And He tells me I am his own.  
 And the joy we share  
     as we tarry there,  
 None other has ever known.

**HOLY GROUND**

We are standing on holy ground,  
 And I know that there are angels  
     all around.  
 Let us praise Jesus now.  
 We are standing in his presence  
     on Holy Ground.  
 This is Holy Ground,  
 We're standing on Holy Ground.  
 For the Lord is present  
     and where He is, is Holy.  
 We are standing on Holy Ground.  
 And I know that there are angels  
     all around.  
 Let us praise Jesus now.  
 We are standing in His presence  
     on Holy Ground.

**IN THE GOOD OLD  
SUMMERTIME**

In the good old summer time!  
 In the good old summer time!

Strolling thro' the shady lanes,  
 With my baby mine.  
 You hold her hand and  
     she holds yours,  
 And that's a very good sign.  
 That she's your tootsey, wootsey,  
 In the good old summer time.

**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 man,  
 But for the Lord.

Chorus  
 Every work for Jesus will be blest,  
 But He asks from everyone his best.  
 Our talents may be few,  
 These may be small,  
 But unto Him is due.  
 Our best, our all!

**IT'S A SMALL WORLD**

It's a world of laughter,  
 A world of tears,  
 It's a world of hopes  
 And a world of fears.  
 There's so much that we share  
 That it's time we're aware,  
 It's a small world after all.

Chorus

It's a small world after all,  
 It's a small world after all,  
 It's a small world after all,  
 It's a small, small world.

**LEARNING TO LEAN**

Learning to lean,  
 I'm learning to lean.  
 I'm learning to lean on Jesus.  
 Finding more power than I ever knew,  
 I'm learning to lean on Jesus.

**HEAVENLY SUNLIGHT**

Walking in sunlight,  
 All of my journey,  
 Over the mountains,  
 Thru the deep vale'  
 Jesus has said  
 I'll never forsake thee  
 Promise divine  
 That never can fail.

Heavenly sunlight,  
 Heavenly sunlight,  
 Flooding my soul with glory divine;  
 Hal-le-lu-jah, I am rejoicing.  
 Singing his praises,  
 Jesus is mine.

**ONE DAY AT A TIME**

I'm only human, I'm just a woman.  
 Help me believe in what I could be  
 And all that I am.  
 Show me the pathway  
 I have to climb.  
 Lord, for my sake teach me to take  
 One day at a time.

One day at a time, sweet Jesus,  
 That's all I'm asking from you;  
 Help me each day to do everything  
 that I have to do.  
 Yesterday's gone, sweet Jesus,  
 And tomorrow may never be mine.  
 Lord help me today,  
 show me the way  
 One day at a time.

Do you remember  
 when you walked among men?  
 Well, Jesus, you know  
 if you're looking below  
 It's worse now than then  
 Pushing and shoving,  
 crowding my mind.  
 So, for my sake, teach me to take,  
 One day at a time.

## I'D LIKE TO TEACH THE WORLD TO SING

I'd like to build the world a home  
 And furnish it with love.  
 Grow apple trees and honey bees, and  
 Snow white turtle doves.  
 I'd like to teach the world to sing,  
 In perfect harmony.  
 I'd like to hold it in my arms and  
 keep it company.  
 I'd like to see the world for once,  
 All standing hand in hand  
 And hear them echo through the hills,  
 For peace throughout the land.  
 That's the song I hear,  
 Let the work sing today,  
 A song of peace that echoes on,  
 And never goes away.  
 Put your hand in my hand,  
 Let's begin today.  
 Put your hand in my hand  
 Help me find the way.

## SIDE BY SIDE

Oh, we ain't got a barrel of money  
 Maybe we're ragged and funny,  
 But we travel along, Singin a song,  
 Side by Side.  
 Don't know what's coming tomorrow.  
 Maybe it's trouble and sorrow,  
 But we'll travel the road,  
 Sharing our load, Side by Side.  
 Thru all kinds of weather,  
 What if the sky should fall.  
 Just as long as we're together,  
 It doesn't matter at all.  
 When they've all had their quarrels  
     and parted.  
 We'll be the same as we started.  
 Just traveling along,  
 Singing, a song, Side by Side.

**PARLIAMENTARY RULES OF PROCEDURE  
FOR GRAND CHAPTER**

In accordance with Code of Laws – Article 157. Pages 117 - 119 and the following:

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 also must 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. Voting Delegates will hold up the green card – Chapter Representatives will hold the pink 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:

- One copy to the Worthy Grand Matron
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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.



## OUR JOURNEY IS ENDED

Our journey is ended,  
How quickly it's passed;  
Our journey together,  
The time flew so fast.  
We hoisted our sails  
And put out to sea;  
Sailing away  
Into history.  
To North and to South,  
To East and to West;  
Together on deck,  
We stood to the test.  
Now we turn back  
To harbor once more;  
Our journey is ended,  
We now go ashore.  
We gave it our best,  
We worked everyday  
To better our Order,  
To show a new way.  
So, out in the future,  
The members will know  
That we truly loved them;  
Our actions should show.  
Our journey is ended,  
We're back at the pier.  
Our journey is ended,  
We've had a great year!

Juanita Gregory  
Poet Laureate, 2004-2005

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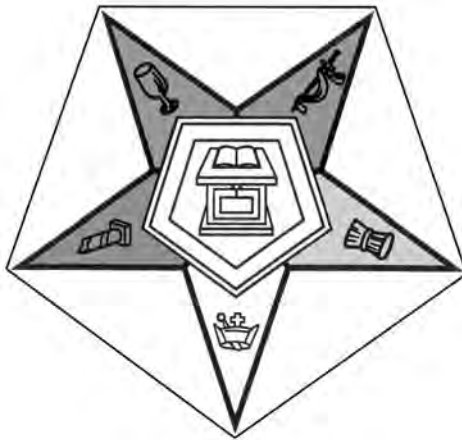
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# *Putting on the Ritz*



***“PUTTING ON THE RITZ”***  
***GENERAL BANQUET***

HONORING

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron  
Mr. Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron  
and  
The Installed Grand Officers  
Grand Chapter of Texas

with  
Special Guests

Mrs. Patricia Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Mr. Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron  
General Grand Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star

6:00 p.m  
August 24, 2005

Moody Gardens  
Galveston, Texas

Master of Ceremonies - Mrs. Elsie Paladino  
Past Grand Matron

Processional

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Song - "Putting on the Ritz" Melissa Simonton

Welcome - Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Right Worthy Grand Conductress, GGC

Response - Mrs. Barbara White  
Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, GGC

Invocation - Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, GGC

DINNER

Introductions - Mrs. Pat Stallings  
Distinguished Guest Chairman

ENTERTAINMENT

Greetings - Past Grand Patrons - Mr. Garland Rattan  
Past Grand Patron

Greetings - Past Grand Matrons - Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane  
Past Grand Matron

- Greetings -Texas General Grand Chapter Family -  
 Mrs. Alma Carter  
 Registration Committee, GGC
- Greetings - Most Worshipful Grand Master - Mr. Elmer Murphy
- Greetings - Most Worthy Grand Patron - Mr. Loyal Stark
- Greetings - Most Worthy Grand Matron -Mrs. Patricia Rasmusson
- Tribute to Installed Grand Officers - Mrs. Judy Northrup  
 Fraternal Correspondent
- Response - Mrs. Nancy Brown  
 Associate Grand Matron
- Tribute To Worthy Grand Patron - Mr. Kenneth Gregory  
 Past Grand Patron
- Greetings - Mr. Jerry Martin  
 Worthy Grand Patron
- Tribute To Worthy Grand Matron - Mr. Ray Hertenberger  
 Chairman of Executive Committee
- Greetings - Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler  
 Worthy Grand Matron
- Benediction - Dr. Effie Mae Davis  
 Past Grand Matron
- Song - "I Hope You Dance" Melissa Simonton



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## “THANK YOU”

To Sister Iris Lowe - You are always there when I need you. Without your help, this banquet would not have been “The Ritz”.

To all who contributed red roses and many other items.

To my very own District 4, Section 10 members and others who helped in any way to make this banquet all that I had hoped for. A very special thank you to David Lambert for his assistance with the programs.

Thank you is one of those wonderful phrases people use to express a special gratitude. However, there is much more to it than words can express when it comes from the heart. May the rhythm of our hearts continue to beat in tune and remember you are the Very Best anyone could hope for.

My Love Always,

*Elsie*

Elsie Paladino, Banquet Chairman

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Good evening, my Sisters and Brothers and friends. Welcome to the “Putting on the Ritz” General Banquet and to the Grand Chapter of Texas.

As time is of importance, and with the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron, the processional will be limited. Most of the honor guests and distinguished guests are already seated in their places. I realize that it will be difficult for the Masons to remain seated as our first guest enters. However, you will have the opportunity to greet him shortly. It is my honor to present Honorable Elmer Murphey, III, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, escorted by his lovely wife, Sister Judy Murphy. [applause] It is now my honor to present Brother Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Patron of California, escorted by his lovely wife, Mrs. Joan Stark. [applause] I am happy to present Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron of Texas, escorted by his beloved wife, Mrs. Betty Capps Martin, Grand Esther. [applause] I am indeed excited to present Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, escorted by her beloved husband, Brother Tom Morgenthaler, Grand Representative of Texas in Nova Scotia. [applause]

Would the Honorees please stand. Sisters and Brothers, would you now please stand and greet them and show your appreciation. [applause] Thank you so much. You may be seated.

Well, best laid plans of mice and men! I present Sister Pat Rasmusson, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Matron of Minnesota, escorted by Texas’ own Virginia Franklin. [applause] Let’s stand and show her how proud we are to have her in Texas.

Sisters and Brothers, the Banquet Committee has tried with utmost precision to take care of every detail for your comfort and enjoyment. I assure you that if anyone or anything has been left out, it was not intentional. All of those who want to go “uhhhh,” we can do it all together and move on! Would the members of District 4, Section 10 who have assisted with this banquet please stand. [applause] If you have any wishes, desires or whatever, please contact one of these. Would all the members of District 4, Section 10 please stand. [applause]

Rennie, do you see all those red feathers out there? Do you see what Rennie has on her wrist? Around the centerpiece there are wristbands for the ladies. If you want to get them and put them on, you may do so. And our cigarette girls have boutonnieres for the gentlemen. Rennie, do you think there’s a bunch of bare redbirds out there somewhere? I even saw some tail feathers.

Sisters and Brothers, the purpose of this banquet is to encourage you just for a while to forget the troubles of the world that are so much with us these days. If we are successful, our aim has been accomplished. Just take a deep breath, relax and enjoy the moment as our Grand Soloist, Sister Melissa Simonton, reminds you that we are here “Putting on the Ritz” this evening. [applause followed song]

I have asked the Installed Floor Officers of Texas to please come to the sub-head table. Apparently, we are missing the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron. Would you please come to the sub-head. Do we have anyone else that is waiting to be seated? While they’re coming, I’m going to do a short commercial. There are envelopes on your tables. Please place your tickets in the envelopes to be collected. If you do not have your tickets, please write your name on the envelope. And if you’re interested in the center-

piece, there is an envelope also on the table with a price on it. Leave the money in the envelope and please take the centerpiece. Just leave the mirror.

I know that you are enjoying the music. It certainly spoke to my heart. It spoke not only to my heart, somehow my feet listened. They were doing a little toe-tapping here, and I know yours were also doing that. I know that we have expressed our appreciation to Sister Linda and Sister Melissa. We will enjoy their music later.

How proudly and humbly we stand in the reflective honor that this lady brings to Texas. She wins hearts everywhere that she goes, and her Texas charm and friendly manner certainly tells everyone that she is from Texas. She is truly a class act. Sister Rennie Ofton will welcome you.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Members all: If you could only see how pretty you are from here. We are truly “Putting on the Ritz” tonight with all the glitter, the glamor and the excitement. I even hear a few giggles every once in a while, so you’re happy. I guess it’s a reflection of a happiness which we have as we look back upon the accomplishments of this past year. Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have led us swiftly because we only had nine months; carefully, because they are mindful of their responsibility and we are very proud. I hope that all of this glitter and the happiness is part of your memory in knowing that you’ve done very well. A job well done.

And to our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, how happy we are that you came to visit us. We heartily welcome you into the fellowship of Texas. I know you’ve been here before, but we’re just excited that you could come. You know, they’ve been all over the world, and they’re bringing the message of hope for the Order of the Eastern Star. We’re so proud to have you here with us tonight.

I know that the special plans that Sister Elsie and her group put together for us tonight will bring us all special memories. It’s the happy memories like this that help us keep our Order going. As I look out and see each of you, I know that you are here because you are part of the Order of the Eastern Star. We’re very, very happy to have you. May the events of our session give you special memories to take home. Welcome, welcome to each of you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** As the beat of the music gets faster, her step gets a lot quicker. She dances to the step with style and grace. With ease she keeps the pace. We are pleased that her timing brought her to Texas. Sister Barbara White will respond to the welcome.

**MRS. BARBARA WHITE:** Hello, Texas.

**VOICES:** Hello.

**MRS. BARBARA WHITE:** That’s good. I love the State of Texas! Thank you, Sister Elsie, for this wonderful opportunity to respond to Sister Rennie’s gracious welcome. I had the privilege of working with her on the Board of Right Worthy Grand Trustees, and now I am still following her in the General Grand Chapter line. We have had many good times together. Your Worthy Grand Matron has only had a nine-month term; you know that’s the time that is normally reserved to have a baby. Sister Rennie, do you know that when I was born, I was so surprised I couldn’t speak for a year and a half?

All your guests are pleased to be with y’all in Texas. Yee haw!

**VOICES:** Yee haw!

**MRS. BARBARA WHITE:** We have come to celebrate another year with you in the history of the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas. I have had many relatives that have lived in Texas over the years, and a lot of them still do. So you may run into some of my relatives out here sometime. I have visited in your great state many times. I remember when I was knee high to a jack rabbit – only two or three years ago – that we used to come to visit in Texas. It was back in the days of no air conditioning in cars, and you know how hot that was. I would ride up behind the back seat; you couldn't get by with that kind of stuff today. But I always took home horny toads. They never lived very long, I don't know why. Our son graduated from Baylor University in Waco.

It seems that this Texan was visiting in Australia and talking about his farm to this Australian farmer. The Australian farmer decided to take him out and show him his wheat field. He looked out and he said, "Aw, our wheat fields are a lot bigger than that. I think yours look like a postage stamp." So the Australian farmer decided to show him his herd of cattle, and he was proud of them. He thought it was a pretty good spread. But the Texan said, "Our herds of cattle in Texas are so big that they would make yours look like an ant colony." So they went a little bit further, and the Texan sees his herd of kangaroos. He looks and he says to the Australian farmer, "What are those?" The Australian farmer says, "Don't you have grasshoppers in Texas?" [laughter]

It seems that Jerry, your Worthy Grand Patron, went to California one time and he visited a fruit stand out there. He picked up a watermelon. He said to the owner of the fruit stand, "Is this as big as you grow watermelons in this part of the country?" He said, "Stop! You're squashing the raisin."

Well, I thought you might be interested in knowing some of the things I've learned through the years, short as they have been. Bigamy is having one wife too many; monogamy is the same thing. The biggest seller in books is cookbooks; and the second biggest seller is diet books, teaching you how not to eat what you just learned to cook. And in that vein, if no one sees you eating, the calories don't count. And if you eat in the dark, the calories don't count. And if the person sitting with you eats more than you do, the calories don't count. And also food licked off knives and forks doesn't count either. There's plenty of room at the top but no place to sit down. You should never go to a doctor whose office plants have all died. The mind is like a TV set; when it goes blank, you should turn off the sound. And when you begin to look like your passport picture, it's time to go home. But I think the most important things you should know here in Texas are: You should always drink upstream from the cattle; don't squat with your boots on, and don't mess with Texas. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** I know that you are about ready for dinner. To be called a servant of God is the utmost compliment one can receive. Brother Billy Combest's life reflects this service. Let us lift our hearts to God as he leads us in the invocation.

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Almighty God, we know You are hearing our prayers now as we lift them up to Your Great White Throne. We come before Your Great White Throne not in judgment because that was on Calvary's Tree so long ago, but we come to receive a good measure of Your grace and strength and love and the joy that living for You brings us. We now ask you to bless everyone who has come this way, and may they go away with their hearts full of love, and share as they go, wherever they may end up going, whatever trails they may travel. Bless this food to the nourishment of our bodies; may it renew us so that we do have the strength to do what You would have us to. May Your Holy Spirit renew us

so that when we go from this place, we can say, “Thank you, dear God; it’s good to be with our Sisters and Brothers.” We leave it now in Your Holy Hands, knowing that You are not only hearing my prayer but all the prayers that are being lifted up to You right now. In Your power and Your grace. Amen.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** You may begin enjoying your dinner.

[Dinner was served.]

I’d like to take this time to thank Sister Linda Long for the beautiful dinner music. I have enjoyed it and I know that you have. Let’s show her our appreciation. [applause] If the wait staff would pause for just a moment, would you join me in expressing our appreciation to them. [applause] You were wonderful and we thank you very much for contributing to the pleasure of our evening.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers, 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 and Texas, Installed Grand Officers, Elected Boards, Deputies and Appointees of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members of all Grand Jurisdictions, and Worshipful Grand Master, my beloved Sisters and Brothers: Protocol has now been established. [applause] I want to say that each of you is certainly beautiful. Thank you so much for being here. We will go into introductions in just a moment.

I was reading some material the other day – I’m not exactly sure where it came from – but it listed Brother Lee Stallings’ roommate as lovely, sweet, witty, indescribable, incomparable. And at the last it was “funny honey.” And I found out that was added when Brother Lee was complaining that Pat was not doing her part. She just told him, “Lee, Ginger Rogers did everything that Fred Astaire did, and she did it backwards and in high heels.” [applause] I invite Sister Pat Stallings to come for introductions.

**MRS. PAT STALLINGS:** I’d like to meet Brother Lee’s roommate! Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, for those kind words. Protocol having been established, I’d like to thank Sister Elsie Paladino, Chairman for the “Putting on the Ritz” Banquet, for asking me to bring introductions this evening. Sister Elsie and I have enjoyed working together on previous ventures, and this has been no exception. The membership wants you to know, Sister Elsie, how much we appreciate your continual service for our area. [applause]

It is my honor this evening to introduce our number one Sea Treasure and our Main Mariner of the Grand Chapter of Texas: Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, and her husband, Tom Morgenthaler, Grand Representative of Quebec in Texas, and Brother Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron, and his wife, Sister Betty Martin, Grand Esther. Join me in telling these hard-working souls how much we appreciate them. [applause]

We are honored this evening with the presence of two very distinguished guests and very special friends who have traveled many miles to be with us. It’s my pleasure to introduce Sister Patricia Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Minnesota, and Brother Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron of General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Patron of California, and his wife, Sister Joan

Stark, Grand Escort. Join me in telling these Distinguished Members how proud we are to have them in Texas. [applause]

We have a very special visitor to Texas Grand Chapter. It's my honor and pleasure to introduce Sister Helen Cox, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Georgia. Join me in welcoming this Distinguished Member. [applause]

Tonight we have in attendance very special members who are Elected Officers of General Grand Chapter. It's indeed my honor to introduce Sister Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, and her husband, Brother Tom Benton, Registration Committee of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Oklahoma; our own Texas Redbird, Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Sister Barbara White, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress and a Past Grand Matron of West Virginia. We also have in attendance very special members who are Appointed Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter: Sister Katherine Newman, Worthy Grand Marshal and a Past Grand Matron of Rhode Island; Sister Bobbie Harrison, Worthy Grand Warder and a Past Grand Matron of Mississippi, and her husband, Brother David Harrison, Grand Escort. Let's tell these Distinguished Members how much we appreciate their dedicated service to General Grand Chapter. [applause]

I am pleased to introduce the following General Grand Chapter Committee Members. Please hold your applause until all have been introduced. Sister Mary Hansen, Credentials and a Past Grand Matron of Idaho; Brother Rodney Toon, ESTARL and a Past Grand Patron of Nevada, and his wife, Sister Mildred Toon, Grand Escort; Brother Billy Combest, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Past Grand Patron of Texas, and his wife, Sister Freida Combest, Grand Escort; Brother Gene Summerall, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Past Grand Patron of Mississippi, and his wife, Sister Frances Summerall, Past Grand Matron of Mississippi; Sister Sue Bishop, Registration Co-Chairman and a Past Grand Matron of California, and her husband, Brother Francis Bishop, Jr., Grand Escort; Sister Alma Carter, Registration and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Brother H. Lee Stallings, Director of the General Grand Chapter Vision Team and a Past Grand Patron of Texas, and I am his adorable wife, Patricia Stallings, Arrangements/Distinguished Guests Chairman; Sister Mary Felton, Ambassador to Japan and Okinawa, Regional Vision Coordinator/West and a Past Grand Matron of Minnesota; Sister Beverly Heyer, Regional Vision Coordinator/Midwest and a Past Grand Matron of Iowa; Sister Debbie Deer, Visioneer for Oklahoma and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Brother Henry Martin, Visioneer for Texas and a Past Grand Patron of Texas, and his wife, Opal Martin, Grand Escort. Join me in showing our appreciation for their devoted service to our beloved Order. [applause]

This evening we have in attendance Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons from other Grand Jurisdictions. It's my pleasure to introduce from the Grand Jurisdiction of Arkansas Sister Jeffie Adams and Brother Ira Payne and his wife, Sister Mavis Payne, Arrangements/Housing; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana Sister Linda Lambkin and her husband, Brother Edward Lambkin, Past Grand Patron of Louisiana; Brother George Woolman and his wife, Sister Barbara Woolman, Grand Esther; from the Grand Jurisdiction of New Mexico Sister Rosemary Archibeck; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Oklahoma Sister Carolyn Hacker and her husband Brother John Hacker, Grand Representative of Texas in Oklahoma. Join me in welcoming these honored guests. [applause]

We are honored to have Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions attending this banquet. I'm pleased to introduce in state order: From the Grand Jurisdiction of Arkansas Sister Barbara Gadberry; from the Grand Jurisdiction of California Brother Donald Hall and his wife, Sister Margaret Hall, Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Georgia Sister Laura Ann Livingston and Brother Larry S. Puckett; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Idaho Sister Darla Redman and Sister Andrea Storey-Hill; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana Sister Audrey Barker, Sister Terrie Castaigne, Sister Betty Lou Wishwan, Brother Guy Jenkins and his wife, Sister Norma Jenkins, Grand Marshal of Louisiana; Brother Dwayne Denham and his wife, Sister Alberta Denham, Grand Escort; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Mississippi Sister Janice Cristow and Brother Clarence Tipton and his wife, Sister Alice Tipton, Past Matron; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Oklahoma Sister Maxine Toliver and Sister Elizabeth Pullam; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Vermont Sister Elizabeth Bourdeaux; from the Grand Jurisdiction of West Virginia Sister Helen Walker. Let's give a hearty Texas welcome to these Distinguished Members. [applause]

It is my honor to introduce the Precious Jewels and Gems in the crown of our Order. The Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons of Texas continue to give of their time, their effort and their love to perpetuate our beloved Order. Sisters and Brothers, I'll ask you to hold your applause until all have been introduced. Past Grand Matrons of Texas: Sister Lallah Mae Vollus; Sister Molly Goodpasture; Sister Mary M. Brown; Sister Elise Hammack; Sister Beulah Spears and her husband, Brooks Spears, Grand Escort; Sister Elsie Paladino; Sister Betty Phillips Benham and her husband, Brother Farris Benham, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas; Dr. Effie Mae Davis; Sister Jane Gregory; Sister Rosemary Swetland; Sister Alma Lynn Bane and her husband, Dr. Bill Bane, Webmaster Chairman; Sister Betty Friend and her husband, Brother Jack Friend, Grand Escort; Sister Sharon Fentress; Sister Doris Jean Hester and her husband, Brother Johnny Hester, Grand Representative of Australia in Texas. And the Past Grand Patrons of Texas: Brother Harry Cunningham, also Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, and his wife Sister Barbara Cunningham, Arrangements/Distinguished Guests; Brother Garland Rattan and his wife, Sister Shirley Rattan, ESTARL/District 2; Brother Kenneth Gregory and his wife, Sister Juanita Gregory, Poet Laureate; Brother Ed Warner and his wife, Sister Beulah Warner, Grand Representative of Kentucky in Texas. Sisters and Brothers, join me in showing these revered members how truly loved and appreciated they are. [applause]

It is also a privilege to introduce two very special members who continually assist the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron in the General Grand Chapter's quest to spread our beloved Order to other parts of the world: Sister Sylvia Garcia, Deputy of the Most Worthy Grand Matron in Mexico, and Arrangements/Distinguished Guests Committee; and Brother Raul Garcia, Deputy of the Most Worthy Grand Patron in Mexico and Central America, and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors/District 5. They're also married to each other. [applause]

Tonight we have in attendance Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, and it's my pleasure to introduce from the Grand Jurisdiction of Arkansas Sister Glenda Payton, Associate Grand Matron, and Sister Nadine Hendricks, Grand Chaplain; from the Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana Sister Jane McDaniel, Associate Grand Matron, and her husband, Brother Charles McDaniel, Grand Escort; Brother Richard Shaw, Associate

Grand Patron, and his wife, Sister Linda Shaw, Chairman/General Arrangements; Sister Diane Smith, Grand Conductress; Sister Juanita Wilkinson, Associate Grand Conductress, and her husband, Brother George Wilkinson, Decorations and Property; Sister Shirley Boone, Grand Chaplain; Sister Lavina McDonald, Grand Organist, and her husband, Brother John McDonald, Decorations and Property; Sister Ramona Barnard, Grand Adah; Sister Varnie Johnston, Grand Ruth; Sister Sandra Duncan, Grand Martha; Sister Clara Westbrook, Grand Electa; Brother Terrell Hows, Grand Warder, and his wife, Sister Sue Hows, Achievement Award; Brother Lewis Franks, Grand Sentinel, and his wife, Sister Lynne Franks, Grand Escort. From the Grand Jurisdiction of New Mexico Sister Molly Brim, Grand Ruth. From the Grand Jurisdiction of Oklahoma Sister Marian Stout, Grand Chaplain; Sister Shirley Jean Dunn, Grand Marshal; Sister Jane How, Grand Organist; Sister Helen Robbins, Grand Ruth; Sister Beverly Boyett, Grand Esther; Sister Katherine Hicks, Grand Martha; Sister Anna Jenkins, Grand Electa; Sister Mickey Pierce, Grand Warder. And from the Grand Jurisdiction of Virginia Sister Lillian White, Grand Secretary. Join me in welcoming our visiting friends and thanking them for their attendance. [applause]

I would like to introduce the Installed Grand Officers and Elected Board Members of Texas. Please hold your applause until all have been introduced. Sister Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron, and her husband, Brother Gayle Brown, Grand Escort; Brother Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron, and his wife, Sister Georgia Campbell, Grand Escort; Sister Nell Smith Drenner, Grand Secretary, and her husband, Brother George Drenner, Grand Escort; Sister Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer; Sister Geraldine “Gerry” Dusek, Grand Conductress, and her husband, Hubert Dusek, Grand Escort; Sister Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Sister Lillian Travis, Grand Chaplain; Sister Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal, and her husband, Brother Gary Mosmeyer, Grand Escort; Sister Susan Smith, Grand Organist, and her husband, Brother Richard Smith, Grand Escort; Sister Barbara Marie Adamson, Grand Adah, and her husband, Brother Irving Adamson, Grand Escort; Sister Leah Hayes, Grand Ruth; Sister Heidi Jenkins, Grand Martha; Sister Donna Herrington, Grand Electa, and her husband, Bill Herrington; Sister Edna Marsh, Grand Warder, and her husband, Brother L. P. Marsh, Grand Escort; Brother Winfred Whitlock, Grand Sentinel. From the Board of Directors: Brother Gary Steele, Member, District 1, and his wife, LaJean Steele, Search for a Cure; Brother Duane Masserang, Member, District 2, and his wife, Flora Masserang, Registration/District 2 Chairman; Mrs. Mickie Campbell, Member, District 4; Mrs. Lori Goldman, Member, District 5. From the Board of Grand Examiners: Sister Betty Ann Scott, District 1, and her husband, Brother Andy Scott, Fishermen; Sister Bess M. Caldwell, District 2; Sister Joyce Nicklas, District 3; Sister Christine Armstrong, District 4; Sister Mary Ruth White, At-Large, and her husband, Brother Joseph White, Executive Committee/Auditor. Our Worthy Grand Matron wants to recognize the following members: Sister Judy Northrup, Fraternal Correspondent; Sister Ella Summers, Grand Chapter Mom; Brother Henry Schlitzkus, Grand Chapter Dad, and his wife, Sister Betty Schlitzkus, Grand Escort; Sister Melissa Simonton, Grand Soloist; Brother Ray Hertenberger, Executive Committee Chairman, and his wife, Sister Vicki Hertenberger, District Deputy Grand Matron of District 4. Join me in thanking this distinguished group of members for their devoted service to Grand Chapter. [applause]

I would also like to recognize Nancy Parker, Grand Lecturer of Oklahoma. I’m sorry



you didn't make it to my list. [applause]

There's two very special members of Grand Chapter we would like to introduce this evening. It's my honor to introduce Sister Edna Goette, Chapters under Dispensation and widow of Dr. James Goette, Past Grand Patron; and Sister Bobbie Chamberlain, Arrangements/Distinguished Guests and the widow of Brother Oliver B. Chamberlain, Past Grand Patron. Let's tell these beautiful ladies how much we love them. [applause]

We have in attendance very special guests. It's my honor to introduce Elmer Murphey, III, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, and his wife, Judy Murphy. And Brother Donnie Broughton, Grand Senior Warden of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, and his wife, Sister Susie Broughton, Member. Join me in thanking them for their attendance here tonight. [applause]

I would also like to introduce Brother David Dibrell, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, and his wife, Sister Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy, International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Thank you for being here. [applause]

We have in attendance a Past Grand Advisor of a Fraternal Youth Group. I am pleased to introduce Sister Kailee Rabbins, Junior Past Grand Worthy Advisor of Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls. Thank you for being here with us this evening. [applause]

Tonight we have many Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions and Grand Representatives of Texas in other Grand Jurisdictions. Each of you will be introduced at the opening session of Grand Chapter tomorrow. In the interest of time, I now ask that all Grand Representatives please stand so that we may applaud your services in representing the Order of the Eastern Star in other Grand Jurisdictions. [applause]

I now invite any ladies of our Eastern Star Home that reside at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center in Arlington, if you will please stand. We'd like to recognize your presence here this evening.

I now invite anyone who should have been introduced and whose name was not called to please stand so that we may acknowledge your presence here tonight. We want you to know that we're glad you're here and that we are sorry that you didn't make it to the list.

Ann Barnes. Thank you for being here. Grand Conductress of Oklahoma. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, this concludes the introductions, and I thank you for your very kind attention. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** I challenge anyone to do introductions at a General Banquet more efficiently than this lady. [applause]

In the notes of music, one can find dreams of the years, inspiration to loftier thoughts, a sense of tenderness and treasured memories. I know that we will find those things as Sister Melissa, the Grand Soloist, entertains us.

[Entertainment]

What a talent this Grand Soloist has. Those we honor this evening have talents, discipline, leadership and dedication to serve with the purpose and will for which they were created. On behalf of the Banquet Committee, you will receive a material gift. It is an envelope with your name in front of your placecard. Along with this material gift, you already possess the greatest intangible gift, which is our love. We love you and thank you

for all that you have given to the Grand Chapter of Texas this Grand Chapter year.

Once again, I want to say thank you to the members who assisted with this banquet. Without you, certainly it couldn't have even begun to be put together. Sister Iris Stone, the Chairman, what can I say? Again, you're there always when I need you, and sometimes when I don't even know I need you. Thank you again so much. The reason I'm buttering you up so, you know we have to take this down! I've always told the membership in District 4, Section 10 that they are the greatest, and you are the greatest to me. I could not love you any more than I do, but I never cease to be amazed at your willingness and your talent and your just wanting to have everything right. I thank you; I love you and I thank you for continuing to support me when I say I need you. Thank you so much. [applause]

Because of their experience of yesteryear, they have added to the strong foundation of our Order. To speak for the Past Grand Patrons, I present Brother Garland Rattan.

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, for the privilege of bringing greetings on behalf of the Past Grand Patrons of Texas to honor our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Texas' own Floor Officers. This beautiful "Putting on the Ritz" Banquet is made more special by our Precious Pearl from District 4.

Sister Karen and Brother Jerry, you have capably met the challenge of an abbreviated Eastern Star year. You have been with us in our districts and sections, and we have enjoyed the fellowship. We salute you, Mariners of the Order, for fulfilling with honor your offices. I know you must have found this tried and true recipe for friendship and followed it to the letter: Equal parts of kindness, unselfish and caring, mixed with love, respect and trust, and add some secret-sharing. Sprinkle some laughter and helping words; scatter some dreams and pleasures. How much do you add of each of these? In friendship there is too much to measure.

Congratulations on a wonderful year of service. You are appreciated. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sister Alma Lynn Bane will bring greetings on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Master of Ceremonies, Sister Elsie; Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: It is indeed my honor to bring greetings on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons of Texas. Sister Elsie, thank you for this invitation to address the attendees of the "Putting on the Ritz" Banquet tonight. Sister Elsie and many of you in this room know that Galveston is my hometown. I was born, raised and graduated from high school here. My first home was on Avenue B, known to most of you as the Strand. When a hurricane came ashore in this area, my family never left the island. And names like Carla ring a bell to me. It was on this island that I was first introduced to Eastern Star at the tender age of eight, later to become a Rainbow Girl, and I attended many Eastern Star and Masonic functions here in Galveston. And as I grew up, I knew that Eastern Star would be in my future. I am so pleased to bring you greetings here in my hometown.

The area where we are now, Moody Gardens, was a drive-in theater. And, Worthy Grand Matron, I saw Elvis movies at that drive-in. Also, Easter sunrise services were held there. But like all our hometowns, returning home brings many fond memories. Things, as well as places, change. However, the strong fraternal bond we share as Sisters and Brothers endures the trials of time, sands of experience and storms of life. It's our love for one another that makes Grand Chapter just like a family reunion. It's filled with hugs, kisses,

catching up, showing pictures, and, yes, even enjoying a few banquets and sessions.

I invite the Past Grand Matrons of Texas to stand with me at this time. To our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, your journey is almost complete. We will be with you all of this week and in the years to come. To our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for being with us at our session. And by the week's end, we will have given you both a little bit of a Texas accent and a lot of Texas hugs. And to the Sisters and Brothers throughout this room, you are the most important element of this equation for without you there would be no us. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sister Alma Lynn, your greetings certainly did express your pride in this group and I thank you.

Sister Alma Carter not only reflects an image of the quality of a Past Grand Matron of Texas, but carrying on that devotion of service as a member of the Registration Committee of General Grand Chapter. Personally, I think she and Sylvia add a lot of class to that group of guys. Sister Alma will bring greetings from the Texas General Grand Chapter family.

**MRS. ALMA CARTER:** Thank you, Sister Elsie, for those kind words.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, my Sisters and Brothers not only from Texas but all over this great country: We're going to shine up our boots and iron our jeans with a sharp crease, we may be served a cookie or a cheese blintz, but, heavens to Betsy, tonight we're rocking at the Ritz. And isn't it great?

I would like for the Texas General Grand Chapter Officers to please stand with me. Sylvia, Raul, my guys. You know, Sister Pat, you blessed me because I am the only lady among these three handsome guys. Thank you. We would like to say a special thank you to Sister Pat and Brother Royal for visiting us at our Grand Chapter session this year. You're an inspiration to all of us, and we all love you and are ready to work in Minneapolis before too long. So as you travel around, know that everyone in Texas thinks that you're the greatest, and we all know that you are.

Now then, would all of the other General Grand Officers from across the country please stand. Committee people and Grand Appointees, whomever. We from Texas would like to express to you how much we appreciate you coming and being with us. My Co-Chairman of Registration is here, Sue Bishop from California. Sue, we're so happy to have you. I know I shouldn't point out just one, but these guys can also have theirs pointed out if they would like. But thank you so much for coming, Sisters and Brothers, and being with us at this Grand Chapter session. Thanks to everyone that has participated or been a part of the festivities until now and all of those who will remain. I know all in this room will thank you for coming and being with us and join us again every year that you possibly can. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Saint Paul has said, "Let us therefore give honor unto those whom honor is due." When a man assumes honor and leads wisely, speaks as a gentleman, yet has the courage of his convictions and forgets not to temper life with Christian understanding, he is worthy of honor. Such a man is the Honorable Elmer L. Murphy, III, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons. We are honored to have you bring greetings.

**MR. Elmer Murphey:** You know, as I have the opportunity to travel the state, it always reaffirms to me, when we gather like we have this evening, that Masonry in this state is strong and vibrant and in fact is in a rebirth. You're here tonight because of what

you stand for. You're not here simply to greet and meet and honor each other, but in fact you're here because of the principles that you believe in. We tonight have the opportunity to share with each other the principles that are so dear to us. As we arrived here this evening, you had the opportunity to meet and greet people that you had not seen, sometime for many years, across the state. But it's all simply because of Masonry. This year I've had the opportunity to get to know Jerry and Karen as very good friends. You know, in Masonry we say we meet on the level, and that means that each of us believes that what dictates our actions as Masons is our belief that in fact it's what is in our hearts that counts. Well, this year I've had the opportunity to find Jerry and Karen to be my friends. And this is an opportunity for me to say to you how much individually I respect them and how you should be very proud of them, that they have represented the Order of the Eastern Star, the Grand Chapter of Texas throughout this state with great pride, with dignity and at the same time with humility.

So if you'll please join with me in expressing your appreciation to your Worthy Grand Matron and your Worthy Grand Patron who symbolize what we as members of this fraternity respect so much. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** We are indeed honored to have this gentleman bring greetings. One who travels the pathway of Stardom throughout the world, who through his individual efforts is strengthening the bonds of fraternalism and friendship, we are grateful and honored that he has chosen to spend his time in Texas for just a short while. We eagerly await the greetings from our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Loyal Stark.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sister Karen and Brother Jerry, congratulations on an outstanding year in the Grand Chapter of Texas. Speaking of Texas, boy, are you fortunate to have a Grand Master like Brother Elmer. Wow! A fantastic gentleman. [applause]

We saw today the feeling of caring and sharing exhibited most sincerely at the Shriners Hospital. What a beautiful feeling that was. I want to say that you can be proud of what is taking place in the world of Eastern Star, whether it's a small Chapter in Mexico City, whether it's a small Chapter in Valdez, Alaska, where they're carrying on with maybe 10 or 12 members, but still holding an annual event that raised almost \$2,000 for scholarships. Whether it's in Genoa, Italy, where one of their projects is to help the children of parents who are incarcerated. Whether it's a Chapter in Columbia that provides care for a hospital wing like the Ronald McDonald House. Whether it's a Chapter in Lima, Peru – now, Lima, Peru is having a lot of trouble right now because the Masons are fighting amongst themselves. We know that never would happen here. But in that area, particularly in Peru, the good guys and the bad guys – they always fought back and forth, and now the bad guys are in control, so they've kicked out all the good guys. So there's a little conflict going on down there, but the Chapter still survives. And the Chapter in Lima, Peru, takes water twice a month to a village high in the mountains that has no water. So the only water they receive is from a Chapter of Eastern Star. The Chapter not too far from here, that their band won a prize and was going to get a chance to go to Washington, D.C. to perform, but the school district didn't have the money to send that band, so they raised the money. They had dinners, potluck, whatever it was, in the community, and they raised over \$2,000 to help send that band. And, by the way, the Rainbow Assembly had a car wash and raised over \$100 for them. Everywhere you go, every day, we are doing something great, mighty and wonderful in this great Order of the Eastern Star.

So, Sisters and Brothers, sit up and take a big breath and be really, really, really proud of being a part of the greatest fraternal family the world has to offer today. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** The joys of life are made up of thoughtfulness and kindnesses. There are people in this world who have the gift of finding joy everywhere they are and leaving it behind them when they go. We are blessed to be in the presence of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Pat Rasmusson, who will now bring greetings. [applause]

**MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Elsie. To the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron, the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, to all my Sisters and Brothers of Texas: How wonderful it is to be here with you once more in this nice warm climate. We're getting down in the 70's back in Minnesota and sometimes in the 50's at night so we can open the windows. It's really nice to have that fresh air.

I'm going to talk a little bit about contrasts this evening because we're certainly seeing some contrasts. We went to the wonderful, wonderful Shriners Hospital this afternoon. We saw the contrast of those poor children who are there, but those lucky children who are being treated there. We see the contrast between our own grandchildren, don't we, and those children who have been through so much and will go through so very, very much. Sister Elsie is a contrast for me. She brings back a memory of a contrast. Next to the Worthy Grand Matron, she's probably the most outstanding looking lady here this evening, is she not? [applause] But a contrast I still smile about is about five years ago when Elsie was in charge of the Texas banquet when we were in Detroit, Michigan, for a triennial, and she wrote to me ahead of time and said, "Sister Pat, we'd love to have you come and bring greetings at our Texas banquet." Well, it happened to be Halloween night. In Minnesota our party was definitely a Halloween costume party. Well, I tell you what. I didn't look very sharp that night. I had a funny wig and a few other things on. I walked into the banquet for Texas, and this is what they all looked like. Believe me, I was the contrast that evening. We had a wonderful time; you all accepted me even though I looked a little funny. Thank you, Elsie, for what you do.

Another contrast. Here we are tonight in our beautiful dresses, our wonderful tuxedos, enjoying a beautiful, beautiful sit-down dinner. Just Sunday I went to the Jobbie's camp in Minnesota. Now, you know how those 12 to 18-year-old girls do when they get together. They have such a good time. I tell you, their meetings were in a camp barracks. They were pounding on the table, and they were standing on the chairs and they're getting their food on big platters. It's a contrast, Sisters and Brothers. It's a contrast. But isn't it wonderful that we can enjoy that kind of a contrast? We still are Sisters and Brothers whether we're scraping the plates or being served on wonderful plates.

It's a contrast. The weather, the people. But, you know what, Sisters and Brothers? Eastern Stars are all the same in their hearts. They all believe in the same virtues. They all try to do the same good. They all are wonderful, wonderful people.

I want to speak a little bit about contrariness. We know there's no contrariness in any Eastern Star member. Is that correct? Now you laugh and smile. Is that not correct, Sisters and Brothers? I'm going to share a little poem about contrariness, and you'll see the virtue of this.

Four lines of empty grocery carts and I can't pry one loose.

I pull and jerk and kick and hit, feeling like a goose.

They're welded tight together.

If at last I get one free, it has one wheel that's headed north  
while the others disagree.

As it bumps along, ker-plunk, ker-plunk, and squeakily complains,  
somehow I feel a kinship with the aging critter's pains.

Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** That was a fun evening in Detroit.

Mrs. Judy Northrup, Fraternal Correspondent. This lady found gentleness and love in the hearts of the members of our great Order, traveling to faraway places as she scanned the pages of the Proceedings and reports of the Grand Representatives. Although there are many differences in our Order, one thing remains constant. That is the dedication to the teachings of our Order. She brings tribute to an equally dedicated group this evening, the Installed Floor Officers. Sister Judy.

**MRS. JUDY NORTHRUP:** Sister Elsie, thank you so very, very much for asking me to bring this tribute to these Installed Grand Officers tonight. You know, the position of Fraternal Correspondent is a very difficult one because you really are not one of the Installed Grand Officers. But you're kind of expected to be where they are, you dress like they do, and everyone wonders, "Well, who's that lady?" It has been very special for me to be associated with these Installed Grand Officers this whole nine months. I know that each of you is just as glad as I am that protocol has been established. "Putting on the Ritz," doesn't that sound classy? Well, it is. And that is just exactly what these Installed Grand Officers have been this year. They have been nothing but classy.

Now I know that every Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron thinks that their Installed Grand Officers are the best. Right? But let me tell you. This year they really, really have been. These Installed Grand Officers have been right beside our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in their travels across this state. They have been very faithful in their attendance. They have not been afraid to try something new. They took on a challenge for our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron, and they came through with flying colors. They have been there ready to share with the membership of Texas their duties, their responsibilities and their love for this great Order. They have shown that love and friendship everywhere they have traveled across this state this past nine months, not only their love for our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron, but their love for our beautiful Order.

Worthy Grand Matron, they have represented you well. Worthy Grand Patron, I know you are equally as proud of them. We have every reason to be proud of these Installed Grand Officers. We thank you, each and everyone, for the fine example that you have set for this membership this year. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sister Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron, one who is preparing to do a little bit of traveling herself, will respond to the tribute.

**MRS. NANCY BROWN:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. And thank you, Sister Judy Northrup, our Fraternal Correspondent, for that wonderful tribute that you gave to the Installed Grand Officers. It's my privilege to get to speak for this distinguished group this evening. We appreciate our Worthy Grand Matron including us in this honor night. I'd like for the Installed Grand Officers to please stand with me at this time.

It has been said that the perfect journey is circular. And if that's so, we are about to complete the circle. This circle began last year at our installation in Corpus Christi. The journey has been spectacular. We traveled across the state. We had many new experiences. For many this is a one-time opportunity. For those of us who have been elected to positions in which we now serve, our years of service will have been more. But for many of this group who are appointed to serve as an Installed Grand Officer this year, it's a one-year opportunity. And, believe me, this group has seized the opportunity to the fullest. We appreciate our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron for the support that they have given to this group and the many opportunities of service that they have allowed us.

Remember us as we complete the journey this week. The conclusion is always spectacular; it's always interesting. However, it's always very tiring. If you remember a long journey, coming home and unpacking that suitcase is always a difficult thing. Well, this is the conclusion. We have the heavy part ahead of us this week. We look forward to serving you as we serve on the floor at Grand Chapter this week.

Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. And thank you to the membership in particular for allowing us this opportunity. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** The tribute to the Worthy Grand Patron. His prayer must be, "God, make me kind. Give me humility. Let me love from the heart without any thought of malice." Brother Kenneth Gregory, Past Grand Patron, elevates us to the highest level. He will pay tribute to the Worthy Grand Patron.

**MR. KENNETH GREGORY:** Thank you, Sister Elsie. And thank you, Sister Elsie, for establishing protocol so beautifully. I will not repeat it. Thank you, Sister Elsie, for allowing me to bring this tribute to our Worthy Grand Patron.

Our Worthy Grand Patron is a native Texan, born and educated in Texas. After high school, he received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Stephen F. Austin State University with emphasis in management and economics. Then he went out into the work world. And you know, I learned a lesson from my mother as a small boy. After the cow was milked, she would carefully strain that milk through a cheesecloth into large crockery bowls and place them in the refrigerator. And you know what happened? The next morning the cream had all risen to the top. My mother could make the most delicious things from that cream, butter and many other things that she would make. I have learned in observing people that people do the same thing. There are some people who just rise to the top; they're the cream of the crop. I think this applies to our Worthy Grand Patron.

Following his formal education, Brother Jerry was employed by the following firms, and in each he rose to the top. He worked for JCPenney where he rose to the position of manager of the area accounting office, responsible for inventory records in over 400 stores in five states. He worked for Zale Corporation of Dallas where he worked on the acquisition of several chains of sporting goods stores in six Southern states, plus Hawaii, eventually becoming the vice president of administration. He worked for Chromalloy, an American corporation; in the management/consulting division of public transit where he developed a marketing campaign which resulted in the creation of the Public Transportation Authority of Austin, Texas.

Now, Brother Jerry, I think we need your talent back in Texas again because our state legislature is having problems passing an education bill. He was hired as Director of Fiscal Services for the Capitol Metropolitan Transportation Authority in Austin. And when he retired, he was serving as the Director of Procurement for the Texas Department of Human

Services, covering the entire state of Texas.

How fortunate we are to have someone with the qualifications and the varied work experience to be a member of our Masonic organizations and the Order of the Eastern Star. Brother Jerry is a Past Master and Endowed Member of Parsons Masonic Lodge #222. He served as Chaplain of the Austin Scottish Rite Body. He also served as Vulnerable Master, 4th Degree, and member of Tranquility Lodge #2000, the Texas Lodge of Research, the York Rite Chapter Council, Colorado Commandry #4 and Ben Hur Temple, all in Austin, Texas.

In the Order of the Eastern Star, Jerry's parent Chapter is Travis Chapter #472 where he served twice as Worthy Patron. He is also a Dual Member of New Braunfels Chapter #771, and he has served on various Committees of Grand Chapter and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron. He served as Grand Chaplain in 2001-2002.

How happy we were when Sister Karen Morgenthaler, our Worthy Grand Matron, selected Brother Jerry to serve with her. Brother Jerry, you were chosen by the free choice of the members of this Grand Chapter to occupy the most exalted position which they could bestow upon you. You have risen to the top; you're the cream of the crop.

Worthy Grand Patron, you were told at your installation that you were to assist the Worthy Grand Matron in the performance of her duties. I'm sure that our Worthy Grand Matron will agree that you have performed those duties in an outstanding manner. Our number one Grand Mariner, you have sailed through some uncharted waters. Through your diligent untiring efforts, you were the first to publish a Grand Chapter yearbook for 2004-2005. You were faithful in attendance at the school conferences throughout the state, encouraging the sections and the Chapters with your words of wisdom and humor. In addition, you have retraced your steps all over the state making joint fraternal visits with the Worthy Grand Matron. At times your schedule became so hectic that you and our Worthy Grand Matron had to travel in different directions to cover all the meetings crammed into a nine-month year. I'm sure that you and your wife Betty and your family will heave a sigh of relief come Monday. Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron, for a job well done.

Brother Jerry, you were also told at your installation that you were elevated to a position to which the powers and prerogatives may depart upon the termination of your term of office. And, Brother Jerry, that's about to happen. I'm reminded that when I was in your position, getting ready to complete the year, Sister Lallah Mae Vollus, who is our senior Past Grand Matron, gave me some advice. I can hear her words now. She said, "Honey, come Monday you're not going to know what has happened to you. The phone's going to stop ringing and you won't know what has happened." I'm reminded of the executive who thought he wasn't getting the proper respect from his employees. He went out to a card shop one day and he saw a sign that said, "I'm the boss." So he bought that sign, and he came back and he put it on his office door and then went to lunch. When he came back, someone had attached a note to that sign. He walked up and read it. It said, "Your wife called. She wants her sign back." [laughter] So, Brother Jerry, come Saturday night, Sister Betty is going to want her sign back.

Worthy Grand Patron, it was my privilege to bring your tribute at your Mr. X Banquet over two years ago. At that time I quoted Paul's words to the church at Corinth when he said, "You are our epistle, written in our hearts; and you'll be known and loved by all who read you." Certainly we, the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas, have enjoyed what



you have written thus far. But I would remind you that your writing days are not over because this Grand Chapter will still be looking to you even when you become a Past Grand Patron. Brother Harry Cunningham and I look forward to having you join us in District 5, and all the Chapters in District 5, Section 6 look forward to having you home again. Yes, the powers and prerogatives of the high office may depart, but the honor and dignity with which you have served will never depart. Thank you for your service to the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** His travels on the road of service have been accomplished by wisdom, equality and concern for the membership and the dignity that certainly has elevated the office to the highest and refined way, except sometimes when he was telling jokes and things on Betty. Worthy Grand Patron, it is my pleasure to invite you to bring greetings.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Brother Kenneth, I think you overdid it, but thank you so much.

What a beautiful sight you are tonight. I wish you could stand here where I am standing and look out. We are blessed tonight with so many dignitaries. We are so honored to have our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, this Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and all these Distinguished Members. But as I have said all year, I am delighted each time I look out and see each one of you, for you, too, are Distinguished Members of this grand Order of ours, and without you we would not be here.

You know, I've got in trouble a few times for telling Betty jokes. Now I was good yesterday and I did not tell a Betty joke. Not so today. Seriously, it's a hard strain on a couple when you travel as much as we do. And most likely you neglect your spouse a little bit. So the other day we did have a couple of days at home. Betty must have been feeling a little neglected because she said to me, "Jerry, do you ever notice that nice young couple next door?" I said yes. She said, "Have you ever noticed, she just goes off to the store or the mailbox, and when she comes back he greets her at the door and gives her a little hug and a little kiss?" I said, "Well, yes, I think I've seen that." She said, "Why don't you ever do that?" I said, "Well, Betty, I'd love to, but I'm not sure her husband would appreciate it." [laughter]

My Sisters and Brothers, this has been a fantastic nine months. I owe it all to one lady who's sitting right over here, my Worthy Grand Matron who gave me this fantastic opportunity which you upheld in the election. I can never thank her enough. I won't have many more opportunities to thank you. I could stand here all night thanking all of you. But I must say one thing, I must say to the Worthy Grand Matron one more time how glad I am that she allowed me to be with her in this fast, fantastic, sometimes almost magic, frantic, abbreviated year of service to our Order. That abbreviated year of service has been great. We brought you a request to change, to do things a little bit different. Quite honestly, we were shaking in our boots that first time out as to how it would be received. But we should have never doubted; we should have never worried because you, the great membership, supported those changes, were enthusiastic in implementing those changes, and you made it a fantastic year. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for that.

One last thing – or maybe two last things. As I said, I won't get to see you that many more times with this great opportunity to speak to you. As I said to you earlier, if you weren't out there, we wouldn't be up here. We all have jobs to do in this Order, each and everyone of us. Sisters and Brothers, we are all equal. Some of us get a little loftier title, a

different badge, a different job, but everybody's job in this Order is important. We all keep it going, and I want to thank you for that.

Remember, as we go forth, think not of the negative, but of the positive; not of the failures of one another, but of the successes. Seek the truth rather than listen for rumor. Love one another in spirit as well as in the letter. Speak to me, not behind me. Have positive actions, not negative thoughts. Let us rededicate ourselves to our beliefs for you and I control the future of this great Order of ours. Sisters and Brothers, I thank you for the fantastic opportunity you have given me to serve you and this Order, and I thank you for your kind attention tonight. Thank you so much. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** You heard Brother Jerry say we've done things just a little bit different this year. Well, they've been a little bit different tonight. You know, you have to start somewhere with changes. You come to banquets and things, and you go around the tables trying to find where your seat is. So we thought we'd just have signs and hold them up. They worked pretty well; you can always improve on a new idea, so we'll work on that.

This is going to be a little different, Worthy Grand Matron. Before we ask you to speak, to those whom we honor this evening, we say to you, "A few words well and truly said will greater good impart than a host of words that reach the head but never reach the heart." Please hear our words spoken with the vocal cords, but feel the words that come from our hearts.

Sisters and Brothers, I ask you to lift your glasses and pretend that it is a beverage of your choice. We will toast those whom we honor this evening. "Some friends wish you happiness and others wish you wealth. But we wish you the best of all, contentment blessed with health."

Brother Ray Hertenberger, Chairman of the Executive Committee, one who has dedicated himself to making this Grand Chapter the very best that it can be. He has given his time and support willingly and generously to any and all calls. He will now pay tribute to our Worthy Grand Matron. I introduce him with affection and admiration. Brother Ray.

**MR. RAY HERTENBERGER:** Sometime back I was approached by a beautiful lady, and she said since I had been working with our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for quite some time now, I would really love for you to bring the tribute to our Worthy Grand Matron at the General Banquet. I said wonderful. So I started putting together all my notes, getting everything all set; I was pretty proud of myself and of the book I had written. And then the lady contacted me again and said, "Now we're going to be under a time constraint. We're going to be getting ready to get out of the banquet and get into our special program, so you're going to have to cut it a little short." I got rid of the first three or four pages of notes. And she said, "They've got to be kind words." So I started reflecting about the long days, short nights, the meetings, the phone calls, the traveling, and somehow my notes got down to about the size of an index card.

But, Sister Elsie, thank you for allowing me to bring this tribute. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron: Just like any other project that we have set on in this Grand Chapter, it is not the planning or the hard work or the meetings that makes these projects in our Order a success. You sitting out there in those chairs supporting us is absolutely what makes this project a success, and this banquet has been exactly one of those. Thank you.

Now there's a lot of us – myself and many other members of District 4, Section 10

have traveled with Karen over the past few years – many years actually – while she does programs or attends fraternal visits and all that. And everybody that travels with her knows that her favorite program is symbolism. She just absolutely loves symbolism. So I said, “I’m going to go on that one for a little bit.” So the symbols of her character are two of the oldest qualities and beauty standards in our country, which are the old Popping John Deere tractor and the beautiful rose. Now that’s because our Worthy Grand Matron is very diverse. That’s from one end of the scale to the other.

Now Sister Karen will tell you that she is a country girl at heart and would find herself very, very comfortable on the seat of that tractor when she is not in her evening gown. The old Popping John Deere tractor was dependable. And come rain, sleet, snow or hail, and just a few little floods and other things thrown in, our Sister Karen has been dedicated and available to our membership. That good old Popping John had a mind of its own. Now that goes without question, doesn’t it? Our Worthy Grand Matron has always stood by her convictions regardless of the consequences. And once you have learned the worth, the power and unlimited capabilities of the Popping John tractor, you know that it was one of the most valuable tools a farmer could ever have. Well, Sister Karen’s love, understanding and support have and always will be felt in the hearts of the membership of Texas and around the world. She is one of the most valuable tools of this membership. She has kept the membership in good repair and on a steady road.

Now the rose is an emblem of beauty. Dr. Rob Morris envisioned an Order that is centered around beauty, honor and love. And our Worthy Grand Matron has patterned herself and reflects the spirit of this beautiful Order. She has walked uprightly so that she would be worthy of the great honor that this membership has bestowed upon her. Our Worthy Grand Matron’s love for the membership and our Order is surpassed only by her love for God and her family. Just like the rose, our Worthy Grand Matron’s approach to all the meetings and other gatherings in this short nine months has been keep things simple but elegant.

Now, Sister Karen, we have been planning on this time for a long, long time. I am honored to have been allowed to bring this tribute to you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** I told you we were going to do things just a little different this evening. Before the Worthy Grand Matron speaks, I want to tell you again how very pleased I am by your presence. If you had not been here, our banquet would not have been complete. Thank each of you for attending.

I want you to remember that dancing in step takes talent. Marching in step takes discipline. Getting people to work in step takes leadership. Our job is to get in step for the purpose for which we were created. And certainly the Floor Officers have been dancing in step all year. Right after the Worthy Grand Matron speaks and the invocation is given, there is going to be a song. We’re going to invite you to dance, if you so desire. Brother Oscar and Sister Beth Moser are going to dance, and we invite each of you to dance. After that we will be dismissed because the invocation will have already been given.

Sister Karen, an ancient philosopher once said, “Language is given to us so that we may say kind things about one another.” My friend, I’ve been a bit concerned because, remember, when I asked you what you envisioned this banquet being like when you asked me to be chairman. And you said, “Something very elegant, black and white; something perhaps quiet.” Well, we spoofed elegance just in fancy. Hopefully you will forgive us, but we wanted the evening to be a very relaxed and fun time for you and the Grand Officers

before the business of Grand Chapter begins tomorrow. Worthy Grand Matron, as you bring greetings, remember, we did it for you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Elsie. Sister Elsie, would you stand by my side for just a moment. Sisters and Brothers, this evening came about because of this lady. And when I asked her to accept the challenge of putting on this beautiful banquet, she did it very graciously. I would like to say to you, Elsie, thank you for a beautiful, beautiful evening. And to the membership of District 4, Section 10, the crew that worked with you from this section, as you've always said, and I've truly learned, that District 4, Section 10 – sorry, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons – but I do believe they are the best. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, as I've always said when I brought greetings, there's always that protocol that has to be done. I would like to say to my Grand Soloist, Sister Melissa Simonton, and to Sister Linda for the beautiful talent she has in her music. Thank you so very much for what you have given to us tonight, and that is the talent of two beautiful ladies. Thank you very, very much. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, I was timing those introductions tonight. And to Sister Pat Stallings – would you please stand – I have never seen a more beautiful way of doing introductions in a very short period of time. Thank you. [applause]

And to Brother Ray Hertenberger – would you stand just a moment, sir – Sisters and Brothers, he and his lovely lady Vicki and my family have been friends for a long time. They have walked with me this way for many years with many others. But I can't say enough to Ray for what he has accomplished for this Grand Chapter session and all those that have been working with him, to make this Grand Chapter not the Worthy Grand Matron/Worthy Grand Patron's Grand Chapter, but the Grand Chapter to the membership in Texas. This is your Grand Chapter this week. Ray, thank you, my friend. I love you both. [applause]

Now to the Texas membership, as you heard and I've said from the very beginning of the first conference, that something was going to happen, if you made the Wednesday night General Banquet, and it was going to happen right after the banquet. I'm not going to delay that mystery happening, because I've had you on the edge of your seats the last nine months for you to figure out what we were going to be doing. So in a very few minutes I'm going to ask that as fast as you can, get those high heels and those beautiful shoes the gentlemen have on tonight to the Grand Chapter room because we have something very special that we want to present to you, the membership of Texas, and to our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron and to all you others who are visiting us this week from the other Grand Jurisdictions.

So my greetings tonight are very brief, and I would like to leave you with this thought: If you have love in your heart, you always have something to give. Thank you.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Again, I would ask you to remain seated after the benediction while the Grand Soloist sings the last song. This special lady who is willing to explore and live life to the fullest will lead us to the throne of Him who created us all. The benediction will be offered by Dr. Effie Mae Davis.

**DR. EFFIE MAE DAVIS:** Our Heavenly Father, with bowed heads and grateful hearts, we stop this evening to thank You for the blessings of this beautiful day. Our hearts are full because we have the leadership in this wonderful organization that has been dedicated to making the world a better place to live. Look now on each heart and find the

leadership in each one of us to dedicate ourselves, full of Thy grace and Thy love, understanding the love of Him whose star in the east we follow. Bless each one of us. Bless those precious members of District 4, Section 10 who made this evening happen and bless each one of us who came to sit and watch and listen to this evening happen. Strengthen us with Thy love and keep us close to Thee as we walk together in unity for Thy sake. Amen.

[Applause followed singing of song]

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**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we truly are honored that you are with us tonight. But before I begin that special mystery thing that I have spoken about all year long, I have the honor and the pleasure to introduce Sister Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, who at this time will bring greetings to this membership. [applause]

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, each Distinguished Officer and Member, my Sisters and Brothers: Texas Rainbow is honored, Worthy Grand Matron, that you invited us to be a part of this special program this evening. You have been a constant supporter of Rainbow since your girls were in Rainbow. In fact, I mentioned to you this afternoon that your Shannon was Worthy Advisor exactly 20 years ago in 1985. Since that time you served as Mother Advisor of Pearland Assembly; you served the Grand Assembly of Texas as Grand Visitor, and of course I know personally of your commitment to these young ladies because we've served through the time when we were District Deputy Grand Matrons and then Grand Examiners together. We appreciate each expression of your support to the girls of this Grand Assembly. Your presence at each and every session of our 2005 Grand Assembly session in Corpus Christi in June was especially noted and appreciated by our Grand Officers, members and adult sponsors. So thank you for this time that you spent with Rainbow. We know of the demands that you had, especially getting ready for this session, and we appreciate the special effort that you made to be with us.

A genuine friend encourages and challenges us to live out our best thoughts, honor our purest motives and achieve our most significant dreams. This is the vision of our Rainbow organization. Thank you each and every member of Eastern Star whose lives are a model for our young girls, who support our 1,000 members as well as sponsor our 60 assemblies. You are constant and genuine friends.

This evening, Worthy Grand Matron, members of your assembly, Pearland Assembly, and other members from the Houston area are here to share in the celebration of this, the Treasures of Life Grand Chapter of Texas session. I now invite the Rainbow Girls to enter the Grand Chapter room. [applause as they enter]

Sisters Drill Leader and Assistant Drill Leader, you will conduct the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, and the 2004-2005 Grand Worthy Advisor, Miss Kailee Ribbans, to the altar.

**MISS KAILEE RIBBANS:** Many pleasant duties have fallen to me during my association with this Order, but none more pleasant than that which I am privileged to discharge at this time. There comes a time in the affairs of everyone when it seems that no one can be depended upon and we are left to our own resources, but that all wise and Supreme Being has furnished us a way for our own consolation. Upon reflection, you will

doubtless remember that among the first things brought to your attention in this Order was a copy of this old book, which you placed next to your heart and have been taught that it alone is the rule and guide to your faith and practice. At each succeeding step in your advancement, you have been reminded that it will guide you to all truth, direct your path to the temple of happiness and reveal to you your whole duty to mankind. And now at this most auspicious hour, surrounded by those who would take you as a sister, and in whose very hearts you have no doubt of the sincere wish for your future happiness, let me impress upon your mind in the most lasting and substantial manner possible that this old book contains the mind of God, the state of mankind, the way to salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers, the Messiah its grand subject, your good its design, and the glory of God its end. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It contains the light to guide you, strength to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the Rainbow Girl's light and the Christian's character. Through it heaven is opened, paradise is restored, and the gates of hell are displaced. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. If you obey its precepts, it will be to you a river of love, a mine of pleasure and a paradise of glory.

And now on behalf of this Grand Assembly, it is my very distinct pleasure, as well as my supreme honor, to present to you this beautiful white Bible. [singing of "My Rainbow"]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. Would you please be seated. I would like to take this opportunity to say to these young ladies that are here tonight, those who are representing not only my home assembly, Pearland, but to the other young ladies that represent the other assemblies in the Houston area; to Sister Kailee, I've watched this young lady this past year, I watched the way she presided at her Rainbow Assembly session. I saw that the love that she has for this Order is tremendous. She served Texas Rainbow beautifully. She represents, as well as these young ladies that are here tonight, the future of the Order of the Eastern Star. When they begin to petition – and I'm sure they will – accept them wholeheartedly; give them the love and the support that they will need so that they become good members in our Order, for they have been outstanding members in the Order of Rainbow for Girls. They've done it through the leadership of Marlene Dibrell and all of the adults who work with our youth in Texas. Kailee, I am so proud of you. I am so proud that we had the opportunity to walk together. I'm very honored that you are here tonight to present me my Bible, because it's something that I will always treasure. [applause]

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** I am proud of you, too, Girls, and so proud of the effort that you made to come on a school night. You've promised me that you've done your homework. I think I'm attending government class for someone tomorrow, aren't I? Yes. Thank you. You're beautiful and thank you for the lovely presentation. Thank you, Mrs. Trees, for playing for us this evening. [applause as they leave the room]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to ask you to please do not get up because we do not want anyone to fall, and you will know why in just a moment.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Good evening, Sisters and Brothers. The program will begin in just a few moments. We do ask that you remain seated. The lights are going to be dimmed, and we certainly don't want anyone to fall.

Again, good evening, Sisters and Brothers. I'm Willie Mae Shaw, Past Matron, McKinney Chapter #518, and honored to serve as your master of ceremonies for this

program. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege. The ceremony explaining colors and flowers was written long ago by Mrs. Sadie E. Heath, Past Matron of Bexar Chapter #616, San Antonio, in honor of the first Star Points of Bexar Chapter. It was given as a compliment to those Officers and as entertainment for the Chapter. This ceremony was presented some 83 years ago at the 40th session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, held in the auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Dallas, October 25th, 1922. It was at the request of the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mary E. Roach. At the request of our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, the ceremony with only a few changes is being presented for your entertainment. Providing beautiful musical selections for this program are Susan Smith, Grand Organist, Past Matron of Tomball Chapter #838, and Melissa Simonton, Grand Soloist,

Past Matron of Loyal Chapter #648. The others participating are: Chaplain, Phyllis Macon, Past Matron of Mesquite Chapter #887; Adah, Patricia Pettit, Past Matron of Carpenters Chapter #183; Ruth, Faye Murphy, Past Matron of Queen Esther Chapter #833; Esther, Doris Moore, Past Matron of Polytechnic Chapter #420; Martha, Vi Griffin, Past Matron of Anahuac Chapter #649; Electa, Lori Goldman, Past Matron of Cuero Chapter #618.

We know that the Founder of our Order of the Eastern Star was a wise man, fully understanding the needs of our human nature, deeply versed in the history of those ancient days when symbolism and flowery metaphor were much more generally used than now. We know, too, that in our ritualistic work the colors of the five rays of our star and the flowers chosen to represent those colors are given beautiful symbolic meaning. I've often wished that I might know more intimately the life stories of these five heroic women so that the oft-repeated lessons of our work and the symbolic use of these flowers and colors might yield to me a deeper understanding. Where shall I seek for that knowledge? Our Ritual records only the bare outline of their stories. It may be that these Sisters who represent these heroic women have, like the prophets of old, seen visions or dreamed dreams of those faraway days. Perhaps in their dreams, they have talked with Adah of the lonely days spent on the mountain, have learned from Ruth of the long journey with Naomi to Bethlehem, have gone with queenly Esther or dear mother Electa to the source from whence they drew their courage, or with Martha have found faith to trust, even though the light of their home has gone away. It may be that some previous memories of such dreams are with them yet. I will ask them.

Sister Adah, can you tell me why you who represent the heroine who went so fearlessly to her death wear a robe of blue, the color of the peaceful sky from which all clouds have vanished, and why you carry the fragrant blue violet?

**ADAH:** Adah was a happy-hearted, beautiful young girl, tenderly loved and cared for. She had been taught the sacredness of a promise, that once made it must be kept no matter what the consequences. So when told by her father of his solemn vow to God, there was no rebellion in her heart, no plea made that she might be spared the terrible ordeal. She asked only for a brief time that she might wander over the mountains, and there in the majestic quiet of the everlasting hills prepare for the surrender of her life. Poor, timid, frightened child, sadder yet the broken-hearted, despairing father. Day by day, night by night, she sought for strength. Restlessly she wandered over the stony hills, her tender feet bruised and bleeding, her hands torn by thorny briars, with head bowed low in weariness or with eyes raised in piteous appeal to her father's God. At last in the quiet night as she gazed

imploringly into the vast blue heavens, a soothing voice seemed to speak to her. Perhaps it was only the wind in the swaying treetops. Perhaps it was the distant low rumble of thunder. To Adah the words came very clear and distinct, "My daughter, let not your heart be troubled. I am with you always." Comforted she raised her weary head against a sheltering tree. Sleep came. When she awakened, her outstretched hand touched a violet that grew near her. The rich color of the fragrant blossoms brought back the memory of the message heard under the night-blue sky. Taking the little flower with her that it might constantly remind her of the promise, she made her way to the altar where she willingly gave her life to preserve her father's honor.

As Adah I wear this color, and appropriate is this flower, that I may be constantly reminded that only in the loving Father who dwells above us will I find strength to be faithful to my convictions to right and duty.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Sister Ruth, you represent the heroine who cheerfully obeyed the voice of duty. Will you tell me why to you is given the robe of golden hue and why you carry the flower that blooms only in the shelter of the rocks.

**RUTH:** The story of Ruth is the story of a loving young woman and her unselfish devotion to her husband's helpless old mother. After the death of Elimelech, Naomi's heart yearned for old friends, the scene of her childhood. Tender-hearted Ruth could not let the feeble old woman make the journey alone. Forgetful of her own comfort, she bade farewell to home and friends and cheerfully went away with Naomi. You've been told of their arrival in Bethlehem, weary, homeless and that Ruth went to glean in the fields of Boaz. All day she walked behind the reapers, grateful for the stalks of grain they left for her. Once, almost hidden in a huge stone, she found a tiny white blossom, the lily of the valley. The flower she took with her at evening time, giving it to Naomi as a token of the love and tenderness she felt for Naomi, and that she would find shelter even as the fragile flower had been protected from the stones lying in the field. Darkness came on. With it came loneliness, longing for dear ones faraway, fear of the days to come in a strange land. Through the still night she lay in the field of golden grain, gazing into the starry heavens that covered her distant home. She recalled the words of praise often chanted by Elimelech, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble. Therefore, will we not fear, though the earth do change, and though the mountains be shaken into the heart of the sea." Then her heart was filled with exceeding great comfort and her eyes closed in peaceful sleep.

As Ruth I wear this golden color and appropriate is the lowly flower that I may be constantly reminded that as unfailling as are the golden stars are the Father's promises to richly reward loving, faithful service from even the least of his children.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Sister Esther, the heroine whom you represent loved kindred and friends more than royal power or life. Will you tell me why you forevermore wear the white robe and carry the white lily with its golden stamen.

**ESTHER:** Long years ago there lived a beautiful Jewess damsel named Esther. While yet a little girl, she learned from her good parents to trust in God and of the power of a pure life. When chosen by the king to be the queen of Persia, she brought into the palace the light and joy which radiate from a clean and unselfish heart. The king quickly recognized in her these virtues, so lacking in the court officials by whom he was surrounded. In the symbolic language of those olden days, he compared her to a tall, white lily with its golden stamen. He asked her, when she came into his presence, to always wear a white robe and



the golden crown he had given her. He must have loved her very much.

Days of great danger came for the Jews. The high priest brought the queen to plead with the king for protection against her enemies. Esther reminded the high priest that the penalty was death for those who dared to go before the king unsummoned. He answered that in her alone was there hope for the Jewish race. The queen yielded. Wearing the white robe and golden crown, she went on her fateful mission. The prayers of the persecuted Jews went with her. The story is handed down through the ages how Esther, by her unselfish courage, saved her people from death. We learned it from our mother's lips; we will teach it to our children and to our children's children in all of its wonderful beauty and rich instructiveness.

As Esther I wear this robe of spotless white, and appropriate is this flower that I may be constantly reminded that our Heavenly Father in whom is all power and authority has promised, "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Sister Martha, the trustful faith of the heroine whom you represent will never be forgotten. Will you tell me why for you was chosen the robe of green and the fern that wakens to new life with each recurrent spring.

**MARTHA:** Martha, with Mary and their brother Lazarus, dwelt in Bethany in the days when Jesus walked on earth. Often he sat with them in their humble home, a welcome guest, and told them of the joys awaiting them in the better land where they should some day live with him in glory everlasting. But sorrow came to this happy little family. The loved brother sickened and went away to the home of which Jesus had told them. As the sisters sat weeping, very lonely and sad, they received a message that Jesus would soon be with them. Martha, unable to await his arrival, went out to meet him. As she hastened down the narrow path, the long fronds of fern brushed her dress; overhanging branches of the trees caused her often to cast her eyes upward towards the heavens where Lazarus had gone. As she ran, her heart wounded, yet steadfast in faith in the promises of her friend, she prayed, "O, Lord, thou makest these green things to grow. They die and thou bringest them back. Bring thou back our brother whom we love." That was many, many years ago. Yet we still love to tell the story of how richly this trustful faith was rewarded, for we know that our Father's promises are for all times and for all those who believe in Him.

As Martha I wear this green color, and appropriate is the fern that constantly reminds me that nourished by the love of God and kept alive by faith in Him, I, too, shall never die, but shall live with Him forever in the land beyond the stars.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Sister Electa, she whom you represent gave her days to acts of charity and lovingkindness. She laid down her life for love of Him who said, "Whosoever giveth a cup of cold water only in my name shall in no wise lose the reward." Will you tell me why your robe is of crimson and why to you is given the glowing red rose.

**ELECTA:** The name of Jesus Christ did not always command the love and respect given it today. For years following the crucifixion of the gentle teacher of the strange new religion, His disciples were cruelly persecuted. In those years all known means of torture were used to persecute them. In those days Electa lived, a friend of the beloved disciple John. Often, as she tended her garden, he talked with her about the Son of the Carpenter who could raise the dead and make the blind to see. Through the teachings of John, she was led to believe in this Man of Sorrow. Always noted for her charity and hospitality, her home soon became a refuge for the persecuted brethren. There they found rest for their tortured bodies and solace for their hearts in her gentle care. Sometimes, because of the danger of

spies among her servants, it would be dangerous for them to tarry or even mention the name of Jesus Christ. Then would Electa give to the weary brother food and raiment, bidding him go upon his way, but ere he departed she would place in his hand a red rose cut from her garden, casting her eyes upward in silent testimony of her abiding faith in Jesus Christ. She gave her life in loving defense of Him who said, "I am the truth and the life." By her courage and unflinching loyalty, she became one of the noble band of martyrs to whom is given this promise, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee the crown of life."

As Electa I wear this color and appropriate is this blood-red rose that I may constantly be reminded that I, too, should be unswerving in my loyalty and fervent love for Him who died that I might have this everlasting life.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Sister Chaplain, will you tell me why you wear the robe of lavender with a dark purple ribbon and carry the pansy in its many shades of purple and lavender?

**CHAPLAIN:** Since the days when men and women first walked close to God and heard His voice in the rustling of the leaves or the starlit stillness of a quiet night, each flower our Father has planted to brighten our pathway has had a message for those who were willing to listen, a word of hope or guidance. In this language which speaks so clearly to our hearts, purple in the pansy and ribbon is for remembrance, and lavender means love. Therefore, I wear these colors that we may be constantly reminded that His banner over us is love, and only by following this banner may we find His blessings for our work.

**MRS. WILLIE MAE SHAW:** Thank you, my Sisters. God grant that we may, each one, keep these lessons so bright within our hearts that someday we shall hear our Father say, "Welcome home, child of my love, for thou, too, has been faithful even unto the end."

Our Grand Soloist, Melissa Simonton, will share with us her God-given talent by singing "Footprints in the Sand." [applause followed song]

Sisters and Brothers, may the memory of this evening remain an afterglow in your hearts. Thank you for sharing this time with us. The Chaplain and Star Points will retire. [applause] Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, this concludes the program explaining the colors and flowers. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, before you leave, I just want to say thank you to this very special lady standing next to me tonight, Sister Willie Mae Shaw. She made a dream of a program that I read about, and she has worked on this program for over one year, to make it as beautiful as I knew this program could be. To the ladies that participated, the five Star Points and the Chaplain, you did an outstanding job. Would they please come back this way so we can show them how much we appreciate the most beautiful program that I've ever seen that related to the Founder of the Order of the Eastern Star and what we are about. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, this concludes our program for tonight. You need to be in this Grand Chapter room no later than 10:45 tomorrow. We have another special thing to do for you. Thank you.

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“Treasures of Life,” the session title, was in white letters on a black background in the East. A banner of the Multi-State Get-Together hung to the right of the title. A treasure chest with cascading jewels was in front of the Worthy Grand Patron’s podium. A mariner’s wheel was also in front of the stage mixed in with tropical plants. A map of Texas with the Galveston area noted was stage south. Star Points sat in straight-back chairs with needlepoint seats in the appropriate color. The pedestals were covered with a cloth of the Star Point color. The altar was covered with white satin with a blue-sequined shell on the side. An anchor was in front of the Associate Grand Conductress station and a seahorse in front of the Grand Conductress station. Their chairs were white easy chairs. The Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron had a jeweled chest in front of their station.

Lady Grand Officers’ formal wear was a long-sleeved, high-necked black dress with silver trim on the right shoulder and left sleeve. Gentlemen Grand Officers wore a white jacket with black slacks. Ladies’ daywear was a navy suit with white/navy blouse. The gentlemen wore black slacks with a teal jacket.

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### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 25, 2005

“Footprints in the Sand” Session

11: 00 a.m.	United States Marine Color Guard
11:30 a.m. Musical Prelude	Mrs. Gladys Cox, PM
Master of Ceremonies	Mrs. Elsie Paladino, PGM
Assisting Grand Marshal	Mrs. Beulah Speer, PGM
Special Music	Mrs. Melissa Simonton Grand Soloist

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sisters and Brothers, if you will take your seats, we are about to begin. I know that you’re having a wonderful time visiting with each other. And aren’t you glad we have Grand Chapter so that we can see those friends that we haven’t seen in a while? [applause]

The story of the Armed Force began when our nation expanded from 13 states along the Atlantic Coast across the breadth of the continent and beyond. The story has come a long way. We again look to a future beset with difficulties. The forces of tyranny are on the march in the world. They vigorously espouse a false doctrine in an effort to gain the minds of men. Day and night our Armed Forces are continuing to write the story of freedom. We must pledge our resources, our hearts and our minds in their support. Only our faith can prevail through the moral courage to resist tyranny and oppression.

Gunnery Sergeant Ted Morgenthaler will escort Sister Karen Morgenthaler, the Worthy Grand Matron, and Sister Betty Martin will escort Brother Jerry L. Martin, the Worthy Grand Patron, to the East. [applause as they come to the East] Sisters and Brothers, I am pleased to present Gunnery Sergeant Ted Morgenthaler who will speak to you at this assembly. I invite you to preside.

**GUNNERY SERGEANT TED MORGENTHALER:** Good morning. You may

find this hard to believe, but I am the quiet, shy one in the family. I want to begin first by saying we had a Color Guard that was going to be here today. We had two actually, one from the Galveston Unit, and a couple of months ago they were activated and they've all gone back over to the big sand box. And the unit that I'm with was going to perform the Color Guard from Houston. Unfortunately, last week some Marines were killed in Afghanistan. One was from Houston. His remains arrived here Tuesday. His wake was yesterday, and today we are burying him right now at this time. So we will not have a Color Guard here. I apologize for that.

I've been asked to come in for a few minutes and show some pictures. In talking with my dad and some of the stories that I've told him, he came up with some good ideas. So I'm actually going to bring you some human interest stories here. I'm going to bring some things to you that the press doesn't discuss or talk about. In no way at all is this anything politically related or anything like that. It should be somewhat interesting for you.

The first slide that you see, that is at Al Asad in the Al Enbar Province of western Iraq. This is where we first worked. It's a rather large airbase. The flag that you see up there was a flag given to us by the governor of the great state. That flag was raised on September 9th when we took command of our area. She stayed flying until the day that I left Iraq, which was March 3rd, 2005. I had a lot of fun with that flag. The area in Al Asad where we were at this time was six miles away from the majority of everybody else. They took the infantry battalion and stuck us way out away from all the civilized air people. The interesting thing is we also had some Marines from New York that they stuck out there with us. They were the C-130 pilots, and I guess they didn't fit in with the helicopters and the fighter jets, so they, too, were put out there with us. Being from New York, they did not own the real estate, and so every day it was fun to go and talk to them and say, "Look at the state."

Some other pictures. I stayed in trouble for that flag being so high. Everybody kept telling me we had to bring it down, but I wanted everybody to know who was there. So she stayed there until the day we moved. I had some other flags that we eventually put up. One was the American flag. And again the Northerners came over and talked to me one day and said, "Your flag is the same height as the American flag." I said, "Yes, it's the only flag in the union that's allowed to fly the same height." Again, they walked away. [applause]

The next slide, please. As you can see, we are proud of our state. Everything that we could mark Texas we did. That's our conference room conference table that we sat at twice a day and had major meetings. We found some paint. The quality of the paint there is not very good. Home Depot would do very well. But we managed to get that out. Just thought I'd bring that and show it to you.

The next slide. This is a lot of fun here. You see some tents in the background. Those tents were built for the unit I belonged to coming in. They were meant to house a thousand people. There were 21 tents. They each had 60 racks inside of them, bunk beds. The regiment was building that for us because the other billeting area was only large enough for the other battalion, and we were going to be there for a couple of weeks with them. So they needed a place for us to live. What you're looking at right there is a million dollars of American money. They had a program to help the Iraqis. The Iraqis actually built this thing that you're seeing. It was fun because the job that I do as a company gunny – I have an H&S company – and so I am the owner of the real estate. Actually my boss is, but the

officer – you know how they are, they tend to stay out of the way. So it's my real estate. We were building this so I could have my battalion come in. And on this certain day we had just finished up two circuits that we had built on these tents, which was about 18 tents. The Iraqis have an unusual way of doing electrical work; they do it all backwards. The wire was the breaker, so I had a 60-amp breaker and I had 30-amp wire. So when we flipped the switch on the generator, it took about two seconds and three of our tents that were completely ready were up in flames. What you see there is about five minutes worth of burning. The tents that we have over there are canvas, and they soak them in kerosene to make them waterproof. They just forget to tell us that they're not fireproof. That's a fun picture. People see that. They're like, "Well, it's a good thing you didn't have mattresses on them yet." And I say, "No, we did." So the mattresses were completely burned.

The next slide. This is just a little fun thing we did, had our little signs made up. For those of you that are Aggies, on the other side it has A&M. Being an infantry battalion out of Texas, we were about 40 percent Aggies, 40 percent UT, and then we had the other ones. So for 10 1/2 months we had a really good time. Sometimes they won. More times than not, we won. The UT sign was put on, but it never could stay on for some reason. It kept falling off.

Another interesting thing. The tent that you see in the background – that right there – that's our internet café. That's where we went to communicate. We had computers and phones, all worked off satellite. The building you see in the background, we'll talk about in a little while. That is our command post, also referred to as the ranch.

Next slide, please. Yes, we brought a Texas theme to Iraq. Now here's the first human interest story. Many of you have seen the movie MASH. We commonly referred to ourselves as coming from the MASH story, except we were an infantry battalion. This generator right here is a 400 KVA generator. And for 3 1/2 months I was married to her. She was like a typical wife. She created a lot of grief for me. I couldn't sleep at night because of her. But the interesting thing about that generator right there, it's the only generator in Al Asad that was not allowed to be worked on by Kellogg Brown & Root. The Army had purchased it several years before, and when they left and the Marines came in, they just said, "Here you go." KBR had never been turned onto it, so maintenance was left up to us. When I first showed up in August, she looked like a freight train when she was running. There was just pure black smoke. Many times you'd look out and you couldn't see it because of all the black smoke. So she and I had an agreement: If she'd work most of the time I'd treat her right from time to time. But this particular moment here, the night before about 2 a.m. I woke up. They said, "Hey, generator's down." Well, that generator there runs everything in that building, and that building is the command post and that's life center for us. And all the Marines that are outside the wire working depend upon us inside to command the control, so it's very important that this generator run. Now you see right there, there's a power panel right there. We were the only portion of the base that did not have what we call house power. It's three-phase coming in; only one phase worked. About the only thing that would work would be about two lights and a handful of plugs. So that generator was our lifeline to keep the boys outside safe. And so what happened, about 2 a.m. I woke up and I went out, and she was doing things I'd never seen before. Luckily, as a reserve battalion, we bring many things to the show that the active duties do not because of our work experience back in the civilian world. Well, I actually had a bona fide generator mechanic in another company, so I woke

him up, had him come out. He's looking at me saying, "Gun, the batteries are dead." I said, "Okay. I've got some hidden, we'll go get them." Put them on. She still wouldn't start. So he tinkered around a little while, and he's like, "Gun, the alternator is down." I said, "Okay. What can we do?" He goes, "Nothing." We played around a little more with it, and we finally figured out it was the batteries, the starter and the alternator that wouldn't work. So I said, "Huh!" He said, "Well, if we can get the starter to work, we can get the generator to run." So about zero-four in the morning, we went to KBR and did some wheeling and dealing and trading and actually rebuilt the starter out in the middle of the desert with some parts that we were able to scrounge up. I brought her back, plugged her in. We brought up this vehicle right here and slaved it, put jumper cables from the batteries on the Humvee to the generator and she worked. She worked until that Humvee broke. Actually I went through four Humvees trying to make it work. The motor team was getting very upset with me because I kept blowing up engines inside these vehicles, and they didn't want to give me one. So I said, "Fine, don't give me one, I don't care. I've got the parts being airlifted back to Baghdad to get fixed. It's going to be a few weeks. Not a problem. I'll just leave everything off."

Well, the colonel walks in one day – we have an eight o'clock meeting every morning. He looks inside and he turns around and I'm walking out. He says, "Hey, what's wrong with my lights." I said, "The motor pool won't give me another vehicle." He said, "Give me ten. We've got a meeting in five, you'll have it in ten." I had it in seven, and so we kept going. So... Something fun.

The next slide. Okay. This is our chaplain, Chaplain Dinkins, and the young Marine being baptized. A very interesting story here. It all begins with my mother-in-law. A couple of months before we had activated – I actually think it was Christmas – she had given myself and her husband, who is a former Marine, these Marine Corps Bible. I appreciated it; I like collecting most things that have the Marine Corps emblem. Well, over the course of the next couple of months, we had been activated and we were all coming together. I had my Bible with me one day and another Marine saw it and commented on it. I said, "I'll get you one. No problem. I'll bring it to you tomorrow." So I went to the store and I bought five of them. Well, the next day in about thirty minutes I gave out five. The Marines had them.

Things progressed. I told my wife about the interest in the Bibles. She mentioned it to her mother. Her mother was in a bunco game, and she mentioned it to the ladies in the bunco game. They passed the hat around and they collected roughly \$125 to go out and purchase some more Bibles, and they did. By this time I was already in California; they sent them to me, I passed them out, and commented back to Debra, my wife, "These things are a big hit. Everyone's liking them." So the word got back to where I go to church through the secretary. The pastor of my church, who's a very good friend of mine, took it upon himself to do another collection. And when it was said and done, between Lifeway Christian Stores and a private donor, they had collected enough money for 1,000 Bibles [applause] So, consequently, every Marine when we were getting on airplanes to go to Iraq, they were handed their Bible. That was one thing that nobody turned down. They were all gone within an hour or so after arriving. And as a result of that, we actually had six or seven baptisms while we were in country. Those are the things that you don't hear about.

But this particular one, this baptismal was made, it's a steel box with water. I have

searched and searched, and I cannot find my other picture, but I have a better one. We were in many locations spread out around. They had nothing, and a Marine wanted to be baptized. We had a front-end loader, so they pulled the front-end loader up, filled it with water, and the kid was baptized in the front-end loader. It's a real nice picture. [applause]

The next slide, please. This is the chaplain's assistant right here. This is in the evening time, and that is another new believer right there. We baptized two or three in one day, and this is one of them. I actually put this picture up so you could see the background and the sky. The sky in the morning and evenings over there is very beautiful.

Next slide, please. Okay. What you see here is the Euphrates River. This was home for approximately four months for me. This is at a location you may have heard of called Adifa in the past weeks. This is where we were moved to. This is actually a dam. Adifa Dam is what we call this. It's a hydroelectric dam. There are six turbines there, and they generate enough power for about one-third of the country's electrical. This place was pretty interesting. I'll show you in the next picture, that I lived about 60 feet from the river. Every morning that's what I got to look at right there. I will tell you that water is blue green. When I was on some boats going down the river, it reaches some depths of 14, 15 feet and you can see all the way to the bottom. It's very beautiful.

Next slide. This is one-half of the dam. I'm standing in my room looking across taking this picture. This side of the dam is actually the Iraqis, the workers on the dam and all the functions – the control rooms and everything are here. The dam manager's office. Also, the Azerbaijanis – soldiers from Azerbaijan, they live here. Their sole purpose is to keep the dam protected. It was one of the big targets that they were trying to get to. If the dam was to be blown up, Baghdad and Fallujah would flood from the amount of water that would come from behind it. This is where we lived, this is where we operated out of for four months.

Next slide. That's a rare picture when they would open the gates and allow the water out. All back right here, that's the turbine room. Everything else looks like a dump, but when you walked into the turbine room, it was very nice, very clean.

Next slide. Just to give you another view of the gates. There's a drive that you could go back and forth from each side crossing the river. It was a lot of fun to get under there when the gates were open. It was cooler.

Next slide. You can see the magnitude of it. There I am standing and the water coming across.

Next slide. This is another view of the dam. I'm on the tenth deck, which is at the top. The dam is about eight, nine miles long, and it's ten stories. From the ground up it's ten stories, and from the ground below it runs about another ten stories. Here's all the high lines that go out. Now being that I was the real estate manager, I got to tour everything. I had about a 3-, 4-hour tour of the dam underground. What's really interesting is all this here that you see on top, there's four and five times that below it, all of the transformers and circuits and everything for all of that. It was a lot of fun touring everything because I actually found a switch that said "Baghdad." I almost flipped it! I say "almost." And if it did flip, I don't know. So that was just another interesting picture. The little town of Adifa, it has been on the news a lot. It's just right up here.

Next picture. This is the lakeside of it. Supposedly, the rumors were, this is where Saddam Hussein maintained a yacht and only the elite could come up to the lake. There was a certain area out that nobody could come in because his boat was there. Again, this

water here is very beautiful. It's blue green. You can see through it when you get out on the lake. You get out a little ways and you can actually look down 45, 50 feet, 60 feet and you can see the villages that were drowned when they were filling the lake. They're intact. That was interesting.

Next slide. This is my last slide. This is sunrise, 6:45 a.m., in Iraq. The sunrises and the sunsets were just absolutely gorgeous. It was a great way to start and end the day. When I would walk out of my room and look down the hallway, that's what I saw every morning. I just wanted to share that with you, that there are some good things over there, and the environment is one of them.

A few other things that people may find interesting. They refer to it as a desert. It's not a desert like in Kuwait or in Africa that you see on television with all the sand. This is not the case in Iraq. In fact, if you go out and you throw water on the ground, something will grow. When you get on the river, you see the grass and all the palm trees. They extend off the river maybe a hundred feet. The grass is blue because there's so much chlorophyll in it. The trees, the fruit trees and things that are over there are so abundant – I don't think they know how to can. If it falls off the tree and lands on the ground, it stays there. They just pick it every day. It's very bountiful over there. They eat pretty much the same thing we do. Several villages that we went into, they had eggplant and corn and okra and things of that nature growing. The only thing I really didn't see much of were cows. I think I saw one and a handful of chickens. Everything else is goat and lamb.

Okay. That concludes – did you have something? Something that we did over there from day one – just a kind of fun thing we did – immediately when we got there, we set up a flag rotation. We flew flags every day. When we took the flag down in the evening, the colonel – the battalion commander – we had certificates made up to show where it was flown, what day it was flown on. I must say there were days I had to change flags three and four times to get them all in. There never was not enough flags. Either the Marines had purchased them or family members were sending them to me, such as my dad, who sent me a bunch. But we have one here, and she was flown over the ranch in Al Asad Al Enbar Province of Iraq on the 19th day of October, 2004. We'd at this time like to present it to the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Grand Marshal, you will present the flag of the United States to the East.

You will join in giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. [Pledge given in unison]  
We will now sing the National Anthem.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I just want to take this opportunity – because moms don't always have the opportunity to say to the many friends that are here today – how proud you are of your children. I want you to know how very proud I am of this man. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Sisters and Brothers, let's show this fine young man how much we appreciate the effort that he has put forth. [applause]

Just as the ebb and flow of the tide washes away footprints in the sand, music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life. One of the symbols of the year has been footprints. In order to understand and appreciate the symbol, we must be in possession of the knowledge of what the symbol strives to convey. Mrs. Margaret Power, author of the poem, gave permission for music to be added. I am sure our appreciation of this symbol will be enriched as we listen to Mrs. Melissa Simonton, Grand Soloist. [applause followed]



singing of the song]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** In God's creation many languages were given to the people, but with music there was fashioned a universal language. Thank you, Sister Melissa, for that beautiful song.

Sister Gladys Cox has been providing music, and she will continue to do so throughout the session. Sisters and Brothers, let's show this lady our appreciation for her generosity. [applause] She is always so willing to assist in any way.

The most treasured gifts come to us through the membership of this beautiful Order. Worthy Grand Matron, I treasure the gift that you have given to me this afternoon to act as Master of Ceremonies for this "Treasures of Life" Grand Chapter session. I appreciate the courtesy and the thoughtfulness.

First, may I say to our beloved Texas members, in changing our Grand Chapter from October to August, many adjustments had to be made. You rose to every challenge, supporting the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron in these changes. Time has moved, and things have moved at an accelerated pace everywhere. You accepted changes in good faith and met all doubts with a smile. As we stood upon the shores, we may have felt that the sands had shifted a little bit, but today with your presence and support I feel that Texas Grand Chapter is on solid ground.

To our out-of-state guests, wherever our footprints lead on the pathway of fraternalism, it is always a joy to have companionship and friendly association with those traveling the same road. Your attendance will strengthen the bonds of friendship between us, and your presence will be listed among the treasures of life. If you desire anything, please let a Texas member assist you. When you depart from our shores, we hope that you will take with you memories of a pleasant experience and our warm wishes. Will all the Distinguished Guests, including those who will bring greetings, go immediately to the West for the processional, if you are not already there.

The processional will just be by groups; names will not be called. They know who they are, and if you don't know who they are, you will find out when they are introduced at the formal opening just a little later on.

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present the Most Worthy Grand Matron and the Most Worthy Grand Patron to the East. As the tide recedes and takes you to other shores, our prayers and best wishes will go with you for great accomplishments for our fraternal Order. Welcome. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron to the East. It is a personal privilege to welcome this lady because I served during your tri-line; I was one of her tri-line Worthy Grand Matrons. Welcome. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the Elected and Appointed Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter to the East. Just as reflections of moonbeams dancing across the waters is long remembered, so will your presence be remembered by us. Thank you so very much. Welcome. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the visiting General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Ambassadors, Deputies and Special General Grand Chapter Appointees to the East. Just as the waves are constant as they break upon the shores, so is our love and admiration for each of you. Thank you so much for being here. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort Texas' own General Grand Chapter Committee Members to the East. Wherever your travels take you, know that you are

surrounded by Texas pride. A very special thanks to our Most Worthy Grand Matron for this beautiful recognition for Texas. Sisters and Brothers, let's show them our Texas pride. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will invite and escort the Visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons to the East. Your leadership binds you in common responsibilities. I hope that your visit to Texas will serve as an opportunity to increase friendships and to exchange ideas. Welcome. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the Visiting Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. Year by year, each of you has helped to build your respective Grand Jurisdiction's structure. Because of your experiences of yesteryear, you have added to the strong foundation of our Order. We are glad you are here. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort Texas' own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to the East. Every noble life leaves imprints of every life that they have touched. On the golden pages of our past, we find that time has not dimmed the brilliance of your historical past, making us very aware of from whence we came. Sisters and Brothers, aren't they a Grand group? [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will present Mr. Elmer Murphey, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, at the altar.

**ASSISTING GRAND MARSHAL:** I have the honor of introducing Brother Elmer L. Murphy, III, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort our Distinguished Guest to the East. How honored we are to have this gentleman to take time to be with us. Your applause certainly expressed your appreciation, but would you greet him again. [applause]

Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort the Appendant Bodies of the Masonic Fraternity of Texas and the Youth and Adult Leaders of the Fraternal Youth Organizations of Texas to the East. Would the Grand Officers of Grand Lodge please join this group. We would like for you to come to the East. I know that we are so proud of those who are in leadership positions in these organizations, and I know that their influence and guidance will be felt for many years. Join me in expressing our gratitude. [applause]

Do we have other Distinguished Members in the audience, Past Grand Matrons or Grand Officers, that we've overlooked? If we do, would you go immediately to the West. We certainly would not want to leave anyone out. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will escort our Distinguished Guests who will bring greetings to the assembly this evening to the East, if we have those.

Assisting Grand Marshal, do we have other guests? Have we finished? Thank you. You may return to your seat. [applause] Sister Beulah, I followed you in the line of Grand Chapter, and it is a joy to be working with you again today. Thank you. [applause]

It has been said that it matters not where we leave our footprints, it matters that we leave them. Each of you has departed from different ports. We are excited that you have docked in Galveston, Texas. However brief your stay with us, know that your presence is important in making this Grand Chapter session all that we would hope that it would be. Sisters and Brothers, let's once again extend a Texas welcome to all the special guests. [applause]

The pages of the logbook were blank last November. Those who will be introduced next, I say to you: True treasures of life that lend strength to the soul are not measured by public acclaim. You have given your best and blessings have come in disguise. You have honestly tried in a cause that you knew was worthwhile. When good faith was questioned, you met these doubts with a smile. The final entries are about to be recorded.

Proudly do I present these three special ones – actually, there’s two special ones – so meaningful to our Worthy Grand Matron for these special appointments and for the love that she has for them in our Order. Mrs. Ella Summers, Grand Chapter Mom, escorted by Mr. Frank Bruce. [applause] Mr. Henry Schlitzkus, Grand Chapter Dad, escorted by Mrs. Betty Schlitzkus. [applause]

Next are those that determine our ability to perform our work, the Board of Grand Examiners: Mrs. Betty M. Scott, District 1, escorted by Mr. Andrew Scott. [applause] Mrs. Bess Caldwell, District 2, escorted by Mr. Alvin Caldwell. [applause] Mrs. Joyce Nicklas, District 3, escorted by Mr. David Nicklas. [applause] Mrs. Christine Armstrong, District 4, escorted by Mr. Don Armstrong. [applause] Mrs. Jerre Lucas, District 5, escorted by Mr. Robert Lucas. [applause] Mrs. Mary Ruth White, At-Large, escorted by Mr. Joseph White. [applause]

Those that have the responsibilities of managing our financial affairs, the Board of Directors of the Grand Chapter of Texas: Mr. Jack Beall, Chairman, District 1, escorted by Mrs. Charlotte Beall. [applause] Mr. Raul Garcia, Vice Chairman, District 5, escorted by Mrs. Sylvia Garcia. [applause] Mrs. Jo Ann Snow, Secretary and Treasurer, District 3, escorted by Mr. Jack Friend. [applause] Mr. Gary Steele, District 1, escorted by Mrs. Maxine Sparks. [applause] Mr. A. L. Casparis, District 2, escorted by Mrs. Nell Casparis. [applause] Mr. Dwayne Maserang, escorted by Mrs. Flora Maserang. [applause] Mrs. Jayne Yenger, District 3, escorted by Mr. Leland Benefield, Past Grand Patron. [applause] Mrs. Mickie Todd-Campbell, District 4, escorted by Mr. Monroe Cooper. [applause] Mr. Forrest Smith, District 4, escorted by Mrs. Gail Smith. [applause] Ms. Lori Goldman, District 5, escorted by Mr. Johnny Hester. [applause] Mrs. Judy Northrup, Fraternal Correspondent, escorted by Mr. Ray Hertenberger. [applause]

Next are the Installed Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Mr. Winifred Whitlock, Grand Sentinel, escorted by Mrs. Daphne Whitlock. [applause] Mrs. Edna Marsh, Grand Warder, escorted by Mr. L.P. Marsh. [applause] Mrs. Donna Herrington, Grand Electa, escorted by Mr. Joe Brinkley. [applause] Mrs. Heidi Jenkins, Grand Martha, escorted by Mr. Richard Jenkins. [applause] Mrs. Betty Martin, Grand Esther, escorted by Mr. Jerry L. Martin. [applause] Mrs. Leah Hayes, Grand Ruth, escorted by Mr. Steve Ireland. [applause] Mrs. Marie Adamson, Grand Adah, escorted by Mr. Irving Adamson. [applause] Mrs. Susan Smith, Grand Organist, escorted by Mr. Richard Smith. [applause] Mrs. Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal, escorted by Mr. Gary Mosmeyer. [applause] Mrs. Lillian Travis, Grand Chaplain, escorted by Mr. Paul Romine. [applause] Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress, escorted by Mr. Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron. [applause] Mrs. Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer, escorted by Mr. James B. Stewart. [applause] Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner, Grand Secretary, escorted by Mr. George Drenner, Jr. [applause] Mrs. Geraldine “Gerry” Dusek, Grand Conductress, escorted by Mr. Herbert Dusek. [applause] Mr. Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs. Georgia Campbell. [applause] Mrs. Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Gayle Brown. [applause] Mr. Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron, escorted by Mrs.

Betty Martin. [applause] Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Tom Morgenthaler. [applause]

You have tread upon the shores of time, gathering treasures along the way. Your footprints can never be retraced, but the memories will be treasured each day. As you make the final entries, they will not be written in sand, but will be recorded in the logbook of history. Only time will tell us the results. May the deeds recorded there be a blessing to each of you, commemorating your accomplishments for our Order and fraternal love for the membership and the treasured memories that last a lifetime. Sisters and Brothers, behold the Grand Chapter family of 2004-2005 and salute them with applause. [applause]

In order that our Chapter room may be complete, we will have the presentation of those items which are the very core of our daily life. Let's focus our attention upon our sacred altar as Mrs. Frances Reedy presents our Holy Bible. May its light be a beacon to guide us in all our actions. Following the light, we learn lessons of truth, justice, unity and peace, leading us in ways of pleasantness and paths of peace. The marker: Many times our daily tasks divert our attention elsewhere. The Bible marker, presented by Mrs. Betty Lynn, assists us in returning to the theme, to these pages containing treasured pearls of great price that are so meaningful to us.

A distinct honor is ours in Texas. By the authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, we are allowed to use their sacred emblems. The Square & Compasses upon our Holy Bible bind our Orders together to better achieve their accomplishments for which we are created. How appropriate that these emblems are presented by Mr. Elmer Murphey, III, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons.

If you will remain standing for the presentation of the United States Flag. We see the Stars and Stripes, the Canadian Flag, our Texas Flag, the Minnesota Flag, the California Flag, the Christian Flag and Eastern Star Flag fluttering and dancing in the breeze and bowing to one another in profoundly mutual respect and understanding of each other's significance. May these flags continue always to wave and stand for the ideals we all treasure. The glory of our past and the promise of the future, our American Flag, in its colors of red, white and blue, in which have been woven the strength and courage of American manhood and the love and loyalty of American womanhood, principles upon which the United States was founded. Our beloved Old Glory is held aloft by Mr. Oscar Moser.

The Canadian Flag stands on guard for neighbors to the North. The maple leaf blazes forth in all its glory. It speaks of love and sacrifice and a great people and a great land. It is presented by Mr. Arthur Drescher, Jr.

The eyes of Texas are upon you. You may be seated or you may remain standing for the Texas Flag. Your choice. Every Texan stands a little taller and a little straighter, and our hearts swell with pride when we behold our pride and joy. No state in this great nation has a greater heritage nor a more colorful history than Texas. Our Texas Flag is proudly presented by Mr. Thomas Griffin.

We fly the flag of Minnesota in honor of our Most Worthy Grand Matron. It bears the state motto, "The Star of the North." The seal is surrounded by ladyslippers, the state flower. It represents a proud, hard-working, God-fearing people, living much as we do ourselves. Mr. Derrell Fogarty will present this flag of honor.

Let's honor the Most Worthy Grand Patron by standing for the presentation of his

flag. We are pleased to present the California Flag in honor of our Most Worthy Grand Patron. The official flag of California is called the “Bear Flag.” It was first used in 1846 by a group of Americans who replaced a Mexican banner after capturing the town of Sonoma. California is called the “Golden State,” and the motto is “Eureka,” meaning “I have found it.” Mr. Walter Wilson presents the California Flag.

We pause with reverence to honor our Christian Flag, a symbol of the excellence of God. No gift is so precious as that reflected in this symbol. We pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands. Mr. Dwight Phillips reverently carries our Christian Flag.

We behold the glorious spectrum of color shining forth from the points of our emblematic Star. These symbols remind us of the virtues which were so courageously practiced by the heroines of our Order. Presented by a Brother who fully appreciates our Eastern Star Flag, Mr. Dwight Von Heeder.

Sisters and Brothers, pulses quicken and hearts race as we observe these symbols so dear to the hearts of us all. Thank you.

Following our tradition, we await greetings from a very distinguished group. The first one is responsible in a great measure for our presence. This assembly that we enjoy is a result of cooperation from the City of Galveston, the Moody Gardens and all other hotels and many hours of hard work. As we listen to their greetings and welcomes, I know our hearts will be filled with appreciation, mindful of the desire that during our stay we would find pleasant diversions from our routines. One who has contributed greatly to making all these plans materialize – and very successfully, I do believe – it is with admiration that I call upon Brother Ray Hertenberger, Executive Committee Chairman, to greet us.

**MR. RAY HERTENBERGER:** Thank you, Past Grand Matron. Welcome to Galveston, Texas, the 123rd session of the Grand Chapter. Since I’ve been a member of the Order, I have found that outside of conducting a little business here and there, attending our Grand Chapter sessions are good for two things. The first, it gives us an opportunity to visit with a lot of friends who on a regular basis we do not get to see. And the second, it gives us a chance to make new friends, an opportunity for long-lasting relationships. We do have a lot of business to conduct over the next few days. But when we are not in session, I hope you will take the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with your Sisters and Brothers. We hope that by meeting here at the beautiful Moody Gardens, you will be surrounded by a relaxing atmosphere and your stay here in Galveston will leave you with pleasant memories.

We had some of the hotel and convention center staff here earlier that have worked with us over the past four years in getting this Grand Chapter session put together. Due to their duties, they were not able to stay for their introductions. But at this time I would like everybody to please show their support for all the work that they have done with us in putting this together. [applause]

I do have a few announcements that I would like to make at the start of this session so that everybody will know some of the amenities we have and some of the services we have set up for you to make your stay more enjoyable. The scooters that are being provided out by the Lost & Found area are provided by Active America. They are on a first-come, first-serve basis and on a daily basis. So if you go to check one out, it must stay here in this area, and then it has to be turned back in in the evening. We really appreciate Active America providing this service to us because everybody is able to check those

scooters out at no charge when they need them.

The passes for the Moody Gardens attractions, for those who purchased those in advance, can be picked up at the Information area over in the lobby that is just outside before you go into the hotel. If you have not purchased a pass, you still can do so there at the Information table. This is the pass that you saw advertised in The Bulletin that you can use throughout this whole session. It's not just a day pass.

There is plenty of free parking in the convention center garage and the adjacent lots to the hotel. We have some parking spaces that are reserved on the first level of the parking garage that are marked by signs and stands. We ask that you respect the hard work and dedication of the Grand Chapter Officers whom these signs represent, and please do not park in those spaces.

We ask that you pay particular attention to the marquees that you see throughout the convention center and the hotel. You will be able to find information concerning the luncheons, banquets and other news of the day.

The Grand Examiner's room is located right over by Lost & Found, just across the little hallway from where out-of-state registration is set up. The times that she will be there are posted on that sign. And in visiting with Mary Ruth earlier, she said that if nothing else is going on, and it is outside of those times, if you get with her, she will be more than happy to try to accommodate in any way she can in helping get you your proficiency certificate.

We ask that in courtesy to your Worthy Grand Matron, your Worthy Grand Patron, your other Officers, Sisters and Brothers, that all cell phones and pagers be either turned off or put on vibrate during our sessions.

On behalf of our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Executive and Arrangements Committees and everybody else who has had a helping hand in putting this Grand Chapter session together, welcome. Always remember that it is not the preparations that make Grand Chapter a success, it is your attendance and your participation that will make any Grand Chapter successful. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, Brother Ray. You know how much the membership of District 4 loves you, and especially Section 10. Brother Ray, in the absence of the Mayor, I understand that you have been asked to bring the Proclamation. Would you do that at this time?

**MR. RAY HERTENBERGER:** I would be more than happy to. I got a call from the Mayor's office a couple of days ago. They said, "We've got some good news and we've got some bad news." I said, "Well, let's have it. You know, I've had my share in getting this thing ready. We're going to fall right in line." They said, "The good news is we've got your Proclamations ready. The bad news, we have nobody to present them because this is the day the city council meets." They said they had some really important business that had to be attended to. Therefore, they had nobody who was going to be available to make these presentations. I said, "Well, I'll be more than happy to take care of that for you."

Sister Karen Morgenthaler. This is a Proclamation from the Mayor's office. "We, the Mayor and City Council, by virtue of our authority, vested in the City of Galveston, Texas, do hereby proclaim August 25th, 2005, as Karen Morgenthaler Day in the City of Galveston and urge each and every citizen to join in recognizing Mrs. Morgenthaler's dedication and hard work serving the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. In testimony whereof, witness my hand and the seal of the City of

Galveston.” It’s signed Lydia Ann Thomas, Mayor. [applause]

Brother Jerry. On behalf of the City of Galveston, this Proclamation is being presented in your behalf. “We, the Mayor and City Council, by virtue of our authority, vested in the City of Galveston, Texas, do hereby proclaim August 25th, 2005, as Jerry L. Martin Day in the City of Galveston and urge each and every citizen to join in recognizing Mr. Martin’s dedication and hard work serving the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. In testimony whereof, witness my hand and seal of the City of Galveston this 25th day of August, 2005.” It is signed Lydia Ann Thomas, Mayor. Thank you, sir. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** View this last beautiful moment. It awaits the unfolding of lives into serene and lovely womanhood. Mrs. Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy, works diligently with the Order of Rainbow for Girls in building a better world as she works to mold the lives of our youth for the future. She will be joined by Kailee Rabbins, Junior Past Worthy Grand Advisor, who will join her in greetings.

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of bringing greetings on behalf of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls and the 60 Assemblies and 1,000 Members in the Grand Assembly of Texas. To each of you present this afternoon, we greet you in friendship and in appreciation of your service to our Order. Many of you were Rainbow Girls; some of you have daughters and granddaughters in our Order. All of you who help our Assemblies love our girls, support them in all that they do, but, more importantly, you have confidence in the youth of today and believe in the promise that they hold for the future. Our young ladies are blessed to be part of this fraternal family. Our Assemblies are blessed to have the sponsorship and support of you dedicated adults. Thank you, Eastern Stars and Masons, for your friendship to Rainbow. Ralph Waldo Emerson said that the glory of friendship is not just in the outstretched hand and the kindly smile and the joy of companionship. It is in the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when he discovers that someone else believes in him and is willing to trust him.

Thank you for inspiring our young ladies, trusting in them and believing as I do that the world of tomorrow will be safe in the hands of the youth of today if we keep them looking upward, glimpsing their vision through the rays of our wonderful Rainbow organization. We wish for you a most successful and loving 123rd session of Grand Chapter. May the “Treasures of Life” session for all attendees be a true treasure of friends. Thank you for honoring Rainbow by your invitation to be here today and to bring our fraternal greetings.

Now it is with Rainbow pride that I invite the Grand Worthy Advisor, 2004-2005, Miss Kailee Rabbins, to bring greetings on behalf of the young ladies of Texas Rainbow.

**MISS KAILEE RABBINS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Brothers and Sisters all: It is a pleasure again to bring greetings on behalf of Rainbow. Not too long ago it seems I was describing how well Rainbow is doing in Texas. We are still going strong, as Mrs. Dibrell said, with 60 Assemblies and a thousand members. Part of the success is due to Eastern Star support of our Assemblies, but more importantly your support of individual girls to achieve their dreams. This year, Lila Kerr, Grand Worthy Advisor, has chosen the theme, “Graceful Transformations through Rainbow.” Like the

ugly duckling, girls enter Rainbow unrefined and a little rough around the edges, but with an inner beauty waiting to shine through. Then the right opportunity comes along that unleashes the inner radiance, and a harmony exists between outer and inner persons. Thus, the ugly duckling transforms into a graceful swan.

There exists a harmony between Rainbow and Eastern Star due to our shared ideals. More importantly, the harmony is because many Rainbow Girls become members of the Eastern Star. Hence, the saying, "Masonic youth is the future of its sponsoring Orders."

This past Masonic Youth Weekend, the three youth leaders, including myself, were put to the task of designing a T-shirt to commemorate this event. We wanted something that was universally known and appropriate to us. Well, what could be more appropriate and applicable than Superman? He defended his upright morals and always came to the aid of the helpless and suffering. So after some tweaking, we came up with a design we could all agree on incorporating the Superman symbol. Rainbow, Job's Daughters and DeMolay gives young women and men the skills to succeed in the future and an opportunity to refine those skills before entering the workforce. Masonic youth are the future leaders of corporations, teachers, lawyers, government agents and much more. Masonic youth is the future of Eastern Stars and Masons. Texas Masonic youth is the super-youth of the future.

Texas Rainbow is always grateful for the support Eastern Star has shown it in the past and is looking forward to that loving encouragement in times to come. The youth is the future, so I encourage you to invest time in it. It was a pleasure serving the Masonic Fraternity with you, Mrs. Morgenthaler and Mr. Martin. It was always wonderful to receive a warm smile and a comforting hug from both of you. Thank you for the opportunity to bring greetings on behalf of Rainbow, and I wish you a joyous Grand Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** We are also honored to present Mrs. Linda Henderson, Jurisdictional Guardian of Texas, Job's Daughters International. She will be joined by Bobbie Potter. This precious lady gives untold service in directing the activities of our young ladies. Sister Linda.

**MRS. LINDA HENDERSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, our Distinguished Members and Guests: On behalf of the Job's Daughters of Texas, I bring you greetings and love from the Daughters of Job. In Chapter 15, the 42nd verse in the Book of Job we find these words, "In all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job, and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren." Membership in Job's requires that a young woman have Masonic inheritance. That is promised to Job's Daughters. While this makes Job's unique, it does not make us special. We are proud to be counted among the Masonic youth organizations in the state of Texas, along with Rainbow for Girls and DeMolay for Boys. Many of our members share their Masonic history by also being members of Rainbow. Job's Daughters International is an organization made up of young women between the ages now of 10 and 20. The object of the organization is to band together girls for spiritual and moral upbuilding, to develop leadership, to seek knowledge, to teach love of God, love of country, respect for its flag, love of home and family and reverence for the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. We currently have Bethels in the cities of San Antonio, Houston, Grand Prairie and Corpus Christi, and we want to be a part of your hometown also.



I'm privileged to have with me today Miss Sara Gabel who is our Texas State Goodwill Ambassador. Our state officer goes by the title of Miss Texas Job's Daughters. While she is representing Texas, she also competes at Supreme Conclave for the title of Miss International, which this year was in Fresno, California. Our Miss Texas, Bobbie Potter, just two weeks ago was a candidate in this international competition and has also been selected to fill the station of Supreme Recorder for the upcoming year. She has made the state of Texas proud. Bobbie is from San Antonio Bethel #1. I would love to be able to use the phrase that Bobbie represents our Eastern Star future, as all of our Masonic youth do, but I can proudly say that she has already petitioned to become a part of our ranks as a viable, productive member of Eastern Star. She will be a member of Schertz # 911 in Schertz, Texas. It is my privilege and honor to introduce to you Miss Bobbie Potter, Miss Texas Job's Daughters. [applause]

**MISS BOBBIE POTTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, members of Eastern Star: Punctuality is very important to me. It's one of the many things we learn from the Masonic organization. I always try to be early, but for this event I was 169 hours early. For some reason I had Grand Chapter marked on my calendar for last week. So you can imagine my excitement when I entered this beautiful building once more, and this time I saw all your smiling faces. Thank you so much for having me here. It is my honor to bring greetings on behalf of the Job's Daughters of Texas. Greatness is achieved through inspiration. Job's Daughters finds their inspiration in the members of the Eastern Star. However, if Eastern Stars are not making themselves known in our Bethels, then we have no inspiration. To have membership in Job's Daughters, we are required to have a Masonic relationship, as Mom Henderson stated. We are proud of the strong heritage that that relationship gives us.

In the past few years the Masonic youth of Texas have formed a strong bond, and I feel we will only grow stronger with the adult Masonic organization support. Consider this: The Masonic Youth of Texas are a light bulb. Your smiles and enthusiasm are the electricity that will make us grow brighter through the years. Job's Daughters of Texas are here to assist you in any way possible. Thank you for your electricity, and Job's Daughters looks forward to many more years of work together. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** The Worthy Grand Matron will make the presentation to Job's Daughters.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Bobbie and Linda, on behalf of the Texas Grand Chapter we would like to present to you this gift. Use it wisely in your organization, and please know that the Texas membership in the Order of the Eastern Star supports you 100 percent. We love you and we thank you for being here with us today. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** The Order of the Rainbow for Girls received their presentation at the Worthy Grand Matron's installation.

We salute our youth and their leaders and pledge support for their efforts. We thank you for your dedication and for being with us.

It is my pleasure to present a gentleman who has gained great distinction as Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas. He walks among the members with kindness and friendliness, desiring to bring inspiration to all, including DeMolay. He will be joined by Zane Whitney, State Master Councilor of DeMolay.

**MR. J. WELDON CLAMPITTE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,

Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron and Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests and my Brethren all: Last year, if you attended Grand Chapter in Corpus Christi, you were witness to an outstanding performance of the Flower Talk given by then State Master Councilor. DeMolay today is growing. A good bit of it is because of you, the Eastern Star and the Masons of this state. Several Eastern Stars are members of our advisory boards throughout the state, and we appreciate you very much. The youth of our state at this time, especially DeMolay, is in a position to grow. We are showing a positive growth at this time. I'd like to point out to you that you need our youth. You need our youth. As I look around this room today, the average age is not 25; the average age is not 35; the average age is not 45. It's upwards, and we all know it. We need the young ladies of Job's, Rainbow and the young men of DeMolay working with us daily. They are your future; they are our future. And if we don't do something about them today, we need to help them get going.

Just last Saturday Aransas Pass Chapter of Eastern Star #162 honored our current State Master Councilor. They thought enough of him to have a night at their Chapter to honor him and him alone. We appreciate Aransas Pass Chapter for what they think of DeMolay.

It's my pleasure now to present to you the State Master Councilor of DeMolay in Texas, Zane Whitney. [applause]

**MR. ZANE WHITNEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Executive Officer of DeMolays in Texas, Distinguished Guests and Friends: It is an honor for me to be here with you on this my second session of Grand Chapter. I was with you last year. As you will probably remember from Corpus, if you attended the banquet on Wednesday evening, I was the one that began to swing dance halfway through. Hence, the reason why I have my black-and-white shoes on.

Thomas Edison tried and failed 2,000 times at creating a light bulb. When told of this feat, he said, "Wait a second. I didn't fail at anything. I just found 2,000 ways not to make a light bulb." I have created a program this year called the "Pay It Forward Program" for DeMolays in Texas. It not only deals with membership, but it deals with our relationship with our Masonic Body. For membership it requires that each DeMolay bring in three new members and help those three new members individually bring their own three new members, and thus you would continue on. In relationship to our Masonic Body, it would be that they would help at least a minimum of three Lodges in their area and a minimum of three Eastern Star Chapters in their area. DeMolay is moving forward in Texas, as Dad Clampitt just stated. We are experiencing positive growth and will continue to do so. It is my hope and guarantee that by next Grand Chapter session, the DeMolays in Texas will be the greatest jurisdiction of DeMolay International.

Again, it is my honor and privilege to be here with you during this session. And again, I thank you for allowing me to be here. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** As you continue your service, may you be rewarded with success for every effort. Since the origin of Masonry, the world has felt the influence for good. It reaches into all walks of life. The Order of the Eastern Star, though no part of that ancient institution, seeks to be co-workers in their great work. The Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Master have shared a special relationship this year working together to achieve the goals of each Order. Their footprints have been side by side as they

served as leaders of their respective Orders. It is indeed my distinct honor to present Honorable Elmer Murphey, III, to bring greetings. [applause]

**MR. Elmer Murphey:** Good afternoon. I hope you're awake and I hope you're enjoying yourself because this is an opportunity for the Masonic family to truly meet and greet each other. If there's a person in this building that you haven't had the opportunity to meet, it's a darn good time to do it. If it's to your left or to your right, that's easy. You may have to walk across the hall and say, "My name is, and my Chapter is, and I'd like to get to know you." Because why? Because we're here because of our love for the fraternity. You may be Eastern Star, Scottish Rite, York Rite, DeMolay, Job's, Rainbow, but you're here for one sole purpose, and that is because we love the principles for which Masonry in fact exists. You know, it's very simple to become a Mason. You must believe in a Supreme Being. You may call him God, you may call him Jesus, you may call him Allah, but in fact without that belief you will not become a Mason. And then the more difficult piece: You must be a man of good character. And Masons tend to believe that just about every man out there is, and it just so happens he's a Mason. That's not true. In fact, we have the honor to be a Mason. And, ladies, you have the honor to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Grand Chapter of Texas. And when you leave here today or this weekend, I want you to go back to your Chapters, I want you to tell everyone of them how proud you are to be a member of that Chapter, how proud you are to be a member of the Masonic fraternity, that our fraternity in fact is growing. It's a burden, we'll have to deal with it, but we can. And we have the reason to do it, and that is because we love it. Each one of us has a heritage in this fraternity. My mother and father were members of Norman D. Allen Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Many times I went to spaghetti suppers and pancake suppers. "You will show up?" And I said, "Yes, sir," and I was there. But they loved it. My father loved his Masonic Lodge, being Pearland Lodge, now C. F. Spencer Lodge.

But, you know, ultimately when we try to determine why this fraternity has been here for so many years, and why again we're growing, it's so very simple. It's because in our hearts we truly love the principles for which we stand. And when we go outside the walls of this building or our Chapter or our Lodge, we in fact live the life that we profess to be important to us. We have the honor to be a member of this fraternity, to be a member of this Masonic family. I ask each and everyone of you when you leave here, explain to the world how proud you are to be a member of this family and how you individually love it so much. And when you do that and they see it in your face and they see it in the manner in which you live your life, you'll know without exception that this fraternity has a very bright future, as does your Order. And the leaders of your Order absolutely live the precepts that they in fact profess.

So I thank you for the opportunity to be here. It is an honor to be invited into your midst. It's an honor to be Grand Master of Masons in Texas, and I look forward, if at all possible, to everyone of you being in Waco, Texas, on December 1st. And when you're in that building in Waco, just like today, please introduce yourself to everyone there because they're a member of our family. You have every reason to be proud of it. So go back home with a smile, with a commitment, with an energy. And if in fact you represent to your Chapter the love that you have for this Order, we will be nothing but successful without end forever. Thank you so much for the opportunity to be here. [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** We are very aware of your many duties. This makes us

even more appreciative of your time with us. May the blessings of Him whose Star we follow guide and watch over you.

The response to the many warm and cordial words of welcome and greetings and the appreciation of our hearts will be voiced by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, after which presentations will be made.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Elsie. Distinguished Members, my Sisters, Brothers and Friends: It is indeed a pleasure to meet in such a beautiful place. It is with deep gratitude that we accept the warmth and the gracious welcomes that have been extended by members of our Order. Today with a heart overflowing with friendship and love, I welcome you to the informal opening of the 123rd “Treasures of Life” session. May you find here that warmth of friendship which should be exemplified in all meetings of our Order. I wish that every member who is here today might catch a new vision and be filled with the desire to fly the banners of brotherly love, relief and truth. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Brother Ray, thank you for filling in for the Mayor today in welcoming us to Galveston, this fantastic city. We want you to know that the hospitality of the people here in Galveston and the breeze from the water truly makes us feel welcome. Sister Marlene and Sister Linda, thank you for your greetings today on behalf of our youth organizations. We appreciate the many hours of hard work that each of you put into these organizations. The International Order of Rainbow for Girls and Job’s Daughters International are so very important in providing young ladies the lessons for leading a good life and becoming a good citizen. And, of course, we want to see all of them become members of the Order of the Eastern Star some day. Thank you for all you do for our youth. And Brother Weldon, thank you for bringing greetings on behalf of the Appendant Bodies of the Masonic Fraternity in Texas. I also thank you for the work you do for Texas DeMolay. I don’t know how you can master your time so well as to accomplish all you do for the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas and for Texas DeMolay. But please know that we are all extremely appreciative for your hard work. Most Worshipful Grand Master, we are honored by your presence today. Your passion and your zeal for Freemasonry is always evident when you speak. It is genuine and from your heart. It inspires all Masons to want to work even harder for the betterment of our fraternity. I thank you for being here today, but most of all I thank you for being my Grand Master and my friend. Welcome all of you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I’d like for Michele to join me at this time. Sisters and Brothers, one of the projects that I had this year was a Committee called Star Search for a Cure. It related to finding that cure for breast cancer that affects so many people throughout the world. When the project came about, I learned that the American Cancer Society was really needing some help in raising funds for this project. But before I really set my mind to raise these funds for this particular group, I had to be assured that all funds that were raised would stay in Texas, that no funds would have the administrative fee taken out of it, that we wanted it to go directly into the cancer research projects that are ongoing through the UTMB and the M.D. Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston, Texas.

The pin that we sold for that project was the pink ribbon with the Eastern Star emblem on it. Many people were a little bit hesitant about this pin because some thought they had to be a member of this organization. And as I explained to them, it wasn’t that they had to be a member of our organization, it was to let the state of Texas and even throughout the

United States know that this particular pin was showing that the Order of the Eastern Star was working and the dedication they had to raise funds to help in the search for the cure of breast cancer.

Sisters and Brothers, we did not quite reach the goal that I had wanted to reach, but we have all the pins sitting outside on a particular table, and I know that by the end of this Grand Chapter session, we will have sold every single one of them so that we will have another opportunity to make another donation to the American Cancer Society in Texas. The lady that is standing next to me. I've known for a number of years because she is the director of the American Cancer Society out of Texas City. I've learned to appreciate this lady for all of the hard work that she has done. Because of this, another Committee came about, and we'll learn more about that Committee later. We called it the Pillows of Support. But today belongs to the Star Search for a Cure Committee. I ask all of those who served on that Committee if they would stand with me at this time. Michele, it is with great pleasure on behalf of Texas Grand Chapter that we present you this check. We're not going to tell you how much it is. Come over here, we want to show you. Sisters and Brothers, we raised \$15,000. [applause] Sisters and Brothers, I've asked Vicki Hertenberger to stand with us because she also works for the American Cancer Society out of Texas City, and Michele just happens to be her boss. So we have had a tremendous time together.

**MS. MICHELE HICKS:** What a tremendous gift to the American Cancer Society. I'd like to thank Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry Martin, and the membership of the Order of the Eastern Star for allowing me to be here with you today. It is an honor for me to be able to share with you in your success in raising money for the American Cancer Society. I wanted to take a moment just to tell you a little bit about our research program, because the money that you have raised will go to the research program of the American Cancer Society. The American Cancer Society has invested more than \$2.8 billion in cancer research. Thirty-eight of the scientists that we have funded have gone on to win the Nobel Prize. This research is critical to the patient care given today and to the advances made in cancer prevention, detection and treatment. Currently, Texas has over \$33 million in current research grants. Twenty million of those research grants are housed in Houston area institutions, such as M.D. Anderson and UTMB. But what is most important is how the research program impacts the people that you know. If you know a child who has survived leukemia, if you know a woman whose breast cancer was treated with the drugs Tomoxifin or Herceptin, a man whose prostate cancer was diagnosed with a PSA blood test, a woman who has an annual pap test or a mammogram, or anyone who has ever quit smoking, then you know someone who has benefitted from research funded by the American Cancer Society.

One of the people in my life that has been impacted by the research program is named Bettina. Bettina is currently battling cancer for the fourth time. Upon her diagnosis her doctor suggested that she begin taking a new drug called Glebek. Now Glebek is a leukemia drug that was created by a researcher funded by the American Cancer Society. And while Bettina does not have leukemia, she decided to follow her doctor's advice and take this new drug. Glebek attacks cancer on a molecular level, so Bettina did not have to suffer the side effects of traditional chemotherapy. Within a few short months, Bettina's tumors dissolved. And while the doctor is still monitoring her progress, every indication is that the drug has worked and that she will once again win her battle with cancer.

Now what is important about Bettina's story is this. Five years ago before Glebek,

there was no treatment for her type of cancer. And in the same few short months, she would have lost her battle with cancer. Bettina often talks about the first time she came down to M.D. Anderson for treatment. As the cab driver passed the research wing of the hospital, he said, “I don’t think those researchers ever sleep because the lights in that building are always burning.”

On behalf of the American Cancer Society, I would like to thank you for your generous gift that’s going to allow us to keep those lights burning. I do also have something to present to you, Karen. It says, “Presented to Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, in sincere appreciation for your extraordinary support in the fight against cancer for the years 2004-2005.” [applause]

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** We will be going into the formal opening shortly. I want you to join us because beyond oceans of human experiences, everything is ruled by the kingdom of God. Let us bow before Him as Mr. Henry Martin, Past Grand Patron, leads us in prayer.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Would you bow with me, please. Our Most Gracious Heavenly Father, Grand Architect of the Universe, as this week of activities begins, we invoke Thy promise that where one or more gather in Your Name, there You will be also. May You be constantly with us throughout the week, and may we be ever mindful of Your presence in our midst. As we begin this Grand Chapter session, we thank You for the traveling mercies that allowed us to arrive here safely. We are grateful for each and every person present, those from our state of Texas and those who visit with us from other states. We especially ask that You be with our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron this week. Give them the wisdom and the clarity of mind that only You can provide that they might lead us according to Thy will. Be with each of us as we enter into these deliberations so that everything that is done and every word that is said be according to Your perfect and holy will. And when our work here is done, grant that we may be allowed to return home safely to our family and friends. We will be sure to give You all the praise. Father, we ask all of this in the Name of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, my friends, for your attention; to all who have extended a loving welcome; to all Distinguished Guests who have honored us with your presence and brought greetings and words for a successful Grand Chapter session. We say with our hearts, “In our logbook of life, we will write a chapter about you. We will write it there in love on the pages of our memory. As we reflect on it there, we will smile remembering you were here.”

This concludes the informal opening. At this time I would ask that all who are not members of the Order of the Eastern Star will retire. Assisting Grand Marshal, you will please lead the way for any of those retiring at this time.

[Recess]

It is with love and respect that I announce the two who will open this session. In 1999 their aim was to accept each challenge as an opportunity to reach for the stars, and reach for the stars they did. They accepted leadership over the turn-of-the-century Grand Chapter year, bringing out the best in each one of us with the three R’s: Reverence, Respect and Responsibility. They presided over “The Seasons of Starlight” session in San Antonio. I believe that they had dreams of settling in a gazebo, which was one of the

symbols, relaxing and gazing at the stars. That was not to be. Our Lee, a great gentleman of great stature and ability in Texas and beyond; our Betty proves that friends are friends forever as she responds to the many requests of service that have been offered to her. They will call the “Footprints in the Sand” session to order. Sister Betty Friend and Brother Lee Stallings, I invite you to preside. Sisters and Brothers, please take your places for the formal opening.

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Sister Elsie Paladino. What a beautiful informal opening we just finished. And with you as the leader, we knew it would be great. Now I would like for you to help me thank Sister Gladys Cox for the music that she has been playing as we’ve been getting organized and getting ready for this session. Thank you. [applause]

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions and Texas, other Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: What a wonderful group we have here today. It is a distinct honor and privilege to welcome you to the “Footprints in the Sand” formal opening of the 123rd “Treasures of Life” Grand Chapter session. As the sands of time pass swiftly through the hourglass, so has this magnificent year in Texas, led by our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Today they have asked Brother Lee Stallings and me to call this session to order. It gives me great joy to do that for you.

“Footprints in the Sand” can express a variety of implications. If the steps seem regular in shape and at equal distance from each other, the footprints will usually indicate a person who is relaxed and casually enjoying a stroll on the beach. If the steps seem hurried with deep indentions left in the sand, the implication is that person could feel anxious, concerned or even scared. Throughout New Testament Scripture, we read the words of Jesus telling his disciples to follow Him wherever He goes. As they gathered beside the sea, footprints of all sizes and shapes might be found, indicating various emotions because the disciples were in constant awe of Jesus. In the Order of the Eastern Star usually two sets of footprints appear together, implying friendship, companionship or love. These happy steps mark joy and peace. Today as we open the “Footprints in the Sand” session of this Grand Chapter, we hope that the footprints that you leave in the sand in Galveston are ones that will always be remembered with fondness, joy and love.

It is my pleasure once again to be standing in the East with my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Lee Stallings. Time has flown since the turn-of-the-century year when we celebrated “Seasons of Starlight.” Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, and Brother Jerry have invited us to stand here together once again and call to order this “Footprints in the Sand” session of the 123rd “Treasures of Life” Grand Chapter. Brother Lee, how proud I am of your accomplishments in the General Grand Chapter since we completed our year in 2000. It is good to be serving with you again, and I know that you’re eager to bring greetings to this beautiful assemblage.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Thank you, Sister Betty Friend, my Worthy Grand Matron of 1999-2000. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, my Sisters, Brothers, but most of all my Friends: Welcome to the beautiful Moody Garden Convention Center on Galveston

Island and the 123rd Grand Chapter session. It is indeed a great personal privilege for me to stand in the East with my Worthy Grand Matron with whom I served this Grand Chapter. Sister Betty is a true friend, a sincerely loving individual and a dedicated leader within this Grand Chapter. Pat and I love her and Jack as family, and they're very, very special to us.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I wish you and your Officers a wonderful and rewarding Grand Chapter session. You have had a good and productive year with the support of this membership. May this Grand Chapter session be the culmination of your hard work and dreams. Thank you for the outstanding year of service. This Grand Chapter is proud of you and your accomplishments.

Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, we want to give you and all the visiting dignitaries a big Texas welcome. Thank you for picking this time and place to be with us and for all that you do for our beloved Order. We hope your stay in Texas will be a rewarding one, and along the way may God bless, guide and keep you in all that you say and do.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for allowing me this opportunity and this special privilege of opening this "Footprints in the Sand" session with my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Betty Friend. Thank you.

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** At this time I invite the Grand Officers and their Pages to enter and present the "Jewels by the Sea" Drill under the direction of Sister Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal. [Drill performed to much applause.]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I call on Sister Sherry Dieckman for a partial report.

**MRS. SHERRY DICKMAN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers: The Credentials Committee of the 123rd session is pleased to report that we have Chapter Representatives of more than 256 Chapters. This constitutes a quorum. The Grand Chapter can be opened to transact its business.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Sherry, for that report. At this time we will begin the Ritualistic Opening of our Grand Chapter.

[Ritualistic opening.]

I now declare the 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, duly opened for the transaction of business.

[Ritualistic opening continued.]

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Installed Officers and Committee Members, other Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers: We welcome you once again to the 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

Sister Elsie Paladino, may I say thank you for presiding as our Master of Ceremonies. I have always looked to you for guidance, and I thank you for all that you have done for me. To Sister Beulah Speer, thank you for the lovely way in which you presented our Grand Officers and Distinguished Guests. You have made each one of us look special. We are richer because of your friendship. To Sister Betty and Brother Lee, thank you for



opening our session today. It would not have been complete had you not been here to do this for us. And, Brother Henry, your words of prayer have lifted us up that we might begin the task before us in this 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas. Thank you for your friendship and devotion to our Order. And to Sister Gladys, our ceremonies are most impressive when accompanied by music. You have shared most unselfishly with us today. Thank you. To all who prepared and worked so diligently for this session, you have done an outstanding job and I thank you. To those who assisted with the presentations, thank you for one more act of love and service to our Order.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to share your appreciation to these members.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Betty, I want to thank you for your opening of this Grand Chapter session. I had the pleasure of serving in the East of my Subordinate Chapter during yours and Brother Lee's year in the Grand East. Therefore, it is especially pleasing to have you open our session today. Your contributions to our Order will always be appreciated. Thank you for being part of this very special day for Sister Karen and I.

Brother Lee, it was indeed a pleasure to have been one of your All Stars during your service in the Grand East. Little did I know at that time that I would also share with you the honor of wearing this Worthy Grand Patron's badge. You have given of your time and talent to our Grand Chapter, and we are proud of the service you are currently giving to the General Grand Chapter. I thank you also for your valuable knowledge that you have shared with me upon my request. Thank you for helping open this session.

Sister Elsie, what a wonderful Master of Ceremonies you were today. I have always admired the grace and elegance that you give to your duties.

And, Sister Beulah, thank you for serving as our Assisting Grand Marshal today. It has brightened our opening.

Sister Gladys, your music as always was great. And, Sister Melissa, your beautiful voice has lifted our spirits this morning. And, Brother Henry, thank you for that thoughtful invocation. The blessing of our Heavenly Father is always uplifting and comforting.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I invite our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron to please stand. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is indeed an honor for me to introduce Sister Patricia "Pat" Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Minnesota, and Brother Loyal L. Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron and a Past Grand Patron of the State of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Pat, just as we gather flowers to make a bright bouquet, so do we gather Eastern Star friendships as we go along life's way. There's none more lovely or dearly cherished in our sweet bouquet of friendship than the ones we share with you. Brother Loyal, there is a miracle of friendship that dwells within the heart, and you don't know how it happens or where it gets its start. The happiness it brings you always gives you that special lift, and you realize that friendship is God's most precious gift.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Pat and Brother Loyal, we are honored by your presence today. When I think about your tremendous task of leading our General Grand Chapter, I think of what Theodore Hessboro once said, “The very essence of leadership is that you have to have a vision.” You have made it clear to the membership that you do have a vision and further that you have appointed a Vision Team to carry out that mission. We applaud your vision to search for changes that can help our membership to continue to grow and ensure the continuance of this great fraternity of ours. Thank you for allowing us the pleasure of your company today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will escort our Distinguished Guests to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present Sister Patricia Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron. Will you please join me in saluting them with Grand Honors.

Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor at this time to have our Most Worthy Grand Matron to bring greetings.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, my Sister Karen. To my Brother, the Worthy Grand Patron, to the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Helen, to the General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members, Appointments, all my Sisters and Brothers: Greetings, Texas. You’ve been sitting there a long time. Do you want to stand up or are you okay? I guess they’re just fine; they’re going to stay there.

I am so pleased to be in Texas. Aren’t you pleased to be here today? [applause] I know you had some reservations to come down here to Galveston where you hadn’t been for many, many years. But, my goodness, could we have envisioned this beautiful, beautiful complex that we are in. Our thanks go to Sister Karen for making that happen. Would you please thank her? [applause] And Sister Karen, we can’t say enough about how well we’re treated here in Texas. We have been every time we’ve ever been here, and this is no exception. Your people are just doing a beautiful, wonderful job. Thank you. [applause]

Yes, these two people have worked very diligently and very hard over this past year – actually four years and certainly even beyond that. There’s always a little fence-mending to do; there’s always a little education to do, and they have done some of everything. They have been great, and we appreciate their service.

You are so, so fortunate to have a Past Worthy Grand Matron with you today, do you know that? [applause] Do you know there are only nine Past Most Worthies in the entire world, and you have one of them here with you today. She is a Georgia peach and if you have not met her, you will want to do that. If you have not heard her tell a story, just ask her to and I’m sure she will relate one for you. Thank you, Helen. I love you.

To our General Grand Chapter Officers, I don’t often recognize you in a meeting, I usually get right into the meat of what I want to say, but I have to do that today. I am so pleased that three of the elected and two of the appointed are here with Brother Loyal and I today. Those electeds will take you through ten more years of General Grand Chapter, my Sisters and Brothers. I don’t need to tell Texas, seven years, kids. It’s all yours. You’re going to be doing it, so you had better get out the troops because you’ve got a lot of work to do between now and then, let me tell you. But it’s lot of fun work, and I know that you’re all going to enjoy it. To our two appointed Officers from Rhode Island and from Mississippi, we are so pleased always when you’re with us, kids. We love you all dearly. Thank you. [applause]

I'm always so proud of General Grand Chapter Committee Members, and they're so beautiful in their pink and they show up so well. They're just absolutely wonderful people. And the fellows in the black are pretty good, too. But I especially want to recognize those today who are serving from this great state of Texas. Sister Alma. Alma and I go way back. We visited many, many years ago. I always enjoy being in Sister Alma's company. And when she agreed to be a Committee Member for us, I knew I had to put her on something that worked and something that had detail. As a Past Grand Secretary, I knew she could handle all of that. Alma, we're looking forward to the work that you're going to be doing in Minneapolis very shortly. Thank you, my love. [applause]

Brother Billy Combest. Where is he? He's back there way in the back. He is representing Knights Templar Eye Foundation for us and doing a fine job, and things are moving along for that Order. We thank you, Brother Billy, for everything that you do to make wonderful things happen for your Committee and for the great state of Texas. Thank you, Billy. [applause]

Brother Henry Martin, certainly one of your workers. He gave a beautiful invocation today that came from his heart. He is a special person to us. He has had his health problems. I don't need to tell you, but he's doing pretty good today. You'd never know he had a broken foot, would you? Brother Henry, where are you? He's in the back also. There is he waving back there. We certainly do thank you, Henry, for what you've done for the Vision here in Texas. You've had some beautiful, wonderful sessions and reached a lot of people. You're bringing our message of growth in membership and leadership to the members, and we appreciate everything that you've done. Thank you. [applause]

Brother Lee Stallings. Is he back there, too? They tell me he's in a meeting. We'll excuse him. He's in a Jurisprudence meeting. Lee Stallings – I was in your Grand Chapter when Sister Betty Friend was ready to make her announcement of who would be going up with her. She pointed him out sitting at a table down in front of me. She was so excited. She said, "That's the fellow that's going to be going with me. His name is Lee Stallings, and he's a very talented man." I have to agree with you, Sister Betty. He's a very talented man, and he has done so much for our Vision Committee and is now chairing it. He has been an inspiration to many all over the world, and we certainly are grateful for the service that Lee Stallings has given to our General Grand Chapter.

I just want to say one little thing about Sister Rennie Oton. Sister Rennie, the Redbird. She's known all over the world now as the Redbird, and she was quite disturbed last night when she saw those red feathers. She thought her little redbirds had lost all of their little tail feathers. They didn't, Rennie. There's lots more tail feathers out there yet, and they're going to be working for you. She is your ambassador, Sisters and Brothers of Texas. She is the gracious lady that always has a smile and a kind word for people, and we don't know what we would do without Sister Rennie. You are a beautiful friend, Rennie; you are going to be a beautiful leader in a very short time. We know that all of the state of Texas will be behind you. Thank you. [applause] I guess you know she's a little special to me for another reason. Her husband Paul was a wonderful person who was born and raised in Minnesota. So he was one of those big Scandinavians, and you do remember Paul. When you'd see him, you would not forget him. A very special friend to all of us.

Just yesterday we were at the Past Grands Association and we saw all the jewels of the sea. Past Grands are a very special group, and I thank the Past Grands of Texas for the solidarity that you show to the world. You are a wonderful group of people who have given

so much to this organization. Your pride is always showing. I want to speak just a moment about pride, Sisters and Brothers, and I really don't need to say anything to Texans because if there's one state in the Union that has pride in their state, it is Texas. [applause] And rightly so. You have been under several flags. You made your own rules when you came into the Union. You said you could get out at any time if you wished to, and it's our blessing that you have not wished to, that you have stayed in the Union. You also made that agreement that your flag would always be at a level with the United States Flag. You are the only jurisdiction in the United States that has that agreement and has that allowance. You have another thing. I wrote a letter to your Worthy Grand Matron that I believe she's going to read a little bit later, that your Square & Compasses of your Masons could be on your Bible. That also was an agreement that was made with General Grand Chapter way back in 1922 at the request of the Masons of Texas. We still honor that. [applause] But please don't tell the other 48 states and provinces because they'll want to do it, too, and we don't want to start a whole new thing. You have that option, and we're going to leave that solely with Texas.

Yesterday also we had the privilege of going to the Shriners Hospital. You have a beautiful, marvelous facility here in Galveston that you should be proud of. Your pride should show in that hospital, and it does. Your Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Officers were so kind yesterday to present to the Shriners Hospital in my name a contribution of \$1,000. They also gave a contribution to the American Cancer Society, a like amount, in Loyal's name for \$1,000. Very touching to us, Sisters and Brothers, because both of those philanthropies are very, very close to our hearts. When I was just 14, one of my very close friends in school was trying to light the oven in her home and it exploded. She was burned very, very severely. They didn't know if she would walk; they didn't know if she would have a face left. Certainly she would never be able to have children. She was treated at the hospital. She is now still a beautiful woman and the mother of three children. So those hospitals do more than we can ever imagine. Let's have pride in those hospitals. Thank you. [applause] I bet you're glad I never get emotional, aren't you? I try not to do it, but, you know, sometimes we are what we are.

And weren't we impressed certainly with your Worthy Grand Matron's son this afternoon? Wasn't that absolutely marvelous? [applause] What a pride she has in her son and what a proud feeling we should all have for those servicemen who are serving in many, many parts of this world to keep us free. Yes, it's not something we always want to see happen, our young people going to war. But sometimes we need to fight back against those terrorists, and sometimes we need to stand up and say, "Thank you, we appreciate what you're doing." And I think that young man did get that impression today. Brother Loyal never goes through an airport but what he stops when he sees someone in uniform, walks up to them and says, "Thank you for what you're doing for us." The look of surprise on their face is always there. They are not used to having people come up to them and thank them, but we need to do that, Sisters and Brothers. We need to remember what they're giving for us.

I remember the story – we talked about flying in our Past Grands yesterday. I don't know if I should share that story with you. You know, I come from Minnesota where there are Scandinavians, and we talk about Ole and Lena an awful lot. You may have heard of Ole and Lena. Have you? No. Well, my goodness, I'm going to tell you about Ole and Lena, only it's going to be Ole and Sven. This was the flying story that I told at Past

Grands. So, Past Grands, you can shut your ears; you've heard it already. Ole and Sven were going up to north Minnesota to go moose hunting. They were very excited, and they flew in the plane up there and got out and they went moose hunting. They got six moose. They got back to the airport and they told the pilot, "We got six moose to go home." And the pilot said, "Oh, no, no. You can't take six moose in this little plane." And they said, "Well, the pilot from last year did. He took six moose back with us in the plane." So they finally convinced the pilot that yes, he could take those six moose on the plane. Well, they started taxiing off, and of course they couldn't get up speed because they were too heavy with those moose, and down they went. They crashed. Well, Ole and Sven crawled out of the wreckage. Ole said to Sven, "Oh, Sven, do you know where we are?" And Sven said, "No, but I think we got just a little bit further than we did last time." [applause and laughter] Well, we have faith, Sisters and Brothers, but sometimes we need a little more than faith, don't we, to get us off the ground.

But now the other story about flying. It's about a woman who was on a plane; she was ready to go home. She had been at a business meeting all day long, all week long. She was tired; she wanted to get home. They had delays with the plane, as you do nowadays. She finally got on the plane and there were more delays. They said it would be at least another half hour. Well, after the half hour people were getting very uncomfortable and very unkind and started to make a little noise. The flight attendants kept saying, "It will just be a minute longer. Please be patient." Well, it was a half hour, and people were very unhappy, unkind, impatient. All of a sudden they opened the doors, and everyone expected to see a rock star or a basketball star or something like that come on. Instead, it was 12 servicemen who had just come back from Vietnam. The people fell into a silence and were so awed at what they saw that pretty soon as they started going up the aisle, people started clapping. And they clapped, and they were so appreciative of those people that everybody forgot about how anxious they were to get home and how impatient they had been, when they saw these young people who had given so much.

Sisters and Brothers, we have to remember: The world does not always rotate around us as individuals. There is a whole other group of people out in the world that are caring, giving individuals, and let's show our patience for one another. But let's never lose our pride in this beautiful Order of the Eastern Star. Your Grand Master said it so well – and don't you have pride in that Grand Master who speaks out so eloquently – we need to show the pride that we have in this organization. We have something the world needs, Sisters and Brothers, and we need to be able to step forward, have pride in it and speak to it.

I thank you for your patience and for being the beautiful Eastern Stars that you are. Thank you. [applause]

When she gave me the wonderful donation yesterday, I said, "Wow, something I don't have to take home and put on my dining room table." She said, "Well, we have a little something for you at the session."

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We'll let Brother Loyal speak and we would like for you to open your present.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Howdy! It's great to be in Texas, great to have all this Texas hospitality, all your courtesies and friendship. It has been a marvelous time for us. Before I get too far, I want to acknowledge our Pages, Sister Doris and Burley Jones. Are they out there somewhere? Just wave. I sent them on a mission.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Well, my Page can stand up and be recognized. That's Virginia.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Wave Virginia. Thank you.

It's great to be in the Houston area, the area of NASA and the marvelous frontier of space. You know, there was another frontier that started a lot here in Texas. That frontier was something like this, "From out of the past come the thundering hoofbeats of the great horse Silver. The Lone Ranger rides again. Hi-ho, Silver. Away. Return with us now to those thrilling days of yesteryear. The Lone Ranger with his faithful companion Tonto led the fight for law and order in the Old West." Now I know hardly any of you were old enough to listen to those Saturday morning radio serials or the Saturday afternoon matinee. Those movies gave us stories of honor and justice, where might and right triumphs over evil. It was the code of the West, and we loved it. Our heroes, as Zane Grey and Louis L'amore would write about, were someone to ride the river with. He rode for the brand. A shake of the hand was a promise for life. Women were treated with great respect and honor. And, obviously, if he came from Texas, he rode faster, he roped better and he shot straighter than anybody else. And, of course, in Texas the girls were always prettier. Kind of true today I'd say, wouldn't you? [applause]

There's another hero that came from this era, and it was our Rob Morris. He was born on August 31st, 1818. So when August 31st comes along, just say, "Happy birthday, Rob." Would you do that? All right. In the 1850's he wrote the degrees at the Little Red Schoolhouse in Mississippi, which is one of our physical landmarks that we can be proud of. In 1866 he gave the Ritual to a Mr. McCoy, and Rob Morris went to the Holy Land where he created the Knights Templar and did a lot of writing and created lodges over there. In 1880 Rob Morris addressed the General Grand Chapter. Rob Morris was not a member of Eastern Star, but at that General Grand Chapter session in 1880 he was created an honorary member. He passed away in 1888 in LaGrange, Kentucky; and his home in Kentucky is a physical landmark of Eastern Star that you can also be proud of. Our Masonic heritage, those great Masonic heroes in the past, have gotten us where we are today, that beautiful Shrine Hospital, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, the Scottish Rite clinics. Heroes in everything that they do. Heroes in Eastern Star. The Chapter member that travels that hundred miles just so she or he won't miss that meeting. That young mother – that single working mother who comes home from work dead tired, but hurries and fixes dinner so she can get her two daughters off to Job's Daughters or to Rainbow. They're heroes in our eyes today.

In fact, I look out through this room, and I see a lot of heroes. When you go back to your Chapter, consider your Chapter members heroes and treat them as such. Randy Travis wrote a great song on "Heroes and Friends." He said, "Only two things that last till the end, one is your heroes, and the other is your friends. Your heroes will help you find good in yourself. Your friends won't forsake you for somebody else. They'll both stand beside you through thick and through thin. That's how it is with heroes and friends."

Sisters and Brothers, look across the hall and wave at some heroes and friends. Would you do that? We love you all. Thank you very much. [applause]

Now before you start, Sister Pat and I have one more thing to do. It's really important, and she's going to explain what it is.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I think you should explain today, Loyal.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I should explain today. Yes. Thank you,

Sister Pat. When we first started this wonderful journey, we decided that there was something that we wanted to give to each Worthy Grand Matron and each Worthy Grand Patron when we attended their Grand Chapter. So a pin was created in the shape of a snowflake, of course, because that's Pat's emblem. But the other side of that snowflake is every snowflake is individual. And inside this snowflake is a candle which is my emblem, and that candle is there because it lights the way for others. So it's our great joy at this time to present the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron this pin. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Don't you believe our Most Worthy Grand Matron needs to open that small gift?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** And while she's opening that, Brother Loyal, here's a little token of the appreciation of the Worthy Grand Matron and myself.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You can see this, Sisters and Brothers. I said, "Is it something more to put on my dining room table?" It's something that will fill my dining room table. It is absolutely elegant. My wonderful Sisters and Brothers of Texas, I will think of you every day when I walk by my dining room table. Thank you.

**MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** I get to talk about mine. Wow! This is really something. It's a kaleidoscope, but it's like a spyglass. So if you have an ocean theme, I might even – ooh! Is she dancing? Oh, my goodness!

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, we will resume our introductions at this time. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present our Past Most Worthy Grand Matron at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is indeed a special honor for me to introduce Sister Helen R. Cox, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Georgia, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Helen, we are honored by your presence at our "Footprints in the Sand" session, and we extend to you the fraternal hand of friendship. Your love for our Order during your years of service are recorded in our book of memories. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet our Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Helen, it has been said that leaders are like eagles. They don't flock; therefore, you must find them one at a time. Fortunately, for our Order, you were one that they found. Your leadership and long service to our Order will always be appreciated. Thank you for sharing your time with us at this Grand Chapter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will escort our Distinguished Member to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to present to you the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Helen Cox. Will you please join me in saluting her with Grand Honors.

If I could have your attention for just a moment. Our Grand Secretary needs to address this membership.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move that those who are listed in the advance proceedings – the Chapters whose reports came to the Grand Secretary's office late – be allowed to pick up their credentials and be a part of this session.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion

made by our Grand Secretary. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your green card. Motion carried.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the Elective Officers of General Grand Chapter at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce the Elective and Appointive Floor Officers of General Grand Chapter. Sisters Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Barbara “Bobbie” B. White, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress and a Past Grand Matron of West Virginia; Katherine A. Newman, Worthy Grand Marshal, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary of Rhode Island; Bobbie D. Harrelson, Worthy Grand Warder and a Past Grand Matron of Mississippi, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We are delighted to have you come to help us to make a success of our “Treasures of Life” session. We are very proud that one of our Texas members is one of your group. Sister Rennie, we extend to you a very special welcome and would remind you that we feel you have brought honor to our Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet our Elective and Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. We are indeed grateful for your attendance today. And, Sister Rennie, it is especially pleasing to see you. Texas is so proud and honored to have you in this select group. But we are all equally honored by the attendance of each one of you here today. Booker T. Washington once said, “Few things help an individual more than to place responsibility upon him and let him know that you trust him.” You have all had the great responsibility of leading this Order thrust upon you, and we want you to know that we have the trust in you that you will faithfully fulfill that responsibility. We are delighted that you are here with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will be escorted to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present the Elective and Appointed Officers of General Grand Chapter. Will you please join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will be seated in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Ambassadors and Deputies who are Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce these General Grand Chapter Committee Members. Sisters Sue Bishop, Registration Committee and a Past Grand Matron of California; Alma Carter, Registration Committee and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Beverly Reinart, Vision Coordinator (Midwest) and a Past Grand Matron of Iowa; Mary Felton, Regional Vision Coordinator (West), Ambassador to Japan and Okinawa and Past Grand Matron of Minnesota; Deborah “Debbie” Beard, Visioneer for Oklahoma and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma; Brothers Rodney T. Toon, ESTARL Committee and a Past Grand Patron of New Mexico; James Summerall, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Past Grand Patron of Mississippi; Billy H. Combest, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Past Grand Patron of Texas; Tom Benton, Registration Committee and a Past Grand Patron of Oklahoma; H. Lee Stallings, Director of the General Grand Chapter Vision Team and a Past Grand Patron of



Texas; Henry Martin, Visioneer of Texas and a Past Grand Patron of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Our Texas-sized greeting to each of you is earnest and sincere. We welcome you to this Grand Jurisdiction of Texas, and we welcome our own Texas General Grand Chapter Committee Members. Your selection by our Most Worthy Grand Matron signifies you as a special one whose love and devotion to our Order is commendable. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet the General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassador.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, “The days come and go like muffled and veiled figures, sent from a distant friendly party, but they say nothing. And if we don’t use the gifts they bring, they carry them silently away.” You have received the wonderful gift of your appointment, and your presence here today shows that you are using that gift to share yourself with us. Thank you for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will escort our Distinguished Members to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present the General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassador. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Jessie Adams, Arkansas; Linda Lambkin, Louisiana; Rosemary Archibeck, New Mexico; Carolyn Hacker, Oklahoma; Brothers Ira Payne, Arkansas; George Wolman, Louisiana; Dale Sutherland, Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** To our co-workers in other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend a Texas-sized welcome to you to this Grand Chapter session. This year we have worn the same robes of responsibility and we shared similar dreams and goals for our respective Jurisdictions. I sincerely appreciate your scheduling our Grand Chapter session in your travel plans. We thank you for sharing the most precious commodity that a Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron has, your time.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. With each of you we share a common bond. We have all been given a great honor and a greater responsibility for our own Jurisdictions. I am confident that you are all working tirelessly for the good of your Jurisdiction and will continue to improve and promote the well-being of your Grand Chapter. Thank you for sharing some of your precious time with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will escort our Distinguished Members to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will be seated in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the Past

Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. Past Grand Matrons: Sisters Barbara Gadberry, Grand Lecturer, Arkansas; Laura Ann Livingston, Georgia; Andrea Starline, Idaho; Darla Redman, Idaho; Gladys Allison, Louisiana; Audrey Barker, Louisiana; Carrie Castay, Grand Secretary, Louisiana; Betty LaBlosier, Louisiana; Margaret Hall, Louisiana; Margaret Hull, Oklahoma; Elizabeth Pullam, Oklahoma; Maxine Tolliver, Oklahoma; Frances Summerall, Mississippi; Elizabeth Bordeaux, Vermont; Brenda Jones, Virginia; Helen Walker, West Virginia; Janice Crisco, Mississippi. Past Grand Patrons: Brothers Donald Hull, California; Larry Puckett, Georgia; Johnny K. Hill, Louisiana; Guy A. Jenkins, Louisiana; Edward Lambkin, Louisiana; Clarence Tipton, New Mexico; Donald Hailene, Rhode Island and a Grand Representative to Texas in Rhode Island; Ennis Deerick, Virginia, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I wish to thank each of you for sharing this time with us today and during this session. May the precious links of memory bind the present with the past. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will be escorted to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, they will be seated in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas at the Altar for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is my sincere pleasure to introduce Texas' own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Sisters Lallah Mae Vollus, Molly Goodpasture, Mary Brown, Elise Hammack, Beulah Speer, Elsie Paladino, Betty Benham, Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Jane Gregory, Virginia Lynn Green, Rosemary Swetland, Yvonne Brownfield, Alma Lynn Bane, Betty Y. Friend, Naomi Wolfe, Jimmy Lee McMahan, Sharon Fentress, Doris Jean Hester; Brothers Harry Cunningham, Garland Rattan, Leland Benefield, Richard Ochs, Kenneth Gregory, Duane "Buddy" Baker, Harold Trammell, Ed Warner and Jack Guy, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, it is with a sense of deep gratitude that I welcome you, the Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons of Texas, to your very own Grand Chapter session. It has been a rare privilege to sit with each of you and to listen to your words of wisdom and knowledge and see the love you have for this Order. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. What a beautiful sight. You are so pretty out there today. Thomas Chalmers said, "Live for something, be good and leave behind you a monument of virtues that the storms of time can never destroy. Write your name in kindness, love and mercy on the hearts of those you come in contact with year by year, and you will never be forgotten. Your name and your good deeds will shine as stars in the heaven." Each of you has done just that. The membership of Texas will never forget what you have done for us, and I thank you for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand

Conductress, you will escort these very Distinguished Members to the East. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure and my honor to present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will remain in the East.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions in back of Esther's Station for introduction.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce these Installed Grand Officers and Elected Board Members of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters Glenda Payton, Associate Grand Matron, Arkansas; Nadine Hendricks, Grand Chaplain, Arkansas; Jane Morris, Grand Treasurer, Delaware; Jane McDaniel, Associate Grand Matron, Louisiana; Diane Smith, Grand Conductress, Louisiana; Juanita Wilkinson, Associate Grand Conductress, Louisiana; Shirley Boone, Grand Chaplain, Louisiana; Norma Jenkins, Grand Marshal, Louisiana; Ravinia McDonald, Grand Organist, Louisiana; Ramona Barnard, Grand Adah, Louisiana; Bonnie Johnston, Grand Ruth, Louisiana; Barbara Woolman, Grand Esther, Louisiana; Sandra Duncan, Grand Martha, Louisiana; Clara Westbrook, Grand Electa, Louisiana; Molly Grimm, Grand Ruth, New Mexico; Ann Barnes, Grand Conductress, Oklahoma; Marian Stout, Grand Chaplain, Oklahoma; Nancy Parker, Grand Lecturer, Oklahoma; Shirley Jean Dunn, Grand Marshal, Oklahoma; Jane Howell, Grand Organist, Oklahoma; Helen Robbins, Grand Ruth, Oklahoma; Beverly Boyett, Grand Esther, Oklahoma; Patsy Nix, Grand Martha, Oklahoma; Anna Jennings, Grand Electa, Oklahoma; Micki Pierce, Grand Warder, Oklahoma; Lillian White, Grand Secretary Emeritus, Virginia; Verna Vierick, Grand Conductress, Virginia; Brothers Richard Shaw, Associate Grand Patron, Louisiana; Terrell Howes, Grand Warder, Louisiana; Louis Franks, Grand Sentinel, Louisiana; William C. "Bill" Barnes, Grand Sentinel, Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we welcome you to Texas. In our Order each of us is a messenger of truth, helping others to know and understand and apply the great principles of daily living that we stand for in this fraternal family. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet the Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Amateurs practice until they do it right; professionals practice until they cannot do it wrong. By your diligence each of you demonstrates the correct way to fulfill your office. Thank you for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will be escorted to the Grand East.

As a note while they're coming up, the Grand Representatives of all of the other Grand Jurisdictions and Texas, what I'd like for you to do in the essence of time is to consolidate them into the three distinct groups they are, but line them up all at one time and we'll introduce them all at the same time.

Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to introduce to you the Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions. Will you please show them how much we appreciate them being here. [applause] Sister Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they'll be seated in the Chapter room.

Would Betty Fogarty, Derrell Fogarty, Sylvia Garcia and Raul Garcia please join me

in the East. We're going to be out of here in the next 25 to 30 minutes because we've got a banquet at 5.

As we talked about this morning in the Grand Representatives' breakfast, what an honor and a privilege it was to present Grand Representative appointments. At this time I have the honor of presenting to Sister Sylvia Garcia – and I can't read this because it's all in Spanish. Raul, would you do the honors.

**MR. RAUL GARCIA:** Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Aida D'balon, has the great pleasure to accept the proposition or the suggestion of the Grand Chapter of Texas, and it is an honor for us to designate Sister Sylvia Garcia as Grand Representative of Bolivia in Texas. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Sylvia, would you like to say anything?

**MRS. SYLVIA GARCIA:** I don't have the words to express how I feel right now, but I do want to thank our Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler, for this grand honor; and I pledge to do the best I can to represent you properly. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. "Whereas, the Grand Chapter of Puerto Rico, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, seeking to promote fraternal relations between their Grand Jurisdictions and believing that the ties of affection may be strengthened, the prosperity of the Order promoted, its unity, integrity and strength be protected, and its purpose and honor be confirmed by the appointment and the reception of Grand Representatives from each of the aforesaid Grand Chapters to the other; therefore, be it known that as evidence of our trust and confidence, we hereby do present, constitute and appoint Betty Fogarty Grand Representative of Grand Chapter of Puerto Rico and the Grand Chapter of Texas for the purpose aforesaid. In testimony" – and I can't say their names, it's all in Spanish. Sister Betty, would you like to bring greetings. [applause]

**MRS. BETTY FOGARTY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I pledge to represent Texas in Puerto Rico.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I believe you want to do a little pinning here, Brother Derrell.

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in saluting these two members with Grand Honors.

We're going to save time on this, Sister Grand Conductress, if you don't mind me doing it. I have the honor to present these Deputies to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Raul Garcia, Deputy to the Most Worthy Grand Patron in Mexico and Central America, and Sister Sylvia Garcia, Deputy to the Most Worthy Grand Matron in Mexico and now Grand Representative to Bolivia. Sisters and Brothers, will you please join me in showing them appreciation. [applause]

Sister Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Grand Representatives of Texas in other Grand Jurisdictions, Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions and the Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas in the West.

At this time it is my pleasure to introduce to you Sister Wren Barnes who is a Special Appointment of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Martha's Star. Sister Wren, we welcome you to Texas, and we are so honored to have you with us. I hope you understand we're running against time and we're just going to do it real fast. Thank you.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to bring greetings.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Never let the odds keep you from pursuing what you know in your heart you were meant to do. You were obviously meant to play a special role for General Grand Chapter for our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you for all that you do and especially for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, will you please show your appreciation to this member. [applause]

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to introduce these Grand Representatives of Texas in other Grand Jurisdictions: Brothers Gary Hamilton, Alberta; Steven Ward, British Columbia and Yukon; John Morris, Delaware; Sisters Freda Trull, Georgia; Sally Shrun, Iowa; Christine Smith, Louisiana; Harriet DeLaney, Minnesota; Brother Charles Howard, Mississippi; Sisters Lucille Schwartz, Missouri; Doris Taylor, Nevada; Rita Bailey, Ohio; Brother John Hacker, Oklahoma; Sisters Jerrie Setzhold, Pennsylvania; Pat Hudson, Tennessee; Alberta "Bertie" Jones, Virginia; Linda Ertz, Washington; Doris Neal, West Virginia; Laura Dezaroe, Wisconsin, Order of the Eastern Star.

Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to introduce these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Verna Kelton, Arizona in Oklahoma; Lydia Hendricks, Utah in Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

Now, Worthy Grand Matron, it is now my pleasure to introduce these Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Texas: Sister Dorothy White, Alabama; Brother Johnny Hester, Australia; Sisters Sylvia Garcia, Bolivia; Kathy Teele, British Columbia and Yukon; Mary Calvert, California; Evelyn Tolbert, Colorado; Rachel McCollum, Delaware; Brother Cleo Ellison, District of Columbia; Sisters Janet "Jan" Holland, Florida; Jerre Miller, Georgia; Brother Jerry Trees, Idaho; Sisters Betty Warlick, Illinois; Polly McCamey, Iowa; Rose Ann Lowry, Kansas; Beulah Warner, Kentucky; Brother Ray M. Lewis, Louisiana; Sister Jean Thomas, Manitoba; Brother Art Brunet, Michigan; Sisters Jeffie Roberts, Minnesota; Dianna Cauthen, Mississippi; Sue Shoemaker, Montana; Benita Bassett, Nebraska; Wilma Johnson, Nevada; Bobbye Ann Dyer, New Jersey; Bonnie Varnell, New Mexico; Brother Karl Drescher, Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island; "Skip" Smith, Ohio; Sisters Marna Robinson, Oklahoma; Patricia Cooper, Oregon; Brothers Warren Huckabee, Pennsylvania; Edwin T. Morgenthaler, Quebec; Sisters Betty Fogarty, Puerto Rico; Barbara Gregory, Rhode Island; Fredia Dillon, Saskatchewan; Nanette Gwaltney, Sao Paulo; Norma Phillips, Scotland; Frances Reedy, South Carolina; LaNelle Hendrix, South Dakota; Linda Roy, Tennessee; Marie Russell, Utah; Linda Guy, Vermont; Melynda Geisenchlag, Virginia; Glenda Klemm, Washington; Betty Pettke, West Virginia; Linda Carney, Wisconsin; Johnnie Faye Morris, Wyoming, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, each of you standing at this Altar has given untold years of service to our Order and to each of your Grand Jurisdictions. You were chosen to represent us in the Jurisdictions and carry with you in your travels our fraternal greetings to our Sisters and Brothers across our nation and around the world. Rejoice in your service for life holds much for you.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet these Grand Representatives.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. The dearest thing in nature is not comparable to the dearest thing of friendship. As you meet with your

new friends in their Grand Jurisdictions, we hope that new bonds of friendship will last forever. Thank you for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I'm going to ask at this time if everybody would turn facing the audience, and at this time, Sisters and Brothers, will you please join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will be seated in the Grand Chapter room.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, do we have Grand Committee Members and Appointments of other Grand Jurisdictions? If so, please escort them to the West.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to introduce these Committee Members of other Grand Jurisdictions. Sister Mavis Payne, Grand Escort to the Worthy Grand Patron, Arkansas; and Sister Ruth Petty, Grand Page to Grand Electa, Oklahoma, Order of the Eastern Star.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters, we welcome you to Texas. The most important elements of a Grand Family are those into whose hands we entrust the important tasks and projects. It is your hands, your hearts, your efforts which will accomplish the goals of your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. It is your labor that will complete the projects of your Jurisdiction at the year's end.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet these Committee Members and Appointments of other Grand Jurisdictions.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters, it is your dedication and hard work that makes a Grand Chapter. Without your tireless dedication to the Committees you serve on, the necessary work of the Order will go undone. I thank you for all you do every day, every week, every month for the good of this Order. And thank you for being with us today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, would you please show these members our appreciation. [applause] To my Sisters, I hope you understand that we're not going to be able to bring you to the East at this time. Thank you very much. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, they will be seated in the Chapter room. Then we'll have the Presiding Officers and Distinguished Members of all Appendant Bodies.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** It is my pleasure to introduce these who are Distinguished Members of other Appendant Bodies: J. Weldon Clampitt, Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas and Executive Officer in Texas for the Order of the DeMolay; and Youth and Adult Leaders of Fraternal Youth Organizations: Sisters Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy, International Order of Rainbow for Girls; Linda Henderson, Jurisdictional Guardian of Texas, Job's Daughters International; and Shelly Walker, Worthy High Priestess, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we welcome you to the "Footprints in the Sand," the 123rd session of this Grand Chapter. Each one of you serves his or her Appendant Body and contributes to the success of our great Masonic Family. We are honored to have you with us.

Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to greet these Officers.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. John Maxwell said, "A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way." Each of you, by selection to your office, has demonstrated that you possess these qualities. I applaud

you for giving of your time and talent to further the growth and improvement of the Masonic Family. You have honored us by your presence today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, please show them our appreciation. Sister Grand Conductress, they will be seated in the Grand Chapter room.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, do we have Youth Leaders of Fraternal Youth Organizations here? Yes? Okay. Let's hurry.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, they have been introduced.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. That concludes our introductions. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, may I say thank you very much to both of you for helping in moving this along today. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, we do have greetings, but we're going to hold those greetings till tonight. If you will bear with me, we cannot leave this Grand Chapter room till we close our Bible. Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Bible on the Altar.

Sisters and Brothers, before we leave this room I ask that our Past Grand Patron, Brother Buddy Baker, lead us in a word of prayer.

**MR. BUDDY BAKER:** Will you please pray with me. Our Most Gracious Heavenly Father, as we come to the close of this formal opening of the 123rd session of Grand Chapter, we thank You for the many blessings of the day and the many kindnesses that have been bestowed upon us. We ask that You put a special blessing on those men and women serving our country. Now we ask, as we leave this place, that You guide, protect and look over each one of us. And may we return tomorrow to continue the business of this Grand Chapter. May everything that we say and do be for Your honor and glory. We ask now that You forgive us where we have failed and guide us to do what is right and just. All these things we ask in Thy Holy Name, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I now call this "Footprints in the Sand" session from labor to rest until 7:30 p.m. tonight. Sisters and Brothers, we made it before 5. Thank you.

**THURSDAY EVENING SESSION**

August 25, 2005

## “Treasured Moments” Session

6:30 p.m. Musical Prelude

Mrs. Susan Smith  
Grand Organist

7:30 p.m. Call to Order

Mrs. Betty Benham, PGM  
Mr. Henry Martin, PGP

**MRS. BETTY BENHAM:** Good evening, Sisters, Brothers and Friends. It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you and to open this Thursday evening “Treasured Moments” session of the 123rd Grand Chapter session and invite you to view the presentation of the Grand Representatives’ and Humanitarian Drill. All year the waves of the sea have swept each of us in different directions and many different interests. But this week we gather here in Galveston, Texas, with one mutual interest: to join our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in helping making this Grand Chapter session be a treasured memory.

To our Distinguished Guests from near and far, to you who are here for the first time and to those who have attended before, we hope the memories of the hours spent in our midst will linger in your hearts. Sisters and Brothers, life affords us many treasured memories as we travel the sea of human experiences, and tonight will be an added memory in my treasure chest, in having the honor to open this session with Brother Henry Martin, General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron of Texas.

We experienced this afternoon in our beautiful opening a most delightful “Jewels by the Sea” Drill. I believe it will be exciting to view the drill performed by our Grand Officers once again, don’t you agree? [applause] Grand Marshal, I invite you to enter with our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter Officers and Personal Pages. Let’s tell them how beautiful they look. [applause]

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. It is with a great deal of pride and pleasure that I present Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for your generosity and the honor of opening this session with Brother Henry Martin. I have been looking forward to this night when I could present you with your gavel. Your gentle manner, happy smile, love and understanding of others have strengthened the bond of fraternalism to work for the betterment of our Order. Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry, a wise Chinese philosopher gave three precious principles: Be gentle and you may be bold; be frugal and you may be liberal; avoid putting yourself before others and you will become a leader. Indeed, Worthy Grand Patron, you have been gentle in the affairs of Grand Chapter and gentle toward your Sisters and Brothers, therefore qualifying you as a fine leader. And may you have only happiness, success and abundant life.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, may your treasure chest be filled with treasured memories of lucent jewels of the sea, those being majestic jewels of the



hills, hidden jewels of the earth and shining jewels of the heart. And speaking of jewels, I want to thank Brother Henry Martin for filling in for our Past Grand Patron Joe Jeffers who could not be with us tonight. I would say, I invite this awesome Past Grand Patron Henry Martin to greet you.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Sister Betty Benham. It's indeed an honor to be asked to open this Thursday evening session of our 123rd Grand Chapter session with this most capable and beautiful Past Grand Matron. You know, Betty, we remember very well and will long remember that great Grand Chapter session you held in Amarillo just a few short years ago. And seeing you at that podium brings back those memories very vividly. It is an honor to be able to preside up here and to present to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron my congratulations for a wonderful year. These two people – Sister Karen and Brother Jerry – have given to our Order so much this year. They have devoted themselves and have spent the time and the effort, and they are truly devoted leaders. They have led us in a way that we can all be proud. Truly, Grand Chapter of Texas owes a great debt to these two leaders. It's a pleasure to be up here with you tonight. Thank you.

**MRS. BETTY BENHAM:** Worthy Grand Matron, may all your memories be golden. It is with pleasure that I present you your gavel.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, before we begin tonight. There were just a couple of things that we were not able to complete this afternoon because of the time schedules that we were working under. It's not going to take but just a few minutes to complete these things that I would like to do. I know that Sister Judy, our Fraternal Correspondent, and Sister Ann Wyatt, our Humanitarian Chairman, will both understand.

But at this time, Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, to bring greetings and to extend the welcome to all of our Distinguished Members. Sister Rennie.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Visitors, Members, all: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of adding and joining in in welcoming and extending special greetings to our guests and the beloved Texas membership. It is our pleasure to have each of you at our "Treasures of Life" 123rd session of Texas Grand Chapter. Many hours of planning have been conducted to let you know how much we looked forward to your coming and how much we want you to enjoy your stay with us. Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Pat Rasmusson, and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Loyal Stark, and Joan, we are honored by your presence. We hope each hour you spend with us will provide pleasant memories for years to come. Sister Pat, you always were Paul's Minnesota gal and a special friend to us. We miss our Nova Scotia/Prince Edward Island running mate, Brother Fred Clarke and his wife Margaret. They are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, so I gave Fred permission to stay home – to miss this session and stay home. I did send them heartiest congratulations.

To the General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members and Deputies, please know I appreciate your presence.

Sisters and Brothers, please enjoy the wonderful Eastern Star fellowship with each

other and strengthen the fabulous fraternal ties of our beautiful Order. May the Good Lord bless you and always shower you with blessings from above. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Rennie. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce to this membership once again Sister Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and a Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, who will bring the response on behalf of all of our Distinguished Members. Sister Barbara.

**MRS. BARBARA BENTON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Family, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers: Now if I say chick chick a ma, will you say –

**VOICES:** Chick chick a ma.

**MRS. BARBARA BENTON:** And you know what you said? “Good evening” in Indian Choctaw talk. Very good. Very good.

The welcome from Sister Rennie at this “Treasures of Life” session was given with much sweetness, and I would hope this response will be received in the same way. Now all of us know that everything is bigger and better in Texas. [applause] But for those of you who are not Okies and you just might like to know that our people actually grow and eat okra. Our state tree is the redbud. Our song, “Oklahoma.” And our state picture, a cowboy silhouette.

Now, Rennie, Right Worthy Grand Conductress, you are right on my heels on this General Grand Chapter ladder, and you continue to smile all the while. Behind you is Bobbie White, our Right Worthy, Associate Grand Conductress. A sweeter girl you’ve never seen – and not very light on her feet. [laughter] And then the other two appointed General Grand Chapter Officers that are with you tonight, they do not hide the fact that they love to be with their Most Worthy Grand Matron from Minnesota and their Most Worthy Grand Patron from California. But all of us back here are glad to be with you here in Texas. You’ve worked so hard to entertain us, and you should feel very proud of yourselves because all your Distinguished Guests certainly are proud of you.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen, from all the traveling you’ve done this year, and seeing the state of Texas from one end to another, I overheard you saying to your Worthy Grand Patron that when the end of the world comes, you hope to be in West Texas because everything happens there 20 years later than the rest of the civilized world. [laughter] Worthy Grand Patron, I understand a number of years ago that you went to a Baptist church and asked to join it. You were told by the preacher that you had to pass a small Bible test first. The question was where was Jesus born. You thought a minute and said, “Longview.” You didn’t join the Baptist church. You went on over to the Methodist church and asked to join. Same thing about passing a test first. Where was Jesus born? You said, “Tyler.” You didn’t join the Methodist church either. Then you go over to the Pentecostal church, and the preacher says, “We welcome you into our church.” And you said, “I don’t have to pass a Bible test first?” The preacher said, “No.” Then you said, “Can I ask you a question, Preacher? Where was Jesus born?” The preacher said, “Palestine.” Now, Brother Jerry was heard to be mumbling to himself, “I knew it was somewhere in East Texas.” [laughter]

So getting back to the response to the welcome, “thank you” is one of those wonderful phrases people use to express a special gratitude. It means thank you for taking the time to show that you care. It means you really made my day, and sometimes it means that you really make all the days so much better. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to say

to you, ei honi sj. Now you say that. Ei honi sj. In Indian talk, “Until we meet again.” Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, when you serve as Worthy Grand Matron of a state, you have the opportunity to meet new friends, as we do everywhere. But these particular people that you meet serve their Grand Jurisdictions as Worthy Grand Matron. I am truly honored tonight to have Sister Carolyn Hacker, Worthy Grand Matron of Oklahoma, to bring greetings to this membership.

**MRS. CAROLYN HACKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen; Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry; Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Elected and Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, all other Distinguished Guests and my beloved Sisters and Brothers: It is an honor for me to respond to your warm welcome and the special courtesies we have received today and each day since we stepped into this lovely hotel. What a lovely setting for your 123rd Grand Chapter session. We have seen some of the creatures of the sea across the street, and we waited patiently for this special day to be here with you and the Grand Chapter of Texas, just to bring you greetings and fraternal love from our own Grand Jurisdiction and other Grand Jurisdictions. We know you have made a treasured memory in our lives, and as the tide rolls in and your session has ended, may the sun set on the end of your session as you hear the sound of the words, “Well done, our good and faithful servant.”

Now, on behalf of the Distinguished Guests, we have a token of love for each of you. We want to thank you, Sister Karen, for the honor you have extended to the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma and to me by inviting us to give this special response. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, at this time I would like Sister Judy Northrup to please come to the East and to bring her report.

## **REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT**

**FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

This truly has been one of the most rewarding years of my Eastern Star Life. Sister Karen and Brother Jerry, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me the privilege of serving you and this Grand Chapter in this position.

These Grand Representatives ARE the Treasures of Eastern Star. Each has received this honor because of the many years of service they have brought to our Beautiful Order. Each bringing different talents and ideas but each having a common goal and love. Their love of God, love and dedication to our Order, its obligation, principles and teachings.

I have traveled into 17 Jurisdictions through the eyes of these Grand Representatives and have enjoyed every mile as we traveled from State to State and Internationally. I feel each is my personal treasure and along with you am very proud of the way they have represented Texas. With the chage of our Grand Chapter year and our short nine months, many of our Grand Jurisdictions will be holding their Grand Chapter sessions in the next

two months.

Time will not permit the sharing of all the details contained in these 17 reports but I hope each of you had the opportunity to read them as they appeared in the Official Bulletin. Attached to this report is an addendum covering the highlights of each of these reports and will be published in the Grand Chapter proceedings.

Just as these Grand Representatives bring differences and similarities to this Grand Chapter, these Grand Jurisdictions do the same. All of the Jurisdictions work hard to support charitable organizations such as Cancer Research, Heart Fund, Diabetes Foundation, Alzheimer’s Research, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Shriners’ Hospitals for Children. Many thousand fo dollars have been raised by loving Sisters and Brothers for ESTARL Scholarships, Educational Scholarships, Tsunami Relief Fund as well as supporting our own Youth Organizations by donations to the Job’s Daughters, DeMolay and International Order of the rainbow for Girls.

The differences vary also. Some Jurisdictions elect their Grand Sentinel and he advances to Associate Grand Patron while some do not have an Associate Grand Patron. some allow their Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons to vote at Grand Chapter sessions while others allow all members present to vote. In some States the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress serve as the Fraternal Correspondents; some have a Lecturer and in some States the Worthy Grand Matron appoints the Lecturer and she advances to Associate Grand Conductress. The Grand Marshal declares the sessions open, closed and from rest to labor in some states; the Worthy Grand Patron presides over the election; some do not have Deputies or District Deputies but have Instructors. In some Jurisdictions the signs and passes are given during the Opening Ceremony of Grand Chapter and in Scotland they have a Junior and Senior Chaplain.

We are still the largest Fraternal Organization to which both mena nd women may belong. We share the same Ritual, obligation, signs, passes, landmarks, emblems and colors.

We now have 61 Grand Jurisdictions with the adding of Sao Paulo last year and Bolivia being added this year. Sister Karen had the privilege of recommending thirty of these commissions in the 2004-2005 Grand Chapter year.

As these Grand Representatives traveled this world from one Jurisdiction to another, God has given them each many treasures – the most important being an Angel to watch over them and keep them safe in their travel.s

Sister Grand Marshal, you will present our Grand Representatives, their Counterparts and Escorts for the cavalcade of flags “Angels Watching Over Me” Drill as the music is beautifully played by our Grand Organist, Sister Susan Smith.

Alabama	.....Dorothy White
Alberta	.....Edna Jeffries
Arizona	.....Brenda Smith
Arkansas	.....Alice Odom
Australia	.....Johnny Hester
Bolivia	.....Sylvia Garcia
British Columbia & Yukon	.....Kathy Teele
California	.....Mary Calvert
Colorado	.....Evelyn Tolbert

Connecticut	.Marjorie Hayes
Delaware	.Rachel McCollum
District of columbia	.Cleo Ellison
Florida	.Jan Holland
Georgia	.Jerre Miller
Idaho	.Jerry Trees
Illinois	.Betty Warlick
Indiana	.Harry Hainline
Iowa	.Polly McCamey
Kansas	.Rose Ann Lowry
Kentucky	.Beulah Warner
Louisiana	.Ray Lewis
Maine	
Manitob	.Jean Thomas
Maryland	
Massachusetts	.Evelyn Rucker
Michigan	.Art Brunet
Minnesota	.Jeffie Roberts
Mississippi	.Dianne Cauthen
Missouri	
Montana	.Sue Shormaker
Nebraska	.Bonita Bassett
Nevada	.Wilma Johnson
New Brunswick	
New Hampshire	.Eva Hicks
New Jersey	.Bobbie Dyer
New Mexico	.Bonnie Varnel
New York	
North Carolina	.Drew Terry
North Dakota	.Pat Hearn
Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island	.Karl Drescher
Ohio	.Skip Smith
Oklahoma	.Marna Robinson
Ontario	.Gene Griffin
Oregon	.Patricia Cooper
Pennsylvania	.Warren Huckabee
Puerto Rico	.Betty Fogarty
Quebec	.Tom Morgenthaler
Rhode Island	.Barbara Gregory
Sao Paulo	.Nannette Gwaltney
Saskatchewan	.Freida Dillon
Scotland	.Norma Phillips
South Carolina	.Frances Reedy
South Dakota	.LaNelle Hendrix
Tennessee	.Linda Roy
Utah	.Marie Russell

Vermont .....	.Linda Guy
Virginia .....	.Melynda Gisenschlag
Washington .....	.Glenda Klemm
West Virginia .....	.Betty Prettke
Wisconsin .....	.Linda Carney
Wyoming .....	.Johnnie Morris

Worthy Grand Matron, here stand your Ambassadors of Goodwill binding our Grand Chapters together in Fraternal Love and Friendship. I invite you and the Worthy Grand Patron to join us on the floor for a picture.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Grand Marshal, you will retire our Grand Representatives and their Escorts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy E. Northrup  
Fraternal Correspondent  
2004-2005

**ALBERTA**

94th “Country Fair” Annual Session  
June 3-5, 2005, Red Deer

Lorrain Hough  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 56

Keith Fossen  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 3,797

**BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON**

94th “Wings of Happiness” Session  
May 29 – June 1, 2005, Lillooet

Nelda Witt  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 63

Wayne Woodhouse  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 5,150

**FLORIDA**

“The Joy of Life Centennial Session”  
April 16-21, 2005, Jacksonville

Joy Feit  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 159

Coy Beasley  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 20,245

**IDAHO**

103rd “Two by Two With Smiles” Session  
June 3-5, 2005, Red Deer

Nancy ross  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 42

David Call  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 3,947

**KENTUCKY**

102nd "Shoot for the Stars" Session  
October 25-27, 2004, Louisville

Debbie Dreier  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 197

Albert Harston  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 14,400

**MANITOBA**

83rd "Faith in Our Future" Session  
May 29 - June 1, 2005, Winnipeg

Georgina Hodgson  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 16

Arthur (Art) Buckley  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 1,504

**MINNESOTA**

127th "Reflections of God" Session  
May 5-7, 2005, St. Cloud

Linda Wright  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 87

John Cook  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 9,832

**MONTANA**

116th "Stars in Harmony" Session  
June 3-5, 2005, Red Deer

Donna Ransdell  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 57

Leroy J. Hagen  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 6,346

**NEBRASKA**

130th "Treasures of the Heart" Session  
May 10-12, 2005, Lincoln

Genevieve "Jill" Ramsey  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 45

Wayne Jacobsen  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – Not Obtained

**NEW JERSEY**

135th "Symphony of Angels" Session  
May 10-12, 2005, Atlantic City

June R. Pfeifer  
Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 77

John E. Siller  
Most Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 14,800

**NORTH DAKOTA**

111th “Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Much” Session  
June 6-8, 2005, Fargo

Karen Overn

Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 23

Martin Blest

Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – 10,030

**NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

58th “Valley of Constancy, Faith and Hope” Session  
July 3-5, 2005, Wolfville

Marilyn Swinamer

Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 46

Allan Conrad

Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – Not Obtained

**SCOTLAND**

Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland  
April 8, 2005, Perth

Sheila Whyte

Most Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 177

Robert Roberts

Most Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – Not Available

**TENNESSEE**

104th “Hands of Friendship - Hearts of Love” Session  
April 24-27, 2005, Memphis

Jo Ann McIlvain

Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 204

Charles “Charlie” Crane

Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – 24,095

**VERMONT**

133rd “On the Wings of a Dove” Session  
June 2-4, 2005, Burlington

Mary Jane Eaton

Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 45

Richard Black

Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – 3,012

**VIRGINIA**

101st “To God Be The Glory” Session  
May 16-20, 2005, Virginia Beach

Shirley Colson

Worthy Grand Matron

Chapters – 137

David Hornaman

Worthy Grand Patron

Membership – 13,538



**WEST VIRGINIA**  
101st “Wings of a Dove” Session  
Charleston

Patty Crouch  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Chapters – 102

Bill Greenleaf  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Membership – 16,000

Worthy Grand Matron, this concludes my report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sometimes a Worthy Grand Matron overlooks what she has written, and she has Pages that stand behind her and say, “You made a mistake.” I said, “Okay, we’ll correct it.”

So at this time I would like to invite Brother Leland Benefield to come and bring us an invocation for this evening. Brother Leland.

**MR. LELAND BENEFIELD:** You take the hand of the one next to you and hold it while we pray. Our dear Heavenly Father, we ask You to bless us with wisdom, patience and loving hearts today as we join together for Your honor and our benefit. Give a special blessing to Sister Karen and Brother Jerry as they lead us. May we be supportive and helpful to them. Please bless our nation, our beautiful Order and our families. All of this we ask in Your Holy and Powerful Name, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Judy, if you would come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to say this to our Fraternal Correspondent, but also to a very special friend in my life because we’ve been friends for many, many years. Judy, you did an outstanding job. Your report was wonderful. And to have this many Grand Representatives not just in Texas but of all the other Grand Jurisdictions, it’s absolutely beautiful to see such a wonderful drill and to have the Grand Marshal, Sister Sharon Mosmeyer, work with you was a beautiful, beautiful job. Worthy Grand Patron, I’d like for you to bring greetings.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. It has been said that friendship is the most pleasant of all things, and nothing more gladdens the heart of man. The wonderful outreach of friendships between states by Grand Representatives gladden the heart of many members as they travel to the various Grand Jurisdictions. Sister Judy, thank you for that wonderful report and the great job you have done this year reporting on the visits of our Grand Representatives. Sister Sharon, that was a beautiful drill you conducted for our Grand Representatives. And, most of all, thank you, each one of you, our Grand Representatives, who are here tonight.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sister Ann Wyatt. I present Sister Ann Wyatt, our Humanitarian General Chairman, who will bring her annual report and presentation of the 100% Chapters.

**REPORT OF  
THE HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE**

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Before I start my program this evening, I would invite the Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patrons, our Worthy Matrons and our Worthy Patrons to please gather in the West. The Grand Marshal’s Pages will be assisting you back there. Thank you.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, other Grand Chapter Officers, my Sisters Brothers, all my Circle of Friends.

The membership of Texas has once again came together and supported our Worthy Grand Matron's Humanitarian Projects. I am pleased with this report as I know she is. Thank you to this wonderful membership for your generosity and support.

Worthy Grand Matron, you have honored me this past year by allowing me to serve this Grand Chapter in this important position. It has been a challenging, but yet a very rewarding year, one that I have enjoyed and will always remember.

I also want to extend my special thanks to the Grand Secretaries Office, in particular, Mrs. Zaneta Miller, for her help and support during the year. It has been a pleasure to work with her.

Worthy Grand Matron, you also gave me five lovely and dedicated District Chairmen and I thank you. These ladies gave of their time and efforts willingly and it is my privilege to introduce them to the membership this evening.

District One – Mrs. Jan Clabaugh, PM Carthage Chapter No. 747

District Two – Miss Mary Charles Dixon, PM Cora Posey Chapter No 1072

Sister Mary Charles could not be with us this evening due to a job conflict. We miss her being with us. My special and dear friend, Mrs. Linda Jackson, PM Pine Tree Chapter No. 1090 will be assisting with District Two this evening.

District Three – Mrs. Pat Turner, PM Lorena Chapter No 1124

District Four – Mrs. Ann Bailleaux, PM Vidor Chapter No. 914

District Five – Mrs. Sandy Johnson, PM Rockport Chapter No 479

Just as the sea has its treasures for their own inhabitants, it will also have treasures for man. From the treasures of the Titanic to small shipwrecks, these treasures will always lure man deep to the bottom of the seas to acquire them

As Eastern Star members, we also have treasures that we give and receive. We should always strive to seek these treasures and give whenever possible. Some of these treasures in our Order are friendship, devotion, faith and hope, charity and hospitality, constancy or obedience, time and money and we are lured to these treasures by our desire to be compassionate to one another. We want to spend time with each other, give advice in their troubles, to offer our sympathy whenever they have sorrow and to lend a helping hand to our sisters and brothers in time of need.

In our desires, we gave to our loving ladies at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center a total of \$7,525.57 for their care and well being.

To assist Grand Chapter with the service they provide to the subordinate chapters, we gave to the general fund a total of \$4,417.89 So Grand Chapter would have funds available to assist any member in times of hardship, we gave a total of \$9,218.48

A Total of \$24,078.64 was given to the ESTARL fund. These scholarships are given to theology students to continue their studies and in turn they give back to us the ministries of our Jesus.

For Scholarships to members and their families to continue an education, a total of \$10,876.87 was given.

As of August 25, 2005 a grand total of \$56,117.45 has been given to our Worthy Grand Matron's Humanitarian Program.

Under the direction of the Grand Marshal, Sister Sharon Mosmeyer, I invite and present to you the Junior Past Matrons, Junior Past Patrons, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons to enter our sea. These sisters and brothers represent the Chapters that are 100 percent and above in the Humanitarian Program. Grand Marshal.

Leading the march on my left will be Brenham Chapter No. 144 who contributed over 1300%. Leading the march on my right will be Amistad Chapter No. 1115 who contributed over 1000%.

(Entrance of Junior Past Matrons, Junior Past Patrons, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons)

While our sea is forming we will hear musical selection by our Grand Organist, Sister Susan Smith.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to enter our sea.

Thank you Grand Marshal, Sister Sharon for all your assistance with presenting this drill, your work is always outstanding. Thank you Grand Organist, Sister Susan, for your music; it was beautiful and just perfect.

Sisters and Brothers, this membership gave of their treasures to care for, to assist, to support and to aid our fellow friends, let's not stop here.

We have the Seven Wonders of the World, but to me the seven wonders are to touch, to taste, to see, to hear, to feel, to laugh, and to Love. May you be reminded today of those things which are truly wondrous! Do all the good you can, for all the people you can, while you can.

Thank you again membership.

Worthy Grand Matron.

To summarize:

Number of Chapters	.459
Number of Chapters participating in program	.433
Number of Chapters 100% or better	.416
100% Chapters	.361
200% Chapters	.37
300% Chapters	.12
400% Chapters	.3
500% Chapters	.2
1000% Chapters	.1
1300% Chapters	.1

Number of members	.45,070
Amount given to our Loving Ladies at TMRC	.\$ 7,525.57
Amount given to the General Fund	.\$ 4,417.89
Amount given to Benevolent Aid	.\$ 9,218.48
Amount given to ESTARL	.\$ 24,078.64
Amount given to scholarships	.\$ 10,876.87
Total Amount Given	.\$ 56,117.45

We want to give special recognition to our Chapters that are 500% or better, and they are:

500%	Beckville Chapter No. 273 District One, Section 8
	Beeville Chapter No. 422 District Five, Section 8
1000%	Amistad Chapter No. 1115 District Five, Section 7
1300%	Brenham Chapter No. 144 District Four, Section8

Ann Wyatt  
General Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Ann. What a beautiful, beautiful Humanitarian program. I know that your heart was put into this program by listening to the report that you gave tonight. To the Sea Treasures and Mariners that stand out there, you have a very special place in my heart because your footprints are now embedded in it. I thank you for the fantastic job that you have done as the leaders of your Chapters this past year. I know that you will continue to support your Chapters in every endeavor that they seek. Worthy Grand Patron, would you greet these members.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Victor Hugo said, "As the purse is emptied, the heart is filled." Sister Ann, your leadership of the 5 District Humanitarian Chairmen and their efforts and the hard work of every Chapter in Texas under the leadership of the Sea Treasures and Mariners have produced funding for many charitable needs. To our Sea Treasures and Mariners, thank you and your Chapters for your Humanitarian contribution. It demonstrates that an effort made for the happiness of others lifts us above ourselves.

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** The Grand Marshal, with the assistance of the Grand Marshal's Pages, will assist the membership to exit the floor.

I would like to ask Sister Karen to join me. Sister Karen, it has been wonderful serving as General Chairman of Humanitarian, and I want to present that to you on behalf of the District Chairmen this evening. The pelicans and the stand that was in front of the Altar is yours.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you very much.

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** Worthy Grand Patron, I also want to give to you this token of our appreciation from the District Chairmen. We love you both and wish you well for the future. After Grand Chapter you can rest.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, as we are in the Humanitarian Program, there's something that I would like to tell you about. As you know, in the early part of the year there was a terrible disaster that occurred in Southeast Asia, the tsunami. I wanted to make a report to this membership of what you did to help. Sisters and Brothers, you raised \$11,000 to send there to help those people that needed help desperately. I wanted our Most Worthy Grand Matron to know that we sent that \$11,000 to General Grand so that Texas would have credit and you would know that Texas was participating. Sisters and Brothers, I have a scrapbook outside that I'd like for you to look at when you have the time, because it's going to show you where your money went and how well spent it was. The \$11,000 was to bring back a water plant so that the people in the farthest part of that country that was hurt so badly would be able to have fresh water. And that was because of you, the membership of Texas. And I thank you very much for that. [applause]

I would like to take this opportunity to tell Sister Betty Benham how much I appreci-

ated her being here tonight to open this session for me and my Worthy Grand Patron. Sisters and Brothers, it's not always easy for someone to step in at the very last minute, but Brother Joe Jeffers was not able to be with us, and I asked Brother Henry Martin if he would step in and he did an outstanding job. I personally have looked up to these two members. They well represent our Past Grand Matrons and our Past Grand Patrons. To Brother Leland Benefield, thank you for giving us such a beautiful prayer. You're a very special gentleman in my life because when you were Worthy Grand Patron, I had the opportunity to serve as your District Deputy Grand Matron of District 4. And before we close our evening, Brother Richard Ochs will bring our benediction. Brother Richard, thank you for being here tonight and for doing that, because you are a special person to this membership of Texas.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to bring greetings.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Betty, it is indeed a pleasure to have you open this Thursday night session. It was such an honor to have you and Brother Farris serve as one of our Sea Treasures and Mariners this year. Thank you for all you have done for our Order and for being part of our session tonight. And, Brother Henry, what can I say to a man who can step up with no notice and do so fantastic? But we're never surprised by that because you always deliver. I also want to thank Brother Henry for the very valuable information he has shared with me in times of need this year. And, Brother Leland, thank you for those wonderful words to that Man above, because we need that more than anything tonight. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, to those of you in our introductions when we began to really push and you were not able to come to the stage: We have a gift for you, and if you did not pick one up from the back, please see my Pages in the morning. They will be happy to give you a gift because we want you to have something that says Texas, you came to Texas.

At this time I would like to let this membership know, it's nine o'clock almost. We've had a very long day. I know you're tired, so we're going to get ready to close this session. We will see you at 8:30 in the morning. We'll have our call to order. At eight o'clock we would like to see you in here if possible because we'll have some beautiful music by someone very special to me, Sister Donna Loggins, a Past Matron of West Columbia Chapter. And you know what? You might see yourself on those screens in the morning. Now, some of you may see you as of today, but there may be some of you who we will see as of five years ago and four years ago and three years ago. You don't want to miss that because we either got better or we got a little worse.

At this time I would like to invite Brother Richard Ochs to bring our benediction.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the courtesy of inviting me to do this. Please take the hand of someone near you, and if you're away, join your own hands together, to connect the right with the left brain.

Thank you, God, Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, our Creator, Savior and Councilor, for the positive influence of these Sisters and Brothers, for their fraternal friendships and relations between various Jurisdictions and in the comings-together in many places throughout the world. Lord, the many great Sisters and Brothers throughout the International Order have also provided humanitarian service and financial support to fellow human beings throughout the world. God, I commend these persons; God, bless

them. Each of us give thanks to You, God. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I now call this “Treasured Moments” session from labor to rest until 8:30 on Friday morning. Good night.

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**FRIDAY MORNING SESSION**

August 26, 2005

“Surf’s Up” Session

8:00 a.m. Musical Prelude .....Mrs. Donna Loggins, PM

8:30 a.m. Call to Order .....Mrs. Sharon Fentress, PGM  
Mr. Ed Warner, PGP

**MRS. SHARON FENTRESS:** Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. I add my welcome to those that have been spoken to you. It is a beautiful day in Galveston, and we’re so glad that Katrina did not come to see us. [applause] The first thing I want to do is thank Sister Marlene Dibrell. I know that you enjoyed the beautiful music that she played for us as we entered the room and have been visiting. Sister Marlene Dibrell is, of course, a very sweet friend and a very accomplished pianist. How much we have enjoyed her music. [applause]

I now call this “Surf’s Up” session for Friday morning, August 26th, of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, to order. Let me tell you what a beautiful privilege and honor this Worthy Grand Matron has extended to me in allowing me to stand before you this morning and to welcome you and to tell you how much I appreciate your love, your interest and your continued service in the Order of the Eastern Star. You know, it is the membership that has placed each of us in these places, and we owe everything to you. Know that we love you and you are appreciated. I want to also ask if my Worthy Grand Patron would like to bring a greeting. I’m certain he would.

**MR. ED WARNER:** Thank you, Sister Sharon. It’s a pleasure to be here this morning in the East with you. It seems such a short time since we were together in the East here at Grand Chapter, not here in Galveston. It has only been a few months ago it seems like, but it has been nearly two years. It’s certainly a privilege and an honor for me to be here in the East with you this morning to open this 123rd session of the Eastern Star. I want to thank Sister Karen and Brother Jerry for giving me the privilege of being with my Worthy Grand Matron to open the Chapter in the 123rd session on Friday morning. It’s a privilege to be here, and I do want to welcome each and everyone of you. To Sister Karen and Jerry, we all appreciate the many things you’ve done this year, the work you’ve done, all the travel you’ve done. We’re certainly proud of you and hope the best for you. May God’s blessings be with you today, His wisdom, patience and all that you need to open and carry on the business of our Grand Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. SHARON FENTRESS:** Thank you. You know, Sisters and Brothers, what the heart gives away is never gone, for it lives on in the hearts of others. And that is the way that we like to conduct our business, whether it be in our Subordinate Chapters or in our Grand Chapter.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will present the “Jewels by the Sea” Drill by the Grand Officers and their Pages. Thank you, Grand Marshal, and the other Officers and Pages of Grand Chapter for this beautiful drill. [applause]

While they’re setting the Labyrinth up, I read one-liners sometime when I have a moment. And one of them that I read said, “For sale, double cemetery plot. Nice view. Must sell. Original owners have moved.” My question is, to where did they move?

[laughter] Isn't it good to start the morning with a little laugh? [applause] I always love to see you smiling; I know you're not unhappy with me at this moment that way.

There was another one, and it said, "Noted at the bottom of a receipt for funeral arrangements. 'Thank you. Please come again.'" I didn't know it was us that was supposed to come again.

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.

Sisters and Brothers, it is with honor that I present Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron, may I say to you what a privilege it was for me to have you to conduct me to the East when you were my Grand Conductress, and what an honor it was this morning to be able to greet you in the East and escort you to your podium.

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

**MRS. SHARON FENTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, the bad news is time flies. The good news is, you're the pilot. I again want to express to you my appreciation. Thank you for allowing me this very special pleasure.

*Isn't it strange that princes and queens and clowns that caper in sawdust rings,  
and common people like you and me are builders for eternity?  
Each is given a bag of tools, a shapeless mass, a book of rules.*

*And each must make, ere life is flown, a stumbling block or a stepping stone.*

I know that you are making only stepping stones for the Grand Chapter of Texas. How much we do appreciate the beautiful service that you and your Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry, is giving to the Grand Chapter of Texas. I thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, when I asked this lady to open this session this morning, I knew that she had to be with me because we have been together for twenty years. We first met when we were District Deputies and we served with Sister Marcella Curry. That was not an easy year to serve because of Sister Marcella's illness. She wasn't able to be where she needed to be all the time, and she really depended on us. My love for this lady goes back. We have been together, and she has been a valuable friend to me personally. I just want you to know, Sharon, that there's nothing in the world that I could write down to tell you how I feel about you, it just comes from the heart. I am so pleased that you were here this morning to open this session, not just with me but for this membership also.

To Brother Ed Warner, we've had some wonderful times together. You know, he has a motorhome and we used to have a fifth-wheel. We used to call each other and say, "Okay. Meet me at this park on this day. We're going to go out and have some fun." Brother Ed, you and your lovely lady, Sister Beulah, are very special to Tom and I. We thank you so much for being here this morning to open this session with your Worthy Grand Matron. We are very honored to have you.

And to Sister Marlene Dibrell, thank you for your beautiful music this morning. She is another one that we served together as District Deputy Grand Matrons. All of us have served as Grand Examiners together. I just want you to know, Marlene, what a tremendous job you are doing for the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. She's way up there! Marlene, we appreciate everything that you are doing. [applause]



Now, Sister Alma hasn't done it yet, but she will shortly. I'm going to go ahead and do it now. Sister Alma Carter will be bringing our invocation this morning. She has a special place in my heart. You know, your hearts are so large, and with all the footprints that are embedded in your heart, you can never go wrong for the love and the support and the friendship that you show to us. But, Sister Alma Carter, I was Grand Examiner for. I got tickled at her – I'm going to tell a story on her. When I was bringing her back to Houston, when she was Worthy Grand Matron, she said, "Now, honey, I'm going to watch you drive this Grand Chapter van because if you make that wheel go like this, I don't think you're going to be able to drive it." I said, "Okay, I'll keep it steady."

But to all of you, thank you. Please know how much we love you.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to bring greetings?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Sharon, what a pleasure it is to have you open this Friday morning session. I will never forget that special moment in your Grand Chapter when I was nominated for, and then elected to, the office of Associate Grand Patron. But from my heart you have my thanks.

Brother Ed, I will also never forget that extra shock and surprise I received when you were selected by Sister Sharon as Mr. X. Now you were the last person I expected, not because I didn't think you were well qualified, but I knew a little secret, I thought, that you were going to be the Grand Sentinel the next year and I was going to be Grand Chaplain. So it just goes to show you the way of surprises in this Order. And I thank you for being here today to help open this Friday morning session for me, my Brother. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Warder.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will see that the doors to our Grand Chapter are secure and inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor, and direct him to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** We are about to call this 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we're thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed, and there will be no interruption.

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

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

Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order.

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

Sister Alma Carter, a General Grand Chapter Committee Members and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, will bring our invocation.

**MRS. ALMA CARTER:** Almighty and Everlasting God, we thank You for this day of fellowship and love. Be with us, Father, in our deliberations, and may we remember that Thy standards should always be our standards. We thank Thee for Thy blessings, for joy and peace which the world can neither give nor take away, for memories cherished through good times and bad, for being Lord who is with us always. Guide our feet in the

paths we should go so that we do not stagger at the uneven motions of the world around us. Into Thy hands we commit the keeping and care of our lives and the lives of our loved ones, as into the hands of a faithful creator, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Alma, thank you so much for a beautiful invocation. Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sister Alma, thank you for those wonderful words this morning. We always need the help of our Heavenly Father to get the day started. Thank you so much.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I declare the “Surf’s Up” session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** This session has been called from rest to labor.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, we have much business and many reports for today. I ask that the chairman of each Committee of Grand Chapter be ready to give their reports, as printed in the program, but, Sisters and Brothers, also be aware there may be some change with those reports in the manner they will be given in. Just be ready.

Just a reminder. The green cards are for voting by the members of Grand Chapter. The pink card is for the Chapter Representatives to vote and to determine if a quorum is present. If a Chapter Representative must leave the session, please be sure to have your ballot and your credentials with you.

Sisters and Brothers, we had a beautiful Fraternal Correspondent Drill and Humanitarian Drill last evening. We need to adopt these reports at this time. I would like to recognize Sister Judy Northrup, Fraternal Correspondent.

**FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the Fraternal Correspondent report as given yesterday evening.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have the motion to adopt the report of the Fraternal Correspondent. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your green card.

I now would like to recognize Sister Ann Wyatt. Will the District Chairmen for the Humanitarian Committee please come to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, last year I believe we voted that we would not be giving Special Committee reports; it would be done in writing and given to the Grand Secretary and then those reports would be put in our Proceedings. But there’s two or three Committees that I want you to hear their reports sometime today. In order to do this, I need you to vote yes or vote no that I can’t do that. So all those in favor of the motion to allow certain Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron to bring a report, would you show your green card. All opposed. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. Motion carried.

We’ll come back on the Humanitarian report.

I recognize Sister Nell Smith Drenner, our Grand Secretary, who will present her annual report.

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. If you will turn to page 33 in your Advanced Report, you may follow along because there will be some additions that you will need to make on the count of the membership as we go along.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

This past year has been full of challenges and hard work but has brought joy in to my life as your Grand Secretary. You, the Membership, as always, have been kind and patient as we have all worked together to accomplish our goals.

We have come a long way in getting as much information in our Data Base as time has allowed. We depend on the Chapter Secretary to give us the correct information and I commend you all for your dedication to your Chapter and to this project.

The filming and scanning of the Proceedings and all Chapter Reports has been completed.

We have put many of our forms on the Web Site and revised the Annual Chapter Report to make it more user friendly. Our goal for this coming year is to have the Annual Chapter Report on the Web Site.

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin, you have met the challenge of putting twelve months into ten with much perseverance and determination. I commend you for the courage to try something different and sincerely hope you feel that you have met your goals. May God bless you.

To Sister Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer, I thank you for accepting the challenge as we worked together on handling all the many things put before us. We have both learned a lot this year and working side by side with you has been such a pleasure. I look forward to many years of sharing the challenges ahead. Thank you for being gentle, caring and dedicated to our Beloved Order. You are my friend.

To the Board of Directors, we have been through a lot this year with the sale of the property and many other challenges. I commend you on your dedication to the Membership in trying to do what was best for all. I thank you, Brother Jack Beall, Chairman, for your dedication and always being available when I called. You can all be proud of what you accomplished this past year. Keep up the good work.

To my office staff, what can I say that would not fall short of my gratitude to you for all you have done and will do to keep the office available to the membership. I have put many challenges before you this past year and you have met them head on. You are very talented and dedicated. I sincerely thank you for your friendship and for being such a big part of my life. You make me smile.

To my husband George, it has been a whirlwind these past months, but you are always there for me. I thank you for your understanding and patience, but most of all for your love. You light up my life.

Many calls come in to our office and each one is important and sometimes a real challenge. One I received this year comes to mind. This was a call from California by a daughter-in-law of Otho Gray, a member of Frank W. Lynn No. 1015. Our member in her 90's had passed away and wanted an Eastern Star funeral in Dallas. The son and daughter-in-law were ill and could not come to Texas. There were no other relatives. After several calls to the funeral home and the family in California, I called the Chapter nearest the cemetery, which was James Ladd Burgess No. 983, and they did a courtesy graveside

service. I commend the members of James Ladd Burgess Chapter, as they had only a day's notice. Once again, members helping members. Thank you James Ladd Burgess Chapter for helping me keep my commitment to that family

I attended all Board of Directors and Corporate Board meetings except one (I was on my honeymoon). I attended all Grand Line Officers Banquets and several conferences. I have made Arlington Chapter No. 249 my Dual Chapter this past year and try to attend as many chapter meetings as possible.

Due to the time frame of printing for the Advanced Annual Report and the Grand Chapter Session, I would ask that you turn to the next page and I will give you the exact figures on the membership for you to fill in.

I thank each of you for your dedication and love of our Order. I know we will move onward and upward as we all help each other attain our goals.

As a supplement to the printed report, we do have the 2004 session Proceedings in book form for \$50 or on a CD for \$25. We only burned 100 CDs, and you can get them at the supply desk. We will take prepaid orders if we run out of the CDs.

Okay. Page 35 in your Advanced Report. These are exact figures as of last week.

#### MEMBERSHIP

The 2005 Annual Reports again reflect a decrease in membership and the number of Subordinate Chapters.

MEMBERSHIP May 31, 2004	44,987
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#### INCREASE:

Initiated	854
Affiliated	872
Reinstated	347

TOTAL	2,073
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#### DECREASE:

Demits	440
Withdrawn	115
Expelled	2
Transferred	162
Suspended	1,325
Deaths	1,764

Demised Chapters as of May 31st, total membership - 167 demised. Spring Branch Chapter #984 demised August 8th, with 82 members. Leaving us a total reduction of 4,057 members.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP ON MAY 31, 2005	43,003
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LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP SINCE 2004	1,984
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Exempt from Dues and Per Capita Tax 110 members residing in the Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

Exempt from Dues and Per Capita Tax **701** 50 year members.

TOTAL EXEMPT **811**

Dual Members **2,096**

**78** Chapters reported a gain in membership

**35** Chapters reported the same in membership

**328** Chapters reported a loss in membership

Three Chapters Demised:

Anson Chapter No. 867

Pine Hill Chapter No. 675

Plainview Chapter No. 37

The following Chapters consolidated:

Shallowater No. 1134 with Lubbock No. 76 on June 8, 2004

San Juan No. 726 with Edenburg on June 17, 2004

Seadrift 602 with Port Lavaca 373 on July 19, 2004

Millsap No. 1042 with Mineral Wells No. 44 on September 13, 2004

Wellington No. 238 with Childress No. 101 on January 3, 2005

Chapters that consolidated as of June 1, 2005:

Mason No. 1122 with Brady No. 167

Teague No. 408 with Fairfield No. 331

Collinsville No. 674 with Gainesville No. 1123

Sulphur Springs No. 718 with Sulphur Bluff No. 768

Panhandle No. 760 with Amarillo No. 787

Irving No. 777 with Grand Prairie No. 219

Port Arthur No. 262 with Groves No. 953

OSO No. 868 with Independence No. 1044

Colorado No. 58 with Big Springs No. 67

Clute City No. 1011 with Velasco No. 220

Wimberley No. 1130 with San Marcos No. 276

Total Chapters as of June 1, 2005      441

**REPORTS TURNED IN AFTER JUNE 8, 2005**

Chapter	No.	Chapter	No.
Newburn	1135	Maud	879
Bowie	16	Humble	415
Taylor	578	Wichita Falls	237
Waxahachie	599	Port Lavaca	373
Balch Springs	1132	Woodbine	738
Evadale	1111	J. A. Kemp	970
Groveton	1035	Ore City	1033
Childress	101	San Marcos	276
Sonora Elorado	575	Devine	43
Santa Anna	247	Clarendon	6
Wedgwood	756		

**50 YEAR CERTIFICATES ISSUED FOR GRAND CHAPTER YEAR 2004 – 2005****Paris Chapter No. 5**

Mrs. Dora Gross  
Mrs. Mary McCloud

**Weatherford Chapter No. 21**

Mrs. Christine Roberson

**Kerrville Chapter No. 24**

Mrs. Rhoda Ware

**Roby Chapter No. 25**

Mrs. Patsy Kelley  
Mrs. Geraldine Morgan

**Abilene Chapter No. 30**

Mr. Lester Massey  
Mrs. Mamyedell Germann

**Vashti Chapter No. 32**

Mr. R. W. Britton  
Mrs. Dorothy E. Watts  
Mr. John W. Watts  
Mr. William Hawkins  
Mrs. Blanche Russell  
Mr. Joe N. Russell  
Mrs. Mary E. Scharth  
Mrs. Margery Oltmer

**Texas Chapter No. 35**

Mr. W. E. Lister

**Kenedy Chapter No. 36**

Mrs. Lucille Pace

**Colorado Chapter No. 58**

Mr. A. W. Rowe  
Mrs. Gene Rowe

**Alice Chapter No. 61**

Mrs. Joyce Hendrickson  
Mrs. Christine Zantow

**Nocona Chapter No. 62**

Mr. Francis McGauhey  
Mr. Floyd Womack  
Mrs. Romie Pultz

**Pampa Chapter No. 65**

Mrs. Babe Mastin

**Beaumont Chapter No. 71**

Mrs. Rosemary Besson  
Mrs. Marie Netterville  
Mrs. Lucille St. Clair

**Lubbock Chapter No. 76**

Mrs. Harvella Johnson  
Mrs. Nan Mitchell

**Rusk-Alto Chapter No. 79**

Bice Herdis  
Mrs. Joann Creel

**Normangee Chapter No. 87**

Mrs. Lila Faye Griffith

**Mart Chapter No. 109**

Mrs. Betty Benoit Jones  
Mr. Calvin C. Jones

**Brownwood Chapter No. 116**

Mrs. Novia Carter McGowin  
Mrs. Billie Thomas

**Corsicana Chapter No. 118**

Mrs. Gladys Boyd  
Mrs. Allie Mae Dodson

**Wimodausis Chapter No. 141**

Mr. Frank Barnhart  
Mrs. Janet Barnhart  
Mrs. Freddie Abbott  
Mrs. Lorraine Sulzberger

**Atlanta Chapter No. 151**

Mrs. Alice Joy Hill

**Luling Chapter No. 155**

Mrs. Alene Frye  
Mrs. Ivory Huff  
Mr. Ray Nash

**Garland Chapter No. 156**

Mrs. Lou Ellen Cunningham  
Mrs. Jean Farndale  
Mrs. Mary Ruth Olsen  
Mrs. Charlene Palmer

**Violet Chapter No. 158**

Mrs. Charlene Carter  
Mrs. Helen Hecox  
Mrs. Ruth Ann Damerau  
Mrs. Wilma Horn

**Glen Rose Chapter No. 171**

Mrs. Wanda Jo Rozelle  
Mrs. Ethel Ratliff

**Carpenters Chapter No. 183**

Mrs. Wanda Groce  
Mrs. Norma Jean Morris  
Mrs. Amy Hernandez

**Tenaha Chapter No. 185**

Mrs. Aline C. Yates

**Hadassah Chapter No. 188**

Mrs. Joyce Glasscock

**Del Rio Chapter No. 204**

Mrs. Frances Humphreys

**Orange Chapter No. 214**

Mrs. Margaret T. Elledge  
Mrs. Dorothy Mathis  
Mr. Oldin Jack Taylor

**Hamilton Chapter No. 215**

Mrs. Mary Short  
Mr. Luther Wood

**Llano Chapter No. 216**

Mrs. Bernice Davis  
Mrs. Sue Stumfoll

**Grand Prairie Chapter No. 219**

Mrs. Billie Scoggins  
Mrs. Juanita Cote  
Mrs. Sue Davis  
Mrs. Madelon Jane Banks  
Mrs. Cecille Cartwright  
Mrs. Osie Lewallen  
Mrs. Pauline Hill  
Mrs. Dorothy Maxwell  
Mrs. Raymond Scoggins

**John Gillespie Chapter No. 257**

Mrs. Connie Bilby

**Denton Chapter No. 259**

Mrs. Lucille Rogers  
Mrs. Audrey Moser

**Crosby Chapter No. 261**

Mrs. Gladys O'Brien  
Mr. Allen Reidland  
Mrs. Mary Sue Reidland

**Port Arthur Chapter No. 262**

Mrs. Bonnie Sue Miller  
Mrs. Jimmie Lou Snyder  
Mr. L. Willoiam Morris

**Santo Chapter No. 270**

Mrs. Patsy Thornton

**Floresville Chapter No. 271**

Mrs. Nina Rutledge

**San Marcos Chapter No. 276**

Mrs. Billy Jean Hagy  
Mr. William Soyars

**Eastland Chapter No. 280**

Mrs. Charlene Rider

**Ozona Chapter No. 287**

Mrs. Maggie Moore

**Grand Saline Chapter No. 290**

Mrs. Mahdeen Rucker  
Mrs. Annie Claude Howell

**Lampasas Chapter No. 295**

Mrs. Gloria Jean Walker

**Uvalde Chapter No. 297**

Mrs. Frann McMurry  
Mrs. Jonelle Clary  
Mrs. Betty Lou Knaggs

**Silsbee Chapter No. 298**

Mrs. Audrey Billings  
Mrs. Delores King

**Franklin Chapter No. 311**

Mr. Ray Akins  
Mrs. Virginia Akins

Mrs. Rayma Lynn Dennis

Mr. C. H. Dennis, Jr.

**Grapevine Chapter No. 326**

Mrs. Dorothy Matthew

**Lytle Chapter No. 335**

Mrs. Irene Wallis

**Center Chapter No. 348**

Mrs. Alice Hall  
Mrs. Essie Stanfield

**Hughes Springs Chapter No. 349**

Mrs. Fama Burleson  
Mrs. Geneva Carmichael  
Mrs. Peggy Terry

**Sarah Chapter No. 353**

Mrs. Mary Louise Martin

**Marshall Chapter No. 356**

Mrs. Lavis Gentry  
Mrs. Bebe K. John

**Templar Chapter No. 374**

Mrs. Janie Kindred  
Mrs. Irene Bryan

**Jacksonville Chapter No. 377**

Mrs. Wanda Jo Riggs  
Mr. W. R. Duggan  
Mrs. Christine Corley  
Mrs. Jeanne Danner

**Pittsburg Chapter No. 381**

Mrs. Geraldine Kirkes  
Mrs. Nobie Parker

**Houston Chapter No. 385**

Mrs. Edith Webb  
Mrs. Mary Cudd

**Palestine Chapter No. 395**

Mrs. Maxine Green

**Teague Chapter No. 408**

Mrs. Beverly Tillman

**Polytechnic Chapter No. 420**

Mrs. Georgia Kramer  
Mrs. Betty McClure  
Mrs. Florence Nadine Chamberlain  
Mrs. Amy White

**Vernon Chapter No. 424**

Mrs. Mary Helen Bratcher

**Chico Chapter No. 433**

Mrs. Elaine Barnett  
Mrs. Connie Bilby

**Gorman Chapter No. 443**

Mrs. Nell Ragland  
Mr. Elwood Ragland

**Odessa Chapter No. 447**

Mrs. Mary Ann Mize  
Mrs. Mary Sue Reichl



- Mrs. Lucille Seals  
**Cleveland Chapter No. 465**  
 Mrs. Gail Gamblin  
**Travis Chapter No. 472**  
 Mrs. Erna Cooper  
 Mrs. Joyce Barker  
 Mrs. Doris Jean Theiler  
**Killeen Chapter No. 490**  
 Mrs. Margaret B. Land  
 Mrs. Rita Nelson  
 Mrs. Millie E. Gore  
**McKinney Chapter No. 518**  
 Mrs. Geraldine M. Burns  
 Mrs. Irma Feibelman  
 Mrs. Julia Graham  
 Mrs. Georgia Ann Hayes  
 Mrs. Rosa Kissinger  
 Mr. Bobby Lewis  
 Mrs. Early Milstead  
 Mrs. Willena Moore  
 Mrs. Louise Nixon  
 Mrs. Billie Lou Pope  
 Mrs. Dorothy Taylor  
**Oakville Chapter No. 521**  
 Mr. Luis Matkin  
**Mission Chapter No. 527**  
 Mrs. Juanita Farley  
**Granbury Chapter No. 530**  
 Mrs. Frances Burks  
**El Campo Chapter No. 535**  
 Mrs. Hazel Richardson  
**Decatur Chapter No. 543**  
 Mrs. Doris Barnett  
**Seguin Chapter No. 555**  
 Mr. Joseph P. McAuliffe  
 Mrs. Jo Anne Muelker  
 Mr. Thomas A. Smith  
 Mrs. Mildred Steger  
 Mrs. Mary Jane Tyler  
**Monahans Chapter No. 561**  
 Mrs. Mary Whitton  
 Mrs. Mary E. Adair  
 Mrs. Mary Alice Browning  
 Mr. Fred O. Browning  
 Mrs. Bernadette Blum  
 Mrs. Betty Talley  
 Mr. C. J. Bisang  
**Happy Chapter No. 562**  
 Mrs. Florence Bowe  
 Mrs. Jerry Vivian Brooke  
 Mrs. Billie Pearson  
 Mr. Wayne Pearson
- Mrs. Mary Sue Wood  
**Henderson Chapter No. 597**  
 Mrs. Bonnie Woford  
**Creedmoore Chapter No. 607**  
 Mrs. Dorothy Hobbs  
**Longview Chapter No. 610**  
 Mrs. Esther Mack Knox  
 Mrs. Kathleen Lee Lutrick  
 Mrs. Billie Traylor  
 Mr. C. F. Traylor  
**Bexar Chapter No. 616**  
 Mrs. Margaret E. Bradley  
 Mrs. Dorothy E. Keyes  
 Mrs. Jerry Vivian Walker  
**Texas City Chapter No. 626**  
 Mrs. Florine Brooks  
 Mrs. Wilma Walding  
**Jefferson Chapter No. 627**  
 Mrs. Ilene Parker Keahey  
 Mrs. Sylvia Sterrett  
**Corrigan Chapter No. 631**  
 Mrs. Dora Bond  
 Mrs. Margy Lankford  
**McLennan Chapter No. 639**  
 Mrs. Lois Thompson  
**Harlingen Chapter No. 641**  
 Mrs. Eileen Mueller  
 Mr. Eddie N. Carlisle, Jr.  
 Mrs. Elsie Robertson  
**Royse City Chapter No. 642**  
 Mrs. Leta Weatherford  
**Bandera Chapter No. 643**  
 Mr. Melvin King  
 Mrs. Frances Hayes  
**Anahuac Chapter No. 649**  
 Mrs. JoAnn Matthews  
 Mrs. Joyce Moss  
**Dumas Chapter No. 653**  
 Mrs. Juanita Beall  
 Mrs. Ophelia Voorhees  
 Mrs. Robbie Guinn  
 Frankie Estell Markham  
**Pine Hill Chapter No. 675**  
 Mr. P. C. Howeth  
**Port Neches Chapter No. 677**  
 Mrs. Meredith Gilbert  
**North Fort Worth Chapter No. 684**  
 Mrs. Doreen Carden  
 Mrs. Martha Arnola Messick  
 Mrs. Rubye Peters  
 Mrs. Geraldine Brooks  
 Mrs. Margaret Dieb

Mrs. Emily Poe  
**Farmers Branch Chapter No. 687**  
Mrs. Shirley White  
Mrs. Sylvia Gravley  
Mrs. Mary Steinmetz  
**Quitman Chapter No. 695**  
Mrs. Maxine Kindley  
Mrs. Drucilla Zoch  
**New Boston Chapter No. 700**  
Mrs. Helen M. Buchanan  
Mr. James Buchanan  
Mrs. Geneva Halter  
**Plano Chapter No. 703**  
Mrs. Frankie Estell Gregory  
Mrs. Eloise Tallant  
Mrs. Grace Weseman  
**West Columbia Chapter No. 705**  
Mrs. Eleanor T. Andrews  
Mrs. Louise Grisham  
**Magnolia Chapter No. 706**  
Mrs. Dorothy Mae Spring  
Mrs. Dorothy F. Camp  
Mrs. Joyce Mozell Gillies  
**Pasadena Chapter No. 711**  
Mrs. Gladys Clowers  
Mrs. Helen Lowe  
Mrs. Virgene Pardue  
**Kountz Chapter No. 724**  
Mrs. Bobbie Jayne Davis  
**Park Place Chapter No. 731**  
Mrs. Louise Stetzel  
Mr. Roger N. Holmes  
**Alamo Heights Chapter No. 734**  
Mrs. Catherine Baker  
**Andral Vann Chapter No. 741**  
Mrs. Judy Studer  
**Harlandale Chapter No. 750**  
Mrs. Maurine Creech  
Mrs. Gloria Jean Howell  
Mrs. Mary Sue Johnson  
Mrs. Mary Sue Mangham  
Mrs. Rennie J. Ofton  
Mrs. Laura Sue Riggs  
Mrs. Alma Theo Roche  
Mrs. Margie Sanders  
Mrs. Beulah Simpson  
Mrs. Annie Amy Thompson  
**Hillsboro Chapter No. 769**  
Mrs. Lila Marie Canada  
Mrs. Glenda Scott  
**New Braunfels Chapter No. 771**  
Mrs. Kay Longmire

**Weslaco Chapter No. 772**  
Mrs. Verna Edgemon Green  
**Irving Chapter No. 777**  
Mrs. Mildred Parker  
Mrs. Margaret Benton  
**Brownfield Chapter No. 785**  
Mrs. Norma Jean Richins  
Mrs. Retha Vandivere  
Mr. Keith Vandivere  
**Amarillo Chapter No. 787**  
Mrs. Bertie Whitaker  
Mrs. Gillie Brown  
**Gorden Chapter No. 788**  
Mrs. Anita Davis  
**Ckrlhill Delta Flora Chapter No. 794**  
Mrs. Dorothy Sue Norman  
Mrs. Georgia Ann Price  
Mrs. Lola Bird  
**Goose Creek Chapter No. 798**  
Mrs. Jane D. Roberts  
Mrs. Verna Lawhorn  
Mrs. Jean Lee  
Mr. O. B. Lee  
Mrs. Donna Ford  
Mrs. Evie Kilough  
Mrs. Lois Robson  
**Stephenville Chapter No. 801**  
Mrs. Doris Huckabee  
Mrs. Shirley Jayne  
**Borger Chapter No. 811**  
Mr. Raymond Taylor  
**Concho Chapter No. 826**  
Mr. Vester T. Hughes  
Mrs. Frankie Estell Cornell  
**Queen Esther Chapter No. 833**  
Mrs. Myrtle McGinnis  
Mrs. Nellie Ruth Sprinkle  
Mrs. Murel Thompson  
Mrs. Pay Wicker  
**Riverside Chapter No. 834**  
Mrs. Sunshine Willett  
Mr. James McMahan  
**South Fort Worth Chapter No. 835**  
Mrs. Beulah Mattix  
Mrs. Zena Wilson  
**Bonham Chapter No. 852**  
Mrs. Marion Wagner  
Mrs. Ruby Flo Odom  
**Dripping Springs Chapter No. 860**  
Mrs. Elizabeth Cristal  
**Lindale Chapter No. 864**  
Mrs. Polly McFadden

Mrs. Narnie Buchanan  
 Mrs. Donnie Mullins  
 Mr. Robert Patrick

**Oso Chapter No. 868**

Mrs. Lottie Fancher  
 Mrs. Barbara Lanpjiir  
 Mrs. Ruby Newsom

**Lometa Chapter No. 871**

Mrs. Mary Jane Kempsey  
 Mr. Monroe Norris

**Abernathy Chapter No. 877**

Mrs. Maxine Gouldy  
 Mr. R. B. Drace

**Galena Park Chapter No. 884**

Mrs. Betty Benoit Mims  
 Mr. Vance Mims  
 Mrs. Betty Morris  
 Mrs. Bonnie Josey

**Crosbyton Chapter No. 891**

Mrs. Dorothy Hodges  
 Mrs. Janelle Sellers

**Boyd Chapter No. 897**

Mrs. Juanita Spencer  
 Mrs. Gwende Dean

**Daingerfield Chapter No. 906**

Mrs. Ima Kathryn Johnson  
 Mrs. Helene Taylor

**Naples Chapter No. 907**

Mrs. Peggy Alexander Burns

**Vidor Chapter No. 914**

Billy Jean Manhfoz  
 Mrs. Vallie Clark

**South Houston Chapter No. 915**

Mrs. Reba Streit

**Melrose Chapter No. 920**

Mrs. Syble P. Roark  
 Mrs. Ossie Smith  
 Mrs. Jimmie Ruth Whitton  
 Mrs. Margaret Sutton  
 Mrs. Betty Landers

**Rosewyn Chapter No. 927**

Mrs. Mae Vie Sanders

**Walter Baldwin Chapter No. 929**

Mrs. Berniece Sutton

**Lancaster Chapter No. 943**

Mrs. Billie Rollinson  
 Mrs. Mildred Oliver

**Yorktown Chapter No. 945**

Mrs. Betty Lou Cullum

**Mike Thomas-Oakcliff Chapter No. 951**

Mrs. Algie Harris  
 Mrs. Mary Allen

Mrs. Ina Barnett  
 Mrs. Jewel Harbison  
 Mrs. Voreen Cowan

**Winnboro Chapter No. 967**

Mrs. Hazel Cowan  
 Mrs. Margie Mitchell  
 Mrs. Maurine Munn  
 Mrs. Jean Ray

**Buna Chapter No. 968**

Mrs. Freda McGilbery

**J. A. Kemp Chapter No. 970**

Mrs. Mae Vie King

**Caldwell Chapter No. 976**

Mrs. Georgia Ann Ptacek

**La Marque Chapter No. 979**

Mrs. Ruth Byard  
 Mr. James C. Steely, Jr.  
 Mrs. Iris G. Snipes

**Haltom Chapter No. 982**

Mrs. Carolyn McFarland  
 Mrs. Etah Coyel

**James Ladd Burgess Chapter No. 983**

Mrs. Marie Ailes  
 Mrs. Viola Barber  
 Mrs. Ruby Disnmore  
 Mrs. Doris Tritton

**Spring Branch Chapter No. 984**

Mrs. Geraldine Sauer  
 Mrs. Mildred Densen  
 Mrs. Bertha Laird  
 Mrs. Elsie Lawrence

**Ysleta Chapter No. 991**

Mrs. Julia Brown  
 Mrs. Esther Louise Hildebrand  
 Mrs. Hattie Claire Mayhew

**Ridglea Chapter No. 999**

Mrs. Leah Wanda Sutton  
 Mrs. Margaret K. Smith  
 Mr. Ivan Wallace  
 Mr. Marvin F. Moore

**Gatesville Chapter No. 1005**

Mrs. Grace Stovall

**Lake Jackson Chapter No. 1009**

Mrs. Leora Mae Evans  
 Mrs. Valois C. Holder

**Willis Chapter No. 1017**

Mrs. Velna Brabham  
 Mrs. Rachel McCrorey  
 Mrs. Annie Lee Smith

**Bellaire Chapter No. 1021**

Mrs. Burnette Boyette  
 Mrs. Ruth Jensen

**Pilot Point Chapter No. 1025**

Mr. J. L. Pedigo

**Hooks Chapter No. 1031**

Mr. John Selph

Mrs. Louise Selph

**Bronte Chapter No. 1048**

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth White

**North Shore Chapter No. 1058**

Mrs. Addie Hampton

Mrs. Marialice Hampton

**Oak Forest Chapter No. 1080**

Mrs. Ruth Weir

**Roy Stanley Chapter No. 1086**

Mrs. Pat T. Currin

Mrs. Ione Hall

Mrs. Lucille Herrin

Mrs. LaVergne Rife

Mrs. Barbara H. Sewell

**Aldine Chapter No. 1088**

Mrs. Jean Bradford

**Valley Hi Chapter No. 1104**

Mrs. Geraldine Besecker

**Zapata Chapter No. 1106**

Mrs. Lurlene Howard

Vennie Earle

Mrs. Vinnie Earle

**Sugar Land Chapter No. 1107**

Mrs. Anna Marie Washburn

**Lonnie L. Blake Chapter No. 1116**

Mrs. Virginia Hixon

**Crowley Chapter No. 1125**

Mrs. Leah Wanda Sutton

**Wolfe City Chapter No. 1129**

Mrs. Barbara Grosvenor

**Wimberly Chapter No. 1130**

Mrs. Joyce Manofsky

Mrs. Shirley Hainline

**Balch Springs Chapter No. 1132**

Mrs. Peggy Mills

**Newbern Chapter No. 1135**

Mrs. Corine Holmes

**Klein Chapter No. 1141**

Mrs. Charlotte A. Keehner

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that the report of the Grand Secretary, as printed in the Advanced Report and presented to this Grand Chapter, be referred to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard our Grand Secretary. All those in favor, please raise your green card. All those opposed. Motion carried.

We will now have the report of our Grand Treasurer.

**GRAND TREASURER:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, other distinguished Members, my wonderful Sisters and Brothers:

To the members of Grand Chapter, I thank you for your continued confidence and trust in me by electing me to this office. I cherish the friendships of all of you and shall always attempt to be worthy of the trust you have placed in me by electing me to this office for six years. I thank each of you for the courtesies that have been extended to me and for your words of encouragements and support.

To Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for your leadership of our Order this year. Thank you, too, for the kindnesses and cooperation you have given to this office. May God be with you in your future endeavors as you continue your service to our Order.

To Sister Nancy Brown and Brother Nelson Campbell, who will become the leaders of our Order in a matter of hours, we look forward to your strong leadership and extend our congratulations and best wishes for a successful and happy year.

To Sister Nell Smith Drenner, Grand Secretary, again it has been a pleasure working with you and your wonderful staff. Your ability to face the challenges of each new day and remain calm in the midst of the many crises that develop is remarkable. I commend your fine staff for the excellent manner in which they perform their various duties. I gratefully acknowledge and appreciate the willingness and cooperation of all of you.

To the Board of Directors, your responsibilities are many and the load of your office is often quite heavy; yet you have fulfilled your duties with diligence and dedication. I join the membership in thanking you for your many hours of labor for Grand Chapter.

In addition to fulfilling the responsibilities of the Grand Treasurer, I have attended all except one meeting of the Board of Directors; all meetings of the Corporate Board; one Purposes and Policies Committee Meeting; all banquets for the Grand Line Officers; a banquet for the TMRC Board of Directors; a banquet for the two retiring Board members; the Multi-State Visit in Branson, MO; five Conferences, five Fraternal Visits; a reception at TMRC honoring the Worthy Grand Matron; the Founders day activities of District 1, Section 4; and participated in 6 installations.

A summary of Grand Chapter's financial status for November 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005 follows. A detailed accounting of all funds is in the Grand Secretary's office for use in the annual audit of the books and records of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

**ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS  
MAY 31, 2005**

<b>Certificates Issued</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Number Issued</b>	<b>Principal Amount</b>
1 - 1,026	Nov. 1, 1987 thru Oct. 31, 1995	1,026	\$ 513,000
1,027 - 1,201	Nov. 1, 1995 thru Oct. 31, 1996	175	87,500
1,202 - 1,349	Nov. 1, 1996 thru Oct. 31, 1997	148	74,000
1,350 - 1,557	Nov. 1, 1997 thru Oct. 31, 1998	208	104,000
1,558 - 1,869	Nov. 1, 1998 thru Oct. 31, 1999	312	156,000
1,870 - 2,211	Nov. 1, 1999 thru Oct. 31, 2000	342	171,000
2,212 - 2,756	Nov. 1, 2000 thru Oct. 31, 2001	545	272,500
2,757 - 3,057	Nov. 1, 2001 thru Oct. 31, 2002	301	150,500
3,058 - 3,304	Nov. 1, 2002 thru Oct. 31, 2003	247	123,500

3,305 - 3,680	Nov. 1, 2003 thru October 31, 2004	376	188,000
3,681 - 3,854	Nov. 1, 2004 thru May 31, 2005	174	87,000
<b>TOTAL ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS</b>		<b>3,854</b>	<b>\$ 1,927,000</b>
Total Endowed Memberships		\$ 1,927,000	
Plus Interest, Dividends; Less Fees		<u>11,988</u>	
Bank Balance 5/31/2005		\$ 1,938,988	

NOTE: The Chapters received \$12.65 for each eligible Endowed Member.

Endowed Membership Trust

Bank One	May 31, 2005
Cash Equivalents	\$ 51,941
Equities	574,222
Fixed Income Taxable	1,312,825
Total Investment Cost	\$ 1,938,988

**ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS  
MAY 31, 2005**

In accordance with the code of Laws, Art. 204, (4), (b), page 143, interest in the amount of \$126.50 was credited to the General Fund for the following Endowed Memberships:

Rita Joyce Bragg	Margaret L. Lowell	Sydney C. McMurray
Charles E. Day	Lorie Ware McCulloch	Katherine Koym Seymour
Sandra Jean Gilbert	Robert B. McMurray	Masie Southard
Helen W. Henson		

**BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES**

	Nov. 1, 2004	May 31, 2005
General Fund Checking	\$ 117,186	\$ 45,234
General Fund Brokerage Trust Sweep	302,946	670,168
OES Retirement Trust Bank One	855,948	699,636
OES Ladies Retirement Account Bank One (C3)	32,953	32,111

OES Home Endowment Trust Bank One (C8)	7,782,256	* 10,952,126
OES Home Association Endowment Trust Bank One (C3)	303,840	308,308
Educational Trust Bank One	568,158	520,588
Home Renovation Trust	<i>* \$453,757 Included in OES Endowment Trust</i>	
Endowed Membership Checking Bank One	146.25	285.66
Special Funds (WGM) Checking Guaranty	39,340	225,574
Education Fund Money Market Comerica Bank	73,356	74,073
Benevolent Aid Checking Bank One	77,072	60,899
Endowment Membership Trust Bank One (For Endowed Memberships)	1,859,006	1,938,988
Special Fund Stamp Program Guaranty	97,065	96,232
Sale of Property	<i>*\$2,266,996 Included in OES Home Endowment Trust</i>	
Leveling of Administration Building	<i>Included in General Fund Brokerage Trust Sweep Account</i>	

**CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT,  
MUTUAL FUNDS**

	Int. Rate	Maturity	Amount
Comerica Bank Fannie V. Ward	3.3%	08/31/05	38,581
Comerical Bank Helen M. Bramlett	2.50%	09/01/05	6,262
Wells Fargo Investments O.E.S. Home	Mutual Fund		91,497

**GENERAL FUND - BANK ONE  
Operating Checking Account**

	<b>Nov. 1, 2003 Oct. 31, 2004</b>	<b>Nov. 1, 2004 April 30, 2005</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Constitutions/Revisions	\$ 13,472	\$ 11,000
Dues/Per Capita	160,671	160,671
Registration Fees	19,221	23,920
WGM Designated Funds	101,266	0
Humanitarian	7,557	3,727
Interest	613	455
Interest from Endowed Members	201	126
Proceedings	494	280
Bulletin Subscriptions/Articles	76,177	33,840
Dues Cards	6,147	16
Advance Report Announcements	2,900	400
Supplies/Directories/Dispensations/ Historical Highlights	25,239	16,877
WGM Interpretations	873	3,115
GGC Supplies	42,518	27,762
GC Session Summary	615	1,470
GC Session Misc. Income	13,018	46,228
Gifts and Donations	325	785
Miscellaneous	21,495	5,093
Postage	7,003	
Special Funds Administrative Fees	8,400	4,200
Endowed Memberships	9,903	10,766
Retirement Acct. Administration Fees	7,700	4,200
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 525,808</b>	<b>\$ 354,931</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Bulletins & Bulletin Mailings	\$ 75,909	\$ 37,910
Grand Officers Appropriations	11,100	11,100
GC Committee Forms/Supplies/Mem.	694	325
Grand Chapter Session		
Session	19,250	9,450
Advance Reports	927	3,500
Ballots & Voting Cards	555	0
Installation Programs	2,684	0
Official Reporter	3,000	3,000
Session Book/Memorial	498	6,800
Registration Forms/Postage	8	1,115
125th Grand Chapter Session	3,425	0
Grand Chapter Support Staff Housing	1,581	1,581



Building Repair & Maintenance	5,165	1,365
Equipment/Machine Lease/Repair	4,729	1,792
Equipment & Furnishing	633	627

**GENERAL FUND - BANK ONE**  
**Operating Checking Account**  
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	<b>Nov. 1, 2003</b>	<b>Nov. 1, 2004</b>
	<b>Oct. 31, 2004</b>	<b>April 30, 2005</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS (continued):</b>		
Insurance (Umbrella/Bldg/Personal/Auto)\$	82,033	\$ 0
Janitorial	1,645	735
Past Grands Jewels	1,200	750
Automobile Expenses	6,169	3,217
Audit	9,895	9,375
Computer/Data Processing/Website/Internet	5,975	2,563
Constitution/Revisions	3,730	9,383
Copier Lease	6,902	2,570
Deputy Books	2,141	250
GGC Resale Supplies	41,158	16,752
GGC Per Capita	4,795	45,615
Postage Meter	5,500	0
Legal	879	123
Office Supplies	4,121	2,318
Pest Control	330	410
Photos for Proceedings	600	1,300
Postage	1,150	150
Printing (Directories/Hist. Highlights/ Sta. & Env., etc.)	6,823	6,836
Printing for Resale	6,086	1,424
Printing Annual Proceedings	17,987	622
Printing Annual Chapter Reports	1,017	125
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	90,938	47,145
Grand Secretary Salary	14,142	8,865
Grand Treasurer Salary	3,575	2,408
Workers Comp. Insurance	1,421	0
Utilities/ Electric/Gas/Water Disposal	9,779	3,555
Telephone	3,398	1,910
Miscellaneous	2,202	400
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 465,749</b>	<b>\$ 247,366</b>

**OES RETIREMENT ACCOUNT – 501(c)3**  
**Operating Checking Account**  
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	<b>Nov. 1, 2003</b>	<b>Nov. 1, 2004</b>
	<b>Oct. 31, 2004</b>	<b>April 30, 2005</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Dues/Per Capita	\$ 409,131	\$ 275,436
Interest	11,642	15,140
Gifts/Bequests	143,869	32,184
Oil and Gas Royalties	23,694	12,193
Ladies' Pensions	246,242	122,314
Home Member Receipts	43,232	8,074
Humanitarian	9,788	6,824
Other Receipts	280	10,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 887,868</b>	<b>\$ 482,165</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Audit	\$ 8,850	\$ 3,375
Funeral Expense	5,607	3,785
Allowance to Ladies	19,460	9,100
In Service 501(c)3 Accts. Mgmt.	7,700	4,200
Infirmary Housing	513,966	232,929
Ladies Residence Housing	209,193	95,088
Legal	1,500	0
Trust Fees	4,722	5,104
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 770,998</b>	<b>\$ 353,581</b>

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that the report of the Grand Treasurer, as printed in the Advanced Report and presented to this Grand Chapter, be referred to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of our Grand Treasurer. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your green card. All those opposed. Carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I want to correct something. In both breakfasts this morning I said that from 9:30 to approximately 11:30 I was closing the Worthy Grand Matron's, Associate Grand Matron's, and the Grand Secretary's merchandise booth because I felt the membership needed to be in here to hear the business. I did not say I was closing the vendors. I want to clarify that. The vendors are open, but I do hope for the next couple of hours that you will remain in the Grand Chapter room to hear the business of this Grand Chapter. I appreciate you very much for doing that. Then later you will have the opportu-

nity to visit upstairs.

I would like to recognize Sister Edna Goettee, Chapters UD Chairman, who will present her annual report.

**MRS. EDNA GOETTEE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

### **REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION 2004-2005**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

The Committee on Chapters Under Dispensation makes the following report

It is with pleasure that I introduce the members of the committee: Belinda Summers and Betty Unlaub.

Worthy Grand Matron, we your committee wish to express our sincere thanks for the privilege of serving on this committee. Since no Chapters were organized during the Grand Chapter year, we report no activity for this committee,.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Fraternally submitted,  
Edna Goettee, Chairman  
Belinda Summers  
Betty Unlaub

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, the motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Chapters UD Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed, same thing. Motion carried.

At this time we will now have the report of the Jurisprudence.

### **PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, my Sisters and Brothers: Good morning. The Jurisprudence Committee, composed of Mr. Henry Martin from District 1, Mr. Garland Rattan from District 2, Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield from District 3, and Mrs. Betty Friend from District 4 submit the following preliminary report. In conformity with the provisions of the Code of Laws, Article 152(e) governing the Grand Chapter, relating to the duties of the Jurisprudence Committee, we find no unfinished business from the 2003-2004 Grand Chapter session and recommend that the matters contained in the Advanced Annual Report, including the Supplemental Reports of Grand Chapter, be distributed to the following Committees for consideration: To the Board of Directors, the report of the Grand Secretary and the report of the Grand Treasurer; to the By-laws Committee, amendments to the by-laws contained in the Worthy Grand Matron's report; to the Grievances & Appeals Committee, any disciplinary matters contained in the Worthy Grand Matron's report; to the Jurisprudence Committee, all matters assigned to this Grand Chapter and/or

contained within the prescribed duties of the Committee.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of our Jurisprudence Chairman. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Worthy Grand Matron, with your permission may I make a few comments about the Jurisprudence Committee report that will be given later this morning?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You may.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Sisters and Brothers, as always, I know the membership will be prepared to participate in the business of the Grand Chapter in an informed and courteous manner. If any member is going to propose an amendment to an amendment, we ask that you present three copies in writing. By following this provision for amending an amendment, there will be no question as to what we are voting on. Additionally, it will allow us to be better stewards of our time and move the process along more expeditiously. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, last year at the Grand Chapter in Corpus Christi, when I became Worthy Grand Matron I was asked to have a Committee that would look at the General Grand Chapter's Red Book and our Constitution to see if we are in conformity with the Red Book, and I was to appoint a Committee. I wanted to let you know who I appointed to this Committee. I made Alma Lynn Bane, District 3, the Chairman of this Committee. Representing District 1, Henry Martin; representing District 2, Betty Phillips Benham; representing District 4, Rosemary Swetland; and representing District 5, Jerry L. Martin. They will bring a report on this Committee at the Grand Chapter session in 2006. I just wanted to let you know that we did do this.

At this time I would like to recognize Sister Jean Staples, our Parliamentary Committee Chairman, who will present her report.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

### **REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN**

Number one, thank you for this appointment. It has been most rewarding and I personally thank you.

Now before we get started, does everybody have this book with the beautiful pentagon on it? It's the program book. Do you have this one, because we are going to read the parliamentary standing rules from this particular book? I will ask you, to begin with, before I read anything, to turn to page 65 in that book. Worthy Grand Matron, with your concurrence, I personally shall move a friendly amendment. I will ask my Masonic Brothers how long it has been since you have heard a friendly amendment? A pretty long time. All right. Now, we will start by reading the caption.

## PARLIAMENTARY RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR GRAND CHAPTER

In accordance with Code of Laws – Article 157. Pages 117 - 119 and the following:

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.

Now here is the friendly amendment. Keep your finger on that. If you’ll go down to rule 10, we need to change this. The third sentence down, it says, “Voting Delegates will hold up the blue card.” Well, we don’t have a blue card. We’ve got a green or a chartreuse card. So that’s the friendly amendment. When you vote, don’t hold up a blue card. Hold up the green card.

Now we will go back to rule number 3.

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 also must 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. Voting Delegates will hold up the green card – Chapter Representatives will hold the pink 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:
  - One copy to the Worthy Grand Matron
  - One copy to the Grand Secretary
  - One copy to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee
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.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the rules just read for this 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have just heard the report of our Parliamentarian, as amended. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I would like to bring my Supplemental Report. I will not read the Advanced Report. That is there for you to read. I'm only going to bring you a Supplemental Report.

**REPORT OF  
WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
2004 – 2005  
MRS. KAREN MORGENTHALER  
TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF TEXAS**

A True Friend loveth of all Times. It is amazing and incredible, but it's as true as it can be that God loves and understands us all. The priceless Gift of Love is more than mortal man can measure. It is the one treasure that grows bigger, the more we receive from it.

Sisters and Brothers, you have given me so much love and encouragement this year. All I can say to you is a simple "Thank You".

**“IN MEMORIAM”**

We were extremely fortunate that we have not lost any of our Past Grand Matrons or Past Grand Patrons this year.

We are saddened by the loss of our Sisters and Brothers of our Subordinate Chapters.

Let us rejoice that these loved ones now abide in the presence of our Heavenly Father.

*“Beautiful life was theirs, whose span  
Was spent in serving god and man,  
Beautiful calm when the course was run,  
Filled with the grace and wisdom of years  
Serenely they moved to life’s end  
Leaving memories too deep for tears  
Within the hearts of their many friends.”*

#### **PEARLAND CHAPTER NO. 1065**

To the members of Pearland Chapter No. 1065, I thank you for your support, not just as I traveled to the East in Grand Chapter, but since I became a member of Pearland in 1976. You, the members, have made it possible for me to have this opportunity to lead our Beautiful Order this year. Thank you.

#### **TRAVIS CHAPTER NO. 472 & NEW BRAUNFELS CHAPTER NO. 771**

Thank you for sharing our Worthy Grand Patron with me this year. The encouragement and support that you have shown to us will always be a treasured memory.

#### **WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

Worthy Grand Patron, we’ve had a challenging year. You have been a Worthy Grand Patron in every way and I wish to express my gratitude for your kindness and the many courtesies you have shown me. You have met every request and have given me your unfailing support. It has been a pleasure and honor to have served with you in the Grand East. You and your lovely lady, “Betty”, my “Grand Esther”, will always have a special place in Tom’s and my hearts.

#### **GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICER & COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve this year with you – as you serve our General Grand Chapter. You are dedicated and caring members – and the membership of Texas is so proud of all your accomplishments.

#### **PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS**

Some of you have been my mentors and others have given me wise counsel and loyal support this year. But always know all of you have a special place in my heart and in the hearts of this membership. God bless each of you!

#### **INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS**

To my Floor Officers, Elected and Appointed – I extend my thanks for your kindness and thoughtfulness this year. We have spent some wonderful times together; always know your friendship is truly a treasure to me.



### **ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

To the Board of Directors – It has been an interesting year working with all of you. Continue the dedication you have in serving our Order

To the Board of Grand Examiners – You have done an excellent job with the format change of the School Conference Schedule, as well as taking the time to attend your District Section Workshops. Continue the good work that you are doing.

### **DEPUTIES OF GRAND CHAPTER**

District Deputy Grand Matrons – Congratulations for a job well done! You came together and worked together and made the 17 School Conferences “Terrific”. It was not an easy job – all I can say is “Thank You” and know there is a very special place in my heart for you.

To my 48 Deputy Grand Matrons – No words to express my appreciation for jobs well done. The success of the School Conferences and Sections Workshops are compliments to each of you. A Worthy Grand Matron could not be more proud of you as I am.

### **COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

Without your hard work and dedication – the business and the projects of your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron would not have been accomplished. The admiration and love I have for you will always be Treasured.

### **SEA TREASURES AND MARINERS**

Your friendship/kindness/support has endeared all of you to me. To say thank you for the courtesies, honorary memberships, love gifts and all the little things you have done for your Worthy Grand Matron is not enough. There are not enough words in a dictionary to tell you how I feel. You have worked very hard for your Chapters and the Grand Chapter. Please continue working for our Order – we will always be in need of you. Again, thank you for giving me such wonderful memories.

### **TO MY SECRETARIES – VICKI, BETTY AND IRIS**

No words can express how I feel about each of you. Thank you is not enough – but know I appreciate and love you so very much.

### **OFFICE STAFF**

Sister Nell, Grand Secretary and her staff, Zeneta, Donna, Marlene and Cheryl, I appreciate and thank you for the help you have given me this year. Continue the dedication you have to this membership.

### **MUSIC WRITTEN FOR WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

#### **“Karen’s Treasures”**

Written by Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, PGM  
and scored by Mrs. Gladys Cox, PM

### SPECIAL THANKS

To the Membership and Chapters whose thoughtfulness and caring for our troops in Iraq sent care packages.

Tom and I wish to say a special thank you for the packages sent to our son and his Unit in Iraq.

Again, what a wonderful membership we have. The donations made to the Tsunami victims totaled \$11,000.00. The funds have been sent to rebuild a water plant.

### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

#### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN TEXAS

Alabama	Mrs. Dorothy White	#422
Alberta	Mrs. Edna Jefferies	#530
Arizona	Mrs. Brenda Smith	#643
Arkansas*	Mrs. Alice Odom	#626
Australia	Mr. Johnny Hester	#157
Brazil	Mrs. Nanette Gwaltney	#911
British Columbia/Yukon	Mrs. Kathy Teele	#643
California	Mrs. Mary Calvert	#177
Colorado	Mrs. Evelyn Tolbert	#403
Connecticut*	Mrs. Marjorie E. Haynes	#760
Delaware	Mrs. Rachel McCollum	#403
District of Columbia*	Mr. Cleo Ellison	#834
Florida*	Mrs. Jan Holland	#769
Georgia	Mrs. Jerre Miller	#617
Idaho*	Mr. Jerry Trees	#616
Illinois*	Mrs. Betty J. Warlick	#421
Indiana*	Mr. Harry Hainline	#1130
Iowa*	Mrs. Polly McCarney	#771
Kansas*^	Mrs. Rose Ann Lowery	#249
Kentucky	Mrs. Beulah Warner	#610
Louisiana	Mr. Ray Lewis	#1028
Maine*		
Manitoba	Mrs. Jean Thomas	#422
Maryland	Mrs. Zena Wilson	#835
Massachusetts	Mrs. Evelyn Rucker	#421
Michigan*	Mr. Art Brunet	#1103
Minnesota*	Mrs. Jeffie Roberts	#187
Mississippi	Mrs. Diane Cauthen	#954
Missouri*		
Montana	Mrs. Sue Shoemaker	#864
Nebraska	Mrs. Bonita Bassett	#282
Nevada*	Mrs. Wilma Johnson	#1009
New Brunswick*		
New Hampshire*	Mrs. Eva Hicks	#1079
New Jersey	Mrs. Bobbye Dyer	#951
New Mexico*	Mrs. Bonnie Varnell	#991

New York	Mrs. Donna Reed	#574
North Carolina	Mr. Drew Terry	#868
North Dakota*	Mrs. Patricia Hearn	#355
Nova Scotia & P.E. Ireland	Mr. Karl Drescher, Sr.	#616
Ohio*	Mr. I. H. "Skip" Smith	#1106
Oklahoma*	Mrs. Marna Robinson	#873
Ontario*	Mrs. Gene Griffin	#1065
Oregon	Mrs. Patricia Cooper	#1017
Pennsylvania	Mr. Warren Huckabee	#304
Puerto Rico*	Mrs. Betty Fogarty	#1102
Quebec*	Mr. Edwin "Tom" Morgenthaler	#1065
Rhode Island*	Mrs. Barbara Gregory	#1002
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Freida Dillon	#1142
Scotland*	Mrs. Norma Phillips	#1021
South Carolina	Mrs. Frances Reedy	#66
South Dakota	Mrs. LaNell Hendrix	#158
Tennessee	Mrs. Linda Roy	#11
Utah*	Mrs. Marie Russell	#683
Vermont	Mrs. Linda Guy	#377
Virginia*	Mrs. Melynda Geisenschlag	#245
Washington	Mrs. Glenda Klemm	#309
West Virginia*	Mrs. Betty Pettke	#624
Wisconsin	Mrs. Linda Carney	#687
Wyoming*	Mrs. Johnnie Faye Morris	#315

\*Grand Representatives appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron for 2004 – 2005 Grand Chapter Year.

One of the nicest privileges of a Worthy Grand Matron is to recommend to the Worthy Grand Matron of other Grand Jurisdictions those members for Grand Representatives whom she knows to be deserving of this lovely honor. Some of the most exciting and joyous times were those when these commissions were presented.

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

Alberta	Mr., Garry Hamilton
Georgia	Mrs. Frieda Trull
Idaho	Mrs. Veda Mascarenas
Iowa	Mrs. Sallie Strawn
Illinois	Mr. Buster George
Louisiana	Mrs. Christine Smith
Maine	Mrs. Maxine Perkins
Maryland	Ms. Bonnie J. Klotzman
Nevada	Mrs. Doris Taylor
New Brunswick	Mr. Clayton Stewart
New Hampshire	Mr. Robert A. Brown
New Jersey	Mrs. Barbara J. Dickson
New Mexico	Mrs. Lynda Johnson
New York	Mrs. Myrtle Leeson
North Carolina	Mr. James Monroe Law

Oklahoma	Mr. John Hacker
Oregon	Mrs. Doris Bier
Rhode Island	Mr. Donald R. Hallene
Tennessee	Mrs. Patricia Hudson
Utah	Mrs. Tricia Westbrook
Vermont	Mrs. Janice Vincent
Virginia	Mr. Albert C. Jones
Wyoming	Mr. John Burns

**EASTERN STAR SCHOOL CONFERENCES AND FRATERNAL VISITS  
2004 – 2005**

**Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger, District Deputy Grand Matron, District IV**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
4	Houston	Dec. 10, 11	Mrs. Doris Jones
5	Houston	Dec. 10, 11	Mrs. Tish Fields
7	Houston	Dec. 10, 11	Mrs. Shelly Fischer-Free

**Mrs. Donna Hill Pope, District Deputy Grand Matron, District III**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
1	Fort Worth	Dec. 17, 18	Mrs. Sissy Furrie
2	Fort Worth	Dec. 17, 18	Mrs. Brenda Martin
10	Fort Worth	Dec. 17, 18	Mrs. Pam Johnson
3	Cisco	Jan. 7, 8	Mrs. Leslie Keilberg
4	Cisco	Jan. 7, 8	Mrs. Judy Sadberry
5	Cisco	Jan. 7, 8	Mrs. Alphene Gressett
6	Killeen	Jan. 14, 15	Mrs. Helen Gregory
7	Killeen	Jan. 14, 15	Mrs. Rita Wilson
8	Killeen	Jan. 14, 15	Mrs. Anna Huckabee
9	Killeen	Jan. 14, 15	Mrs. Kaye Swain

**Mrs. Pam Dean, District Deputy Grand Matron, District I**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
1	Plano	Jan. 21, 22	Mrs. Maxine Sparks
2	Plano	Jan. 21, 22	Mrs. Joyce Smith
4	Plano	Jan. 21, 22	Mrs. Betty Hancock
5	Plano	Jan. 21, 22	Mrs. Martha Isbell
3	Texarkana	Jan. 28, 29	Mrs. Barbara Brossvenor
9	Texarkana	Jan. 28, 29	Mrs. Sue Hill
6	Tyler	Feb. 4, 5	Mrs. Kathy Paschal
7	Tyler	Feb. 4, 5	Mrs. Debra Mulholland
8	Tyler	Feb. 4, 5	Mrs. Darlene Smith
10	Tyler	Feb. 4, 5	Mrs. Peggy Allen

**Mrs. Karen Wright, District Deputy Grand Matron, District V**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
5	San Antonio	Feb. 11, 12	Mrs. Dee Fahrig
6	San Antonio	Feb. 11, 12	Mrs. Sandra Zipp

7	San Antonio	Feb. 11, 12	Mrs. Mary Jo Rosamond
1	Boerne	Feb. 18, 19	Mrs. Ann Langston
2	Boerne	Feb. 18, 19	Mrs. Ann Langston
3	Boerne	Feb. 18, 19	Mrs. Gay Carnes
4	Boerne	Feb. 18, 19	Mrs. Glenda Story
8	Corpus Christi	Feb. 25, 26	Mrs. Billie Collie
9	Corpus Christi	Feb. 25, 26	Mrs. Jerri Standridge
10	Corpus Christi	Feb. 25, 26	Mrs. Kay Marquez

**Mrs. Andi Martin, District Deputy Grand Matron, District II**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
4	Lubbock	March 4, 5	Mrs. Peggy Ledinski
5	Lubbock	March 4, 5	Mrs. Peggy Ledinski
8	Lubbock	March 4, 5	Mrs. Pauline Lybrand
1	Amarillo	March 11, 12	Mrs. Carol Knutson
2	Amarillo	March 11, 12	Mrs. Karen Keith
3	Amarillo	March 11, 12	Mrs. Margaret Jones
6	Abilene	March 18, 19	Mrs. Ann Orr
7	Abilene	March 18, 19	Mrs. Pat Blank
9	Abilene	March 18, 19	Mrs. Shirley Scholl
10	El Paso	March 25, 26	Mrs. Lola Norton

**Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger, District Deputy Grand Matron, District IV**

Section	Place	Date	Deputy Grand Matron
1	Woodville	April 1, 2	Mrs. Vanda Sublet
2	Woodville	April 1, 2	Mrs. Anna Chapman
3	Woodville	April 1, 2	Mrs. Jackie Pierce
6	Caldwell	April 8, 9	Mrs. Linnie Stone
8	Caldwell	April 8, 9	Mrs. Georgia Ptacek
9	Pearland	April 22, 23	Mrs. Janice Pryor
10	Pearland	April 22, 23	Mrs. Virginia Franklin

**OTHER FRATERNAL VISITS**

Pearland #1065	11-20-04	Iola #458	1-6-05
Travis #472	1-13-05	Madisonville #193	1-6-05
New Braunfels #771	1-13-05	Normangee #87	1-6-05
Austin #304	1-13-05	Rockdale #23	1-6-05
Creedmore #607	1-13-05	Hillsboro #769	1-20-05
Dripping Springs #860	1-13-05	Alvarado #656	1-20-05
Fidelis #963	1-13-05	Blum #931	1-20-05
Lockhart #210	1-13-05	Covington #1007	1-20-05
Luling #155	1-13-05	Godley #922	1-20-05
Wimberly #1130	1-13-05	Glen Rose #171	1-20-05
Bryan #222	1-6-05	Rio Vista #343	1-20-05
Buffalo #157	1-6-05	Ruth #20	1-20-05
Centerville #1002	1-6-05	Venus #923	1-20-05
Franklin #311	1-6-05	Whitney #930	1-20-05

**OTHER FRATERNAL VISITS**

(Continued)

Amarillo #797	2-15-05	Dripping Springs #860	4-11-05
North Fort Worth #684	2-22-05	Fidelis #963	4-11-05
Velasco #220	2-28-05	Lockhart #210	4-11-05
Brazoria #74	2-28-05	Luling #155	4-11-05
Clute City #1011	2-28-05	San Marcos #276	4-11-05
Lake Jackson #1009	2-28-05	Seguin #555	4-11-05
Sweeny #873	2-28-05	Travis #472	4-11-05
West Columbia #705	2-28-05	Wimberly #1130	4-11-05
South Fort Worth #835	3-3-05	Bandera #643	4-12-05
League City #621	3-8-05	Cypress #1102	4-14-05
Alvin #15	3-8-05	Katy #1121	4-14-05
Friendswood #1131	3-8-05	Navasota #309	4-14-05
LaMarque #979	3-8-05	Tomball #838	4-14-05
New Braunfels #771	4-11-05	Waller #1047	4-14-05
Austin #304	4-11-05	Ruth #20	4-15-05
Canyon Lake #1103	4-11-05	Rockport #479	4-18-05
Creedmoor #607	4-11-05		

**OTHER EVENTS ATTENDED**

Event .....	Date
AGC Breakfast at Corpus Christi .....	11-14-04
Conference for Deputies at Grand Chapter .....	11-14-04
DGM's Official Visit District IV, Section 10 .....	11-29-04
Grand Lodge of Texas in Waco .....	12-04-04
District IV, Section 5 Christmas Banquet – Houston .....	12-12-04
Christmas Party with WM & WP, District III, Section I .....	12-18-04
TMRC Christmas Party at TMRC .....	12-19-04
DGM's Official Visit District IV, Section 3 .....	12-28-04
Grand Prairie – Sale of Property .....	1-11-05
Grand Masters Banquet .....	1-15-05
Counterparts Meeting in Waco .....	1-23-05
LaMarque #979 – Stated Meeting .....	2-3-05
Grand Masters Meeting at Spencer Lodge, Pearland .....	3-26-05
Meeting with Grand Master – Dallas .....	4-20-05
Alvin #15 – Stated Meeting .....	4-26-05
TMRC Reception Honoring the Worthy Grand Matron .....	4-30-05

**ANNIVERSARIES – BIRTHDAY VISITS**

11-21-04	Willis Chapter #1017	50th
11-27-04	San Marcus Chapter #276	100th
12-19-04	Crescent Chapter #820	75th
2-29-05	Somerville Chapter #245	100th
5-1-05	Floresville Chapter #271	100th
5-3-05	Jefferson Chapter #627	85th

**CORPORATE BOARD MINUTES**  
**11-20-04 – League City**

Meeting was called to order by Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron.

Those in attendance were Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron; Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron; Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron; Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron; Nell Smith, Grand Secretary; Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer; Gerry Dusek, Grand Conductress; and Jack Beall, Board of Directors, Chairman.

Opening Prayer was given by Jerry Martin.

The Worthy Grand Matron welcomed all present to the first meeting and gave a special welcome to Jack Beall for being in attendance.

The Worthy Grand Matron placed Joyce Gilbert, as a member of the Corporate Board to serve on the Museum Committee.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported the resignation of Jane Roby, Deputy Grand Matron in District 2 due to health issues.

The committees will be placing articles in the Bulletin and the Bulletin Committee will be soliciting for subscriptions to the Official Bulletin and Eastern Star Journal.

The Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Secretary will meet in December to discuss changes in the Registration Form.

No fees will be charged to chapters for Joint Fraternal Visits.

Jim Rippey, Titles, Deeds and Properties, will be going over files in the office. He has already set a date for this with the Grand Secretary.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported problems in the Districts and will be resolved.

There will be no Alcohol served or sold at the Masonic Family Conference so Eastern Star will participate.

Jack Beall reported the sale was moving fast and requested a Corporate Board Member be on the committee for the building at TMRC.

Jerry Martin moved that the Worthy Grand Matron be put on this committee. The vote was unanimous.

The Worthy Grand Matron as a Corporate Board Member will be on the committee to build the office at TMRC.

Closing prayer was given by Nelson Campbell.

Nell Smith  
 Grand Secretary

**CORPORATE BOARD MINUTES**  
**2-11-05 – San Antonio**

The Corporate Board met in the Worthy Grand Matron's suite at the Comfort Suites in San Antonio, Texas on February 11, 2005 following the Fraternal Visit.

Those present were Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron; Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron; Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer; Gerry Dusek, Grand Conductress; and Joyce Gilbert,

Associate Grand Conductress. The opening prayer was given by the Worthy Grand Patron.

The Worthy Grand Matron stated that she and the Worthy Grand Patron were very upset to learn, after the fact, that Grand Chapter was not the primary lien holder on the \$700,000 note for the sale of the property in Arlington. The buyer had apparently spent a portion of his funds for other business transactions between the time of the initial bid and the closing date. She felt that the Corporate Board and the Board of Directors should have been consulted or at least had been made aware of these facts. When the Documents were signed, Jack Beall and Randy Thompson, our attorney, should have informed them of these facts.

She also reported that the Grand Secretary had deposited from the sale the total moving expense of \$525,000 and should only have deposited 15% of the \$2,663,515 since we haven't received the entire \$700,000. Therefore, she needs to deposit the difference of \$125,472 back into the sale of the property account.

WGM also reported that Jack Beall informed her that the buyer of the property did not want the furnishings that were remaining and Jack was to poll the Board on action to be taken for disposing of these items. WGM said she and the WGP had spent approximately five hours going through and tagging other items that were to be retained for the museum. WGM felt that the matter of the silver chest that had been requested by Sue Shoemaker was misrepresented due to the description that was given to WGM; therefore, she informed Jack that the Board would have to rescind their vote to give the chest to Sue. Also, the move was to have been done by professionals and this was not the case.

The Board has been requested again, to secure a safe deposit box for storage of the valuables that are currently in the Administration Building.

The WGM spoke briefly on the Family Weekend at TMRC on May 21-22. She said there will be a candidates forum on Friday night when the three candidates who will be nominated for Associate Grand Conductress are asked to speak. On Saturday, the Grand Line is going to be asked to speak on their thoughts for the future of our organization.

She advised that Scottish Rite in Dallas would like to have a luncheon for us in an effort to build a better working relationship between the two organizations.

The Bulletin articles to be published for the Public Relations Committee are to be sent to the WGM for approval and editing.

Invitations to our Grand Chapter Session in Galveston are being sent to the other Grand Jurisdictions. An invitation is going to be sent to the First Lady of Texas, who is a member of the Order. The WGM stated that the Conductresses should be working together on Signs, Line-ups, and Introductions for Grand Chapter.

The Titles, Deeds, and Properties Committee is working diligently to bring our records up to date. They are investigating all property we have been given, where it was located, to whom it was sold, etc. They are also checking into the oil and gas leases to determine what is current, when leases expire, etc. WGM stated that this should be an on going project.

The WGM advised that the Grand Chapter van has 53,000 plus miles on it and that she has had the brakes repaired and purchased new tires. She feels that the WGM should have a credit card so she doesn't have to charge expenses on her personal card.

WGM mentioned several Chapter problems concerning Landmarks, ballot, and other various problems. She has been forced to reprimand some, and to discuss improper ballot with others.

The WGP reported that he is amazed at the lack of control, rules, and procedures in the Grand Secretary's office; also that we don't seem to have a reporting structure; the employees are allowed to keep up with their own hours, their own vacation; and that no problems are documented for future



use, if needed. He has discussed this with two members of the Jurisprudence Committee who feel that we need a review on the Grand Secretary's office.

Closing prayer was voiced by the Associate Grand Patron and the meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Betty Prater  
Grand Treasurer

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February 16, 2005

**Via Hand-Delivery**

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler,  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star  
6513 Grace  
Pearland, Texas 77584

Re: Sale of Eastern Star Property

Dear Worthy Grand Matron Morgenthaler:

This letter will confirm our telephone conversation of this morning and your request that I document for you what I told you.

I have represented the Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star for over 20 years, and the first indication of an offer from Mr. Hal T. Thorne, attorney and President of the General Partner of One Prime, LP, was a call from Nelson Campbell, then Chairman of the Board of Directors, who indicated that they had a prospective purchaser who had offered \$2,800,000 as a part of a tax-free exchange for the sale of other properties. Nelson indicated that he and the other Board members were going to attempt to negotiate the purchase price up so that it would be close to or above the \$3,450,000 appraised value from our MAI appraiser. After several counters back and forth, a contract was provided for \$3,500,000, with a \$700,000 note to be carried by Eastern Star.

The contract for sale of the property, as prepared, provided no contingency for financing and Mr. Thorne, the Buyer, made it clear throughout the transaction that the transaction had to close by January 11, 2005, the end of his Section 1031 tax-free exchange timetable. Working under that assumption, we worked through all matters to get to the closing, including approval by the Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star of the lesser amount for the sale.

I had multiple contacts with the title company and with Mr. Thorne in the months preceding the scheduled January 11 closing. At one point Mr. Thorne indicated that he might want to close in December 2004, but ultimately went back to the January 11<sup>th</sup> closing date.

A few days before the closing date I prepared our Special Warranty Deed, our Vendor's Lien Note, and our Deed of Trust. The Vendor's Lien Note and Deed of Trust provided for a

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first lien on the property to secure payment. Numerous matters were discussed and the final documents were agreed upon several days before closing.

On the morning of the closing, January 11, 2005, when we were scheduled to close just after the lunch hour at the title company (2:00 p.m. as I recall), I received a call from Kimberly Pinkerton, the closer at the title company, who indicated that Mr. Thorne's lender, Citizens National Bank in Waxahachie, was requiring that our \$700,000 lien be subordinated to a \$2,500,000 first lien. Quite surprised, I proclaimed to Ms. Pinkerton that my understanding was that this was to be a tax-free exchange as to the \$2,800,000 being paid at closing, and that Eastern Star's financing was to be a first and secure deed of trust lien. Ms. Pinkerton explained "no, that Mr. Thorne had to get financing to close the sale, and that the lender was requiring that we subordinate." I asked to speak to Hal Thorne at that point, and after a somewhat heated discussion was told that he was going forward with the loan to fund the development of the property and that it was necessary that we subordinate. I asked Mr. Thorne if he could not close in the absence of this loan and he stated "yes, that was correct, in the absence of the loan I cannot close." I then asked Mr. Thorne if he would be willing to personally guarantee the \$700,000 note and he quickly responded that he would. I prepared a draft of the guaranty agreement and forwarded same to Mr. Thorne and he readily agreed to the guaranty terms.

It was then 11:00 a.m. on January 11<sup>th</sup> and I called Jack Beall, who was the recently elected Chairman of the Board of Directors, to discuss the situation with him. I explained again that the contract did not provide for any financing; that my understanding all along was that it was to be a tax-free exchange with \$2,800,000 to be funded from Mr. Thorne's previous sale, and that my understanding was that our \$700,000 was to be a first lien secured by the property. I further pointed out that Mr. Thorne had said in the absence of his \$2,500,000 loan he could not close and that our sale was off. Mr. Beall then asked what the options were and I explained that the options were (1) not to close the sale, or (2) we could subordinate to Citizens National Bank and that I had obtained the agreement of Hal Thorne to personally guarantee the \$700,000 loan from Eastern Star. After a lengthy discussion, Jack asked what I would recommend. I told Jack that because of the City of Arlington designating the Eastern Star property as within the possible taking area for the Cowboy Stadium that it would be very difficult, if not impossible, at this time, to obtain a new contract for the sale of the property. I stated that I felt that Hal Thorne's willingness to give us a personal guarantee was a clear indication to me that Hal Thorne intended to pay the \$700,000, even though we would be subordinate to the first lien, and that although it was basically a business decision as to whether or not to proceed with the closing or to abort it, that my recommendation would be to go forward with the closing, and that the personal guarantee gave a good measure of assurance that the \$700,000 loan would ultimately be paid. Jack Beall indicated that he understood the effect of the second lien note, deed of trust and guaranty and that he wanted to proceed to close.

Since it was by that time 11:30 a.m. and I had planned to have lunch and leave for the closing, I gathered together all of the documents which I had in preparation for the closing in Grand Prairie that afternoon. I assumed, though incorrectly, that Jack Beall would visit with you and the other Board members to explain the fact that we really did not have a serious alternative. We could either accept the personally guaranteed second lien position or Mr. Thorne had stated

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that he would be unable to close. I should have thought to call you, as Worthy Grand Matron, to inform you of the alternatives, so that a rational decision could be made by you and Jack Beall, but failed to do so.

I proceeded to Grand Prairie and met you and the other Eastern Star representatives at the closing. Mr. Thorne personally signed the guaranty in my presence and left the room before you arrived.

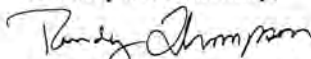
In going through the documentation, I explained the effect of each of the documents and what they provided, including the second lien note, deed of trust and Mr. Thorne's guaranty. No one stated any objection to the second lien note, deed of trust or the guaranty, and the closing was completed. I asked for copies of the documents to be provided to you, to Jack Beall for the Board of Directors, to me, and to Nell Smith of the Grand Secretary's office. Kimberly Pinkerton, the closer, indicated that she would send those documents out.

You have told me that you were not informed about the second lien position and the occurrences of the morning of January 11, 2005. I apologize profusely for not calling you at 11:30 a.m. on January 11<sup>th</sup> but incorrectly assumed that you and Jack Beall would be visiting over lunch and he would discuss the matter with you. I should have called you and did not.

At the end of our conversation, we discussed the delay in funding. We were told by Kimberly Pinkerton that the documents would be provided to the tax-free exchange title company in California, and that since it was after 3:00 p.m. and the funding wire had closed, that we should receive funding the first thing the next morning. About 10:30 a.m. the next morning, I called Nell Smith and verified that we had not received the funds and then called Kimberly Pinkerton, who informed me that the funding was being held up because the lender was requiring evidence of insurance on the property. As I indicated to you, I became quite irate with the closer and reminded her that there were no contingencies for financing, that it was not our obligation to provide any insurance information for Mr. Thorne's financing source, and asked how much she had available in cleared funds. She indicated it was in the neighborhood of \$163,000 out of the \$2,663,525 we were supposed to receive. I then called Nell Smith and Jack Beall to see if we could get our insurance issued to name Hal Thorne's company as a named insured since we still had personal property there for an additional 60 days. They worked through that and were able to provide a certificate of insurance to the title company and funding was achieved the next morning at approximately 10:00 a.m.

I hope that this detail answers all of your questions. If you should have any additional questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely and fraternally,



John Randolph Thompson, Jr.

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**CORPORATE BOARD MINUTES**  
**4-22-05 – Pearland**

Meeting was called to order by the Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler.

Those in attendance were: Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron; Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron; Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron; Nell Smith, Grand Secretary; Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer; Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Jack Beall, Board of Directors, Chairman; and Raul Garcia, Vice Chairman.

Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron, led the opening prayer.

The Counterpart Meeting coming up in May was discussed. The candidates for the North will be introduced on Friday night.

There was a meeting with the Grand Master held on April 20, 2005 at the Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas. The next meeting will be on May 25th at the same place.

The Grand Secretary, Nell Smith, was asked about the Revisions of the Constitution and Code of Laws. Nell reported she had copies with her of a complete updated Constitution and Code of Laws to sell to the membership.

The problems with the membership spreadsheets was explained by the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Secretary also explained how and when a member is suspended.

The Grand Secretary will make corrections on the coding on a check given the Worthy Grand Matron. The Grand Secretary reported that all money had been put in the proper accounts from the sale of the property.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported many problems in Chapters in the state and they were being resolved.

Nell Smith  
Grand Secretary

**CORPORATE BOARD MEETING**  
**August 23, 2005**  
**Moody Gardens**  
**Galveston, Texas**

The meeting was called to order by the Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler. The Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry L. Martin opened with prayer.

Others present were Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron, Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron, Nell Smith, Grand Secretary, Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer, Gerry Dusek, Grand Conductress, and Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress.

The Worthy Grand Matron asked Nell about the shortage of Advanced Reports. Nell replied that there was no shortage if we did not give them to out of state members. She said she was trying to cut down on the waste by not over printing. Many have been thrown away in the past.

The Instituting of Kirbyville was discussed at great lengths. The Worthy Grand Patron stated that after he gave the paperwork to the member requesting same, and had the Grand Secretary's office correct an outdated form and sent to them, he never heard from them again, yet the Instituting is

listed on the calendar and in the Installation Program for Nancy Brown and Nelson Campbell. He asked how this could be since he had not approved the paperwork. He then asked the Associate Grand Patron, Nelson Campbell, if he had the paperwork and was holding it. The Associate Grand Patron said that he did have it and that he knew it should have been given to the Worthy Grand Patron. He also said that if we wanted him to, he would drive home and get it, as it would only take two or three hours. The Worthy Grand Patron told him it was a little too late to do that now.

The meeting adjourned.

### SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS

#### For School Conference & Fraternal Visits

	District	Section	Date
Houston	4	4, 5 & 7	12-10-04
Fort Worth	3	1, 2 & 10	12-17-05
Cisco	3	3, 4 & 5	1-7-05
Killeen	3	6, 7, 8 & 9	1-14-05
Plano	1	1, 2, 4 & 5	1-21-05
Texarkana	1	3 & 9	1-28-05
Tyler	1	6, 7, 8 & 10	2-4-05
San Antonio	5	5, 6 & 7	2-11-05
Boerne	5	1, 2, 3 & 4	2-18-05
Corpus Christi	5	8, 9 & 10	2-25-05
Lubbock	2	4, 5 & 8	3-4-05
Amarillo	2	1, 2 & 3	3-10-05
Abilene	2	6, 7 & 9	3-18-05
El Paso	2	10	3-25-05
Woodville	4	1, 2 & 3	4-1-05
Caldwell	4	6 & 8	4-8-05
Pearland	4	9 & 10	4-23-05

#### Other Fraternal Visits

Pearland	League City	Pearland #1065	11-20-04
Travis	Austin	D. 5, S. 6 (10 Chapters)	1-13-05
Bryan	Bryan	D. 4, S. 6 (All Chapters)	1-6-05
Hillsboro	Hillsboro	D. 3 S. 10 (All Chapters)	1-20-05
Velasco	Freeport	D. 4, S. 10 (6 Chapters)	2-28-05
League City	League City	D. 4, S. 10 (4 Chapters)	3-9-05
New Braunfels	New Braunfels	D. 5, S. 6 (12 Chapters)	4-11-05
Bandera	Bandera	D. 5, S. 3 (1 Chapter)	4-12-05
Cypress	Cypress	D. 4, S. 7 (5 Chapters)	4-14-05

#### Late Elections

Ruth #20

#### Worthy Patron

Harlingen #641

#### Associate Matron

Duncanville #1014

#### Associate Patron

Duncanville #1014

South Fort Worth #835

**Treasurer**

Ridglea #999  
 Velasco#220

**Associate Conductress**

Beeville #422  
 Monahans #581

**Late Installation**

Nederland #1079  
 Texas City #35

**Waive Disability**

South Fort Worth #835  
 Travis #472  
 Mart #109  
 Leander #73  
 Richland Hills #1040  
 Carpenters #183  
 Harlingen #641  
 Haltom City #982

**Waive Visitation**

Lean Elliott #1119

**Not Necessary**

Franklin #311  
 Rockdale #23  
 Creedmoor #607  
 North Fort Worth #884  
 Corrigan #631  
 Alice #61

**Fraternal Visit**

Iola #535  
 Bryan #222  
 New Braunfels #771  
 Dripping Springs #860  
 Seguin #555  
 Alvin #15  
 Friendswood #113

**Move Meeting Place**

Newbern #1135

**Replace Missing Secret Work**

Eastland #280

**NEW SECRET WORK DISTRIBUTED TO CHAPTERS**

<b>CHAPTER NAME</b>	<b>CHAPTER NUMBER</b>	<b>COPY #'S ASSIGNED</b>	<b>4TH FOR ASSOC. COND.</b>
DALLAS CH.	1	1-2-2C	2-AC 2/3/05
SAN ANTONIO RADIANT	3	5-6-6C	6C 2/9/05
PARIS	5	9-10-10C	10-AC 2/16/05
CLARENDON	6	11-12-12C	
WACO	7	13-14-14C	14-AC 1/19/05
SAN ANGELO	10	19-20-20C	20-AC 2/3/05
CEDAR BAYOU	11	21-22-22C	22-AC 3/15/05
ALVIN	15	25-26-26C	26-C 2/9/05
BOWIE	16	27-28-28C	28-AC 1/12/05
SAINT JO	17	29-30-30C	30-C 2/9/05
LEAKEY	18	31-32-32C	32-AC 1/19/05
RUTH	20	33-34-34C	34-AC 1/12/05
WEATHERFORD	21	35-36-36C	36-AC 3/7/05
ROCKDALE	23	37-38-38C	38-AC 1/12/05
KERRVILLE	24	39-40-40C	40-AC 2/23/05

ROBY	25	41-42-42C	
ABILENE	30	49-50-50C	50-AC 1/26/05
FLOYDADA	31	51-52-52C	52-AC 1/26/05
VASHTI	32	53-54-54C	54-AC 1/12/05
TEXAS	35	57-58-58C	58-AC 1/12/05
KENEDY	36	59-60-60C	60-AC 12/20/04
PLAINVIEW	37	61-62-62C	
SMITHVILLE	39	65-66-66-C	68-AC 2/3/05
IOWA PARK	42	67-68-68C	68-AC 1/19/05
DEVINE	43	69-70-70C	
MINERAL WELLS	44	71-72-72C	72-AC 1/26/05
THORNTON	46	73-74-74C	74-AC 3/2/05
ADAH	49	79-80-80C	80-AC 1/26/05
COLORADO	58	89-90-90C	
ALICE	61	93-94-94C	94-AC 12/30/04
NACONA	62	95-96-96C	
BASTROP	64	97-98-98C	
PAMPA	65	99-100-100C	100-AC 2/9/05
MATADOR	66	101-102-102C	102-AC 2/9/05
BIG SPRING	67	103-104-104C	104-AC 1/12/05
BEAUMONT	71	109-110-110C	110-AC 12/20/04
LEANDER	73	113-114-114C	114-AC 2/16/05
BRAZORIA	74	115-116-116C	116-AC 3/7/05
SOUR LAKE	75	117-118-118C	118-AC 1/5/05
LUBBOCK	76	119-120-120C	120-AC 2/23/05
GATE CITY	77	121-122-122C	122-AC 4/6/05
RUSK	79	123-124-124C	124-AC _/12/05
WINTERS	80	125-126-126C	126-AC 1/12/05
CADDO MILLS	82	129-130-130C	130-AC 1/26/05
PETROLIA	84	131-132-132C	
NORMANGEE	87	135-136-136C	136-AC 1/6/05
BELLE MOON	90	137-138-138C	
WORTHAM	96	141-142-142C	142-AC 1/26/05
CHILDRESS	101	147-148-148C	148-AC 4/11/05
TENNESSEE COLONY	102	149-150-150C	150-AC 1/12/05
CANYON CITY	105	153-154-154C	154-AC 1/19/05
MART	109	157-158-158C	158-AC 2/16/05
BROWNWOOD	116	165-166-166C	166-AC 1/19/05
CORSICANA	118	167-168-168C	168-AC 12/20/04
GRAPELAND	120	171-172-172C	172-AC 1/19/05
LIPAN	127	177-178-178C	178-AC 1/12/05
PLEASANTON	133	185-186-186C	186-AC 3/7/05
RANSFORD	135	187-188-188C	188-AC 2/5/05
WIMODAUSIS	141	193-194-194C	194-AC 1/19/05
BRENHAM	144	197-198-198C	198-AC
ATLANTA	151	201-201-202C	202-AC 12/30/04
LULING	155	207-208-208C	208-AC 12/20/04
GARLAND	156	209-210-210C	210-AC 2/23/05
BUFFALO	157	211-212-212C	212-AC 1/26/05
VIOLET	158	213-214-214C	214-AC 1/12/05
WINNIE	160	217-218-218C	218-AC 3/15/05



ARANSAS PASS	162	221-222-222C	222-AC 1/26/05
SPUR	164	223-224-224C	224-AC 1/26/05
BRADY	167	225-226-226C	226-AC 2/23/05
QUINLAN	170	229-230-230C	230-AC 1/12/05
GLEN ROSE	171	231-232-232C	171-AC 1/26/05
ATHENS	177	237-238-238C	
CARPENTER	183	239-240-240C	
TENAHA	185	243-244-244C	244-AC 1/12/05
TRINITY	186	245-246-246C	246-AC 1/5/05
ROBERT LEE	187	247-248-248C	248-AC 1/26/05
HADASSAH	188	249-250-250C	250-AC 1/12/05
GREENVILLE	189	251-152-152C	152-AC 2/23/05
SAN SABA	191	253-254-254C	254-AC 4/11/05
GARRISON	192	255-256-256C	256-AC 1/12/05
MADISONVILLE	193	257-258-258C	258-AC 1/26/05
BOERNE	200	261-262-262C	262-AC 1/12/05
DEL RIO	204	265-266-266C	266-AC 2/9/05
COMMERCE	208	269-270-270C	270-AC 1/26/05
LOCKHART	210	271-272-272C	272-AC 1/26/05
BORDER	211	273-274-274C	274-AC 12/30/04
ORANGE	214	277-278-278C	278-AC 1/12/05
HAMILTON	215	279-280-280C	280-AC 2/3/05
LLANO	216	281-282-282C	282-AC 1/26/05
GRAND PRAIRIE	219	285-286-286C	286-AC 1/5/05
VELASCO	220	287-288-288C	288-AC 2/25/05
BRYAN	222	289-290-290C	290-AC 3/30/05
NEWTON	224	291-292-292C	292-AC 4/11/05
MONTGOMERY	228	295-296-296C	296-AC 2/3/05
FORT STOCKTON	230	297-298-298C	298-AC 3/2/05
MIDLOTHIAN	234	303-304-304C	304-AC 2/23/05
WICHITA FALLS	237	308-309-309C	309-AC 1/26/05
WELLINGTON	238	310-311-311C	
HUNTSVILLE	240	314-315-315C	315-AC 3/15/05
HARMONY	244	320-321-321C	321-AC 1/19/05
SOMERVILLE	245	322-323-323C	323-AC 5/18/05
SULPHUR BLUFF	246	324-325-325C	325-AC 1/12/05
SANTA ANNA	247	326-327-327C	327-AC 2/9/05
ARLINGTON	249	328-329-329C	329-AC 12/04/04
AVERY	252	334-335-335C	334-AC 12/20/04
MIDLAND	253	336-337-337C	337-AC 1/19/05
JOHN GILLESPIE	257	340-341-341C	341-AC 2/___/05
HOUSTON HEIGHTS	258	342-343-343C	343-AC 2/9/05
DENTON	259	344-345-345C	345-AC 1/6/05
CROSBY	261	346-347-347C	347-AC 1/12/05
PORT ARTHUR	262	348-349-349C	349-AC 1/12/05
RICHLAND SPRINGS	264	352-353-353C	353-AC 2/16/05
BALLINGER	266	356-357-357C	357-AC 1/26/05
SANTO	270	360-361-361C	361-AC 1/26/05
FLORESVILLE	271	362-365-363C	363-AC 1/12/05
BECKVILLE	273	368-369-369C	369-AC 2/9/05
BROCK	274	370-371-371C	

SAN MARCOS	276	374-375-375C	375-AC 2/3/05
EASTLAND	280	382-383-383C	383-AC 1/12/05
YOAKUM	282	384-385-385C	385-AC 12/04/04
CLIFTON	283	386-387-387C	387-AC 2/3/05
MARLIN	286	392-393-393C	393-AC 2/9/05
OZONA	287	394-395-395C	395-AC 3/15/05
GRAND SALINE	290	298-399-399C	399-AC 1/5/05
JASPER	291	400-401-401C	401-AC 2/16/05
LAMPASAS	295	404-405-405C	405-AC 1/26/05
UVALDE	297	406-407-407C	407-AC 12/20/04
SILSBEE	298	408-409-409C	409-AC
HIGGINS	300	410-411-411C	
AUSTIN	304	414-415-415C	415-AC 2/16/05
NAVASOTA	309	420-421-421C	421-AC 2/23/05
COMANCHE	310	422-422C-423	423-AC 12/30/04
FRANKLIN	311	424-425-425C	425-AC 1/6/05
HEREFORD	312	426-427-427C	427-AC 2/16/05
SPURGER	315	428-429-429C	429-AC 2/16/05
ROUND ROCK	316	430-431-431C	
NASH	320	434-435-435C	
KINGSVILLE	325	442-443-443C	443-AC 2/9/05
GRAPEVINE	326	444-445-445C	445-AC 2/25/05
FAIRFIELD	331	446-447-447C	447-AC 2/3/05
LYTLE	335	448-449-449C	449-AC 12/30/04
BRONSON	337	452-453-453C	453-AC 1/12/05
RIO VISTA	343	456-457-457C	457-AC 2/3/05
CENTER	348	464-464-465C	465-AC 1/12/05
HUGHES SPRINGS	349	466-467-467C	467-AC 1/12/05
SARAH	353	474-475-475C	475-AC 12/20/04
CORPUS CHRISTI	354	476-477-477C	477-AC 1/19/05
GILMER	355	478-479-479C	479-AC 1/26/05
	356	480-481-481C	481-AC 1/5/05
COLEMAN	360	484-485-485C	485-AC 12/30/04
STRAWN	361	486-487-487C	
LAMESA	363	490-491-491C	491-AC 1/19/05
WILLS POINT	366	492-493-493C	493-AC 1/12/05
CUSHING	368	494-495-495C	495-AC 1/19/05
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JOHNSON CITY	376	502-503-503C	503-AC 2/23/05
JACKSONVILLE	377	505-506-506C	506-AC 1/12/05
BAY CITY	380	509-510-510C	510-AC 3/2/05
PITTSBURG	381	511-512-512C	512-AC 1/19/05
LUFKIN	382	513-514-514C	514-AC 3/23/05
SHAMROCK	384	517-518-518C	518-AC 3/23/05
HOUSTON HEIGHTS	385	519-520-521C	521-AC 2/9/05
JACKSBORO	390	525-526-526C	526-AC 1/26/05
PAINT ROCK	391	527-528-528C	528-AC 2/3/05
PALESTINE	395	531-532-532C	532-AC 1/19/05
GONZALES	403	543-544-544C	544-AC 12/30/04

HONDO	404	545-546-546C	546-AC 1/12/05
TEAGUE	408	549-550-550C	546-AC 1/12/05
STANTON	409	551-552-552C	
HUMBLE	415	555-556-556C	556-AC 5/4/05
HICO	419	559-560-560C	560-AC 2/23/05
POLYTECHNIC	420	561-562-562C	562-AC 1/26/05-DUP. 6/1/05
TROUP	421	563-564-564C	564-AC 3/23/05
BEEVILLE	422	565-566-566C	565-AC 1/5/05
VERNON	424	567-568-568C	568-AC 1/19/05
BURNET	425	569-570-570C	570-AC 1/26/05
MCGREGOR	427	571-572-572C	572-AC 1/19/05
NACOGDOCHES	428	573-574-547C	
ROSENBERG	429	575-576-576C	576-AC 3/2/05
CHICO	433	579-580-579C	579-AC 1/26/05
MARBLE FALLS	435	581-582-582C	582-AC 1/12/05
GORMAN	443	591-592-592C	592-AC 2/23/05
ODESSA	447	593-594-594C	
IOLA	458	610-611-611C	611-AC 5/4/05
CISCO	461	614-615-615C	615-AC 1/12/05
WOODVILLE	462	616-617-617C	617-AC 1/19/05
CLEVELAND	465	620-621-621C	621-AC 1/26/05
TRAVIS	472	626-627-627C	627-AC 2/3/05
EDINBURG	473	628-629-629C	629-AC 2/3/05
ROCKPORT	479	634-635-635C	635-AC 1/12/05
KILLEEN	490	642-643-643C	643-AC 2/9/05
JUNCTION	497	652-653-653C	653-AC 1/6/05
SPRINGTOWN	498	654-655-654C	654-AC 1/12/05
THROCKMORTON	500	658-659-659C	659-AC 3/15/05
PADUCAH	506	662-663-663C	663-AC 2/16/05
FERRIS	508	664-665-665C	665-AC 1/12/05
CROCKETT	509	666-667-667C	667-AC 1/26/05
MCKINNEY	518	676-677-677C	677-AC 1/26/05
OAKVILLE	521	678-679-678C	678-AC 2/3/05
MISSION	527	680-681-681C	681-AC 2/3/05
GRANBURY	530	684-685-685C	685-AC 1/12/05
EL CAMPO	535	688-689-689C	689-AC 2/16/05
ROBSTOWN	540	692-693-693C	693-AC 2/3/05
DECATUR	543	694-695-695C	695-AC 1/19/05
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 Mrs. Wanda Sue Link  
 Mrs. Virginia Linley  
 Mrs. Martha Moody  
 Mrs. Diana Moore  
 Mrs. Alene Morris  
 Mrs. Joyce Mueller  
 Mrs. Lena Neithercutt  
 Mrs. Mary Poindexter  
 Mrs. Wanda Puckett  
 Mrs. Sheri Beth Redwine  
 Mrs. Ercelle Rene Reeves  
 Mrs. Norma Robbins  
 Mrs. Ludine Smith  
 Mrs. Mildred Smith  
 Mrs. Opal Smith  
 Mr. W. D. Smith  
 Mrs. Dorothy Stovall  
 Mrs. Clydia Taylor  
 Mrs. Frances Thackerson  
 Mrs. Bonnie Vaughn  
 Mrs. Martha Viers  
 Mrs. Ila Webb  
 Mrs. Dorothy White

#### **ECTOR CHAPTER #895**

Mr. Joe Wiley Cox (Duplicate)  
 Mrs. Sharon Cox (Duplicate)

#### **HURST CHAPTER #1099**

Mrs. Charlot Smith  
 Mr. C. Raymond Smith  
 Mr. Randall Wright (Duplicate)  
 Mrs. Marjorie Yarborough (Duplicate)

**COURTESY FUNERALS**

Wilma Jaeger from Oleen, New York, Electra Chapter #84 by North Fort Worth Chapter #684 on 2/9/05.

**COURTESY INVESTIGATIONS**

Visit completed for Jefferson Chapter #627 by Louisiana Chapter #107 on 12/2/04.

**COURTESY VISITS REQUESTED FROM OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

Nebraska	Freedom Chapter #898	3/15/05
New Mexico	Amarillo Chapter #787	5/2005

**WAVIER OF JURISDICTION FROM OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

New Mexico	Amarillo Chapter #787	5/2005
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**SPECIAL HONORS****PROCLAMATIONS**

12-17-04	Mayor of City	Fort Worth Conference
1-21-05	Mayor of City	Plano Conference
1-28-05	Mayor of City	Texarkana Conference
2-11-05	Certification of District Recognition	
	From Carter Casteel	San Antonio Conference
2-18-05	Mayor of City	Boerne Conference
2-27-05	Mayor of City	Sommerville Anniversary
4-22-05	Mayor of City	Pearland Conference

**FLAGS**

11-27-04	State of Texas	
	Representative Patrick Rose	San Marcos Anniversary
3-18-05	State of Texas	
	Senator Troy Fraser	Abilene Conference

**KEYS TO CITY**

11-27-04	San Marcos	San Marcos Anniversary
12-19-04	Fort Worth	Fort Worth Conference
2-4-05	Big Sandy	Tyler Conference
4-1-05	Woodville	Woodville Conference
4-9-05	Caldwell	Caldwell Conference

**HAND CARVED GAVEL**

11-13-04 Mr. & Mrs. James Williams

**BIBLE**

11-13-04 Mr. John Elkinton  
11-13-04 Mrs. Frances Elkinton

**PEDESTAL COVERS**

11-20-04 Mrs. Betty Lynn  
8-1-05 Mrs. Cora Ferguson

**ALTAR CLOTH, KNEELING BENCH COVER  
BIBLE COVER & MARKER, ALTAR DRAPE**

8-1-05 Mrs. Frances Reedy

**SQUARE AND COMPASSES**

11-13-04 Mrs. Pam Dean, DDGM, District I  
Mrs. Andi Martin, DDGM, District II  
Mrs. Donna Hill Pope, DDGM, District III  
Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger, DDGM, District IV  
Mrs. Karen Wright, DDGM, District V  
Mr. Ray Hertenberger, Executive Chairman

**POETRY**

1-20-05 Pam Johnson Hillsboro  
4-15-05 Lorraine Blackston Cleburne

**PRAYER AT JOURNEY'S END**

Oh Lord, our voyage now is ended.  
We sailed o'er all the seas where're you sent;  
For, Lord, we always knew this time we had was only lent.

We tossed our sails up into the sky  
And trusted to the winds to blow us forth;  
To travel through this state, both to the South and to the North.

It mattered not the waves that o'er us crashed;  
That washed our decks anew with snowy foam,  
For whether to the East or West, at last, we'd come back home.

Our sails were filled with air, like children's cheeks,  
With fat and fluffy billows they were blown,  
Glist'ning white as with sun's light, day by day, they shone.

And, Lord, we knew it was your loving grace  
That through this voyage we have always shared  
With all these others who, with us, have dared.

To board our stately vessel at the start  
And journey daily where You have led us to.  
So, Lord, for this. . . we now give all our thanks to You.

Oh, Lord, our voyage now is ended!

Juanita Gregory,  
Poet Laureate, 2004-2005



## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I am pleased to submit the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Patron, would you preside at this time.

I have approved and signed many by-laws changes, and the entire list will be put in our Proceedings. I'm not going to read all of those Chapters.

Regarding legal acts, on January 11th I signed the documents regarding the sale of the property. And on August 15th I signed a receipt of bonus ratification of oil and gas lease and a designation of depository as a nonparticipating mineral interest owner in Crockett County, Texas.

Under "Decisions, Rulings and Irregularities," a number of questions came to the District Deputy Grand Matrons during this year. We were able to answer most of these questions by referring them to page and article number in the Constitution or the Code of Laws. I polled the Jurisprudence Committee on the question: Who has the right to approve the final floor plans for the new office at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center? The ruling given: This is the responsibility of the Board of Directors, Article 82(a), and the Corporate Board, Article 7(a), Section 3. Final determination would lie with the Corporate Board if a decision needs to be made prior to the 2005 Grand Chapter session. Sisters and Brothers, we did finalize it, and the Board of Directors and the Corporate Board did sign the documentation.

Two Chapter Officers were reprimanded for violation of Landmark #7 of our Order. There were many questions regarding consolidations and demise of Chapters. This seems to be a major problem of not understanding our laws regarding demise or consolidation. A ruling was made to a Chapter to begin again the process of their Chapter's future because of discrepancies that had occurred. I attended a meeting to mediate problems with a Chapter and its members. Attended a meeting to investigate a serious situation involving members of a Chapter and a Lodge. After a thorough investigation, I appointed the Worthy Grand Patron to serve as a Special Deputy and had the unpleasant duty of suspending a member of the Order.

A special thank you to my Worthy Grand Patron and the Jurisprudence Committee for their devotion to our Order and the work that they've had to do this year.

We granted many special dispensations, and they will be listed.

Our schedule regarding fraternal visits and functions will also be listed in the Proceedings, but I do want to make a notation to this membership that we attended the Texas Masonic Family Weekend. We had a fantastic time that weekend. We did not have the numbers that we were looking for, so when we came back to evaluate that weekend, there will be no more Family Weekend.

On May 25th we attended a meeting at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas with the Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, the trustees of the Scottish Rite Hospital, Board Members of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. We had our Corporate Board members there and the Board of Directors of Eastern Star were represented, the Masonic Home & School and the Grand Line Officers. It was regarding the concern of widows entering the Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

We attended the Rainbow Grand Assembly in Corpus Christi.

We also had a second meeting with the Committee in regards to coming together with a universal application for entry into the Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

In June we attended a Counterpart meeting in Waco regarding the Family Weekend. And what came out of that meeting was that we will continue this group of people, and they're going to come together in October and have all of the counterparts of the bodies that are within the Texas Masonic Family, so that the counterparts through 2007 can get to know and work with each other in the future.

One very special thing that had never been done before – and we were so honored to have the opportunity – the membership in District 4, Section 1 – and that includes all Chapters – participated and came together, and we had the opportunity of dedicating two gravemarkers for Past Grand Matron Cynthia Mae Watts and Past Grand Patron Brother Ralph A. Davis. And, Sisters and Brothers, it was a first.

In June we had a meeting in Cleveland to mediate a problem with another Chapter. We attended the Grand Conductresses', the Associate Grand Matron's banquets. We attended the DeMolay banquet in Waco. And on July 17th we met with members in a district who were having some very serious problems. In July we also attended our Worthy Grand Matron/Worthy Grand Patron's banquet and round-up. We did attend the Multi-State meeting in Branson, Missouri. And if you look over here to my left, you'll see the banner that we brought home, the second year in a row. We're very honored. [applause] And then, Sisters and Brothers, I attended my own section Founder's Day and we had a wonderful time.

I was very honored to receive a proclamation from the Mayor of Fort Stockton proclaiming June 6th as Order of the Eastern Star Day honoring the Worthy Grand Matron at a fraternal visit. And then July 23rd at our banquet I received from the Governor of Texas the Yellow Rose Commendation and am very honored with that.

Worthy Grand Patron, I move that the Advance Report, as well as the Supplemental Report, of the Worthy Grand Matron be submitted to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** It has been moved that the Advanced Annual Report that was distributed to the membership and the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron be submitted to the proper Committee. All in favor, raise your green card. Motion carried.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time I would like to invite our Worthy Grand Patron to present his Supplemental Report.

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

**REPORT OF THE  
WORTHY GRAND PATRON  
2004 – 2005  
MR. JERRY L. MARTIN**

**TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF TEXAS**

*O Lord, that lends me life, lend me a heart replete with thankfulness.* – Shakespeare

*My soul, o'erfraught with gratitude, rejects the aid of language. Lord, behold my heart.*  
– Hannah More

I must use the above words of others to express my thanks to all of you, for my humble knowledge does not permit me the proper words to express my debt of thanks to you. You have given me the ultimate privilege of serving you and this great Order as your Worthy Grand Patron. I pray that my



service has been positively received, and that in some small way; I have made a contribution to the welfare of our wonderful fraternal organization.

**GRAND CHAPTER INSTALLATION**

The one hundred twenty-third, "Setting Sail Into The Future" installation was held on November 13, 2004 at the Corpus Christi Bayfront Convention Center in Corpus Christi, Texas. It was an evening that will always bring special memories for me throughout the remainder of my life. I especially wish to thank the following for their part in this special night.

- Mr. Lee Stallings, Past Grand Patron . . . . . Master of Ceremonies
- Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron. . . . . Installing Grand Officer
- Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress General Grand Chapter . . . . .  
Assisting Installing Grand Officer
- Mr. Kenneth Gregory, Past Grand Patron . . . . . Installing Grand Chaplain
- Mrs. Betty Benham, Past Grand Matron . . . . . Installing Grand Marshal
- Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron . . . . . Installing Grand Organist
- Mrs. Naomi Wolfe, Past Grand Matron . . . . . Installing Grand Secretary

To the others who participated, but are not named, I appreciate and love each of you.

**PEARLAND CHAPTER NO. 1065**

Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler was honored with a Fraternal Visit by her home Chapter on November 20, 2004 at the South Shore Harbor Convention Center. The membership of the Worthy Grand Matron's Chapter honored us with a fantastic banquet before the Fraternal Visit. Betty and I are very appreciative for all the courtesies extended to us during this wonderful evening.

**TRAVIS CHAPTER NO. 472 & NEW BRAUNFELS CHAPTER NO. 771**

I was honored that my parent Chapter, Travis Chapter No. 472, held a Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron on January 13, 2005, and my dual Chapter, New Braunfels Chapter No.771 held a Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron on April 11, 2005. The other Chapters of District 5, Section 6 were participants in both Fraternal Visits. I am deeply grateful for the support of both my Chapters and the Chapters of District 5, Section 6.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

I will never forget a very late night meeting on May 31, 2003 where you and Tom asked Betty and me to serve with you in this fast, fantastic, sometimes almost magic, wonderful time of service to our Order. We will always be thankful to you both for this honor. As I have stated before, "the sufficiency of my merit is to know that my merit is not sufficient." However, I have given my best efforts to be worthy of the trust you placed in me. You and Tom, Betty and I, will always share a familial bond for the rest of our time on God's earth.

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICER & COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

General Grand Chapter is blessed to have the services of such talented people from the Great State of Texas. Our Right Worthy Grand Conductress, Sister Rennie Ofton has represented us so well for many years in General Grand Chapter, and our Committee Members are now sharing their special talents with General Grand Chapter. Our Deputies of General Grand Chapter continue to do a great job. You have all been a source of knowledge and support for me, and I am truly grateful.

## **PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS**

Every new Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron needs role models to help show them how to serve effectively and efficiently. Texas is blessed to have an abundance of wonderful role models for us to pattern ourselves by. I am truly thankful to each of you for the service you have given and continue to give our Grand Chapter, and for the assistance given me during my time of service. I look forward to spending more time with each of you, and developing lasting, meaningful relations.

## **INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS**

Whether appointed or elected, each of you served our Order with dedication, dignity, and grace. You are each an asset to our Grand Chapter and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with each of you this year.

## **ELECTED BOARDS**

Our Grand Examiners did a remarkable job adapting to the changed format for conducting our School Conferences. They also made many of the Section Workshops which was really appreciated by the membership.

The Board of Directors and the Corporate Board, as per approved legislation, accepted a proposal and sold the property in Arlington, and are working on securing space for the new business headquarters and museum. The Board continues to carry out their duties of managing the financial matters of Grand Chapter.

I thank each of you for your dedication to our Order. Your willingness to serve in these vital positions is deeply appreciated.

## **DEPUTIES OF GRAND CHAPTER**

In this year of major change in the way we conducted our School Conferences, you were the entire key to success or failure. Because of your dedication, we were blessed with success. The five District Deputy Grand Matrons were pivotal in imparting the wishes of the Worthy Grand Matron to the Deputy Grand Matrons. The 48 Deputy Grand Matrons made the plans and executed them with precision, and as a result, each School Conference was a major success. I am blessed to have had the privilege of working with each of you this year.

## **SEA TREASURES AND MARINERS**

I am amazed at the enthusiasm you have all shown in the fulfillment of your offices. You have given of your time and effort to serve as Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of your various Chapters because you believe in what our Order stands for and the values it teaches. It is because of this dedication that our Order will continue for generations to come.

## **TO MY WIFE**

At a time in our lives when we both had lost so much, Eastern Star and God brought us together that we might not be alone anymore. These past four and a half years you have been so supportive of me in whatever I have chosen to do. You are the wind beneath my wings.

### **SECRETARIES AND PAGES**

Brothers Art Brunet and Jerry Trees, though Grand Representative commissions took you both away, I appreciate all that you did for me as pages and for what you are now doing as Grand Representatives of our Order. Brothers David Ouellette and Arthur Drescher, I am so grateful that you accepted this appointment as my pages. I never have to worry about any task that is assigned to you, because you are always on top of the situation.

To my secretaries, Sisters Mary Brunet and Vicki Smith, I wish to express my appreciation for all that you have done for the office of Worthy Grand Patron. Sister Mary, you have been such an asset in traveling to the School Conferences and assisting in the sales of the Worthy Grand Matrons merchandise. Sister Vicki Smith, your valuable skills in the preparation of many important portions of the Yearbook, other data entry work, and your planning and preparations for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's round up is deeply appreciated.

### **MUSIC**

I wish to thank Sister Delphia Von Heeder, and Sister Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron, for writing the music for the Worthy Grand Patron. The "March of the Mariners" is exactly what I was hoping for when I asked for an upbeat march that would liven up the crowd. Every time it has been played, the membership seems to enjoy clapping their hands and tapping their toes. I appreciate you both for sharing your God given talent in the writing of this music.

### **STATE OFFICE STAFF**

The Grand Secretary, Sister Nell Smith Drenner and her office staff have been of valuable assistance to me this year. I thank each of you for what you do for our Order. My very special friend, Sister Betty Prater, you have done an admirable job in fulfilling your duties as Grand Treasurer this year.

### **SCHOOL CONFERENCES**

It was my honor to attend and participate in all of the School Conferences, and enjoy the Fraternal Visits of the Worthy Grand Matron. Attendance was excellent at each of the School Conferences, and the Worthy Grand Matron, District Deputy Grand Matrons, and Deputy Grand Matrons were well prepared to conduct the sharing of information and instructions. The new School Conference format posed some different thinking and preparation, but the Deputies of Grand Chapter handled them efficiently and made them a fantastic success.

### **SPECIAL HONORS**

The office of Worthy Grand Patron was honored by many special presentations during the year. They will always be a valued memory of this special year in my life.

Keys to the City from Fort Worth, San Marcos, Big Sandy, Woodville, and Caldwell.

Congratulatory letter from the Governor of Texas

Jerry L. Martin Day in the City of Fort Worth

Certificate of District Recognition by State Representative Carter Casteel.

Letter of Special Recognition by Mayor of Plano

Certificate of Appreciation from the Mayor of Somerville

Honorary Citizen of Big Sandy by City of Big Sandy

Certificate of Recognition by the Mayor of Texarkana

Worthy Grand Patron Day from Mayor of Pearland  
 Honorary Citizenship from Mayor of Boerne  
 Honorary Membership from Grand Chapter of Louisiana  
 State of Texas flag flown over the State Capitol, presented by State Rep. Patrick M. Rose  
 State of Texas flag flown over the State Capitol, presented by Senator Troy Fraser

### **HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS & SPECIAL GIFTS**

I am truly grateful for each of the honorary memberships given to me by the Subordinate Chapters throughout the state. Because your Chapter had to vote to present these, they are indeed an honor to receive. I also receive many gifts from the Subordinate Chapters and members throughout the state. Your generosity and kindness are beyond words, and I will always appreciate what you did for me personally and the office of Worthy Grand Patron.

### **OTHER FRATERNAL VISITS**

It has been my special privilege to attend all the Fraternal Visits not associated with a School Conference as of the date of writing this report. I fully intend to be present at the remainder of the Fraternal Visits scheduled for the balance of the year. Being with the membership of the Order is refreshing and instills motivation to keep our Order strong.

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES ATTENDED**

New Associate Grand Conductress Breakfast  
 Conference for Deputies of Grand Chapter  
 Past Matrons/Past Patrons District 4 Section 5 Christmas Banquet  
 Worthy Matrons/Worthy Patrons Christmas Party District 3 Section 1  
 TMRC Christmas Party  
 Sale of OES property in Arlington  
 Grand Master's Banquet  
 TMRC Board Meeting (February)  
 Masonic Counterparts Meeting (January and April)  
 Meeting with Grand Master and others in Dallas  
 Tea Honoring the Worthy Grand Patron in New Braunfels  
 TMRC Tea Honoring the Worthy Grand Matron  
 District 3 Section 1 Patrons Club Initiation of Officers  
 Texas Masonic Family Convention  
 50th Anniversary of Willis Chapter No. 1017  
 100th Anniversary of San Marcos Chapter No. 276  
 75th Anniversary of Crescent Chapter No. 820  
 100th Anniversary of Somerville Chapter No. 245  
 100th Anniversary of Floresville Chapter No. 271  
 85th Anniversary of Jefferson Chapter No. 627

### **EXCHANGE VISITS**

Due to the nine month year that we have, there was no time for scheduling exchange visits with the neighboring states that we usually do. I am looking forward to attending the Multi-State Exchange visit in Branson, Missouri later in the year from the time of writing this document. It is the Worthy Grand Matron's and my intent to bring the banner home to Texas once again.

## OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

I was fortunate to attend the Louisiana Grand Chapter in Alexandria, Louisiana, and the Virginia Grand Chapter held in Richmond, Virginia. The fellowship with our members in other jurisdictions is always a welcome time. We shared many thoughts on the future welfare of our Order, and all agreed that it will indeed survive and prosper again.

## GRAND LODGE OF TEXAS

As for many years past, I attended the Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas on December 2-4, 2004. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were introduced at the opening ceremony and seated in the East. The Worthy Grand Matron and I also attended the Installation of the new Grand Master, Elmer Murphey, III, and made a presentation to him and to his wife, Judy.

## CONCLUSION

As I stated at the beginning of this report, there are no words to appropriately thank all of you for this opportunity to be of service to you and our Order. I wish that each of you could experience it, not for the loftiness of the position, rather for traveling the state and enjoying the fabulous membership that we have. Remember that the titles we carry do not make us any different from the other. We are all equal in God's eye and each of us is necessary to make our wonderful fraternity exist.

It is my sincerest wish that you understand how deeply humbled I am to have served as your Worthy Grand Patron and grateful I am for everything each of you do, every day, week, month, and year for the good of our Order.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Jerry L. Martin  
Worthy Grand Patron

## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** The following Supplemental Report includes only those activities that occurred after May 18th which were not included in the Advanced Proceedings. And in the interest of time, as the Worthy Grand Matron and I attend almost all things together, I will try not to duplicate those things she has already mentioned.

I was also in attendance, as I said, at many of those same meetings that the Worthy Grand Matron was at. I'll not speak about those she has already mentioned, in the interest of time. That makes it much faster.

I attended on July 25th a very special occasion at the Ronald McDonald House in Corpus Christi where the Chapters of District 5, Sections 8 and 9, presented carloads – and I mean carloads – of quilts, pillows, hats, stuffed animals and pull tabs to the Ronald McDonald House. We were privileged to have three television stations broadcast coverage of this event.

I also received various proclamations and some other honors that the Worthy Grand Matron has also mentioned. I issued the necessary forms and instructions for the possible

institution of two new Chapters. We had to revise some forms, correct them. The Grand Secretary was very successful in modifying those forms where they needed to be. They were given to the proper individuals, and several conversations were held with them thereafter. No further contact has been received from either of those concerned people.

Worthy Grand Matron, I think we've covered everything else in the report that has not been jointly participated in. I would move that the Advanced Annual Report, which was distributed to the membership, and the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Patron be submitted to the proper Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion of our Worthy Grand Patron that we move for the adoption of his Supplemental Report and refer it to the proper Committee. Is there any discussion on this report? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried. Sisters and Brothers, the entirety will be in our Proceedings.

At this time I would like to recognize our Worthy Grand Patron and have him bring his report as a Special Deputy. I'm going to ask that everybody be seated so that you can hear this report.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sometimes the duties of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron are not pleasant ones. I had the unfortunate opportunity, if you want to call it that – I wouldn't call it an opportunity – occasion, acting as the Special Deputy to our Worthy Grand Matron to have to suspend a member of our Order. This was done under Article 26 of our Code of Laws, and that suspension is only good under that article for the term of the Worthy Grand Matron's office. Now this action occurred on August 5th. So it has only been a short while ago.

And what the Worthy Grand Matron is going to be asking you in a little while is for you, this Grand Chapter, to uphold this suspension for one more year; in other words, until this Grand Chapter meets in its next session. The seriousness of this matter, we believe, requires more than a two- or three-week suspension. I will give you some of the details of this to help you make up your mind when you go to vote. I will be very cautious, as best I can, to not reveal names or places because I don't think we need that information, only what this member did.

In June of this year the Worthy Grand Matron and I became aware of a situation in one of our Chapters that was rapidly becoming a serious problem. Our Deputy Grand Matron, reporting to her District Deputy Grand Matron to us, reported that the Worthy Matron of a Chapter had had charges filed against her in her Chapter as the result of a letter written by the Worthy Matron to a Brother Eastern Star member. The charges were attempted to be filed, but they were not in order. The situation that has precipitated all of this is between this Worthy Matron at the time and a member of the Lodge who is not a member of the Eastern Star. The charges that were submitted would not apply because he is a member of the Lodge. However, the actions taken by this Worthy Matron have caused serious and grievous fault in the area of this Chapter and the surrounding area. There is much animosity between the Blue Lodge now and the Chapter because of the actions of this member.

The particular item that caused the suspension of the member was the letter, as I stated earlier. This Worthy Matron alleges that a member of the Blue Lodge, while at a fundraising event in the Lodge, came up to her and in some very graphic, descriptive terms, stated that two Brothers in her Eastern Star Chapter were homosexuals. And that is

putting it mildly. As I said, the language was very graphic, very descriptive and included the “f” word.

By committing to writing this information that could and did fall into hands other than the intended recipient, the situation in this area was greatly exacerbated. The tension is unbelievable between certain members of that Lodge and certain members of the Chapter. It is our belief that there is probably some guilt on both sides. However, this Worthy Matron committed in writing this information, and that is a serious fault. Because of those actions and it falling into the other hands, she has violated an act of moral turpitude by writing that letter that included language that was contrary to the accepted rules of modesty and good morals. She also indicated in her letter to this individual that the information she wrote might cause further problems, so it would appear that she realized that further implications might be coming.

Without getting into any greater detail – but if this membership wishes, we could – as I said, I think the seriousness of the situation warrants more than a two- or two-and-a-half-week suspension. I can tell you, the Grand Master of Masons in Texas has been involved in this situation. We have worked with him; we have worked with his District Deputy Grand Master. There are charges pending in the Blue Lodge as a result of this letter.

Sisters and Brothers, this member has caused this Order and the Masonic Fraternity great grievance. I could go on. There are more details. I do not believe it is necessary. Worthy Grand Matron, if you would, at this time I would ask that you would ask the membership to vote on this matter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of our Worthy Grand Patron in regard to the suspension of a member, and we would like to see the suspension carried for one more year to the Grand Chapter session of 2006. Is there any discussion?

All in favor of continuing the suspension for one year, please raise your green card. Those opposed. Motion carried. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. And, thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. If you would, at this time I’d like for you to preside for me.

Sisters and Brothers, as Worthy Grand Matron I would like to bring to this membership today two recommendations for you to consider and perhaps to vote on. I will begin reading the very first one at this time.

### **WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S RECOMMENDATION**

Whereas, financial management, particularly with regard to investments, is a specialized area requiring specific skills, knowledge, and experience; and

Whereas, the Grand Chapter of Texas, with the sale of the Home property, has substantially increased its funds requiring that specialized financial management expertise; and

Whereas, the Grand Chapter of Texas has a continued financial commitment to both our current and future residents at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center and other benevolent work of the Order, such as ESTARL and our other educational opportunities, the proper management of our money is essential; and

Whereas, declining membership and increases in the number of 50-year award recipients, who no longer have to pay dues, have resulted in decreases in funds available to the subordinate Chapters and in the amount of per capita income received by Grand Chapter

over the past several years; and

Whereas, the recent payments to the subordinate Chapters for their Endowed Memberships were disturbingly low; and

Whereas, the subordinate Chapters need additional funds to support their local activities and they cannot afford increased financial responsibilities to Grand Chapter;

It is essential that the Grand Chapter of Texas utilize the most effective financial methods and professional investment expertise to preserve Grand Chapter funds and maximize the returns on those funds, to ensure the continued financial viability of the subordinate Chapters and Grand Chapter in future years.

Therefore, as Worthy Grand Matron, I hereby appoint a Financial Study Committee to study and report on the money management needs of the Grand Chapter of Texas, with the following objectives:

- 1) General expectations for the management of Grand Chapter funds in the future.
- 2) Identification of the Grand Chapter funds to be managed;
- 3) A description of the financial and investment expertise needed to achieve maximum financial performance for Grand Chapter funds;
- 4) Identification of two or more alternatives to obtain the level of expertise necessary to properly manage the Grand Chapter funds, with advantages and disadvantages of each alternative;
- 5) Selection of the recommended alternative from item #4;
- 6) A recommendation of how the responsibilities for the management of Grand Chapter funds should be established in the future.
- 7) A description of how the recommendations should be implemented.

The Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Board of Directors will assist the Financial Study Committee by providing information, upon request.

Throughout the 2005-2006 Grand Chapter year, the Financial Study Committee will provide a status report on their progress to the Corporate Board once per quarter, at the times and places designated by the Worthy Grand Matron. A report will also be made to the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis.

The Financial Study Committee will prepare a complete report for inclusion in the Advanced Proceedings and present their conclusions and recommendations at the 2006 Grand Chapter Session. The report will include the following:

- 1) Each of the stated objectives addressed, with conclusions explained
- 2) The methods and decision processes used by the Committee to arrive at their conclusions, with identification of any outside sources of information that were used
- 3) Recommendations

At the 2006 Grand Chapter Session, the Financial Study Committee will draft and submit any legislation that is necessary to implement their recommendations.

Suggest a Committee of 6-8 members, plus ex-officio & Advisory Members.

Recommendations for appointment to the Financial Study Committee:

1. Newly elected Associate Grand Conductress
2. Marjorie Errington - Past Matron and Former Grand Secretary
3. Lori Goldman - Member of the board of directors
4. Sharon Fentress - Past Grand Matron
5. Henry Martin - Past Grand Patron



6. David Dibrell - Past Patron / Past Grand Master
7. Farris Benham - Past Patron / Past Grand Master / Treasurer of TMRC Board of Directors
8. ExOfficio - Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Advisory Members

1. Nell Smith Drenner, Grand Secretary
2. Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the recommendation by the Worthy Grand Matron. Is there any discussion? I recognize the gentleman on the right.

**MR. GLEN ROWE:** I'm Glen Rowe. I'm Worthy Patron of Navasota #309. Is this recommendation in the Annual Report or anywhere? It's a long recommendation for me to remember what was said through all of that.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** No, sir, but we can get copies made of it today. It is not in the Advance Report.

**MR. GLEN ROWE:** I was wondering how we were going to vote on this without something to follow along with, to make sure of what we're voting on.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** What we can do, Sisters and Brothers, we can delay the vote on this particular recommendation. We can get copies and we can have it for you this afternoon. Is there any question on that? Are you in agreement with that?

**MR. GLEN ROWE:** That would be wonderful with me, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** All right. Would you show your green card if you are in agreement with that, and we will do that today. Okay. Sisters and Brothers, we will make copies. We will have them available after lunch.

My second recommendation to this membership – and it was in my Advance Report in one of the Corporate Board meetings that we had – and that was an operational review be made of the Grand Secretary's office, and that this would be done by an outside independent company. And in that board meeting that we had, the Grand Secretary, all of the Corporate Board, all of the Board of Directors agreed that this review should be done, and that the Board of Directors would need to budget funds for this review. Is there any discussion on this? Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Is there any discussion? You have heard the recommendation of the Worthy Grand Matron that an operational review be made of the Grand Secretary's office and that this be done by an outside independent company. All in favor of the recommendation raise your green card. All opposed same sign. Motion carries.

Worthy Grand Matron, I return the gavel to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Keith, could we have some music, please? [singing by Grand Choir]

I invite Sister Betty Friend, Past Grand Matron, to join me here at the podium. I appointed her as our Telephone and Telegraph Committee. At this time she would like to bring her report to you.

### REPORT OF TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMMITTEE

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. From the Telephone and Telegraph Committee: We had the following telephone regrets from Brother Fred Clarke, our Right Worthy Grand Sentinel; from our Past Grand Matrons Patricia Major Neinast and Lena Mae Cook. It's signed Betty Friend, Chairman. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of Sister Betty, our Telephone and Telegram Committee. All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Thank you.

I invite Sister Elsie Paladino, our Grievances & Appeals Committee Chairman, to present their report.

### REPORT OF GRIEVANCES & APPEALS COMMITTEE

**MRS. ELSIE PALADINO:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, the Grievances and Appeals Committee submits the following report.

Information was received from a member regarding consolidation of a chapter in 2004. She stated that she believed there had been irregularities and illegal actions pertaining to these proceedings.

With the full cooperation of the present Worthy Grand Matron, Immediate Past Grand Matron, the District Deputy of that District, and Deputy of that Section, who served in 2003-2004, all records were reviewed. The Jurisprudence Committee for 2003-2004 was also consulted, since this was brought to them during that time. After reviewing all records, the committee determined the consolidation was legal.

The Pursuant was not a member of either chapter and no member of said chapters signed the grievance. Therefore, we the undersigned determined the grievance inappropriate and is not acceptable to be acted upon.

No other grievances were presented for our consideration.

Fraternally,  
 Elsie Paladino, PGM; Chairman  
 Sharon Fentress, PGM  
 Harry Cummingham, PGP

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of our Grievances & Appeals Committee. The motion has been made that we accept their report. All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I have another piece of information that I do need to bring to you. I would like for you to be seated so that you can hear it. Through the years there have been some concerns regarding the fact that Texas places the Square & Compasses on our Altar. I have two letters that I would like to read to you in regards to that. The first letter is from Elmer Murphey, III, the Grand Master of Masons in Texas. I will read this letter

in its entirety to you. That is why I am requesting you to be seated so everyone will be able to hear. It's dated April 4th, 2005. "Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Dear Mrs. Morgenthaler: This letter is to confirm in all respects that the Grand Chapter of Texas of the Order of the Eastern Star continues to have the permission and consent of the Grand Lodge of Texas to place the Square & Compasses, symbols of Freemasonry, upon the Altar and Holy Bible of the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas. For your information, the Grand Lodge of Texas granted permission and consent to the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas upon the organization of the Order of the Eastern Star in Texas in 1884 to place the Square & Compasses upon its Altar and Bible. And such permission has never been revoked. Karen, it is my honor and pleasure to write this letter, as I respect you individually so much and enjoy the involvement and the support of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star with Masonry in Texas. Sincerely and fraternally, Elmer Murphey, III, Grand Master of Masons in Texas." [applause]

May 31st, 2005, I wrote this letter to Mrs. Pat Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. "Dear Sister Pat: The Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, has since its inception in 1884 placed the Square & Compasses, symbols of Freemasonry, upon the Altar and the Holy Bible at its meetings. I realize that this is in conflict with the Book of Instructions of General Grand Chapter, but the membership of Texas has been using these symbols for 123 years, and their feelings run deep on the subject. The mere mention of excluding them from use provokes tremendous emotion. I have enclosed a letter from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Texas, which confirms that the Grand Chapter of Texas has the permission and the consent of the Grand Lodge of Texas to use these symbols of Freemasonry upon the Altar and the Holy Bible. In light of the information provided above and the attached letter, I would humbly and respectfully request that you grant the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, a special dispensation to use the Square & Compasses on the Altar and the Holy Bible at our meetings. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. Sincerely and fraternally, Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron."

In response to that letter, I received on July 2005 from Patricia Rasmusson, our Most Worthy Grand Matron, she has, "Dear Karen, I'm enclosing herewith the requested dispensation to place the Square & Compasses on the Altar for your meetings. This is given for the purpose of honoring Masonry and conforming to the 121-year tradition set forth by the Grand Chapter of Texas. I look forward to making my official visit to Texas Grand Chapter this August and in sharing time with our wonderful Sisters and Brothers of your great state. With fraternal love, Pat Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron." Sisters and Brothers, we have our special dispensation. [applause]

Your Worthy Grand Patron and I have been just a little bit busy this year.

I would like at this time for Brother Billy Combest to bring his report, Purposes and Policies.

## **REPORT OF THE PURPOSES AND POLICIES COMMITTEE**

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

PURPOSES AND POLICIES COMMITTEE  
 BILLY COMBEST CHM. DIST. 1 BETTY BENHAM DIST. 2  
 ALMA L. BANE DIST. 3 JANE GREGORY DIST. 4  
 KENNETH GREGORY DIST. 5

The Purposes and Policies Committee for 2004-2005 had one meeting during the year.

The meeting was conducted at the OES Office, 1111 E. Division, on April 16, 2005, at noon.

The purpose of this meeting was for Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron to give a presentation of her “Programs” for her year of 2005-2006.

This was a very good presentation and her programs were explained fully. After all questions from the committee were answered a motion was made by Alma Bane to approve the program as presented. There were several that seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. This approved motion was submitted as a recommendation to the Board of Directors. Present at the meeting:

Billy Combest, Chairman  
 Alma L. Bane, Dist. 3  
 Jane Gregory, Dist. 4

Nancy Brown, Assoc. Grand Matron  
 Nell Smith, Grand Secretary  
 Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer  
 Joyce Gilbert, Assoc. Gr. Cond.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Jack Beall, Chairman  
 Raul Garcia, Vice Chairman

Submitted by:

Billy Combest, Chairman  
 Purpose and Policies Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that this report be adopted.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have the motion to adopt the report of the Purposes and Policies Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

At this time I would like to have our Jurisprudence Chairman, Brother Lee Stallings, to come. Sisters and Brothers, we will begin our business. While we’re waiting, could we have some music? [singing of “He Lives” by Grand Choir] Thank you, Brother Keith. To our Grand Choir members, that was just beautiful. Sisters and Brothers, aren’t they doing a beautiful job this morning? [applause]

We’re going to back up for just a moment. My Humanitarian Chairman and her Committee will now give their report.

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Chapter Officers, other Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers all: On behalf of these five District Chairmen, with the exception of one that could not be with us this evening, District 2 – on behalf of these ladies and myself, again I thank you for allowing us to serve Grand Chapter in this position this year. We will now give the report of your district. I invite Sister Jane Clabaugh of District 1 to give her report.

**MRS. JANE CLABAUGH:** Thank you, Sister Ann. In District 1 we have 116 Chapters. The number of Chapters participating in our program were 111. The number of Chapters 100% or better were 102. We had 90 100% Chapters, nine 200% Chapters, one 300% Chapter, one 400% Chapter and one 500% Chapter. The number of members in District 1 are 11,320. The amount given to our loving ladies at TMRC was \$1,476.53. The amount given to the General Fund was \$1,568.19. The amount given to the Benevolent Aid Fund was \$2,518.48. The amount given to ESTARL was \$6,073.51. The amount given to Scholarships, our Education Fund, was \$2,222.45. The amount given in District 1 totally was \$13,859.16. District 1, I commend you. And we know why we are called District 1. I now have the pleasure of introducing Sister Ann Wyatt to you who will give the report for District 2.

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** Thank you, Sister Jane. Sister Mary Charles could not be with us today. As I stated last night, she had a job conflict and we do miss her. Number of Chapters in District 2 is 58. Number of Chapters participating in our program is 51. Number of Chapters 100% or better 49. 100% Chapters 44; 200% Chapters 2; 300% Chapters 3; 400% Chapters 0. Number of members in District 2 - 5,299. Amount given to the loving ladies at TMRC - \$1,187.34. The amount given to the General Fund was \$189.50. Amount given to Benevolent Aid was \$946. The amount given to ESTARL - \$3,398.83. Amount given to scholarships for education - \$966.82. The total amount given in District 2 was \$6,688.49. Thank you, District 2, for your participation. I have the pleasure of introducing Sister Pat Turner who will give our District 3 report.

**MRS. PAT TURNER:** District 1 had better watch out. Dynamite comes in small packages. The number of Chapters in District 3 is 85. The number participating was 85. The number of Chapters 100% or better was 85. Yea! 100% Chapter was 75; 200 was 5; 300 was 4; 400 was 1. The number of members in District 3 is 7,900. The amount given to the ladies in the Home was \$1,220.70. The amount given to the General Fund was \$712.20. Given for Benevolent Aid was \$2,211.20. Amount given to ESTARL was \$2,734.70. Amount given to scholarship/educational was \$2,954.70. Total amount given for District 3 was \$9,833.50. I commend District 3 for their outstanding job. It is my pleasure to introduce Sister Ann Bailleaux who will give the District 4.

**MRS. ANN BAILLEAUX:** Our title may be District 4, but listen to this report. Number of Chapters in District 4 is 121. Number of Chapters participating in program 112. Numbers of Chapters 100% or better 107. 100% Chapters - 92; 200% Chapters - 12; 300% Chapters - 2; one 1300% Chapter. Number of members in District 4 - 13,596. Amount given to our loving ladies at the TMRC - \$2,613.80. Amount given to the General Fund - \$1,058.80; amount given to Benevolent Aid - \$2,633.60; amount given to ESTARL - \$7,384.40; amount given to scholarships/education - \$2,172.40. Amount given in District 4 – thank you, District 4, I'm very proud of you – \$15,863. Thank you. I have the pleasure of introducing Sister Sandy Johnson who will give our District 5 report.

**MRS. SANDY JOHNSON:** Thank you, Ann. Good morning everyone. The number of Chapters in District 5 is 79; number of Chapters participating in the program was 76; number of Chapters 100% percent or better - 75. 100% Chapters was 61; 200% Chapters - 9; 300% Chapters - 2; 400% Chapters - 1; 500% Chapters - 1; 1000% Chapters - 1. Number of members in District 5 - 6,955. Amount given to our loving ladies in the TMRC - \$1,027.20; amount given to the General Fund was \$889.20; amount given to Benevolent Aid - \$909.20; amount to ESTARL - \$4,487.20; amount to Scholarship Fund - \$2,560.50. Amount given in District 5 was a total of \$9,873.30. We were small in number, but big in heart. Thank you, District 5.

**MRS. ANN WYATT:** Now I would like to summarize as a whole. Remember, this number of Chapters and this number of members is as of May 31st, 2004. As you were given the numbers while ago, that was as of May 31st, 2005. Number of Chapters - 459; number of Chapters participating in program was 433; number of Chapters 100% or better was 416. 100% Chapters - 361; 200% Chapters - 37; 300% Chapters - 12; 400% Chapters - 3; 500% Chapters - 2; 1000% Chapters - 1; 1300% Chapters - 1. Number of members - 45,070. Amount given to our loving ladies at TMRC was \$7,525.57. Amount given to the General Fund was \$4,417.89. Amount given to Benevolent Aid - \$9,218.48. Amount given to ESTARL - \$24,078.64. Amount given to Scholarships - \$10,876.87. The total amount given - \$56,117.45.

Worthy Grand Matron, at this time I would like to give special recognition to our Chapters that are 500% or better. If you would stand as your name is called. 500% Chapters - Beckwell Chapter #273, District 1, Section 8; Beeville Chapter #422, District 5, Section 8. 1000% Chapter – and I might say it was over 1000 – Amistad Chapter #1115, District 5, Section 7. And 1300%, Brenham Chapter #144, District 4, Section 8. We commend all of these Chapters for their outstanding participation. [applause]

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion from this Committee and it needs no second. You have the motion to adopt the report of the Humanitarian Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sister Ann and to your Committee Members, we certainly appreciate all of the hard work that you've done this year and for the beautiful program that you presented last night. Thank you very much.

At this time I would like to recognize Brother Lee Stallings.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. The Jurisprudence Committee members were introduced to you earlier, so their names will not be called as they present the legislation. This Committee will be presenting 21 amendments and 2 resolutions. They will be presented in the order in which they are shown in the Advanced Report. Each amendment will be considered separately, and the membership will have the opportunity to address each individually. It is the earnest desire of this Committee that you thoroughly understand every piece of legislation and exactly what you are voting on. It is your right and duty as the governing body of this Grand Chapter. The amendments and resolutions were provided to you in advance through The Official Bulletin and the Advanced Annual Report. This has given you an opportunity to review, study and discuss the pending legislation. Therefore, I move that you allow this Committee to present a synopsis of each piece of legislation, rather than the entirety of the amendment or the

resolution as originally submitted.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the report of our Jurisprudence Chairman. All those in favor of allowing them to present the amendments in synopsis form, please raise your green card. All opposed.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for allowing us to present the legislation by synopsis. You will be given ample time to ask questions and for discussion. If what we present to you is not clear, please ask questions. We just want you to understand what you're voting on. In addition to that, you will see in each corner of the building, as we go through after we read the synopsis of the amendment or resolution, you will actually see the verbiage on the screens up here to help you understand what we've said, the page numbers, etc. So it will all be shown up there for expediency.

Sisters and Brothers, please listen closely to the legislation that will be presented. We can move along much more quickly if you know and understand what you're doing. Tell your friends around you that you'd love to talk with them after the legislation is done. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Sisters and Brothers, this is Amendment No. 1. Amendment No. 1 is found on page 60 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a constitutional amendment requiring a vote of approval two consecutive years. This Grand Chapter approved this amendment last year in 2004, and if approved this year will amend the constitution.

The amendment is to Article III, Section 3, entitled "Business Headquarters." And, Sisters and Brothers, we're going to give you the page number that this can be found in your constitution. The page numbers are appropriate to the most current constitutional printing. This amendment is Article III, Section 3, entitled "Business Headquarters," found on page 32 of your constitution. This change is to the first sentence which currently states that the permanent headquarters for our Grand Chapter office is in the Administration Building located on the grounds of the OES Home in Arlington, Texas. Sisters and Brothers, with the sale of the OES Home property, it is now necessary to change the description of the location of our business headquarters. This amendment changes the first sentence in Article III, Section 3, to say that the permanent headquarters of our Grand Chapter office is in Arlington, Texas. It removes the reference to the OES Home property.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 1 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 1** **Constitution, Article III, Section 3, Page 36**

ARTICLE III, Section 3, BUSINESS HEADQUARTERS.

NOW READS:

**SECTION 3, BUSINESS HEADQUARTERS.** Permanent headquarters for the Grand Chapter Office is hereby fixed in the Administration Building belonging to the Grand Chapter and located on the grounds of the O.E.S. Home at Arlington, Texas. In this office, all equipment and facilities suitable and necessary for the transactions of the office business of Grand Chapter and for the preservation of its records shall be maintained.

AMENDED TO READ:

**SECTION 3, BUSINESS HEADQUARTERS.** Permanent headquarters for the Grand Chapter Office Shall be located in Arlington, Texas. In the Grand Chapter office, all equipment and facilities suitable and necessary for the transactions of the office business of Grand Chapter and for the preservation of its records shall be maintained.

Nell Smith  
Darla Dunaway  
Cheryl McGee  
Zaneta Miller

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 1. Is there any discussion? We do have the two microphones on the south and the north. All in favor, raise your green card. Down, please. Those opposed. This amendment has passed.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 2

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Amendment No. 2 is found on page 61 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a proposed amendment to the constitution and will require passage during this session, as well as the 2006 session. Article X, Section 10 - Voting Privileges, found on page 42 in the constitution, (b) part, "In Elections. One Vote. (a) Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Each Worthy Matron or her representative (either the Associate Matron or the Worthy Matron's proxy), and each Worthy Patron or his proxy shall have one vote. The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of a U.D. Chapter, after Charter has been granted by the Grand Chapter, shall each have one vote at that session of Grand Chapter only, but they do not thereby become members of Grand Chapter. They cannot appoint proxies.

"(b) Past Matrons and Past Patrons. All Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Chartered Chapters, and Past Matrons and Past Patrons of U.D. Chapters after their Charter has been granted at that Grand Chapter."

Add "© Subordinate Chapter Members. All members that are not current or past Worthy Matrons and Patrons of Chartered Chapters within the Grand Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Texas shall be members of this Grand Chapter and have full voting privileges in accordance with Chapter X, Section 10 of the constitution, providing these members have been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Grand Chapter of Texas for at least two years prior to that Grand Chapter session and hold a current dues card and a current A certificate. They cannot appoint proxies."

For clarification Amendment No. 2 is similar to Amendment No. 3. However, Amendment No. 2 addresses voting privileges, while Amendment No. 3 adds the new



group as a member of Grand Chapter. Amendment 3 will be voted on regardless of the outcome of Amendment 2.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment is in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 2 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 2  
(FIRST READING)**

Article X, Section 10 – Voting Privileges, Page 42

WHEREAS, the Grand Chapter of Texas has thousands of members that have many years of service and commitment to the Order.

WHEREAS, these members have never been a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron and have no desire to do so.

WHEREAS, these members are happy being able to serve our ORDER as a Secretary, a Treasurer or any other position without being forced to become a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron.

WHEREAS, these members have served for years on committees and worked on other events/fund raisers for the benefit of Grand Chapter and their Subordinate Chapter.

WHEREAS, these members make decisions in the overall operation of their Subordinate Chapter to include but not limited to initiations, financial matters and bylaws.

WHEREAS, these members have the talent and knowledge that would greatly enhance the decisions and future of Grand Chapter.

WHEREAS, this amendment would ensure that, whether a member is a new member or a long-term member, they would be required to have at least two years of membership and an A-Certificate.

WHEREAS, we now have some members that are initiated and go directly to the south or west due to the lack of officers.

WHEREAS, if the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron cannot attend Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron and Associate Patron will have the proxy to vote on behalf of their Chapter.

WHEREAS, this would generate more interest in our ORDER and participation that would have a tremendous impact on the future of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

We submit the following Amendment:

WHICH NOW READS:

**Proposed Amendment**

Page 42, Constitution, Article X, Section 10 Voting Privileges

WHEREAS Article X, Section 10 Voting Privileges

a. General. On all matters before Grand Chapter, except as hereinafter provided in case of elections and on final adoption of Constitutional Amendments, each member of Grand Chapter shall have one vote.

## b. In Elections

## (1) One Vote

- (a) Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Each Worthy Matron or her representative (either the Associate Matron or the Worthy Matron's proxy), and each Worthy Patron or his proxy shall have one vote. The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of a U.D. Chapter, after Charter has been granted by Grand Chapter, shall each have one vote at that session of Grand Chapter only, but they do not hereby become members of Grand Chapter. They cannot appoint proxies.
- (b) Past Matrons and Past Patrons. All Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Chartered Chapters, and Past Matrons and Past Patrons of U.D. Chapters after their Charter has been granted at that Grand Chapter.

## AMEND TO READ:

Page 42, Constitution, Article X, Section 10 Voting Privileges

WHEREAS Article X, Section 10 Voting Privileges

- a. General. On all matters before Grand Chapter, except as hereinafter provided in case of elections and on final adoption of Constitutional Amendments, each member of Grand Chapter shall have one vote.
- b. In Elections
  - (2) One Vote
    - (a) Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. Each Worthy Matron or her representative (either the Associate Matron or the Worthy Matron's proxy), and each Worthy Patron or his proxy shall have one vote. The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of a U.D. Chapter, after Charter has been granted by Grand Chapter, shall each have one vote at that session of Grand Chapter only, but they do not thereby become members of Grand Chapter. They cannot appoint proxies.
    - (b) Past Matrons and Past Patrons. All Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Chartered Chapters, and Past Matrons and Past Patrons of U.D. Chapters after their Charter has been granted at that Grand Chapter.
    - (c) (Add) **Subordinate Chapter Members.** All members that are not current or past Worthy Matrons and Patrons of Chartered Chapters within the Grand Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Texas shall be members of this Grand Chapter and have full voting privileges in accordance with Chapter X, Section 10 of the Constitution, providing these members have been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Grand Chapter of Texas for at least two years prior to that Grand Chapter Session and hold a current dues card and a current A-Certificate. They cannot appoint proxies.

Glenda Hitt  
LaJean Steele  
Betty Scott

Windell Hitt  
Andrew Scott  
Gary E. Steele

Nell Smith

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 2. Is there any discussion? I recognize the Brother in the North.

**MR. GARY STEELE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Sisters and Brothers: My name is Gary Steele, and I'm from Denton 259 and Lewisville 935. I stand in support of this amendment. Also I'm a co-author of it. I'd like for you, as I talk about this amendment, please think about those members that are in your Chapter or that you know that are in Subordinate Chapters that are secretaries or treasurers, or Adahs and Electas that have given many years to our organization, and they have no desire to be a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron. They're happy to be in the position they are because they love our Order. Now this amendment will force that member to be a member of the organization for two years before that Grand Chapter. So what that means, if they come in in September, they'll basically have almost three years. They'll have to have a dues card and an A certificate. Now if they come in in July, they will have over two years being a member. Now a lot of people – a lot of members will say these members do not have enough time if they come right into that organization. We're finding that you see members come in and they'll go right in to the South or go right in to the West. And within two years they're going to be voting anyway. If the Worthy Matron can't go, they're going to proxy to that Associate Matron. Now we allow these members who have many years of experience to help with our by-laws, our constitution, and we ask them to get involved in our fund-raisers. We ask them to help with our initiations, our installations and all of that. And it's time I think that we should stand up and recognize these members and allow them to become members of the Grand Chapter of Texas and have the same voting privileges as the rest of us. [applause]

I recognize the lady in the North.

**MRS. JIMMY LEE McMAHON:** My name is Jimmy Lee McMahon, and I'm Worthy Matron of Duncanville Chapter #1014 at the present time. I am totally opposed to section ©, the last paragraph, the last line where it says they must be two years. And I also am very much against that they hold an A certificate, because we have people in this very audience at this very time that are Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, that are very experienced in our work, but they do not hold an A certificate. They have never held an A certificate, but they know our work. And I'm sure there are those of you who have taken A's over the years, but at this time you do not. Why would we penalize someone that is in this audience that may never hold an A certificate, but they hold a position in our Chapter and work very diligently and very hard. We have members here for the very first time. They probably would not know what they were voting on, but they would be here to observe, to be part of, if you allow them to register and you allow them – to give them a vote. Do not penalize them because they do not hold an A certificate, and they have not carried that card just quite as long as the rest of us. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any other discussion? The microphone should be on in the South.

**MRS. JANE LIVINGOOD:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Jane Livingood. I am here to oppose this legislation. Many years ago, which was the first – not that many compared to most people. When I went to Grand Chapter in Dallas, it was noted by some of us from way down South that the legislation mainly wanted in the area of Grand Chapter had an awful lot of support. Most of our Chapters in the South provide traveling expenses for the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron to represent their Chapter. Most of the

Past Matrons and Patrons made a special effort to come all the way up here or anywhere Grand Chapter is to vote for the good of the Order. My concern is if you allow members of a Chapter that have only been members two years with one A certificate, they surely and sincerely can be led in the wrong direction for our Order. I think the experience that Past Matrons and Past Patrons have are good for the Order. That's all I have to say. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we've got to go back on Amendment No. 1, but let's finish this. We just realized something. I recognize the Brother in the South.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Trey Smith, Past Patron of Arlington Chapter #249. I have a question in regard to this amendment. If this were to pass, does this also mean then that a person that has not held an elected office in our Subordinate Chapters would be able and be eligible to hold an office in Grand Chapter, such as our Boards, our Line Officers?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I will refer that question to our Jurisprudence Chairman.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** I didn't hear the question. I'm sorry.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Trey, would you do it again?

**MR. TREY SMITH:** My question was, if this amendment does in fact pass does that mean that when we vote on this and we vote for it to happen, that this member – the members that are in this amendment that this pertains to that have not held an office in our Chapter as an elected office, that they are then eligible to hold an elected office in Grand Chapter, such as our Board or being a candidate for the North or any other position?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** No. Amendment No. 2 only gives them voting rights in the Grand Chapter session. Amendment No. 3 would make them a member of Grand Chapter, which would allow them to do what you mentioned.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Okay. I don't think that's very clear or clearly stated in this amendment, that that is the way that would be. Maybe it's just me, but I don't think that's –

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** I think the confusion may be, Trey, that there are two different articles that apply. One is voting. The other is membership in Grand Chapter. And so what they did is they separated the two. And, again, Amendment No. 2 only gives voting privileges. Amendment No. 3 would make a member of Grand Chapter eligible to hold not only offices, but actually able to hold a Committee position in Grand Chapter.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Well, my understanding – and I appreciate you saying that. But my understanding has always been, since I've been a member of Eastern Star, for me to have a vote, I had to go through the chairs and I had to serve my Chapter – my Subordinate Chapter, to be a Past Patron. I had a vote then at that point. But I could not do anything to help Grand Chapter in any form until I was a Past Patron. That's when I became a member of Grand Chapter, that is, a voting member of Grand Chapter, when I was a Past Patron.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** That's as it is today.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Okay. So in order to have an office in Grand Chapter, how can you differentiate between the two, just because you're a voting member – and a voting member is a member of Grand Chapter; is that not correct?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** The way the Jurisprudence Committee looked at this is that they're two issues. One, it gives them voting privileges so that they can vote on the legislation that is presented. Holding a membership in Grand Chapter is a different article in

the constitution, and we felt it should be addressed separately.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** So those articles would not apply if this was voted on?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** No, not on membership in Grand Chapter. This Amendment No. 2 only gives them voting privileges.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Okay. So it gives them voting privileges, but not privileges to be elected to an office in Grand Chapter –

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** That’s correct.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** – or to hold a Grand appointment?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** That’s correct.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Well, I think that really would need to be stated in here because that’s not what this is saying. My understanding is – I don’t know if I’m alone with that. But –

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Trey, I understand what you’re saying, but we respectfully disagree with you.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Fine.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the lady in the North.

**MRS. NAOMI WOLFE:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Naomi Wolfe, and I’m the Worthy Matron of Andral Van Chapter #741. I totally oppose this amendment. As we’ve just heard, the Jurisprudence Committee members have stated they believe this to be one way, and we have a Past Patron of a Chapter that believes it to be another. It states here that the members of Grand Chapter shall have full voting privileges. So at one time or another in the near future, we could have a Worthy Grand Matron that has never served as Worthy Matron of her Chapter. I oppose this, Sisters and Brothers. You earned the right to have a vote in Grand Chapter. You earned that by going through as Associate Conductress, Conductress, Associate Matron and Worthy Matron. You that are sitting here today, you’ve taken off from your work to handle the business of Grand Chapter. You have worked in your Subordinate Chapters, and you’ve gone through the Line. I know there’s people that are secretaries, that love to be secretaries. Fine. Let’s let them continue to be secretaries. But those that want to move up and be a Worthy Matron, be a Past Matron and serve in this Grand Chapter, they need to have that right and not have anybody move in on them for that. I move that we not accept this amendment. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the lady in the South.

**MRS. OLETA CARNELIUS:** My name is Oleta Carnelius, Rule Chapter #989, and I’m opposed to this amendment because I’m from a small Chapter. As the voting is now, your vote would be even. But if all the members of a Chapter with two years service were allowed to vote, the bigger Chapters would completely overcome the small Chapters, and it would not be fair. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the member in the North.

**MRS. JO ANN SNOW:** Worthy Grand Matron, I’m Jo Ann Snow, Past Matron of Brownwood Chapter #116. I am opposed to this. The first time I attended Texas Grand Chapter was Sister Rennie Ofton’s Grand Chapter. The people I was traveling with had a vote; I did not although I was a Past Matron of a Subordinate Chapter under General Grand Chapter. I made my mind up that if I was going to be part of this Grand Chapter I would go through the line and be Worthy Matron again. So therefore if it’s something worth having, you will work for it. I’m opposed to this. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the member in the North.

**MR. KEITH BUICE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Keith Buice, Past Patron of Handley Chapter 617. Going back to what Brother Trey said just a moment ago, in the writing of this, this says, those members – Subordinate Chapter members will become members of the Grand Chapter. I don't know how we can misunderstand that because it says, "shall be members of this Grand Chapter and have full voting privileges." For that reason I am also opposed to this amendment. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the member in the South.

**MRS. ALMA CARTER:** I'm Alma Carter, Past Matron of Plano 703. It does say that the only requirement that you have to be a Grand Officer, other than the Deputy and District Deputy who has to have an A certificate, all they have to be is a member of the Grand Chapter – a voting member of the Grand Chapter. Well, unless we put a codicil in this, as far as I'm concerned anyone – if it passes like this, anyone could have a vote in Grand Chapter because they will be a member of Grand Chapter. We either need to take something out somewhere or add something, because the way it is is not correct. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we are going to call for the vote. All those in favor, would you please raise your green card – in favor of this amendment. Would you please stand. If you are in favor of this amendment, please stand. Thank you. Those opposed, would you please stand. Sisters and Brothers, the amendment fails.

Sisters and Brothers, may I have your attention, please. We need to go back to Amendment No. 1. It was the second reading, and we overlooked the fact that the Chapter Representatives have to be able to vote on this amendment. So I'm going to ask all Chapter Representatives with the pink cards, if you would please stand for Amendment No. 1. For – I'm sorry, for this amendment. Sisters and Brothers, wait just a minute. What we're voting on, Amendment No. 1, were you for this amendment? Thank you. Please be seated. Those opposed. Motion carried. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 3**

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 3 is found on page 63 of the Advanced Annual Report and pertains to Article IV, Section 1 - Composition of Grand Chapter, Constitution, page 32. This is a proposed amendment to the constitution and will require a favorable vote both this year and again next year for this to become law. This amendment would add a subsection © to Section 1 and subsection © would read as follows: "Subordinate Chapter Members. All members that are not current or past Worthy Matrons and Patrons of Chartered Chapters within the Grand Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Texas shall be members of this Grand Chapter and have full voting privileges in accordance with Article X, Section 10 of the constitution, providing these members have been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Grand Chapter of Texas for at least two years prior to that Grand Chapter session and hold a current dues card and a current A certificate. They cannot appoint proxies." For clarification, Amendment No. 3 is full voting privileges and makes this new group members of Grand Chapter. If Amendment No. 3 passes, Amendment No. 5 will not be presented for consideration.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds that this amendment is in proper order and is ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 3 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 3  
(FIRST READING)**

Article IV, Section 1 – Composition of Grand Chapter, Page 32

WHEREAS, the Grand Chapter of Texas has thousands of members that have many years of service and commitment to the Order.

WHEREAS, these members have never been a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron and have no desire to do so.

WHEREAS, these members are happy being able to serve our ORDER as a Secretary, a Treasurer or any other position without being forced to become a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron.

WHEREAS, these members have served for years on committees and worked on other events/fund raisers for the benefit of Grand Chapter and their Subordinate Chapter.

WHEREAS, these members make decisions in the overall operation of their Subordinate Chapter to include but not limited to initiations, financial matters and bylaws.

WHEREAS, these members have the talent and knowledge that would greatly enhance the decisions and future of Grand Chapter.

WHEREAS, this amendment would ensure that, whether a member is a new member or a long-term member, they would be required to have at least two years of membership and an A-Certificate.

WHEREAS, we now have some members that are initiated and go directly to the south or west due to the lack of officers.

WHEREAS, if the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron cannot attend Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron and Associate Patron will have the proxy to vote on behalf of the Chapter.

WHEREAS, this would generate more interest in our ORDER and participation that would have a tremendous impact on the future of the Grand Chapter of Texas.

We submit the following Amendment:

WHICH NOW READS:

**Proposed Amendment**

Page 32, Constitution, Article IV, Section 1

Whereas Article IV, Section 1 Composition of Grand Chapter

Section 1. Composition. The Grand Chapter shall be composed of the following:

a. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons

(1) All Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of Chartered Chapters in good standing in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be members of this Grand Chapter.

(2) If the Worthy Matron is absent from Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron,

if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Matron. In case of the absence of both the Worthy Matron and the Associate Matron, the Worthy Matron may appoint, as her proxy with full power of representation, any member of her Chapter. In case of the absence from Grand Chapter of the Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Patron. In case of the absence of the Worthy Patron and the Associate Patron, the Worthy Patron may appoint, as his proxy with full power of representation, any member of his Chapter. In order for a member to be seated as a proxy, she or he shall present to the Committee on Credentials a certificate of such appointment, duly certified to under the Seal of the Chapter Secretary.

- b. Past Matrons and Past Patrons. All Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Chartered Chapters within this Grand Jurisdiction shall be members of this Grand Jurisdiction, shall be members of this Grand Chapter, providing they are affiliated with a Chartered Chapter or a Chapter Under Dispensation whose Charter has been granted at that Session of Grand Chapter. They cannot appoint proxies.

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- c. (Add) **Subordinate Chapter Members.** All members that are not current or past Worthy Matrons and Patrons of Chartered Chapters within the Grand Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Texas shall be members of this Grand Chapter and have



full voting privileges in accordance with Chapter X, Section 10 of the Constitution, providing these members have been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Grand Chapter of Texas for at least two years prior to that Grand Chapter Session and hold a current dues card and a current A-Certificate. They cannot appoint proxies.

Glenda Hitt	Windell Hitt
LaJean Steele	Gary E. Steele
Betty Scott	Andrew Scott
Nell Smith	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 3. Is there any discussion? Do we have any discussion on this amendment? I recognize the Brother in the South.

**MR. TREY SMITH:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Trey Smith, Past Patron of Arlington Chapter #249. After reading this amendment, I still stand on the same question as before, because of the clarification of who is a member of Grand Chapter, that it is not spelled out in here like I believe it should be, just so that we are all clear on what we would be voting on and who would be members of Grand Chapter. I am therefore opposed to this amendment, as the other.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the North.

**REV. JIM SCOTT:** Worthy Grand Matron, Rev. Jim Scott, Past Patron of Andral Van 741. It seems to me that since this amendment refers back to the one we just defeated, we cannot pass this one and say – to do it the way it is in Section 10 because Section 10 limits the membership to Past Matrons and Patrons. Additionally, we would be creating two classes of members in Grand Chapter. First-class members can be appointed and hold office and be Grand Matrons, and second-class members can vote. I think that's dangerous. I don't like it. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the North.

**MR. LEE JOHNSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, I'm Lee Johnson, a member of Cedar Valley Chapter #11, Past Patron of Dayton 233. I'm opposed to this amendment because I'm more afraid of Amendment No. 5. In looking at the teachings that St. Paul gave us in Corinthians telling how each person had their own abilities to do different jobs, I find that to be the case even in Eastern Star. Some of us are meant to serve; some of us are meant to follow, but we should all be members of the same organization. I say give everybody equal consideration. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any further discussion? Sisters and Brothers, I call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card – of Amendment No. 3. Down. All opposed to this amendment. Sisters and Brothers, the amendment fails.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Amendment No. 4, as found on page 65 of the Advanced Annual Report, has been withdrawn by the maker. It requires no other action of the Grand Chapter at this time.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to stop our business now. It is 11:30. We do have luncheons very soon. I thank you for your attention this morning. Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Sentinel that we are about to bring this session from labor to rest, and direct him he is to permit no interruption at this time.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this Chapter from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed, and there will be no interruption.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible.

I invite Brother Frank Hemby to bring our benediction.

**MR. FRANK HEMBY:** Bow your heads with me in prayer. Our Most Gracious Heavenly Father, I come to You today thanking You for the privilege of this day, Father. Thank You for all of the blessings that You have given to each and everyone of us, Father. We ask for wisdom and guidance in all things, faith and understanding. We ask now, Father, that You go with us through the remainder of the day. Give us wisdom and guidance in everything that we do and say. All this, Father, I ask in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in Whose Name I pray. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I now call the “Surf’s Up” session from labor to rest until two o’clock p.m. on Friday afternoon.

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**FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

August 26, 2005

## “The Mariner’s Dream” Session

1:30 p.m. Musical Prelude

Mrs. Linda DuBoise, WM

2:00 p.m. Call to Order

Mrs. Jane Gregory, PGM

Mr. Henry Martin, PGP

**MRS. JANE GREGORY:** Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers and our Special Guests. Through the kindness and courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, I am privileged to call to order this “The Mariner’s Dream” session of the 123rd Grand Chapter session with Brother Henry Martin, our Past Grand Patron and presently serving General Grand Chapter on the Vision for Texas Committee and my very good friend. To Linda DuBoise for the beautiful musical prelude, we thank you.

Brother Henry, I know you would like to address this assembly.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Sister Jane. I also want to express my appreciation to Sister Karen Morgenthaler and Brother Jerry Martin for the privilege of opening “The Mariner’s Dream” Friday session of Grand Chapter 2005 here in Galveston. It is made additionally special by being allowed to share the East with this Strawberry Lady, Sister Jane Gregory, whom I have known and respected for so many years. I know how much Jane has contributed to our Order and the Grand Chapter of Texas, and it is a special honor to be allowed to join with her in opening this session.

**MRS. JANE GREGORY:** Thank you, Brother Henry. At this time we invite the Grand Marshal to direct the Floor Officers and their Personal Pages to perform the drill, “Jewels by the Sea.”

While they’re setting up the Labyrinth, let’s have a musical selection by the Grand Choir.

Thank you, Grand Choir. That was beautiful. [applause] I invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other 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.

Sisters and Brothers, I present to you our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin. You will join me in saluting them with Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen, our friendship goes back many, many years.

I still treasure and wear the beautiful “Strawberry” drop you gave to me at least 15 years ago. Your dignity, grace, and loving personality has endeared you to me and the membership. You have served this Grand Chapter admirably with the intelligence that was necessary with the change in our Grand Chapter year. To perform all your responsibilities in nine months, required the expertise that you always displayed in your many years of service, with your Tom at your side.

Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry Martin, we have not known each other for a long time, but when I met you I was impressed with your sense of knowledge of the Order. I watched you as you served as our Grand Sentinel and knew then, that you would be asked one day to serve this Grand Chapter. Your dignity, presence of manner and your kindness to all has endeared you to the membership.

Brother Henry, I know you too have a deep friendship with these two and would like to greet them.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Sister Jane. Yes, I would. Sister Karen and Brother Jerry, you have had an exceptional year in the Grand East. You know, it has been said that when great leadership is needed, great leaders emerge. And certainly the two of you exemplify that statement. As you traveled this year, you served as excellent ambassadors for both our Order and the Grand Chapter of Texas. Together you have led us in the accomplishment of many worthwhile projects. You have encouraged us to enjoy ourselves and have fun. And through the entire year you have brought to the Grand Chapter of Texas a sense of dignity. Your appreciation and respect for each and every individual member has been evident in both your words and your actions. The Grand Chapter of Texas owes the two of you a debt of gratitude for the remarkable job you have done as our leaders.

**MRS. JANE GREGORY:** As your year winds to a fruitful close, may you always remember you had the courage to change. As the mariner steers his vessel to port, so too do you steer our Grand Chapter to a close. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen, I hand to you your gavel.

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

Sister Jane, would you please join me, and, Brother Henry, would you join our Worthy Grand Patron. Sister Jane, as you said, we have been friends many, many years. It would not seem right if you were not here opening this session for me this afternoon. Please know how much I respect you, I admire you and I love you; your friendship is very special to me. Thank you for being here today.

Brother Henry, I can't say enough about you. You're a very fine gentleman in my book. I want to thank you for everything you have done this year. Our time began several years ago when we worked on a task force together, and I appreciate all of the ways you handled things and how we were able to work things out. But you and your lovely lady, Opal, have a very special place in my heart today. Thank you for being able to open this session for us.

To Sister Linda, thank you, my friend, for all the beautiful music that you have done. This lady is very talented, and she was here and instrumental in giving the musical prelude today. I appreciate her very much.

Worthy Grand Patron, I know that you would like to greet these friends.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Jane, what a pleasure it is to have you open this Friday afternoon session. These past two years I have grown to know you much more than before, and you have become very special to me. And, Brother Henry, it is an honor to have you help open this session. You have given so much to our Grand Chapter and are now providing your time and talent to our General Grand Chapter. I thank you for sharing your knowledge with me this year when I needed some help. I deeply appreciate you participating in the opening of this session. And, Sister Linda, I also thank you for that wonderful music that gets our session started.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sister Grand Warder.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will see that the doors to our Grand Chapter are secure and inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to 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 are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed, and there will be no interruption.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain and report if all present are members of the Order.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar.

I would invite Sister Yvonne Brownfield, Past Grand Matron, to bring our invocation.

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Sisters and Brothers, as we convene for “The Mariner’s Dream” session, I invite you to join me in a prayer by Saint Francis of Assisi.

*LORD, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred...let me sow love.  
Where there is injury...pardon.  
Where there is doubt...faith.  
Where there is despair...hope.  
Where there is darkness...light.  
Where there is sadness...joy.  
O’ DIVINE MASTER, grant that I may not so much seek  
To be consoled...as to console.  
To be understood... as to understand.  
To be loved...as to love, for  
It is in giving... that we receive,  
It is in pardoning... that we are pardoned,  
It is in dying... that we are born to eternal live. AMEN*

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Yvonne, may I say to you, my friend, thank you for such a beautiful invocation. Please know how much we love you and the membership of Texas loves you.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to greet our friend.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sister Yvonne, I thank you for those wonderful words of inspiration in your prayer. We always need those to get our afternoon off right.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I declare “The Mariner’s Dream” session called from rest to labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, this Grand Chapter session is called from rest to labor. You will see that there are no interruptions.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, this session of the Grand Chapter of Texas is now called from rest to labor.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, would you please be seated for the next few minutes because I do wish to speak to you. We do have copies of the recommendation that I brought to you this morning. But first I would like to say this to this membership. When you install a Worthy Grand Matron, you give her a tremendous responsibility, and that is to lead this Grand Chapter during the year that she serves in the right direction. Sisters and Brothers, this year we sold the property in Arlington, Texas. I looked at what we did, and I looked at what we need to do in the future. I brought this recommendation to you, and it's only a recommendation. The people that I selected for that Committee knew nothing about this recommendation. I did it because I looked at their backgrounds and I knew they could make the right decision. That's what I did. I did not ask anyone for advice. I went and did it, because I've been listening to you, the membership of Texas, and your concerns that you have. The only assets that we truly have now are the funds that are in our bank account. We have no more property to sell. I felt, because I do not have a background in investments, that the overall picture of looking at the future, that we need to invest our funds wisely so 25 and 50 years down the road, there is the Grand Chapter of Texas. I know that no decision can be made in a matter of minutes. I am asking each of you, that we table this – you will get your copies today – review it and be able to bring it back to the membership in the morning because it will give you the opportunity to look at it, think about it and determine if this is what we need to do. It is strictly a recommendation. As your Worthy Grand Matron, I felt that if I did not bring it to you, then I'm not doing the responsibilities that you've asked me to do this past year.

If my Deputies will come to the East. We have 2,000 copies. If you are a couple, I ask that you take only one copy because I want to make sure that all members in this Grand Chapter room have access to a copy of this recommendation. We will do it very quietly because we have other business that needs to be continued. Sisters and Brothers, is this all right with you? [applause]

We have a couple of Committee reports that I would like to get done before we go back into our amendments and resolutions. I'm going to ask my By-Laws Committee to please bring their report.

### **REPORT OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

**MRS. WANDA FAYE GILMORE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, sisters and brothers. The members of this committee have been diligent in their efforts to perform all of the duties in the best interests of the chapters submitting amendments.

Many contacts with the chapters have resulted in satisfactory conclusions. By-Laws for sixty one (61) chapters have been approved. Two are pending at this time.

It is our hope that the changes and additions will benefit everyone involved. We want to express our appreciation to the officers for their cooperation.

A complete list of the Chapters submitting amendments is attached.

I move the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda Faye Gilmore

Jettie Roberts

Louise Morrison

CHAPTER NAME	CHAPTER NUMBER	CHAPTER NAME	CHAPTER NUMBER
San Antonio-Radiant	.3	Jefferson	.627
Paris	.5	Liberty	.634
Kerrville	.24	Burkburnett	.655
Vashti	.32	Quitman	.695
Brazoria	.74	Conroe	.710
Rusk	.79	Andral Vann	.741
Canyon	.105	Ft. McKavett	.783
Pleasanton	.133	Wisteria	.823
Wimodausis	.141	Riverside	.834
Luling	.155	Tomball	.838
Greenville	.189	Dripping Springs	.860
Grand Prairie	.219	John L. DeGrazier	.881
Santa Anna	.247	Melrose	.920
Midland	.253	Venus	.923
Houston Heights	.258	Whitney	.930
Eastland	.280	Carlton	.949
Comanche	.310	Mount Vernon	.956
Round Rock	.316	Ganado	.957
Lytle	.335	Winnsboro	.967
Corpus Christi	.354	Haltom City	.982
Houston	.385	A.E. Shirley	.986
Palestine	.395	Norman Read	.1010
Troup	.421	Pilot Point	.1025
Marble Falls	.435	Independence	.1044
McKinney	.518	New Caney	.1093
Mission	.527	Wallace Hughston	.1100
Granbury	.530	Spring	.1105
Sequin	.555	Gun Barrel City	.1114
Jourdonton	.581	The Colony	.1136
Belton	.589	Livingston	.1139
League City	.621		

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Wanda. Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the By-Laws Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion carried.

At this time I would ask Diane Davidson to bring a report on the Museum Committee.

**REPORT OF MUSEUM COMMITTEE**

**MISS DIANE DAVIDSON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

It is my pleasure to introduce the Museum Committee:

District One	Joy Allison
District Two	Patsy Neeper
District Three	Jeff Geyer
District Four	Judith Remsing
District Five	Vickie Matthews

It has been our pleasure to serve on the Museum Committee during this past year. The Museum Committee has assisted in maintaining and storing the museum items along with being asked to assist in evaluating the treasures within the Eastern Star Home to be added to the Museum.

The Board of Directors is to be commended for their care and concern in maintaining our Museum. My special thanks to Brother Dwayne Masserang for serving the past two years as the Board Liason with the Museum Committee and assisting with the museum needs. The Eastern Star Museum treasures and items with the homes have been inventoried and recorded. Every care has been taken to ensure that Grand Chapter past is preserved. The records, photos and inventories of items have been secured and have been placed under the Board direction.

Following Grand Chapter this past year, the Worthy Grand Matron appointed Sister Joyce Gilbert of the Corporate Board along with Forrest Smith of the Board of Directors to walk through the Eastern Star Home and tag items within the Home to be placed in storage for use in the new museum and offices of the Grand Secretary. This group met in December, 2004 and along with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and other members of the Board of Directors, walked through the Eastern Star Home, reviewed the inventory and tagged many items for placement in storage. These items and others were placed in offset climate controlled storage along with all items within the Eastern Star Museum in January, 2005. The formal dining room set from the Eastern Star Home was placed in the Grand Secretary's apartment for her use. The Columns of Strength which display the gifts to Home Endowment during the year of service of Worthy Grand Matron, Alma Lynn Bane has been placed on loan to the Eastern Star Temple in Waco, Texas. My thanks to all who worked so hard, but to Joy Allison, Joyce Gilbert, Ann Kelly and Pat Turner, thank you for taking extra care of the museum items.

The Steinway baby grand piano from the living area and the cross given in memory of Arnold Paul from our chapel have been moved to the Texas Masonic Retirement enter. My thanks to Sister Pat Turner of McLennan Chapter No. 639 for donating plaques for them. The Texas Masonic Retirement Center gladly accepted these donations. They were moved, installed and the piano repaired at their expense. Our membership can now view and enjoy them.

The many jewels that Grand Chapter has have been inventoried with pictures and placed in a locked fireproof storage for safe keeping until they can be once again displayed.

The time capsules have been secured and are ready to be relocated. The time capsule from 1976, located in front of the Eastern Star Home was secured by Gayle Brown for relocation to Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

Since this has been a year of transition, few things have been received by the committee, but many others have been promised when the museum finds its' new home. We did have a wonderful donation from the family of Hattie Lucille Dowell who served



as Worthy Grand Matron in 1946-47, donating her Past Grand Matrons jewel to us. This was a wonderful generous gift. It is a beautiful antique and valued at \$3,500.00. Our Worthy Grand Matron accepted the donation of a beautiful out of state Eastern Star Plate for the museum while at Grand Lodge in Waco.

It has been a joy the past two years as chairman of the Eastern Star Museum Committee to study our treasures and learn more of their history -- we have furniture from the original Eastern Star Home Chapel, marble oil lamps from before the Civil War, one of a kind figurines and statues from all over the world including some made by the ladies in the Home, vases that were in the ladies rooms with roses the day the Home opened, wooden curlers from the first beauty shop in the home-- and so much more.

It has been a delight to work with the Board of Directors in planning for a new museum. They have an excellent design for the new building. I know the Museum Committee will continue to work to preserve our history and work for a place that membership can view our history. The Museum Committee will look forward to opening the doors of the new museum to greet the membership soon.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Davidson,  
Museum Committee Chairman

I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Diane. That was an excellent report. Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Museum Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to ask our Grand Soloist to bring you a very special piece of music. [applause followed singing of "You'll Never Walk Alone"] Sisters and Brothers, I asked her to sing that. That was going to be something that she was going to do yesterday, and we had another beautiful song that we wanted to do too. It has been a piece of music that I've listened to a great deal in the Grand Chapter van because I know that Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons never walk alone. They have the membership that walks beside them. Thank you.

Sisters and Brothers, into each of our lives are those who touch our souls in a very special way. They listen to us, they pray for us, they care for us, and they are always there for us. We want to always be there for them. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present the 50-year members of our Order. Sister Grand Marshal, you will present our 50-year members to the East. I'd like to call these names: Nina Burkett, Jack Herd, Lorena Jefferies – and she is a 62-year member, Allie Mae Dodson, Brian Templar, Mary Steinmetz, Tootsie Creech, Rennie Ofton, Ella Summers, Jean Lee, O. B. Lee, Doris Huckabee, Georgia Ann Potosoi, Leah Wanda Sutton, Jean Bradford, Barbara Grovesnor. Did I miss anyone? And Sister Joyce Glasscock. And Sister Wanda Briggs. Sisters and Brothers, would you please join me in showing appreciation to these members? [applause]

Wait a minute. We'll do it again. We have Shirley Hainline and Connie Builder. Now we'll do it. [applause] Keith, would you do us the honor of singing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." [applause followed singing]

To these members, 50 years just seems like it was yesterday. And you know what?

There's another 50 coming for you. Please know how much we love you, we admire you and we respect you. Worthy Grand Patron, would you bring greetings?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Our Heavenly Father has certainly blessed each of you and allowed you to accumulate 50 years of service to our great Order. But our Grand Chapter has been likewise blessed by the 50 years you have given of yourself for the good of this Order. Thank each of you for all that you have done and will continue to do for our Order. Congratulations. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Marshal, you will escort these members to their seat in the Chapter room.

Sister Grand Marshal, will you get our Texas Masonic Retirement Center ladies.

Sisters and Brothers, it is truly an honor to be able to introduce these precious ladies. I have the honor of introducing Sister Gladys Lewis who is escorted by Sister Vonnell Wilson; Sister Martha Gandy by Brother Jack Guy and Sister Pearl Woody by Brother Wayne Gaddis. [applause] To these three Distinguished Members of our Order, it has been an honor and a privilege to get to know each of you this year. My wishes for you is whatever you want them to be. Please know how much we love you and how much this membership cares about each of you. Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to greet these special members?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My sweet Sisters, how special it is to have you with us today. I enjoyed being able to visit with you on several occasions this year and in the years past at TMRC. Your presence brightens up this Grand Chapter session, and I thank you from my heart for you being here today.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, Sister Martha wanted me to let this membership know that Sister Gladys on the end right over here – raise your hand, my friend – is the senior member at the TMRC, 22 years. Martha says she's one-half of that. Thank you so much, ladies, for being here. Sister Pearl said 2 1/2 years. She said that Pearl is Daughter, Martha is Mother and Gladys is the Widow. Sister Grand Marshal, they'll be escorted back to their seats in the Grand Chapter room.

I recognize Sister Pam Dean, District Deputy Grand Matron of District 1 for her report.

### **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS DISTRICT 1**

**MRS. PAM DEAN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers!

What an exciting year of services this has been. It is indeed a pleasure to present the District 1 annual report for 2004-2005, and a very special privilege to present these Precious Pearls from District 1.

Sister Maxine Sparks - Section 1

Sister Joyce Smith - Section 2

Sister Barbara Grovesnor - Section 3

Sister Betty Hancock - Section 4

Sister Martha Isbell - Section 5

Sister Kathy Paschal - Section 6

Sister Debbie Mulholland - Section 7  
 Sister Darlene Smith - Section 8  
 Sister Sue Hill - Section 9 and  
 Sister Peggy Saxon - Section 10  
 Their dedication to team work makes this report possible.

Sections 1, 2, 4 & 5 held the *Ship's Wheel* School Conference on January 22, 2005, in Plano at the beautiful Southfork Hotel.

Section 1 had 14 chapters in attendance  
 Section 2 had 10 chapters in attendance  
 Section 4 had 11 chapters in attendance  
 Section 5 had 18 chapters in attendance  
 Total registration was 467

Sections 3 & 9 held the *Sea Treasurers of the Stars* School Conference on January 29, 2005 in Texarkana at the majestic Border Lodge.

Section 3 had 12 chapters in attendance  
 Section 9 had 14 chapters in attendance  
 Total registration was 241

Sections 6, 7, 8 & 10 held the *Voyage of the Future* School Conference on February 5, 2005 in Tyler at the Sharon Shrine Center.

Section 6 had 8 chapters in attendance  
 Section 7 had 9 chapters in attendance  
 Section 8 had 10 chapters in attendance  
 Section 10 had 10 chapters in attendance  
 Total registration was 403

Total attendance for the School Conference in District 1 was 1,111.

**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT 1**

Chapters Assigned . . . . .	116
Chapters Consolidated . . . . .	4
Chapters Demised . . . . .	1
Chapters Instituted . . . . .	0
Chapters Inspected . . . . .	116
Chapters Not Inspected . . . . .	0
School Conferences Conducted . . . . .	3
School Conferences Attended Officially . . . . .	31
School Conferences Attended Unofficially . . . . .	46
Workshops Held . . . . .	12
Letters Written . . . . .	820
Miles Traveled . . . . .	9,245

This Grand Chapter year began with 116 chapters.  
 Section 2: Collinsville #674 consolidated with Gainesville #1123

- Section 3: Sulphur Springs #718 consolidated with Sulphur Bluff #246
- Section 5: Irving #777 consolidated with Grand Prairie #219
- Section 6: Fairfield #331 consolidated with Teague #408
- Section 8: Pine Hill #675 demised.

District 1 now has 111 chapters.

The 10 Precious Pearls known as the Deputy Grand Matrons of District 1 join me in extending an Oceans of Love and appreciation to: Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron - Thank you for the honor of serving our Grand Chapter as your representatives in District 1. The confidence you had in us has been overwhelming. This has been a year of wonderful memories that each of us will cherish. please know how very special you are to all of us.

Brother Tom Morgenthaler - Thank you for your words of wisdom and encouragement. They were always appreciated.

Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron - Your acceptance of us and your quiet manner gave us all the extra support we needed throughout this year. You have helped us more than you realize. For that we say Thank You!

Sister Betty Martin, Grand Esther - Thank you for always having that wonderful smile and that extra word to lift us up. You seem to know just when we needed it.

Sister Betty Scott, Grand Examiner of District 1 - Thank you for all the hard work you did for us this year. In addition to the work at our School conferences, you attended each section's workshops and made arrangements for those who needed that extra bit of attention. You are a jewel!

Sister Jane Clabaugh, Humanitarian Chairman, District 1 - The presentation of your programs and your willingness to work with us at the School Conference was greatly appreciated. Thank you!

To the Membership of District 1 - WOW! Words seem to fail us at this time for the wonderful membership of this district. Your support and acceptance of the School Conference formats and section workshops has overwhelmed us. Thank you does not seem enough, but it comes from the bottom of our hearts! Thank You!

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Dean

District Deputy Grand Matron - District 1

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to recognize Sister Andi Martin a precious friend and District Deputy Grand Matron of District 2.

## DISTRICT 2

**MRS. ANDI MARTIN:** Thank you, Sister Pam Dean, my special friend and co-worker.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as District Deputy for District 2. The nine "roadrunners"

as they have named themselves have worked hard and completed their tasks with grace and love.

It is my pleasure to present the Annual report for District 2 and it is my honor to present these who have made our year a success.

Sisters Peggy Ledinski and the 7 Chapters of Section 4 and Pauline Lybrand, and the 9 Chapters of Section 8, along with the 6 Chapters of Section 5 hosted the “Sea Treasures in the Snow” School Conference in Lubbock on March 5, 2005 with 163 in attendance.

Sisters Carol Knutson and the 4 Chapters of Section 1, Karen Keith and the 6 Chapters of Section 2 and Margaret Jones and the 5 Chapters of Section 3, hosted the “Odyssey Under the Sea” School Conference on March 12, 2005 in Amarillo, with 138 in attendance.

Sister Ann Orr and the 9 Chapters of Section 6, Patricia Blank and the 7 Chapters of Section 7 and Shirley Scholl and the 2 Chapters of Section 9 hosted the “Treasures of the Sea” School Conference in Abilene on March 19th with 198 in attendance.

Sister Lola Norton and the 4 Chapters of Section 10 hosted the “Treasures at the Edge of Texas” School Conference in El Paso on March 26th, with 103 in attendance.

Total attendance for the School Conferences in District 2 was 602.

Each Deputy held a workshop in their respective sections, with good attendance.

**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT 2**

Chapters assigned . . . . .	58
Chapters Consolidated . . . . .	2
Chapters Demised . . . . .	2
Chapters Instituted . . . . .	2
Chapters Inspected . . . . .	58
Chapters Not Inspected . . . . .	0
School Conferences Conducted . . . . .	4
Workshops . . . . .	9
Schools Officially Attended . . . . .	4
Letters Written . . . . .	668
Miles Traveled . . . . .	56,664

District 2 began the year with 58 Chapters and ended the year with 54 Chapters.

Anson Chapter No. 867 voted to demise on May 9, 2005.

Clarendon Chapter No. 6 consolidated with Childress No. on January 3, 2005.

Colorado Chapter No. 58 consolidated with Big Spring Chapter No. 67 as of June 1, 2005.

Plainview Chapter No. 37 voted to demise prior to April 27, 2005.

The nine Deputies of District 2 join me in extending our heartfelt appreciation to:

Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron: thank you for the opportunity of serving you and the membership as District Deputy and fore the faith you had in me, especially when I didn't. Thank you for always being kind and compassionate to these very special deputies and me. I will forever treasure these memories. Thank you Brother Tom for putting up with us.

Brother Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron: thank you for serving our beautiful

Order with grace and love. I have so enjoyed traveling with you and our lovely Betty, Grand Esther.

Sister Bess Caldwell, Grand Examiner of District 2. You have always been special to me. I was so proud to get to work with you this year. Your renditions of the Secret Work always give me goose bumps. Thank you.

Sister Mary Charles Dixon, Humanitarian, District 2: What a joy to have the opportunity to hear your program at each of the schools in our district. It was so obvious that your program was from your heart. Thank you.

Sister Betty Fogarty, Traveling Secretary to the Worthy Grand Matron, than you for that beautiful smile you always have and for your dedication to our Worthy Grand Matron and our Order. It has been such a pleasure to get to know you.

The Deputies of Grand Chapter: Thank you for your love and support. My heart is overflowing with love for each of you. I look forward to serving with each of you as we go to the next step of our service to the Order.

To the membership of District 2: I thank you for the love, gifts, the honorary memberships and for every courtesy extended to me as District Deputy Grand Matron of District 2. I have met so many people that will be a part of my life from now on.

District 2, Section 9, you are very special to me. Thank you for your love and support during this incredible year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andi Martin  
District Deputy Grand Matron, District 2

Lamesa Chapter No. 363 – a demitted member donated \$25,000 which endowed every member of that Chapter.

It is with pleasure that I present my wonderful friend and co-worker, Sister Donna Hill Pope, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 3.

### DISTRICT 3

**MRS. DONNA HILL POPE:** Thank you, Sister Andi Martin, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 2.

It is my pleasure to present the report of District III

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers:

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for selecting ten such capable and dedicated ladies to serve as your Deputy Grand Matrons for District III. Each did an outstanding job in working together on the School Conferences, and separately at a Workshop in each of their individual Sections. It has been an honor and privilege to be associated with this group of ladies who are dedicated to the love and service promoted by our beautiful Order.

Sister Sissy Furrie, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 1; in cooperation with Sister Brenda Martin, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 2; and Sister Pam Johnson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 10: “Lighthouse of Knowledge” School Conference held in Fort Worth, Texas on December 18, 2004 with 415 in attendance.

Sister Leslie Keilberg, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 3; in cooperation with Sister Judy Sadberry, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 4; and Sister Alphen Gressett, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 5: “Drop Anchor With Us” School Conference held in Cisco, Texas on January 8, 2005 with 196 in attendance.

Sister Helen Gregory, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 6; in cooperation with Sister Rita Wilson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 7; Sister Anna Huckabee, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 8; and Sister Kaye Swain, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 9: “Casting Our Nets” School Conference held in Killeen, Texas on January 15, 2005 with 368 in attendance.

In addition to working cooperatively on behalf of the three School Conferences held within our District, these Deputy Grand Matrons also arranged a Workshop in their respective Sections for the benefit and pleasure of the members within each Section.

Sister Sissy Furrie, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 1: a Section Workshop was held on February 19, 2005 in Fort Worth, Texas for the 18 Chapters of Section 1 with 73 in attendance.

Sister Brenda Martin, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 2: a Section Workshop was held on March 29, 2005 in Weatherford, Texas for the 9 Chapters of Section 2 with 56 in attendance.

Sister Leslie Keilberg, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 3: a Section Workshop was held on April 12, 2005 in Graham, Texas for the 4 Chapters of Section 3 with 32 in attendance.

Sister Judy Sadberry, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 4, a Section Workshop was held on February 26, 2005 in De Leon, Texas for the 6 Chapters of Section 4 with 17 in attendance.

Sister Alphen Gressett, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 5: a Section Workshop was held on March 24, 2005 in Brownwood, Texas for the 4 Chapters of Section 5 with 18 in attendance.

Sister Helen Gregory, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 6: a Section Workshop was held on April 2, 2005 for the 9 Chapters of Section 6 with 50 in attendance.

Sister Rita Wilson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 7: a Section Workshop was held on February 26, 2005 in Hamilton, Texas for the 6 Chapters of Section 7 with 40 in attendance.

Sister Anna Huckabee, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 8: a Section Workshop was held on March 12, 2005 in Round Rock, Texas for the 8 Chapters of Section 8 with 65 in attendance.

Sister Kaye Swain, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 9: a Section Workshop was held on April 16, 2005 for the 10 Chapters of Section 9 with 54 in attendance.

Sister Pam Johnson, Deputy Grand Matron, Section 10: a Section Workshop was held on March 5, 2005 for the 10 Chapters of Section 10 with 42 in attendance.

Total attendance at the 3 Conferences in District III: . . . . .	979
Total attendance at the 10 Section Workshops: . . . . .	447
Chapters of District III inspected: . . . . .	All 84 Chapters
Chapters Instituted, Consolidated or Demised: . . . . .	None
Letters Written: . . . . .	1155
Miles traveled: . . . . .	49,008

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, thank you so much for allowing me the privilege to serve you and this Grand Chapter as District Deputy Grand Matron. Our journey was unlike others who have passed this way previously; but by following your example we have learned that we can preserve the traditions of the past and yet embrace new ideas for the future.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin, thank you for all your hard work, for your gentle guidance and strong support. It has also been my honor to serve you during this Grand Chapter year. And Sister Betty, even though we share you with District 5, you know that no matter how far you may travel, you're always home in District 3.

Sister Joyce Nicklas, Grand Examiner of District 3, your perfect renditions of the Secret Work; your countless hours in the examining rooms at the School Conferences, and your unselfish travel throughout the District for the Section Workshops was greatly appreciated by the Deputy Grand Matrons and the membership of District 3. Your kindness and love sets a wonderful example for those who will follow you as Grand Examiner of District 3.

Sister Pat Turner, Humanitarian Chairman, District 3, thank you for your kindness and support throughout the Conference schedule. I am confident the members of District III join me in thanking you for all you have done for our Grand Chapter this year.

To my co-workers, the District Deputy Grand Matrons, thank you for the love and support you gave to me. I will never be able to convey how special you are and how much I love all of you.

To the Deputy Grand Matrons of District III, who did all that I asked, and much, much more, thank you for a very special year. I love you all. Working with the Deputies of Grand Chapter of Grand Chapter this year has provided me with many cherished memories which will remain among my life-long Eastern Star "Treasures".

To the Membership of District III, thank you for every kindness and expression of support. I thank you for the love gifts, the Honorary Memberships, and for every courtesy extended to me as District Deputy Grand Matron of District III. Your tireless efforts, without credit or acclaim, are an inspiration. It has been my honor and privilege to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Donna Hill Pope  
 District Deputy Grand Matron, District 3

And now I have the pleasure to present my friend and co-worker, Sister Vicki Hertenberger, District Deputy Grand Matron, District IV.

#### **DISTRICT 4**

**MRS. VICKI HERTENBERGER:** Thank you, Sister Donna Hill Pope.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished members, my Sisters and Brothers. It is with great pleasure and pride to present these ten very special Footprints. I shall ever be grateful for the many treasures, the memories of service and association with them. They have truly made footprints in my life.

Mrs. Vanda Sublett, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 1



Mrs. Anna Y. Chapman, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 2  
 Mrs. Jacqueline Pierce, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 3  
 Mrs. Doris M. Jones, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 4  
 Mrs. Reva (Tish) Fields, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 5  
 Mrs. Linnie Stone, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 6  
 Mrs. Shelly Fischer-Free, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 7  
 Mrs. Georgia A. Ptacek, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 8  
 Mrs. Janice Pryor, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 9  
 Mrs. Virginia Franklin, Deputy Grand Matron, District IV, Section 10

Worthy Grand Matron, these Deputy Grand Matrons and I say a very special “Thank you” for the privilege of working with you this year. By presenting the four School Conferences in Houston, Woodville, Caldwell and Pearland, we had in attendance over 1200 Sisters and Brothers. While traveling the State of Texas, these Deputy Grand Matrons and myself traveled over 34,500 miles and we have truly received bountiful rewards and have filed away in our hearts many Treasures of Life.

Worthy Grand Patron, each time you and Grand Esther visited District IV, you were both an inspiration to each of us. We are very grateful for your dedication and love for our membership.

To our Grand Examiner, Sister Christine Armstrong, we express our gratitude for the beautiful person that you are and for making an outstanding Grand Examiner.

To the members of District IV, we thank each of you for having made this year of service a great work of accomplishment. We were able to refund money back to each Chapter following the School Conferences and from the School Conferences in Caldwell, Sections 6 and 8 and Pearland, 9 and 10, we donated over \$2,800.00 to the Star Search for a Cure Committee. In addition to the School Conferences, we had an overwhelming response to the Section Workshops. As we came into your sections, you welcomed us with smiles and a friendly handclasp. More especially, we thank you, the Membership of this Great State, for your cooperation in wholeheartedly carrying out the ideas and programs of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

For the many friendships made this year, the generous hospitality, your loyalty to this order, we say “Thank You”. Our wish for each of you is that you be blessed with God’s richest blessings as you strive to follow the teachings of our Star in the East.

Fraternally submitted,  
 Vicki Hertenberger  
 District Deputy Grand Matron  
 District IV

It is now my pleasure to introduce Sister Karen Wright, District Deputy Grand Matron of District V.

## DISTRICT 5

**MRS. KAREN WRIGHT:** Thank you, Sister Vicki.  
 Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

I submit to you the annual report for District Five and, with great pride, introduce nine (9) of the loveliest and most dedicated ladies I have ever had the pleasure of working with, “Karen’s Krew” or these Deputy Grand Matrons.

Sister Anne Langston, Sections 1 and 2,

Sister Gay Carnes, Section 3, and

Sister Glenda Story, Section 4, hosted the “Sea Shells in the Hill Country” School Conference on February 19, 2005 in Boerne with 219 in attendance.

Sister Dorette “Dee” Fahrig, Section 5,

Sister Sandra Zipp, Section 6, the home section of our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin, and my own home section, and

Sister Mary Jo Rosamond, Section 7 hosted the “Safe Harbor” School Conference on February 11, 2005 in San Antonio with 365 in attendance.

Sister Billie Collie, Section 8,

Sister Jerline “Jerri” Standridge, Section 9, and

Sister Kay Marquez, Section 10 hosted the “C.P.S.” (Come Play in the Sand) School Conference on February 26, 2005 in Corpus Christi with 221 in attendance.

The total attendance for the School Conferences in District Five was 805.

**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT FIVE**

Chapters Assigned . . . . .	79
Chapters Consolidated or Demised . . . . .	3
Chapters Instituted . . . . .	0
Chapters Inspected . . . . .	79
School Conferences Conducted . . . . .	3
School Conferences Attended Officially . . . . .	12
School Conferences Attended Unofficially . . . . .	48
Letters Written . . . . .	1,054
Miles Traveled . . . . .	44,956

Mason Chapter No. 1122 consolidated with Brady Chapter No. 167; Wimberley Chapter No. 1130 consolidated with San Marcos Chapter No. 276; and Oso Chapter No. 868 consolidated with Independence Chapter No. 1044.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, I haven’t a clue what made you choose me for your District Deputy Grand Matron for District Five... but I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity to serve the membership in this capacity... thank you for all your encouragement... your support... your understanding... your loyalty... thank you for believing in me and my abilities... but, mostly, thank you for your friendship.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin, you have been the rock behind us... you have supported us... advised us... encouraged us... inspired us... and always with genuine enthusiasm for what we’ve tried to accomplish this year. Your love for this Order and dedication to the membership is obvious. Thank you.

Sister Jerre Lucas, our Grand Examiner of District V, although we met several years ago in a working environment, I am so glad that we’ve been given the opportunity to get to know each other better and be friends in our Eastern Star environment. And, although

you have only just begun your tenure, may you enjoy every moment of your years as Grand Examiner.

Sister Sandra Johnson, Humanitarian Chairman of District V, what a joy to have the opportunity to hear your presentation of the Worthy Grand Matron's "The Lures of the Sea" Humanitarian Program at each of the School Conferences, and to share special times of fellowship and fun.

To the Secretaries of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters Betty Fogarty, Mary Brunet and Vicki Smith, it was a pleasure to serve with each of you. Thank you for your support and assistance during the year.

To the four other District Deputy Grand Matrons, Sisters Pam Dean, Andi Martin, Donna Hill Pope and Vicki Hertenberger, thank you for becoming my friends. A strong foundation of friendship has been created over the last two years between us, and I know it will only strengthen and be more special during the years ahead.

To the Membership of District Five, and especially to New Braunfels Chapter No. 771 and Section 6: Thank you so very much for the many acts of kindness and expressions of love that you have shown to me. You are very special, and words do not adequately express how I feel about you and your dedication to the Order. I simply and most sincerely say "Thank you." It was my distinct honor and privilege to serve you this year.

Respectively submitted,  
 Karen S. Wright  
 District Deputy Grand Matron  
 District Five

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of these reports.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Deputies of Grand Chapter. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Thank you, girls. I now ask Lee Stallings if we can begin the amendments again.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 5**

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. It's time for us to go back to work. Amendment No. 5 is found on page 66 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a proposed amendment to the constitution and will require passage at this Grand Chapter session and again in 2006. This amendment would change two parts of the constitution. The first is Article IV, Section 1 entitled "Composition of Grand Chapter," found on page 32 of your constitution. This deals with a member of Grand Chapter – a person who is a member and is therefore eligible to vote at Grand Chapter. Currently, this section describes who is a member of Grand Chapter in two parts, (a) Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons and (b) Past Matrons and Past Patrons. This amendment will add a third group, ©, and describes that group as Subordinate Chapter Members. It states, "All members of this jurisdiction, holding a current dues card after completing one year in the Order, and registered for an Annual Grand Chapter session, or any called Grand Chapter session, shall have voting privileges in accordance with Article X, Section 7 of the constitution," which

is found on page 42 of the constitution.

Article X, Section 10.b, item b(1) entitled “One Vote,” this currently has two sections, (a) Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, (b) Past Matrons and Past Patrons. This amendment would add section © for Subordinate Chapter Members and would read, “All members of this Grand Chapter jurisdiction after completing one year in the Order, who are not Past Matrons or Past Patrons or present Worthy Matrons or Worthy Patrons, and are holding a current dues card and are registered for the annual Grand Chapter session of this Grand Jurisdiction.”

Worthy Grand Matron, I have one addendum before I’m going to say it’s ready for action. I have been given permission by our Chairman to tell the membership that — if I say this, I’m going to be given a \$5 cup of coffee – Sisters and Brothers, this is the same song, third verse.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 5 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 5 (FIRST READING)**

WHEREAS, the attendance at Grand Chapter Sessions have declined and in order for more members to be eligible to vote;

We the undersigned submit the following changes to Section 1, Composition, Pages 32 and 33.

WHICH NOW READS

### **ARTICLE IV COMPOSITION OF GRAND CHAPTER**

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION. The Grand Chapter shall be composed of the following:

**a. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons.**

- (1) All Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of Chartered Chapters in good standing in this jurisdiction shall be members of this Grand Chapter.
- (2) If the Worthy Matron is absent from Grand Chapter, the Associate Matron, if present, shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Matron. In case of the absence of both the Worthy Matron and the Associate Matron, the Worthy Matron may appoint, as her proxy with full power of representation, any member of her Chapter. In case of the absence from Grand Chapter of the Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron, if present shall be entitled to represent the Worthy Patron. In case of the absence of the Worthy Patron and Associate Patron, the Worthy Patron may appoint, as his proxy with full power of representation, any member of his Chapter. In order for a member to be seated as a proxy, she or he shall present to the Committee on Credentials a certificate of such appointment, duly certified to under Seal of the Chapter Secretary.

- b. Past Matrons and Past Patrons.** All Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Chartered Chapter within this jurisdiction shall be members of this Grand Chapter, provided they are affiliated with a Chartered Chapter or a Chapter under Dispensation whose Charter has been granted at this Session of Grand Chapter. They cannot appoint proxies.

**Be amended to add the following item:**

- c. Subordinate Chapter Members.** All members of this jurisdiction, holding a current dues card after completing one year in the order, and registered for an Annual Grand Chapter Session, or any called Grand Chapter Session, shall have voting privileges in accordance with Chapter X, Section 10a, Constitution.

**Constitution, Article X, Grand Chapter Sessions and Matters Related Thereto**

**Section 10. b. In Elections. (1) One Vote. Page 32**

**Add item (c) as follows:**

- c. Subordinate Chapter Members.** All members of this Grand Chapter jurisdiction after completing one year in the order, who are not Past Matrons or Past Patrons or present Worthy Matrons or Worthy Patrons, and are holding a current dues card and are registered for the annual Grand Chapter session of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Everett	Shirley Everett
Charlie E. Ipes	Donald Ipes

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 5. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Sisters and Brothers, I call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion failed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 6**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 6 is found on page 67 of your Advanced Annual Report. This amendment relates to Article VII.B, Section 4.b.(5), on pages 37 and 38 of your constitution. To become law it will require passage at this Grand Chapter session and again in 2006 in Fort Worth. Since we have now sold the Eastern Star Home of Texas, this amendment would change the name of the 501(c)(3) fund from the Eastern Star Home of Texas to the Eastern Star Association of Texas. Also, it declares the Texas Masonic Retirement Center rather than the Home for Aged Masons and/or the Masonic Home & School as the official organization which would receive all remaining assets after all debts are paid, should the Eastern Star Association of Texas be dissolved.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendments to be in proper order and is ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 6 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 6  
(FIRST READING)**

WHEREAS, the need to clarify the terminology in Article VII, B, Section 4, b., (5), in order to retain the Grand Chapter of Texas' 501 (c)(3) status, and

WHEREAS, the official title of the Home for Aged Masons is Texas Masonic Retirement Center, and

WHEREAS, it was voted at the 2004 Grand Lodge session to close the Masonic Home and School

WE, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to Article VII, B, Section 4, b., (5).

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES, PAGE 38

NOW READS:

- (5) In the event of dissolution of the Eastern Star Home of Texas, the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, shall select one or more charitable organizations, and shall convey the assets remaining, if any, after payment of debts, to such charitable organizations which qualify under I.R.S. Code Section 501 (c)(3) first preference shall be given to the Home for Aged Masons (Masonic Retirement Center) and/or the Masonic Home and School.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES

- (5) In the event of dissolution of the Eastern Star Association of Texas, the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, shall select one or more charitable organizations, and shall convey the assets remaining, if any, after payment of debts, to such charitable organizations which qualify under I.R.S. Code Section 501 (c)(3) first preference shall be given to the Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC).

A.L. Casparis	Joyce Yenger
Jack C. Beall	Mickie Campbell
JoAnn Snow	Lori Goldman
Gary E. Steele	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 6. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? I'll call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

**REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 7**

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Amendment No. 7 is found on page 68 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a proposed amendment to the constitution and will require passage at this Grand Chapter session and again in 2006. This amendment will change Article

VII.B., Section 4.d, Benevolences, which is found on page 38 of your constitution. There are four parts under this section, and the changes are as follows. Number one, the Eastern Star Home of Texas would become the Eastern Star Association of Texas. Number two, there is no change to number two which is entitled "Benevolent Fund." Number three, there is no change to number three which is described, "Such other undertakings as shall, from time to time, be authorized by the Grand Chapter." Number four, currently, this states that the Board shall have the management and control of the OES Home. Now that the OES Home has been sold, this change would be to the words "OES Home," which would become the "OES Retirement Trust."

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendments is in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 7 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 7  
(FIRST READING)**

WHEREAS, to protect the 501 (c)(3) status of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, and to clarify the name of the 501 (c)(3) fund,

We, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to Article VII, B, Section 4, d.

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES, PAGE 38

NOW READS:

- d. BENEVOLENCES: The Benevolences of the Grand Chapter shall consist of the following:
- (1) The Eastern Star Home of Texas at Arlington.
  - (2) Benevolent Fund
  - (3) Such other undertakings as shall, from time to time, be authorized by the Grand Chapter, provided that no new benevolent undertaking requiring special assessments upon Subordinate Chapters for its support shall ever be authorized by the Grand Chapter, except by amendment of this Constitution in the manner hereinafter provided.
  - (4) The Board of Directors shall have the management and control of the O.E.S. Home and of the administration of the Grand Chapter Benevolent Fund, and such other benevolent undertakings not assigned to some other administrative agency; subject to such rules, regulations and restrictions as may be provided in this Constitution or By-Laws, and shall have such other powers and prerogatives and perform such other duties as may be provided by law, consistent with the Constitution and Code of Laws.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE VII, 5., SECTION 4, DUTIES

- d. BENEVOLENCES. The Benevolences of the Grand Chapter shall consist of the following:

- (1) The Eastern Star **Association** of Texas
- (2) No change
- (3) No change
- (4) The Board of Directors shall have the management and control of the O.E.S. Retirement Trust and of the administration of the Grand Chapter Benevolent Fund, and such other benevolent undertakings not assigned to some other administrative agency; subject to such rules, regulations and restrictions as may be provided in this Constitution or By-Laws, and shall have such other powers and prerogatives and perform such other duties as may be provided by law, consistent with the Constitution and Code of Laws.

A.L. Casparis	Joyce Yenger
Jack C. Beall	Mickie Campbell
JoAnn Snow	Lori Goldman
Gary E. Steele	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 7. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 8**

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Amendment No. 8 is found on page 69 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a constitutional amendment of Article VII.B, Section 4.c, found on page 38 of the constitution. Since we have sold the OES Home, the amendment does two things. First, it changes the name of the OES Home and OES Home Fund to the OES Retirement Plan and OES Retirement Trust Fund. And, secondly, it revises the duties of the Board of Directors to maintain and administer the OES Retirement Trust Fund and to manage the admission procedures to the Texas Masonic Retirement Center known as TMRC. This amendment, if passed during this session, will require a second vote in 2006. Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee find this amendment to be in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 8 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 8 (FIRST READING)**

WHEREAS, the O.E.S. property has been sold, and

WHEREAS, the necessity of an O.E.S. Retirement Plan that would replace the guidelines for the O.E.S. Home and to specify the type of funds the Board would administer,

BE it resolved that Article VII, B, Section 4, e. be amended as follows:

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES, PAGE 38



NOW READS:

- e. REGULATIONS REGARDING O.E.S. HOME AND O.E.S. HOME FUND. The Board of Directors shall maintain and operate the O.E.S. Home, administer the appropriated funds, make the necessary rules for government and admission of members, and appoint and employ Superintendent/ Administrators, and other necessary employees in accordance with the rules set forth in the Constitution and Code of Laws. Only persons of the following classes shall be admitted:

- (1) No person shall be eligible to admission to said Home except members who have been affiliated with a Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction for at least five (5) years immediately preceding and/or ten (10) accumulative years at the time of making application for admission, and provided that they also meet the other requirements that are, or may be from time to time, promulgated by the Board of Directors.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES

- e. REGULATIONS REGARDING **O.E.S. RETIREMENT PLAN AND O.E.S. RETIREMENT TRUST FUND.**

The Board of Directors shall maintain and administer the O.E.S. Retirement Trust fund, make the necessary rules for admission of members into the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Only persons of the following classes shall be admitted:

- (1) No person shall be eligible to admission to said Texas Masonic Retirement Center through the O.E.S. Retirement Plan, except as defined in the Code of Laws, Chapter 5, A. Article 82, p. Article D.,1,a.

A.L. Casparis	Jayne Yenger	Jack C. Beall
Mickie Campbell	JoAnn Snow	Lori M. Goldman
Gary E. Steele		

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 8. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. This amendment passed.

**REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 9**

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Amendment No. 9 is found on page 70 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a constitutional amendment of Article VII.B, Section 4.g entitled "Annual Reports and Recommendations," found on page 39 of the constitution. This amendment would require approval at this session and again at next year's session to become law. The requested change is to omit the words "welfare" and "OES Home," and insert "Texas" to the "Masonic Retirement Center."

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 9 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 9  
(FIRST READING)**

WHEREAS, the O.E.S. property having been sold and no longer requires a budget, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the undersigned, propose the following amendments for clarification to Article VII, B, Section 4, g.

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES, page 39

NOW READS:

g. ANNUAL REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. The Board of Directors shall make a detailed report to Grand Chapter of the Benevolences under its control, including a detailed report of the receipts and disbursements, and such recommendations as it deems essential to the welfare of the work committed to its care. This Board shall submit a proposed benevolent budget for the coming year, including the O.E.S. Home, Benevolent Fund, and the care of the O.E.S. residents in the Masonic Retirement Center.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

ARTICLE VII, B., SECTION 4, DUTIES, page 39

g. ANNUAL REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. The Board of Directors shall make a detailed report to Grand Chapter of the Benevolences under its control, including a detailed report of the receipts and disbursements, and such recommendations as it deems essential to the work committed to its care. This Board shall submit a proposed benevolent budget for the coming year, including the Benevolent Fund, and the care of the O.E.S. residents in the **Texas** Masonic Retirement Center.

A.L. Casparis	JoAnn Snow
Jayne Yenger	Jack C. Beall
Mickie Campbell	Lori M. Goldman
Gary E. Steele	

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 9. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. The amendment passed.

**REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 10**

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Amendment No. 10 is found on page 71 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is an amendment to Chapter 5.A, Article 82 of our Code of Laws found on page 69 through 71, and if passed by this assembly will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment adds paragraph (p), which provides information for the membership and establishes guidelines for admission to Texas Masonic Retirement Center through the OES Retirement Plan, through Benevolent Aid and/or Fee

for Services. This includes an explanation of the OES Retirement Plan and its administration, as well as the general rules for eligibility, procurement and completion of forms and addresses the Chapter's continued responsibility.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 10 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### AMENDMENT NO. 10 CODE OF LAW AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, at the 2004 Grand Chapter session, the membership voted to delete pages 1-9 down to Benevolent Fund Article K, on page 9 through page 10, of the rules and regulations, referred to as the Blue Book, since it had become outdated and no longer applied, and

WHEREAS, the need to inform the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas and to establish guidelines concerning the admission into the Texas Masonic Retirement Center through the O.E.S. Retirement Plan or Fee for Service,

Be it resolved that we, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to Code of Laws, Chapter 5, A, Article 82 **by adding Article 82, pages 69 – 71.**

SHALL READ:

CHAPTER 5, A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ARTICLE 82, ADDITIONAL DUTIES, p.

**p. Rules and Regulations of the O.E.S. Retirement Program, including a Fee for Service Program and the Benevolent Fund.**

**ARTICLE A.** The Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, recognizes that many of our members desire to spend the golden years of life with friends in peaceful, comfortable surroundings. In partnership with the Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC), The Grand Chapter has established the O.E.S. Retirement Program for our members and is governed by Article VII, B., Section 4.b of the Constitution and Laws. Our major challenge has been to provide for continuity of meaningful life experiences for our senior citizens. The O.E.S. Retirement Program remains devoted to making the aging years more secure, abundant and happy. The focus is on providing for the individuality and dignity of the resident, while at the same time developing a harmonizing relationship with all residents who come to live at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Providing for quality of life, rather than merely lengthening the life span, is perceived to be one of the most important aspects of retirement living.

**ARTICLE B.** The O.E.S. Retirement Program and disbursement of the Benevolent Fund are under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE C.** The Board of Directors is charged with the duty and responsibility of managing the O.E.S. Retirement Program and the administration of the Benevolent Fund. The Board of Directors is authorized to make and adopt all necessary Rules and Regulations relative to these programs. They shall have

entire control and direction of the O.E.S. Retirement Program and the Benevolent Aid Fund at all times, subject to instruction from Grand Chapter.

## **ARTICLE D. GENERAL RULES AND METHOD OF SECURING FORMS**

### **1. ELIGIBILITY**

- a. A member who has been affiliated with a Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction for at least five (5) years immediately preceding and/or ten (10) accumulative years at the time of making application for admission and provided, they also meet other requirements that are, or may be, from time to time promulgated by the Board of Directors, shall be eligible to apply.
- b. Because the Texas Masonic Retirement Center is an Independent Living Center rather than a nursing home, all applicants must be totally capable of self-care prior to admission. This includes but is not limited to: the ability to walk without the aid of a wheelchair, walker or crutches; a cane or quad cane is permissible. Applicants must be able to bathe and dress themselves, and to take their own medication without supervision. Those who have been diagnosed with Cancer or Tuberculosis are ineligible for admission, as well as those who have severe hearing, speech or sight impairments. Alcoholics and drug addicts will not be admitted. To prevent the TMRC from becoming a mere sanitarium by crowding together the sound and the unsound, the normal and afflicted, thus destroying the essentials of a real home, **NO PERSON** afflicted with insanity, any contagious, infectious or malignant disease, or who has ever been under treatment for any mental or nervous disorder, will be admitted.
- c. The member is accepted on a ninety (90) day, probationary period. At the end of the ninety (90) days, both the member and the Superintendent of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center will know whether the member is psychologically suited to living in a group environment and is able to function on a semi-responsible basis.

### **2. PROCUREMENT AND COMPLETION OF FORMS**

- a. A member who desires to enter the TMRC shall write, type or have a letter written and signed by the member to the Secretary of the member's Chapter, stating the member's wishes and request the Chapter to secure the forms and make the necessary application. A Chapter may request application forms **ONLY** for their own members. The letter of request from the member **SHALL** be read to the Chapter at the first Stated Meeting after receipt and the Chapter votes whether or not to request the application form. If the vote is in the affirmative, at the same meeting the Worthy Matron will appoint an investigating committee of three members to process the application. This committee continues to serve until the application is approved or rejected and the Chapter is notified.

- (1) When the Chapter votes to secure the application forms, the Secretary of the Chapter shall write the Secretary of the Board of Directors, under the Seal of the Chapter, attaching the members' letter and requesting the application form.
  - (2) The Secretary of the Board of Directors will forward the application and necessary forms, along with a copy of *Code of Laws, Chapter A, Article 82, p.* to the Chapter. The Secretary the Board will also notify all members of the Board who will be available to assist in the explanation and completion of the forms.
  - (3) It is the duty of the Investigating Committee to determine if the member meets the eligibility requirements. They will call on the member, explain the application and other necessary forms (i.e. physical examination, inventory, hold harmless clause, bill of sale and conveyance clause, burial assumption, etc.) and assist the member in the completion thereof. Upon completion of all papers, they will be submitted to the Chapter at a Stated Meeting and, depending on the report of the Investigating Committee, the Chapter will vote whether or not to submit the application. Regardless of an affirmative or negative vote of the Chapter, **ALL APPLICATION FORMS AND ENCLOSURES** are returned to the Secretary of the Board of Directors with a letter, under the Seal of the Chapter, stating the wishes of the Chapter.
  - (4) Application forms **SHALL NOT** be given to a member or mailed to a member for completion, but must be processed by the appointed Investigating Committee. When the applicant lives in another city other than the city where the Chapter is located, the Chapter may request a courtesy Investigating Committee from a Chapter located in the city where the applicant lives. When this is done, the courtesy Investigating Committee signs the application forms where indicated, but the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron and Secretary of the applicant's own Chapter completes the signatures and affixes the Chapter seal.
- b. Application Forms, Inventory Sheets, Burial Assumption, Bill of Sale and Conveyance and Hold Harmless Forms, Last Will and Testament, Proof of Will, Universal Power of Attorney, Other Legal Papers and Physical Exam Form must have **ALL QUESTIONS FULLY AND CAREFULLY ANSWERED** and are returned to the Secretary of the Board of Directors who will submit the original and two photocopies of **ALL** forms to the Board of Directors. In the event all questions have not been fully answered, the application will be returned incomplete. (*Reference Question 21 on the Application Form: No real or personal property may be sold or disposed of in any manner within three (3) years PRIOR to making application to the Texas Masonic Retirement Center.*) **MISREPRESENTATION OR CONCEALMENT OF FACTS** may cause the member to be dismissed from the TMRC. If a

member has done so knowingly, full facts should be given to the Board for its appraisal and decision. Should a member give cause for dismissal, the Chapter submitting the application binds itself to remove the member at the earliest possible date and without expense to the Grand Chapter.

- (1) The physical examination form sent with the application must be completed by a physician of the applicant's choice.
  - (2) All applicants may be subject to further medical examination by the TMRC physician on a date designated to the Chapter by the Superintendent of TMRC. Following the examination, the applicant will return home and there will be a waiting period before the Chapter is notified of acceptance or rejection. The applicant **SHALL** visit the TMRC and make their presence known to the Superintendent in charge before the medical examination. The Superintendent of TMRC will arrange for a room for the applicant and one traveling companion at the time of the physical examination by the TMRC physician.
  - (3) The Chapter shall make all arrangements for the member to come to Arlington for the medical examination on the date designated by the Superintendent. All transportation expense for this examination and, if accepted, the return trip for entrance in to the TMRC must be without expense to Grand Chapter.
  - (4) Notice of applicant's acceptance or rejection will be sent to the Secretary of the Chapter and **NOT** to the applicant. All official correspondence shall be through the Chapter Secretary and conveyed to the applicant by the Worthy Matron or the Committee.
- c. When the Secretary of a subordinate Chapter is notified that a member of such Chapter has been accepted in to the TMRC, **IT SHALL BE THE CHAPTER'S** responsibility to have **IN LEGAL FORM ALL PAPERS FROM THE APPLICANT AND A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF SUCH PROPERTIES AS NAMED IN PARAGRAPH 17** and agreed to under oath and seal in the **application for admission**. It shall be the Secretary's duty to forward the lists of these properties and papers to the Secretary of the Board of Directors. An itemized list of all household effects shall be furnished and such properties maintained by the member until authorized by the Board of Directors to dispose of same. Household items usable in the TMRC become the property of the Grand Chapter of Texas. It is permissible for jewelry and family heirlooms to be passed on to family members or personal friends with such intent noted on the application. All legal papers are to be sent to the Board of Directors for inspection prior to applicant entering the TMRC. The Chapter is responsible for seeing that this is done.
- d. All applications for admission shall be referred to the Board of Directors and action of a majority shall govern.

- e. In the event an applicant is not accepted, any legal forms such as the Will, Burial Assumption, etc., will be returned to the Chapter Secretary. All other papers remain the property of Grand Chapter.
- f. The Board of Directors will not assume or pay personal debts of anyone admitted to the TMRC, nor will the Superintendent be responsible for any debts contracted by any member of the TMRC except upon the written consent of the Board of Directors. The resident **SHALL NOT HAVE A PERSONAL BANK ACCOUNT OR CHARGE ACCOUNTS**. However, the resident may have a personal account kept by the Superintendent. If such resident brings in to the TMRC monies above \$200.00, then \$200.00 is put in to this account. Gifts and monthly allowances may be added. This can be withdrawn and spent any way the resident desires. At the death of the resident, whatever is left becomes the property of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Concealment of debts, loans against insurance policies or any **MISREPRESENTATION ON THE FORMS** can be cause for dismissal. Final examination of all parts comprising the application to determine, if every question is fully answered shall be made by the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of the Chapter submitting the application. **FAILURE TO GIVE FULL DETAILS OR TO EVADE ANSWERING ALL QUESTIONS WILL DELAY ACTION**.
- g. All life insurance of whatever nature and kind that is held by an applicant at the time of admission to the TMRC **SHALL** be assigned to the Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S. The proceeds of all such insurance policies will become the property of the Grand Chapter of Texas and can be used by no other person. At the time of the death of a resident of the TMRC, she shall be taken to the funeral home selected by the Board of Directors to be prepared for burial in the Eastern Star portion of the cemetery at Arlington, Texas. If burial is to take place at some other location (other than the Eastern Star portion of Arlington Cemetery), all expenses for transporting from Arlington and any other expenses incurred thereafter shall be paid by someone other than the Grand Chapter of Texas, O.E.S.
- h. It is understood and agreed by the resident member, their family and their Chapter, that it is the sole prerogative of the Superintendent of the TMRC to designate suitable rooms for residents and, in the event of a resident member being hospitalized in the TMRC Clinic/Nursing Center, to decide with the concurrence of the Director of Nurses, where the patient will be placed, either in a private room or ward.
- i. The TMRC physician, together with the nursing staff, will attend all sick or injured members. If deemed necessary, the Superintendent, under the direction of the TMRC physician, may order the member taken to a clinic, hospital or sanitarium for treatment.
- j. It is understood and agreed that no medicine of any description shall be

given to or bought for any resident of the TMRC by members of their family or friends unless first cleared with the Superintendent.

- k. All residents will conform to the Rules of TMRC as published and to any changes deemed necessary by the Superintendent in the future.
- l. **THE HAPPINESS OF ALL IN THE TMRC DEPENDS UPON THE ORDER AND REGULARITY MAINTAINED THROUGH COOPERATION OF ALL RESIDENTS.** Therefore, a resident member who fails to comply with the Rules and Regulations, or fails to carry out the instruction of the Superintendent or a resident member whose actions are such as to disturb the peace and harmony of the TMRC may be dismissed by the Board of Directors.
- m. **THE SUBORDINATE CHAPTER IS *NEVER* RELIEVED OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO ITS MEMBER IN THE TMRC AND AGREES TO CONTINUE CONTACT WITH THEIR MEMBER(S) AND, SHOULD IT BECOME NECESSARY, TO COUNSEL WITH THEIR MEMBER(S) TOWARD BETTER BEHAVIOR AND COOPERATION WITH MANAGEMENT.**

#### **ARTICLE E. FEE FOR SERVICE PROGRAM**

- 1. The Board of Directors voted to give the members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, an opportunity to enter the Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC) through a FEE FOR SERVICE PROGRAM.
- 2. The requirements are the member be in good standing in The Order of the Eastern Star, have been a member for at least five (5) continuous years and be able to take care of themselves.

A.L. Casparis  
JoAnn Snow  
Lori Goldman  
Jack C. Beall

Mickie Campbell  
Gary E. Steele

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 10. Is there any discussion?

I recognize the Lady in the North.

**MRS. PRISCILLA LOTT:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Priscilla Lott, Past Matron of Glen Rose Chapter 171, and I have a question. If I were to become a member of the TRMC and relinquish my assets to the Grand Chapter of Texas – I believe that's how all this comes around – why would my Chapter be responsible for any legal – it says in number © "It shall be the Chapter's responsibility to have in legal form all papers from the applicant and a legal description of such properties as named in paragraph 17." I don't understand why my Chapter would have that responsibility and that could not come out of the assets that I would have surrendered to the TMRC.

I have another question on number (m) "The Subordinate Chapter is never relieved of its responsibility to its member in the TMRC and agrees to continue contact with their



member(s) and, should it become necessary, to counsel with their member(s) toward better behavior and cooperation with management.” I’m not really against that, I just wanted to know why would not a professional counselor counsel with me, should I be a member who was not cooperating, rather than my friends in my Chapter.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** I’ll try to address both of your questions. The first one about the Chapter responsibility, that’s the way it was when we had a home. I think that the proposed legislation is simply saying they want to continue that. The adding of the last clause on the Subordinate Chapters and the counseling piece is a proposed amendment. And if you’re against it, you have the option of amending it or voting against it. But it’s a recommendation that the Grand Chapter membership will vote on. Therefore, it only becomes law if you pass it.

**MRS. PRISCILLA LOTT:** Then my next question is, do I not have to have my amendment to this submitted? And I didn’t have that done ahead of time.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** I hate to be redundant, but at the beginning of the legislation we asked the membership if they were going to amend an amendment, to have three copies in writing and presented so it could be amended. That’s the way it should have been done.

**MRS. PRISCILLA LOTT:** Right. But I just had a question.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Okay.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any other discussion? Call for the vote. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 10. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed..

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 11**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 11 is found on page 77 of your Advanced Annual Report. This is an amendment to Article K, Benevolent Fund, of our Code of Laws, which is found on page 72 and 73. If approved by this assembly, it will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment would rename Article K, Benevolent Fund, to Article F, Benevolent Fund, and change its placement in the Code of Laws to Chapter 5.A, “Board of Directors, Article 82 Additional Duties,” subsection p, which we just added by passing Amendment No. 10. This amendment also clarifies in great detail how the Benevolent Funds are to be used, how they are to be applied for and how they are to be administered.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 11 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 11 CODE OF LAWS**

WHEREAS, Article K Benevolent Fund, pages 72-73, requires more detail in order to make the application of aid easier for the membership of the Grand Chapter of Texas, and

WHEREAS, the need for clarification of the different types of benevolent aid and the

steps to obtain the various type of benevolent aid, would assist those who might require assistance along with those who provide the assistance, and

WHEREAS, a uniform procedure is necessary to assist all of the membership that might need benevolent aid,

Be it resolved that we, the undersigned, recommend the following changes to Benevolent Fund Article K, pages 72-73, previously known as, and deleted from the Blue Book and moved to the Code of Laws at the 2004 Grand Chapter Session, Benevolent Fund Article K, and be renamed as Article F. Benevolent Fund.

CHAPTER 5, A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ARTICLE 82 ADDITIONAL DUTIES, BENEVOLENT FUND ARTICLE K

NOW READS:

1. This fund shall be used to care for deserving and needy members of the Grand Jurisdiction and their orphan or dependent children as provided by the Constitution and Law.
2. The Board of Directors will not assume or pay personal debts for any members from this fund, said fund being for the purpose of supplementing inadequate income for members who are without earning capacity for themselves.
3. All Chapters receiving Benevolent Aid for a member or members are required to remit Chapter dues for such member or members.
4. Request for Benevolent Aid forms must be by vote of the Chapter and relayed to the Secretary of the Board of Directors under seal of the Chapter. If vote is affirmative, at the same meeting the Worthy Matron will appoint a committee of three (3) members to serve as investigating committee to process the application.
5. After completion of the application, the committee shall make a thorough investigation of the applicant's eligibility for assistance under the State Welfare and/or Vendor Program, attaching a copy of their findings to the application. When completed, *the application will be submitted to the Chapter at a stated meeting and depending on the report of the Investigating Committee, the Chapter will vote whether or not to submit it.*
6. *The application, with all questions fully and clearly answered, will be returned to the Secretary of the Board of Directors, who will submit the original and one photocopy to the Board for consideration. If all questions are not answered fully, the application will be returned incomplete.*
7. *Action by a majority of the Board will determine acceptance or rejection of the application. Requests for emergency aid are allowed on a temporary basis by polling all members of the Board by telephone. Any member of the Board will be available to assist in the explanation and completion of the forms.*
8. If Benevolent Aid is granted, one copy of the application, together with a letter of approval, is sent to the Chapter Secretary. The Secretary will retain

this copy of the application which *SHALL be returned with a letter, under Chapter seal, of explanation to the Board of Directors when said Benevolent Aid is no longer required or the member dies.*

9. Benevolent Aid checks are made payable to the Chapter and shall be deposited in the Chapter's bank account *no later than the end of the month in which check is received.* The Chapter check, in like amount, will be issued to the member.
10. *In April of each year, a Periodic Check Form will be sent to each Chapter for each member receiving Benevolent Aid; said form to be completed and returned NO LATER THAN JULY 31ST to the Secretary of the Board. The Worthy Matron shall appoint a 3-member committee to investigate and assist in completion of said form. The Committee will report its findings at a stated meeting of the Chapter, at which time vote will be taken to continue or discontinue such benevolent aid. Failure to comply will cause Benevolent Aid to their member or members to be interrupted until the form is received.*
11. Circumstances not properly explained by the Periodical Check must be explained by the Worthy Matron or Chapter Representative during the Grand Chapter Session.
12. In May of each year, the Chapter Secretary will notify the Secretary of the Board of Directors the name and address of the Secretary elected for the ensuing year. Failure to do so may result in delay of Benevolent Aid checks and/or risk of loss.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

CHAPTER 5, A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ARTICLE 82 ADDITIONAL DUTIES,  
**p. ARTICLE F. BENEVOLENT FUND.**

1. **The Benevolent Aid Fund was set up to provide one time emergency, temporary or permanent assistance for members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. Funding is based on need and the availability of funds.** This fund shall be used to care for deserving and needy members of the Grand Jurisdiction and their orphan or dependent children as provided by the Constitution and Law.
2. No change.
3. **All checks for Benevolent Aid, regardless of type will be deposited into the Chapter's bank account and a Chapter check will be issued for a like amount payable to the recipient. The Chapter is responsible for notifying the Secretary of the Board of Directors when the recipient dies or is no longer eligible to receive the aid. If the recipient is alive on the first day of the month, then the recipient is entitled to the Benevolent Aid check that is issued for that month.**
4. **Emergency Aid Assistance was established to provide one time funds for emergency situations. It would apply for those members who have suffered a sudden, tragic loss (fire, flood, sudden death of a spouse) and need immediate relief.**

- a. The member seeking assistance, whether for themselves or for another member of a Chapter, should contact the Worthy Matron of that Chapter.
  - b. The Worthy Matron will contact the member of the Board of Directors that represents that District and relay the need and amount for consideration.
  - c. The Board of Directors member of that district will take the necessary steps, (if further information is needed) to complete Sections 1 through 3 of the Request for Assistance Form, and forward the form to the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee for processing and presentation to the full Board for consideration and action.
  - d. Action by a majority of the board will determine acceptance or rejection of the application. Requests for emergency aid are allowed by polling all members of the Board by telephone or other electronic means.
  - e. If approved, the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Grand Secretary to process the request and amount approved. The Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Worthy Matron of the Board's decision and action.
  - f. If disapproved, the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Worthy Matron of that Chapter (in writing, by telephone or other electronic means), the request has been denied and the reason why.
5. **Temporary Aid Assistance** was established to provide temporary assistance for general assistance and/or emergency situations. This fund is *limited to three months* of assistance. It is awarded to members who need help over a short period of time and who can be expected to overcome their temporary need. It is also used to provide aid while waiting for approval of a pending application for Permanent Aid.
- a. The member seeking the temporary assistance, whether for themselves or another member of a Chapter, should contact the Worthy Matron of that Chapter. The Request for Assistance Form, with ALL sections completed, must be given to the Worthy Matron of the Chapter.
  - b. The Worthy Matron will contact the member of the Board of Directors that represents that district and will forward the request form to that Board member.
  - c. The Board of Directors member of that district will take the necessary steps, (if further information is needed), to complete ALL sections on the Request for Assistance Form and forward the request to the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee for processing and presentation to the full Board for

**consideration and approval or disapproval.**

- d. Action by a majority of the Board will determine acceptance or rejection of the application. Requests for **temporary aid** are approved by polling all members of the Board by telephone **or other electronic means**.
  - e. **If approved, the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Grand Secretary to process the request and amount approved. The Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Worthy Matron of the Board's decision and action.**
  - f. **If disapproved, the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Worthy Matron of that Chapter, (in writing, by telephone or other electronic means), the request has been denied and the reason why.**
6. **Permanent Aid Assistance was established to provide permanent aid for situations that require long-term assistance. This assistance is normally set up for 12 months and requires periodic reviews to validate continued need and payment. Again, the amount and payment is based on need and availability of funds.**
- a. **The Chapter must first vote to seek assistance from the Benevolent Aid Fund.** Request for Benevolent Aid forms must be by vote of the Chapter and relayed to the Secretary of the Board of Directors under the seal of the Chapter **seeking the required documents**. If vote is affirmative, at the same meeting, the Worthy Matron will appoint a committee of three (3) members to serve as an investigating committee to process the application. **The Investigating Committee will evaluate the situation and complete all required forms. These forms must be completed in their entirety and returned under the Seal of the Chapter, with signatures of the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron and the Chapter Secretary. Board members from the member's district will be available to assist with questions or assistance in completing the documents.**
  - b. After completion of the application, the committee shall make a thorough investigation of the applicant's eligibility for assistance under the **Department of Human Resources**, attaching a copy of their findings to the application. When completed, *the application will be submitted to the Chapter at a stated meeting, and depending on the report of the Investigating Committee, the Chapter will vote whether or not to submit it.*
  - c. *The application, with all answers fully and clearly answered, will be returned to the Secretary of the Board of Directors, who will **forward a copy of the application and all supporting documents to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will ensure the documents are in order at the next scheduled meeting.** If all questions are not answered*

*fully, the application will be returned incomplete, causing delays and possible denial of assistance.*

- d. *Action by a majority of the Board will determine acceptance or rejection of the application.*
- e. **If approved, the Board of Director's Chairman of the Benevolent Aid Committee will notify the Grand Secretary to process the request and amount approved. The Secretary of the Board of Directors will notify the Chapter Secretary of the Board's decision and action. Once Benevolent Aid is granted, one copy of the application, together with a letter of approval, is sent to the Chapter Secretary. The Secretary will retain this copy of the application, which *SHALL be returned with a letter, under Chapter seal, of explanation to the Board of Directors when said Benevolent Aid is no longer required or the member dies.***
- f. **If disapproved, the Secretary of the Board of Directors will notify the Chapter Secretary in writing the request has been denied and the reason why. The Chapter Secretary will notify the applicant of the results. All supporting documents are stored at the Grand Secretary's Office.**
- g. All Chapters receiving **Permanent** Benevolent Aid for a member of members are required to remit Chapter dues for such member or members.
- h. **Permanent** Benevolent Aid checks are made payable to the Chapter and shall be deposited in the Chapter's bank account *no later than the end of the month in which check is received.* The Chapter check, in like amount, will be issued to the member.
- i. *In March of each year, a Periodic Check Form will be sent to each Chapter for each member receiving Benevolent Aid; said form to be completed and returned NO LATER THAN MAY 31ST to the Secretary of the Board. The Worthy Matron shall appoint a 3-member committee to investigate and assist in completion of said form. The Committee will report its findings at a stated meeting of the Chapter, at which time vote will be taken to continue or discontinue such benevolent aid. Failure to comply will cause **Permanent** Benevolent Aid to their member or members to be interrupted until the form is received.*
- j. Circumstances not properly explained by the Periodical Check must be explained by the Worthy Matron or Chapter Representative during the Grand Chapter Session.
- k. In May of each year, the Chapter Secretary will notify the Secretary of the Board of Directors the name and address of the Secretary elected for the ensuing year. Failure to do so may result in delay of **Permanent** Benevolent Aid checks and/or risk of loss.

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**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 11. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? I'll call for the vote. All those in favor – oh, I'm sorry. I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. MARTHA DURBAN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Martha Durban, a Past Matron of Galena Park Chapter #884. I have a question. Brother Henry just said that we had added the previous amendment to that. I was under the impression that we had been told that it had been amended – that it was already in there, and we were amending it to bring it up.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** My Sister, on amendment 10, one part of that says it adds paragraph (p), which provides information for the membership and establishes guidelines for admission to the Texas Masonic Retirement Center through the OES Retirement Plan, Benevolent Aid and/or Fee For Services. So that was added when we passed amendment 10, in other words, number (p). And this amendment now is simply renaming that – okay – when we added in amendment 10.

**MRS. MARTHA DURBAN:** Okay. But what I'm saying, Brother Henry, is that you said we added (p.) Is that correct?

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Yes, we added (p).

**MRS. MARTHA DURBAN:** Okay. When we voted – before we voted on number 10 it was said that that was being amended from what was already in the Code of Laws. And so I'm wondering what we were told last time and what's being said now. I understood that.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** This amendment – in other words, Amendment No. 10 which Sister Betty Friend just described to us, that amendment that we just voted on, that added that paragraph (p). If you look in our Code of Laws today, you will not find paragraph (p). Okay?

**MRS. MARTHA DURBAN:** Yes, sir, I understand that. But were we not told before we voted on that last amendment that we were changing what was already there, which was not there?

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** The amendment – the purpose of the amendment, which Sister Betty described to us – the purpose of that amendment was to add paragraph number (p).

**MRS. MARTHA DURBAN:** Okay, sir.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, is there any other discussion? I recognize the Member in the North.

**MR. PAUL GARNER:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Paul Garner. I'm a Past Patron of Spring 1105. I have a question. If we are adding (p) and then we are adding an article to (p), (p) doesn't become law until after the adjournment of this session. So how can we add to it when it's not currently a law? [pause for conference]

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I believe we have an answer for

Brother Paul. Brother Paul, the Code of Law changes, unlike the constitution changes – Code of Law changes become effective at the close of this Grand Chapter session if they're passed. Therefore, these actions would happen concurrently. At the end of this Grand Chapter session, amendment 10 which added paragraph (p) will become effective. When Sister Karen drops the gavel on this session, that will become effective. Amendment 11, if it is passed, will become also effective concurrently. We've added (p), we've changed (p). And according to our Parliamentarian, that is the way that it would happen.

**MR. PAUL GARNER:** So in effect then 11 is merely adding an additional article to (p); is that my understanding?

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Well, it is renaming (p) and – yes. Yes, sir.

**MR. PAUL GARNER:** Okay. Thank you for the clarification.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. TERRI REYNOLDS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I'm Terri Reynolds from Alamo Heights Chapter #734. I would like just a little bit of clarification. I may have misunderstood, but I thought that amendment 10 would have to be voted on – this was a first reading and it would have to be voted on again.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** My Sister – and I understand how you could have thought that. We've been going through amendments to the constitution. Those amendments all require passage at two consecutive sessions of Grand Chapter. However, we are now in the Code of Laws. The Code of Law changes, they only require one passage. So if we pass it today, at the end of this Grand Chapter session it becomes law. It never more has to be read to be passed.

**MRS. TERRI REYNOLDS:** Very good. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** I'm Lewis Mathison, Past Patron of Corsicana and Past Member of the Board. I think we're talking about apples and oranges. The first amendment you just passed has to do with admission to the home. The one we're discussing now has to do with the Benevolent Board actions; am I not right?

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** The one we're talking about now has to do with the Benevolent Fund.

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** Right. The first one had to do with admission to the home.

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Yes. But if you look at subsection (p), Brother Lewis, subsection (p) deals with Board of Directors Additional Duties and adds section (p), which says "Rules and regulations of the OES Retirement Program, including the Fee for Service Program and the Benevolent Fund," and it goes through a number of articles, and includes procurement and completion of forms, how people would apply, the application forms, things like burial assumptions and that sort of thing – goes through and adds all that. It talks about how applicants may be subject to further medical examination and continues on. Talks about when the secretary of a Subordinate Chapter is notified that a member of the Chapter has been accepted and so forth. So it is a long group of items that the writer of this amendment wanted to have added. And that was – it was named article (p) because it fell at the end of that section, and there was no more article – there was no article (p).

Now, this next amendment is an amendment to the Benevolent Fund, the Code of Laws, 72-73, and it still deals with the Code of Law, Chapter 5.A, Board of Directors, article 82, Additional Duties, subsection (p), and it just clarifies how the Benevolent Funds



are to be used and administered and applied for and so forth. So that's what they're saying. And again this Amendment No. 11 is very lengthy. You know, I'm not sure we want to read all this. It is in your Advanced Annual Report. I guess that's the answer I have, Brother Lewis.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any further discussion?

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** Well, sitting here listening and reading, it looks to me like it pertains to the application of membership into the home – residency in the home, the first one we just voted on.

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Brother Lewis, you're correct in that respect. You know, because you've been there, that a lot of this came from the Blue Book; right? A lot of the rules. The Board of Directors have rewritten – revised all of this, and they gave it to us to organize in what they consider to be a better manner. You remember last year we dropped everything from (a) down to (k)? And now in 11 they're saying, "Let's rename K to F," that sort of thing. It really and truly is just a reorganization of the same material. And you are correct, number 11 is about the Benevolent Board – Benevolent Fund.

Do you have another question that we need to help you with? Maybe we need to get the Board –

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** I don't see the connection. To me one pertains to the –

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** It does. It just –

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** – enrollment into the home, the other one pertains to the administering of the Benevolent Fund.

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** They all just came out of the same Blue Book, and the Board of Directors is reorganizing that material because from (a) down to (k) no longer applied because we didn't have a home. Just remember, we on Jurisprudence didn't write it, we're just presenting it. Okay?

**MR. LEWIS MATHISON:** I understand that. I'm just trying to clear up this argument about how they're connected together. To me they're not connected. Thank you.

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** I think it was just an added word.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any further discussion?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Worthy Grand Matron, with your permission I'd like to make just one quick comment. Brother Lewis is right in the effect that the changes that were made to this particular article 82 were about the administration of the home. However – excuse me, about the administration of the application. However, the Benevolent Aid and the Benevolent Fund are written throughout this code already, so it's already there. There is a direct connection.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I'll call for the vote. Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 11. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 12

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Amendment 12 is found on page 82 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is an amendment to Chapter 4.A Worthy Grand Matron, Article 21, Supervision, of our Code of Law, page 57. If approved by this assembly, it will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment changes the wording of Article 21 relating to the supervision of the Worthy Grand Matron. Presently, the Worthy

Grand Matron shall have a general supervision of all Grand Chapter Officers, Boards, Deputies and Committees. Her supervision would change to a “watchful care over the interests of this Grand Chapter.” Additionally, this amendment would require the Worthy Grand Matron to submit to the Corporate Board in writing any Board of Directors decision that she feels is unlawful. It would take a majority – 5 of 8 votes – of the Corporate Board to overrule or change a Board decision.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 12 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 12**

WHEREAS, the elected Grand Officers and Boards were elected by the membership, and their duties and responsibilities are covered in the Constitution, Article VI, Sections 1-7, and Code of Laws, Chapter 4, A-G, Board of Grand Examiners may be found in Constitution, Article VII, C and Code of Laws, Chapter 5, B, page 57, and

WHEREAS the Board of Directors are charged with the supervision of the financial affairs of Grand Chapter, see Constitution, Chapter VII, B, section 4, Duties, and

WHEREAS, additional duties of the Board of Directors may be found in the Code of Laws, Article 82,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the undersigned, propose the following amendment.

**NOW READS:**

Code of Laws, Chapter 4, A Worthy Grand Matron, Article 21, Supervision

She shall have a general supervision of all Grand Officers, Boards, Deputies, and Committees, with the exception of the Worthy Grand Patron and his Deputies, in the discharge of their respective duties, in accordance with the Ritual and the Constitution and Laws, and may require the advice and assistance of any or every Grand Officer at any and all times.

**AMENDED TO READ:**

Code of Laws, Chapter 4, A Worthy Grand Matron, Article 21, Supervision

She shall have a **watchful care over the interests of this Grand Chapter. Ensuring** all Grand Officers, Boards, Deputies and Committees discharge their respective duties in accordance with the Ritual and the Constitution and Laws. An exception being, the Worthy Grand Patron and his Deputies. **Any Board decision that she feels is unlawful should be addressed to the Corporate Board in writing and a majority (5 out of 8) vote of the members of the entire Corporate Board would be necessary to overrule or change a Board decision.**

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| Mickie Campbell | JoAnn Snow   | Lori M. Goldman |
| Gary E. Steele  |              |                 |

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment

No. 12. Is there any discussion?

I recognize the Lady in the North.

**MRS. PRISCILLA LOTT:** I'm Priscilla Lott, Past Matron of Glen Rose Chapter 171. It seems to me that this would diminish the administrative powers of our Worthy Grand Matron, and I'm really not for that. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. NANCY BROWN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Nancy Brown, a Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028. I speak in opposition to this amendment. I, too, feel like it would diminish the power of the Worthy Grand Matron. The Worthy Grand Matron is elected and is told in her Obligation that she is to supervise all of the affairs of Grand Chapter. I feel like we need for her to have this authority in order to have a check-and-balance system for our Grand Chapter. I feel like it undermines her authority. [applause] In addition, I think it would be very difficult when the Worthy Grand Matron is traveling on the school schedule to contact all the members of the Corporate Board even to get their verbal approval of something, much less to get their approval in writing. I feel like there are times when a decision cannot be delayed to that extent. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MR. TOBY LYTLE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Toby Lytle, Worthy Patron of Spring Chapter #1105. This amendment is nothing but a power grab by the Board of Directors and should be defeated. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. DORIS HESTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Doris Hester, a Past Matron of Beeville Chapter #422. I don't see why we're using the word "power" for a Worthy Grand Matron. You know, the Board was elected, too, very definitely – ten people – by the members of Grand Chapter to serve in their respective duties also, which entails the finances and business also of Grand Chapter. So I am in favor of this. I feel like that last year was a fantastic year. I didn't feel like I had to have all the power to conduct the business of Grand Chapter, which I feel was quite a successful year. So I feel like the Board of Directors should have some idea and control of their business. And why should it take so long for a Worthy Grand Matron, if she feels strongly enough that the Board has done something unlawful or illegal, why she couldn't check with her Corporate Board and have their advice and each one working together. This is a team effort. We should all be working together, not just considering the power of a Worthy Grand Matron. I do not think that we're taking away from– any power – and I keep using that word because that's what I've heard today.

The Board of Directors – I wish they would stand.

**VOICES:** No.

**MRS. DORIS HESTER:** You know, we ask people to serve in different positions. And, of course, the pay isn't much either, but they enjoy the work that they're doing. And I hope you, the membership, will support this resolution – this amendment to give the Board the authority to conduct their business as stipulated in our laws. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Fellow Members: The Order of the Eastern Star is an incorporated body within the State of Texas and was approved, and under any corporation that I'm aware of, the head person would be the chief executive

officer. And by nature of the body, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Worthy Grand Matron is the CEO. Any bodies within its organization are answerable to the Corporate Board as a whole. And therefore to not allow that to continue I believe would be very inappropriate. I believe that the answerability of anyone of these persons who are being reviewed by the Worthy Grand Matron is appropriate. And I, as many of you know, Richard Ochs – and that’s who I am, Past Patron of Amarillo Chapter – I apologize for not mentioning that at first. But I have been one who has disagreed at times with the Worthy Grand Matron. I have been one that has been unwilling to take a position. It is very appropriate that a head officer of a corporation be the head officer. And, therefore, I cannot personally support this kind of thing in this amendment. Thank you very kindly.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the member in the South.

**MRS. ALMA CARTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I’m Alma Carter, Worthy Matron of Plano Chapter #703 and Past Matron. I oppose this. The Worthy Grand Matron has to sign all legal documents when it comes to oil leases, when it comes to real estate and to sell any object from that home. We have to have one person responsible. We can’t have anything signed by six or eight people. We must – must – keep our Worthy Grand Matron as the head of this organization and responsible for all legal transactions. Now you can’t hold six or eight people responsible, but you can hold one. So I oppose this vehemently. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Worthy Grand Matron, I’m Rosemary Swetland, a Past Matron of Burke Chapter #1098. This Order is 122 years old. I think it has made wonderful successes. I find no reason for us to change now. I move for the question. [applause]

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Did you move the previous question? All right. A two-thirds vote must be taken to move the previous question, which is to stop debate. If you vote to do that, your Worthy Grand Matron will state the question on this immediately without any further debate.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we will vote now to stop the debate. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. Passed.

Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 12. All those in favor, would you please raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment failed.

Sisters and Brothers, I certainly thank you for your attendance this afternoon. We’re going to not rush out of here. Wait about five more minutes and we will be closing this session to come back tonight. Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling “The Mariner’s Dream” 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 are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed, and there will be no interruption.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will join with me in singing our Closing Ode,

“This Is My Father’s World.”

Sisters and Brothers, please bow your heads in prayer as Brother Paul Romine leads us in our benediction.

**MR. PAUL ROMINE:** Let us bow our heads. Dear Heavenly Father, we now turn from this session and go out to socialize. We ask that Your hands will guide us in all the paths where our feet tread and that You will bring us back with loving hearts and open minds and that we will complete the work of this Grand Session. All these things we ask in Christ’s Name, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar.

I now call “The Mariner’s Dream” session from labor to rest until 8 o’clock Friday evening.

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## FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

August 26, 2005

### “Moonlight Bay” Session

7:30 p.m. Musical Prelude

8:00 p.m. Call to Order

Mrs. Karen Black, PM

Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, PGM

Mr. Garland Rattan, PGP

**MRS. MOLLY GOODPASTURE:** This “Moonlight Bay” session of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, will come to order.

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Floor Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Sisters Grand Conductresses, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. Sisters and Brothers, please join me in saluting our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with Grand Honors.

Before I make my remarks, I'd like to ask my good friend, Mr. Garland Rattan, Past Grand Patron, to speak..

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Thank you, Sister Molly Goodpasture, our beautiful Past Grand Matron from District 2 of our Grand Chapter.

It is my delight and pleasure to assist you in opening this “Moonlight Bay” Session. You stand out in our midst with style, charm, and, most of all, intelligence. I was not in attendance at your “Building a Pinnacle of Life” Session held in San Antonio, but in doing my research, I discovered you are also a very good prophet. In 1964, you admonished the membership to become aware of the enemy which threatens to remove God from our democracy. My dear friend, we are edging ever closer to that reality. If only our nation could have been more vigilant!

Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this distinct privilege of helping to open the “Moonlight Bay” Session. You have ably led our fraternity into this peaceful cove, which represents a culmination of good work. Beauty, emanating from the practice of the Principles of our Order, shines forth in this place. Thank you, Dear Leader, and best wishes for this Treasures of Life Session.

Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron, you have skillfully steered the EOS ship this year. Thank you for giving of yourself to the Order of the Eastern Star. Your dedication is appreciated.

**MRS. MOLLY GOODPASTURE:** When our Worthy Grand Matron called me and then wrote me and asked me to open this “Moonlight Bay” session, I thought I would talk to you about Galveston Bay, an experience there.

For several years we had a home on Scotts Bay in Baytown. One time, my husband, Grady, bought a ship called a sub chaser. It was used during the Second World War to drop depth charges on enemy submarines. It would complement a crew of 38 people. We invited 6 couples from Brownfield to go with us out in the Bay of the Gulf for several days. Including my daughter, Rita and her husband, and my niece and her husband.

On Sunday, Easter Morning, just as the sun was about to rise, Grady had the engines stop. We were so far out in to the gulf, that we couldn't see land in any direction. The gulf was still with gentle waves lapping against the ship and we had an Easter sunrise service.

We had prayer and sang “The Old Rugged Cross.” One of the men quoted some scriptures, another one spoke of the Crucifixion of Christ and His rising from the dead on the third day. It was one of the most touching experiences of my life. It could feel God’s presence among us, and that I would never be the same again. I felt it was a vital and deeply personal experience awakening within us a personal insight into the most meaningful and sacred aspects of life.

Again, Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this privilege, and I wish for you and our Worthy Grand Patron the door to the past is an open book and today you will wander through, reviewing all the memories so dear to both of you. The door to the future is tightly locked, but beyond it, may you find still greater joys awaiting you than those you left behind.

I present to you your gavel.

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

Sisters and Brothers, at this time I would like to invite Sister Elise Hammack, Past Grand Matron of Texas, to bring our invocation.

**MRS. ELISE HAMMACK:** Let us pray.

Holy and Merciful God, Giver of all good and perfect gifts, we come to Thee this evening with thankful hearts that we have been privileged to come together in this beautiful place for another Grand Chapter Session.

We invoke Thy blessings and loving protection for our world leaders and for our men and women engaged for the sake of peace in all lands. Eternal God, we ask for Your guidance for our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other officers and our members as we work together.

We ask Thy guidance in our daily lives that we may be gentle of spirit, strong in faith, and obedient to Thy commands. We ask for forgiveness where we fail Thee and for continued guidance in our works. All this, we ask in Thy holy name. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I declare this “Moonlight Bay” session called to order.

Sister Molly Goodpasture and Brother Garland Rattan, I deeply appreciate your calling this “Moonlight Bay” session to order. Sister Molly, you are a remarkable person and one that I admire greatly. Through the years we have shared many special times and I consider you to be my friend. Brother Garland, you’ve always been a steadfast and true friend to all of us, and I’m very proud to call you my Past Grand Patron and my friend. To Sister Elise, thank you for your words of faith, hope and love expressed in your beautiful prayer this evening. It seems only yesterday that you were presiding at the “Under His Umbrella” session. Please know how much we love you and this membership loves you.

Worthy Grand Patron, I know that you would like to greet our friends.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Molly, it is indeed an honor to have you open this session tonight. It is a moment that we will remember for years to come. I appreciate all that you have done and will continue to do for this Order of ours. And Brother Garland, I first began to really get to know you in San Antonio at a session. And since that time we have had the opportunity to visit on many occasions, and I always look forward to each visit as I greatly enjoy your company. Sister Elise, your words to our Heavenly Father have lifted our spirits and made His presence known to all here assembled. Thank you for being here tonight. You have brightened the

room for all of us.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time I recognize Sister Jacalyn DeLange, our ESTARL Committee General Chairman.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers and Friends: It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2005 “Jesus: The Fisher of Men” ESTARL Service and Awards Ceremony. This theme not only fits the general theme of this Grand Chapter, it highlights the general purpose of the ESTARL program which is to assist in religious training. In Biblical times Jesus charged His disciples to spread His teachings to the world. He directed them to become fishers of men. Today there continues to be a great need to spread His Word and to offer spiritual support to the masses. These students that we honor tonight who are enrolled in religious training have heard our Father’s call and have dedicated their lives to God’s service. Sisters and Brothers, through our donations to the ESTARL fund, we are able to assist these people in continuing their education as they better themselves for God’s work. It is a small way that we can contribute to their quest to help others and to serve the Lord. Can you imagine the number of lives we touch indirectly through our contributions? In the shortened year of service the ESTARL Committee has anxiously watched the ESTARL totals in each month’s Bulletin and prayed that more funds would become available to assist others. Prayers are answered, and your individual contributions do count. At this time it is my honor to introduce five dedicated Sisters who have served on the ESTARL Committee for the 2004-2005 Grand Chapter year. I want to thank Sister Karen and Brother Jerry for assigning these special people to work on this Committee: Sister Bonita McElroy, District 1; Sister Shirley Rattan, District 2; Sister Jacque Cates, District 3; Sister Annette Clark, District 4; Sister Beverly Sinclair, District 5. Please join me in thanking them for their work. [applause]

Our invocation will be given by Doug Wintermute, a District 1 recipient from Perkins School of Theology. Please join hands in prayer.

**MR. DOUG WINTERMUTE:** Let us pray. Our Most Gracious Heavenly Father, we thank You for all the blessings in life that You give us. We thank You, Lord, for this organization that supports the spreading of Your Word. We thank You for those students who have dedicated their lives to becoming ministers of the Gospel. We thank You for all the things in life, Lord, that we overlook, that we fail to recognize as blessings from You. Be with this meeting, be with this group and be with these students as they go out into the world to be fishers of men. Amen.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Adam Grubb, a District 4 recipient who attends Hardin-Simmons University, will gift us with a musical selection.

**MR. ADAM GRUBB:** I’ll be singing “You Raise Me Up,” by Josh Groban. [applause followed song]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** The Scripture reading will be given by Brandon Martinez, a recipient from District 1 who attends Dallas Theological Seminary.

**MR. BRANDON MARTINEZ:** This is from Matthew 4:16-19. “The people living in darkness have seen a great light, and those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned. From that time on Jesus began to preach, ‘Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.’ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake for they were fishers. ‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I’ll make you fishers of men.’”



**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** A recipient from District 4, Jack Womack who attends Perkins School of Theology, will bring a special message.

**MR. JACK WOMACK:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, all of the Grand Officers and Brothers and Sisters, it is an honor to be here today. On behalf of all of these other students, we're grateful for your assistance in helping us. As I think about this passage that we just heard read about being fishers of men, my version of the Bible says it a little different. It says "fishers of people." Since we are men and women here, we might claim to be people here tonight, I think. It's an interesting thing that Jesus commanded us to go and fish for people.

Now, you know, here we are in Galveston, and I've been fishing before. I've never caught very many fish, but I've baited a lot of hooks and I've tossed that line out there a lot. Sometimes I've even used a net, and I've had the opportunity to rebait that hook a lot. So something was getting some food. Well, you know, that's what it's kind of like sometimes for us to work in the church or to work in a group like the Order of the Eastern Star. We don't always know who's taking that food, but it's our job to keep putting it out there. Sometimes we don't even know what's going to happen when we cast. I love salt water fishing because you really never know what you're going to catch. I mean, you can catch almost anything if you're fishing in salt water. Well, I began to think about what all of that means and how it works as we read this passage of Scripture and as we think about what we're going to do as we answer God's call, not just those of us up here, all of us in this room as we answer God's call to become fishers of men and women and adults and children. What are we going to do? How are we going to do that?

See, my problem with fishing is I don't want to go unless I'm going to catch a lot. Well, you see, it doesn't always work like that. I've shared the Gospel with a lot of folk, and everyone of them hasn't come down the aisle at church on Sunday. Some of them laughed; some of them didn't pay attention. But we never know what a difference we make. We never know who's taking that bait and nibbling on it and what it will mean to them the next time. You see, it's not about us, it's about God. It's not about us, this fishing thing. When Jesus got involved, they caught lots of fish. When Jesus gets involved in our lives, in our ministries, in the things we do in organizations like this, then we catch a lot of fish, too. It's not about us. It's about God.

They asked me to be brief tonight. I think that's why they asked a Methodist to do this. You know, we don't preach long anyway! But I wanted to tell you just a quick, short story about a lady. It was a long time ago, in about 700. Her name was Mary of Egypt. Mary was not a very well known lady in good circles. She was a prostitute. She heard something was going on in Jerusalem, and she wanted to go there. But she had to sell her own services on a ship to get there. Upon arriving in Jerusalem, she heard that there was a relic of the true Cross. She wanted to be close to that relic. She went there, but something prevented her from entering that space. She broke down into tears and cried. A voice spoke to her and said, "Mary, if you'll cross over the Jordan, your sins will be forgiven." She did that, and she lived about 47 more years after that.

One day while she was over in the desert, a monk came by and visited with her and was amazed at how much about the Scriptures she knew. You see, she didn't have a Bible. She was just out in the desert, her and God. And she asked that monk if when he came back by one time, he would bring her communion, and he did. And he went by to see her on a third time and Mary had died. Now the monk decided that it would be proper to bury

her, and so he began to bury her. As he did, a lion came and observed the burial.

If you think about that symbolism, we can think about Jesus, the lion, who was present with this person who was a sinner who repented, who changed her life. You see, when we cast the line we never know where it's going to go. When people take the bait, we don't know how it's going to affect their life. But, my friends, when we can reach a time in this world when monks and prostitutes can talk about God, we'll be on our way to a successful fishing trip.

God bless each and every one of you. Thank you for helping us. It's good to be here. Amen. [applause]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Thank you, Jack, for that heartfelt message. As school costs rise, many students need assistance to make ends meet. Remember that your donations tonight will become the starting funds for next year's ESTARL Committee. By helping those who are devoting their lives to become fishers of men or people, the membership is able to touch many lives through the recipients' dedication to God's work. During the collection we will be treated to the musical talents of three of our recipients. Gene Hobbs is sponsored by District 2 and is attending Weyland Baptist University; Paul Evans from District 5 attends Perkins School of Theology; and Doug Wintermute is a District 1 recipient who attends Perkins School of Theology. Immediately following the offertory prayer, I ask that the Pages and Deputies who will assist with the collection please pick up the boxes on the tables – they're right by the entrance on this side and by the music table on my right – and then return them to the southeast corner where Security will be glad to watch over them until the end of the program. Rhonda Boehm, a District 4 recipient attending Perkins School of Theology, will now lead us in prayer. If you would please join hands.

**MS. RHONDA BOEHM:** O Gracious God, the waters are teeming with life. You speak to our hearts and say, "Come, follow me," and we cannot help but to follow. We recognize Your voice, Lord, ringing out with love, urgency and authority. Your love is such a magnet, we have no choice but to respond in radical obedience and follow You. When You tell us, "I will make you fishers of men," we hear the urgency in joining Your kingdom, and you give us the opportunity to go fishing, to lower our nets and gather in all kinds of people, just waiting for your generous love to touch us and heal us. Help us to welcome each and every one that You gather and send to us. We also hear the authority in Your voice when You speak to proclaim the nearness of Your Kingdom, the necessity for all of us to turn to You, Lord. We hear You choosing us to follow You, to remind us that we didn't choose You, Lord, but You chose us. Prepare us, Gracious Lord, to be ready when we hear Your call. Prepare us to be Your servant, to be Your witnesses, to follow You and to go fishing. Prepare us to be fishers of men and women. In Jesus' Glorious Name we pray, amen. [applause followed singing of offertory songs]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Thank you, gentlemen, for sharing your musical talents with us. Your selections were touching and heartfelt. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for your generous donations. I now invite the District Chairmen to call the names of the recipients from their respective districts. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, would you please honor us by presenting certificates to the students who were able to attend our service.

**MRS. BONITA McELROY:** It is my pleasure to introduce the recipients for tonight from District 1. Justin Bass - Justin attends Dallas Theological Seminary and is sponsored

by Plano Chapter #703. Ms. Doyle Dietz - Doyle is sponsored by Love Field Chapter #875, and she attends Perkins School of Theology. Jacqueline Hayes attends Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and she is sponsored by Grand Prairie Chapter #219. Edward Lee attends Perkins School of Theology, and he is sponsored by Wolfe City Chapter #1129. Brandon Martinez attends Dallas Theological Seminary, and he is sponsored by Lewisville Chapter#934. Deron Patterson attends Perkins School of Theology, and he is sponsored by Richardson Chapter#921. Bartley Reddock attends Perkins School of Theology, and he is sponsored by Canton Chapter #667. Anthony Risner II attends Baptist Missionary Association Seminary, and he is also sponsored by Canton Chapter #667. Michael Tollison attends Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and he is sponsored by Carpenter Chapter #183 in Sherman. Doug Wintermute attend Perkins School of Theology, and he is sponsored by Paris Chapter #5.

I recognize the District 2 Chairman, Sister Shirley Rattan.

**MRS. SHIRLEY RATTAN:** It is my very special privilege to call the names of those from District 2 who will receive scholarships: Jodee Helwig who attends Wayland Baptist University and is sponsored by Robert Lee Chapter #187, and Gene Hobbs whom you've met who also attends Wayland Baptist University and is sponsored by Gainesville Chapter #112.

It is my pleasure to recognize District 3 Chairman, Sister Jacque Cates.

**MRS. JACQUE CATES:** It is my pleasure to present Brandi Johnson, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, sponsored by Arlington Chapter #249; Alicia Willis, Texas Christian University, sponsored by Mansfield Chapter #876.

I recognize the District 4 Chairman, Sister Annette Clark.

**MRS. ANNETTE CLARK:** It is with great pleasure that I announce the recipients of District 4. Rick Anderson, Asbury Theological Seminary, sponsored by Burke Chapter #1098; Rhonda Boehm, Perkins School of Theology, sponsored by Oak Forest Chapter #1080; Casey Cockrell, Pruett Theological Seminary, Archives Chapter #1095; Adam Grubb, Hardin-Simmons University, Clute City Chapter #1011; Stephen Rhoads, Perkins School of Theology, Ganado #957; and Jack Womack, Perkins School of Theology, Pine Hill Chapter #675.

I recognize the District 5 Chairman, Sister Beverly Sinclair.

**MRS. BEVERLY SINCLAIR:** It is with great pleasure that I introduce these recipients from District 5: Stephen Cottingham, Perkins School of Theology, sponsored by Adah Chapter #49; Jesus Elizondo, Dallas Theological Seminary, by New Braunfels Chapter #771; Paul Evans, Perkins School of Theology, Bronte Chapter #1048; Matthew Homeyer, Pruett Theological Seminary, Kenedy Chapter #36; Marshall David Schaefer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Robert Lee Chapter #187; and Bobbie Sparks, The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, sponsored by Robert Lee Chapter #187.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** I would like to give a special thank you to all of the recipients who were able to attend. As you know, colleges are starting earlier and earlier, just like high schools and elementaries are; and many of them were not able to make the trip. Sisters and Brothers, please join me in showing all the recipients how much we appreciate them. [applause]

We will now have greetings from our Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Sister Jacalyn, and all the ESTARL District Chairmen. What a marvelous ESTARL presentation we have had tonight. You

have all done a fantastic job and chosen some excellent recipients. Thank you all for what you have done.

And to the participants tonight, it is obvious why you have chosen the path that you have for your love of our Lord shines in your work. I said that you have chosen this path, but I am sure you would say that the Lord has chosen you to do His work on this earth. You are all a blessing to those you will come in contact with, and we thank you for the service you will be providing. [applause]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** I invite the Worthy Grand Matron to bring greetings at this time.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Jacalyn and the District Chairmen of the ESTARL Committee, for your beautiful report and the ESTARL presentation. To our participants this evening, I thank you for sharing a most precious commodity with us, your time and your love for the Lord. May the peace of Christ be with each of you. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Bobbie Sparks, a recipient from District 5 who attends The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, will offer the response on behalf of all the recipients.

**MS. BOBBIE SPARKS:** Thank you. It is my honor and privilege to stand before you today representing a group of students that you have selected to be recipients of the scholarships. Those who have taken the challenge of revolutionizing the world in which we now live, in a culture that tells us to think about ourselves before others, I am here to speak for a group who are willing to humble themselves and to serve others with the love and compassion that Christ has called us to have. It's humbling to think of who these scholarships really represent: students who serve countless numbers of hours in hopes of seeing just maybe one life changed as a result of their ministry. We are a group of students that spend our free time serving food to the homeless, tutoring children who once had no hope for the future, building homes, cleaning yards, cleaning houses, picking up trash after everyone has gone, ministering to those with leprosy and other diseases, and so many other seemingly small, but endless, duties that we choose to do without looking for recognition.

Through the grace of God, we manage classes, work, church, Bible studies, endless homework and still manage to fit in more volunteer work than we can deal with simply because we love it. I'm sure you will agree with me, just seeing a smile on a young child's face after you've worked with him is recognition enough. We have been called to a life that is completely different. The day-to-day normalcy of life is an act of worship to each of us. We can either choose to worship this world and the things of it, or we can choose to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice wholly and pleasing to God. This is our spiritual act of worship. Philippians 2:5-7 tells us that our attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus, who being in the very nature of God did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, taking on the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. He humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. I realize that most of us will never be faced with a life-or-death decision of admitting whether or not we have a relationship with Christ, but some of us will. Some of the students who are receiving a scholarship may one day be placed in a situation where our life depends on the answer we give about Christ.

I can stand before you tonight knowing that without a doubt that one day if I am

placed in a foreign prison for serving Christ overseas, that my answer will reflect my faith. My prayer is that each of you, if placed in the same situation, will answer faithfully without hesitation. We can all do good works and believe that we are good enough, but that is simply not enough. Ephesians 2:8-9 says, But it is by grace you have been saved through faith, and it is not from yourselves. It is a gift of God, not by works that no man can boast.

I can stand here tonight and I can tell you stories of serving God at Christmas in a leper colony, feeding homeless, caring for a wife and child who have been abused or serving day and night just because, but none of it matters without faith. James 2:18 tells us that one may say, You have faith and I have works. Show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works. So many others and myself serve not out of obligation or need of recognition, but because of the deep desire to serve and worship our Lord Jesus Christ with all of our heart's affection and our mind's attention. We do so out of love and gratitude for what He has done for us.

So I stand before you now as well, out of love and gratitude for your generosity in helping us make our dreams and our callings come true. Your financial support will help form us into missionaries, Sunday School teachers, teachers, ministers, ministers' wives and every occupation that you can dream of where we will faithfully represent our God. With my deepest sincerity and appreciation, I and the other recipients of this endowed scholarship say thank you. [applause]

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** To close our ESTARL program with prayer, I invite Anthony Risner, a District 1 recipient who attends the Baptist Missionary Association Seminary, to bring the benediction. Please stand at this time and join hands.

**MR. ANTHONY RISNER:** Let us pray. Almighty God and Loving Father, Ruler of Heaven and Earth and all the Universe, we give thanks to You and to You alone for our very lives, for our very existence. We thank You for the freedoms that we enjoy in this land. We thank You for the men and women who put their lives on the line every day to protect those freedoms. We pray that You would protect them even now as we are gathered here in this place. Father, I pray that You would raise up in our nation men and women who will follow You, men and women who thirst and hunger for Your spirit, men and women who thirst and hunger to feed those who hunger and to give drink to those who thirst, not just in physical things, but also in the spirit. I pray that You would make us people who do not look on the outside, but people who look on the inside of our fellow human beings, and that we would see people the way You see them, as either people who are alive in faith or people who are dead in spirit; that we would look past the bank accounts, we would look past the clothing, the outer garments that our society holds up so high and that we would look to the person. There we would follow the example of Your Son Christ and simply love those who live around us, those who are in our communities, those who are in our state, our nation and indeed the world. We thank You for what You've done. We thank You, God, for giving us courage, for giving us encouragement and showing us the things that we can do through a life that's made possible by Your Son Jesus Christ. These things we humbly pray in His Name, amen.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** This is the close of the 2005 ESTARL program.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time I would ask the Grand Chaplain, Sister Lillian Travis, to bring her report.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN:

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

The links in our golden chain have been broken many times this Grand Chapter year. We are assembled here to pay love's tribute to our sisters and brothers who have gone to join God's heavenly army.

My desire is that everything we say and do in this "Grace without Measure" memorial service will bring honor and glory to God, whose love created us and who has assured us of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you so much for the privilege and honor to serve you and the Grand Chapter of Texas this year. As I went about fulfilling my duties, I became more aware of the charge to walk uprightly so that my life could be free from offence to God and my fellow man. I appreciate all the many courtesies extended to me and the many new friends I made.

I had the opportunity to attend twelve conferences, numerous fraternal visits, the multi-state exchange visit, the Founder's Day Celebration, social programs and stated meetings in our district. I also attended the funeral of Sister Bobbie Paul in Tyler.

In the General Grand Chapter, we lost one member. In the General Grand Chapter of New Jersey, we lost two members.

In the Grand Chapters of other Grand Jurisdictions, we lost thirty-seven (37) Past Grand Matrons and forty-five (45) Past Grand Patrons, one Grand Secretary and three Grand Representatives. In our subordinate chapters, we lost 1766 members.

Memorial and sympathy cards and letters were sent to the families of other Grand Jurisdictions, thinking of you, get well, sympathy, and encouragement cards were sent to the membership of Texas as well as memorials and flowers. Our sympathy and prayers go out to the families and friends of all of these.

I was given \$400.00 from the Installed Grand Officers and the fraternal correspondent. The Grand Chapter furnished the memorial cards to send to the other Grand Jurisdictions and stationary and envelopes for my use.

I spent:       \$104.97 for stamps  
                   \$133.00 for cards  
                   \$117.25 for memorials and flowers  
                   \$ 44.78 returned to the Grand Marshall

In our hearts, there is no place for hopelessness, grief or sorrow. As we follow Christ, knowing His measureless love, we can accept even the parting of loved ones in that, which is called death as a part of the harmony of God's master plan. With the sure knowledge that God loves us, we can rejoice and celebrate the lives of our dear departed sisters and brothers.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Lillian B. Travis

Sister Conductress, you will open the Holy Bible.

Our invocation will be given by Brother Kenneth Gregory, Past Grand Patron.

**MR. KENNETH GREGORY:** Our Father, with humble hearts we bow before You. In the quietness of these moments, may we be still and know that You are God, know that

You are the God of creation who created the heavens and the earth, created man and gave to him the high and solemn privilege of life, know that You are a Holy God worthy of our highest praise, know that You are a God of love who loved us enough to give us Your Only Begotten Son that through Him we might have everlasting life, know that You are a God of light who desires that Your children walk in the light, know that You are a God of grace, grace that is greater than all our sins. Father, we are gathered here in reflection and remembrance of those in whom in Your divine providence You have called home to their eternal reward. Their lives on this earth have ended, but we know that every ending is a new beginning. Our Sisters and Brothers have moved into a new beginning with You. After the winter comes the spring, to show us again that in everything there is always renewal planned, the very perfect work of God's hand. We thank You for the perfect work You have planned, the promise of eternal life, the faith we have in knowing that You have carried us through darkness and now walk with us hand in hand. May the memory of these dear departed Sisters and Brothers continue to inspire us to nobler deeds of service to You and to our fellowman. Bless this hour of reflection and remembrance. Our hearts are full, and only through You our God can we feel Your loving arms around us. You are our strength and our salvation. Amen.

["Amazing Grace" sung by Grand Choir]

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** Sister Juanita Gregory, our Poet Laureate, will now recite a poem that she has written for this program. Sister Juanita.

**MRS. JUANITA GREGORY:**

Sail away, old friends, lift your sails high.

Catch all the winds, let your flags fly.

Life is a voyage o'er a wide sea whose deep, dark waters hold mysteries.

You set your sails not knowing where your ship would drift.

But you're aware there is no turning back. Alas, alas.

Alas, old friends, into the winds you bravely go.

Into the waves tossed to and fro.

So sail away, old friends, lift your sails high.

Catch all the winds, let your flags fly.

Draw up your anchor, move out from the beach,  
gently floating until you reach the swelling waves  
that lie beyond and beckon to you. Come on. Come on.

You've sailed away. No turning back. Alas, alas, alack.

It's into the winds you blindly go, in the waves tossed to and fro.

You're lifted on the ebbing tides.

Slowly, onward your ship glides.

Go westward, riding on the swells, toward the place where sunset dwells.

Oh, sail away, old friends, lift your sails high.

Go, catch the blowing winds. Let your flags fly.

The seabirds fly close by your side, they call our sweet good-bye.

For just a while they wheel and dance, tossed in the air as if by chance.

You've heard the white gull's mournful cry, watched as pelicans brushed waves close by,  
escorts until the land is left way behind you as you drift.

Gone away. No turning back. Alas, my friends, alas, alack.

Off to the winds you bravely go, into the winds tossed to and fro.

Go. Sail away, old friends, lift your sails on high and catch the blowing wind.  
Let your flags fly.

The sun will rise and then will set, and your voyage is not ended yet.  
As o'er the restless, moving waves your ship sails on through all your days.

There is no turning back. Alas, old friends, alack.

Into the winds you bravely went, into the waves you were sent.

So, sail away, old friends. Lift your sails high.

Run. Catch the wind. Let your flags fly.

Beside your frail and storm-tossed ship, the dolphins play,  
The whales do flip their tails and dive down below to depths that only they do know.

Through stormy gales and darkest night,

Wave-tossed, you searched the sky for light.

What is that beacon shining through, that star that reaches out for you?

Sail away, sweet friends, lift your sails high.

Catch the circling winds. Let your flags fly.

No turning back. No turning back. Alas, dear friends, alas, alack.

Into the winds you bravely went, into the waves you were sent.

Your ship sailed onward toward the star, were guided by the light you are,

Sailing on to reach that shore where you will sail away no more.

So sail away, my precious friends.

Lift your sails on high to catch the fiercest winds and let your flags fly.

For now there is no turning back.

Alas, sweet friends, alas, alack.

Into the winds you bravely went, into the waves you were sent.

New sea birds come to meet you then. They call out, "Welcome, come on in,"

As tossed about in joy-filled dance, they know you're there and not by chance.

So sail away, my dear old friends. Lift your sails on high.

Go, catch up to the winds. Let your flags fly.

No turning back. No turning back. Alas, alas, alack.

Into the winds you bravely went, into the waves you were sent.

Land your ship on heaven's sand; stepping off reach for God's hand.

Walk up the beach toward setting sun for this your voyage is now done.

Tis God's great love and grace, you see, that steered your barque so lovingly,

Till that sweet day you went ashore to dwell in peace forevermore.

You've lifted high your sails, you've caught the blowing winds.

You've sailed away, dear, good old friends, and through it all prevailed.

No turning back, no turning back. Alas for us. Alas, alack.

Into the winds you bravely went, into the waves you were sent.

And now enduring love and grace allow you into God's own place.

Your sails are furled, your anchor set, your voyage ended.

You have met the ones who've waited across the sea till you arrived

and lovingly you're welcomed into your new home,

and nevermore the sea you'll roam.

You've sailed away, our good old friends; you've lifted high your sails;  
you've caught the shifting, blowing winds and through it all prevailed.

No turning back. No turning back. Alas for those you've left. Alack.



As into the winds you bravely went, into the waves where God had sent.

[applause]

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** Brother Ronnie Fuqua will bring his rendition of “I Believe.”[applause] Thank you, Ronnie.

Tribute to General Grand Chapter Members:

As we reflect on the lives of our General Grand Chapter servants who are now experiencing God’s measureless love, there should be no tears of sorrow, just joy. Our loved ones are not alone; they are in the presence of God. Jesus said, “In my Father’s house are many mansions, if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you myself, that where I am, there ye may be also.”

We remember and honor the life of Sister Martha Foster Mills Looper, Past Grand Matron of Maryland, who served as Right Worthy Grand Treasurer from 1982 – 1997 and Right Worthy Grand Treasurer Emeritus from 1997 – 2004 for the General Grand Chapter.

We honor the life of Brother Arnold R. Bott who served the General Grand Chapter of New Jersey as Most Worthy Grand Patron in 1979 – 1980.

We remember and honor the life of Brother Walter Slaboden who served the General Grand Chapter of New Jersey as Most Worthy Grand Patron from 1962 – 1963.

The floral presentation will be made by Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Past Grand Matron, and Mr. H. Lee Stallins, Past Grand Patron.

God has been merciful to our Grand Chapter this year. He has not called home even one of our dear Past Grand Matrons or Past Grand Patrons. We can truly say:

“O Lord, our God, when we in awesome wonder, consider all the worlds your hands have made. We see the stars and hear the rolling thunder, your power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings our soul, our Savior God to Thee, how great You are, how great You are.”

God, our Father we give You grateful thanks.

Sister Jane Gregory, Past Grand Matron and Brother Billy Combest, Past Grand Patron will honor all our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, who continue to serve our great order with this floral tribute.

## INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS

We are pleased to report our Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards have happily fulfilled the duties for which they were elected or appointed.

“O Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the God of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise to him with Psalms.” Psalms 95:1-2

## FLORAL PRESENTATION

In honor of the faithfulness of the 2004 – 2005 Officers, this floral presentation will be made by Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron, and Mr. Paul Romine, Grand Escort to the Grand Chaplain.

## OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Death was appointed to emancipate us, give us freedom from a world of sin and sorrow, rebellion and regret. This liberation, death, is one of the most precious blessings of God. In sorrow, we report the going home of one Grand Secretary, and three Grand Representatives, 37 Past Grand Matrons, and 45 Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

For them, the Harbor Bar is passed and rest has come at last. Their gentle ways and kindly smiles are only lost to us for a little while. It is faith in God's plan for the future that causes us to say, "I will fear no evil – I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." This is the song of the shepherd boy recorded in the immortal 23rd Psalm.

The floral tribute will be made by Sister Jimmie Lee McMahon, Past Grand Matron and Brother Jack Guy, Past Grand Patron.

## SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

God's Holy place has been blessed with the presence of 1766 subordinate chapter members this Grand Chapter year. As we reflect on the lives of our loved ones and the joys we shared, there should be no tears of sorrow, but of joy. As we remember those who have fallen asleep in Christ, let us think on some of the great promises of Jesus to us.

"Let not your hearts be troubled; neither let them be afraid."

"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."

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you."

"And it is appointed unto man once to die and after this the judgment."

"But God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

"And therefore by faith in Him we can enjoy eternal salvation, and death has no more power over us."

Like Paul, we can say, "They have fought the good fight, they have finished the course."

Although we cannot see them, their love is still our guide. As God calls us one by one, our Eastern Star Chain will be made whole again. In memory of our sisters and brothers, the floral presentation will be made by Mrs. Betty Friend, Past Grand Matron and Mr. Henry Martin, Past Grand Patron.

Sister Melissa Simonton will bring her rendition of "No Other Word for Grace but Amazing." [applause followed song]

Sister Conductress and Associate Conductress, we will drape the Holy Altar. [prayer by Grand Chaplain inaudible]

[Singing by Mr. Keith Buice of "It Is Well With My Soul."]

Sister Conductress, you will close our Holy Bible.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will present the Flag of our country. [singing by assembly of "America the Beautiful"]

Our young men and women have once more been called upon to protect our land from those who would destroy our way of life. Nearly two thousand have made the ultimate

sacrifice and thousands have been severely injured. The debt we owe to our service personnel is without limit. It is our duty to support their families and loved ones as we have opportunity. I am so proud to learn the Shriners will be helping with prostheses for our service men and women. We need to seek ways to show our appreciation for the many sacrifices they have made and will continue to make. There are not words to express our gratitude to them for their service to our great nation.

[Taps played]

Sister Grand Marshal, you will retire our Flag.

Brother Cunningham, you will close us with a word of prayer.

**MR. HARRY CUNNINGHAM:** Our loving God, our Heavenly Father, we thank You for the privilege of having this time together tonight. Remember those, our many friends in this Order, that have gone home to be with you this past year. Father, we know that You have a place for eternal life, and we thank You as human beings we were given that choice years ago. Father, we thank You for what they all did to serve this Order while they were here on this earth. Father, those that know not, we pray, Dear Lord, that You'll be ever near to them. And Father, we would be remiss if we did not say to be with the families of those that have lost loved ones. Lord, help them to realize Thy power to comfort them if they depend upon You to do so. Thank you, Lord, for eternal life. Thank you, Lord, for our servicemen that have paid the ultimate price. We appreciate them so very much. Father, help us in days to come to realize all good things come from You. And, Father, help us to remember to look at that Star each day that was in Jesus Christ to help us live a better life. Go with us from this place tonight, assured that there is a place not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this session is closed until Saturday morning at 8 a.m. Good night.



## SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

August 27, 2005

“Bon Voyage” Session

7:30 a.m. Musical Prelude Mrs. Antoinette “Toni” Crawford, PM

8:00 a.m. Call to Order Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland, PGM  
Mr. Billy Combest, PGP

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Good morning.

What a high honor that has been extended to me and “my” Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Billy H. Combest, to be privileged to greet you, our membership of Texas, on this beautiful day in Galveston, Texas where we have enjoyed sharing fellowship throughout the past few days.

To our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin, we humbly express our most sincere appreciation for the opportunity of calling to order this Saturday morning “Bon Voyage” Session of the 123rd Grand Chapter of Texas.

To Toni Crawford, I am sure the membership would wish to express their appreciation to you for your beautiful morning musical preludes.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, your year of service is now coming to an end, and your record will stand in the annals of history as outstanding, and will be remembered lovingly by this membership.

Brother Billy, I know that you would wish to extend your greetings at this time.

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Yes. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, what a singular honor I have to be at this position today. The best thing about this is you can see the loving membership as they are a little bit below where we are standing, and we can see them better. That makes it even better. Thank you for this opportunity.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Thank you, Brother Billy, and how dear you and your Freda are to me.

I now invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room and to present to you one last time their beautiful drill.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron to the East. Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in saluting our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with Grand Honors. Grand Officers, you will assume your stations and prepare for the active duties of this Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen, with an exemplary job you have done this year in conducting the business of Grand Chapter in the time frame of 9 months. You have met challenges with grace, dignity and professionalism. You have offered this Grand Chapter a different view of what can be accomplished in a short period of time. I congratulate you on succeeding in all of your endeavors.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry L. Martin, I say thank you to you for supporting

our Worthy Grand Matron in the choices she had to make, and for being the grand “gentleman” you have been as you have represented our Grand Chapter. The old adage “behind every good man, there is a good woman”; however, I would venture to say that behind every good and successful Worthy Grand Matron, there is a caring and supportive Worthy Grand Patron. You have been that gentleman. Thank you for being you.

Brother Billy, your remarks, please, to these Grand Officers.

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Thank you. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, there have been many sayings and a lot of the cliches used today that your year is almost over, you’re about to the end of the road or the end of your trail, your voyage is about to end and your ship is about to dock. I will tell you, because I’ve been in that situation, this is not true. Your year is not over at the end of this session. Your year will continue until there’s not one single person this side of glory left that you have touched. And you two have touched so many as you went your way, so your year is never over. Your year to preside is, but your Grand Chapter year will go on and on. The best laid plans of everybody that may try to plan ahead go for nothing if you forget your notes and leave them in your other suit. And, yes, Harry, I do have two suits in case you’re interested in that.

But it reminds me, when you come to this place, of a little saying, I said a prayer this morning while y’all were waiting to enter, that I would have the right words to say. And a preacher one time would always pray just before he took the pulpit. And his son said, “What do you pray for at that time? I know when you pray other times.” And he said, “I pray that the Lord will give the right words to say.” And his son said, “Well, why doesn’t he ever do it?” So maybe that’s the way I feel at this time. Thank you especially for being able to be in the East with my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary T. Swetland. She is my Worthy Grand Matron. In our year I had to share her with 57,000 other members, but she’s still my Worthy Grand Matron. I learned that year, as some of you have learned -- Rosemary T. Swetland, I know what the “T” stands for. But a lot of times if you didn’t do exactly right, it stood for “Trouble.” And I hope I haven’t got there yet. Thank you again. I just love you all, and I love the membership. Thank you very much for allowing me to be here. [applause]

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Worthy Grand Matron, your wonderful record stands. This year is now behind you, and the memories you have made will be like beautiful portraits on the walls of your heart, as you rest and take time to remember. Thank you again for this wonderful honor. It is now my pleasure to present to you your gavel of authority.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Warder.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You will see that the doors to our Grand Chapter are secure and inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor and direct him to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we’re about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruptions while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from rest to labor, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed, and there will be no interruption.

**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 session.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar.

Our invocation will be given by Brother Henry Schlitzkus, our Grand Chapter Dad and a Past Patron.

**MR. HENRY SCHLITZKUS:** As we bow our heads this morning, let's be thankful that we live in a free country, the United States of America, and for all the privileges and freedoms that we have. There's many a nation that does not. Let's pray.

Almighty God unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse our hearts by the Almighty Spirit that we may love Thee and magnify Thy Holy Name. O God, we thank Thee for Thy guidance through the past year. Guide and guard us through the year we enter today. Let us live it and enjoy it in service for Thee. O God, we ask You to be with our servicemen and ladies, their families. Be with the families of the ones who have lost loved ones. Be with the leaders of our country and the leaders of the world that we may have peace. Lord, we ask You to be with those that have special needs today. Forgive us of our many sins. These things we ask in Thy Holy Name, amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Rosemary and Brother Billy, would you join us at this time. Sisters and Brothers, I could not have asked for two finer people to be with us this morning here in the East and to be able to open this session. Sister Rosemary has a very special place in my heart, and she has made it even more special because with her and with the many talents she has – my music was written by this beautiful lady. It's music that I will always cherish from now on. It is an honor to be able to say to you, Sister Rosemary, how much I love you, I respect you and certainly appreciate you.

Brother Billy, I can't say enough about this gentleman. I've had the opportunity to work with him for this Grand Chapter many times. I think he's a very fine gentleman and his lovely lady, Freda. I don't know what we would do without them. It is an honor and a privilege to be able to call you my Brother and my Sister . I thank you this morning for being here with us.

To Brother Henry, our Grand Chapter Dad – and I call him Dad, I never had a dad, so he has been pretty special. I'm the number two daughter in his life. I love him so very much. Brother Henry, thank you for sharing your words of prayer with us this very special morning. And thank you for sharing this day with us also, with your lady Betty.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to greet our friends?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Rosemary, how wonderful it is to have you open this Saturday morning session. Your assistance in writing the Worthy Grand Patron's March of the Mariners is something that I will forever appreciate, especially every time I hear it played. You are truly a very talented lady, and God has blessed you and us by having you here today. Thank you.

Brother Billy, how refreshing it is to have you help open this last session of our term of office. I appreciate also your wise counsel that you have given me on occasion. If I may say, you are truly a gentleman's gentleman. You have given our Grand Chapter many years of excellent service, and now you also share your talents with General Grand Chapter. Thank you for participating this morning and all you do for our Order. Thank you, my Brother.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I want to let you know what our day is going to be like, a very fulfilling one. We still have a lot of legislation that needs to be completed. We have amendments to be completed. We have the budget that needs to be brought to us by our Board of Directors, and we have elections. So we're going to be very busy. I need you to stay with us today, especially the Chapter Representatives, because if we see the room is getting empty, we'll have to stop until we get Chapter Representatives back in.

Sisters and Brothers, we had very impressive and beautiful ESTARL and Memorial programs last night. This morning we need to adopt these reports at this time. I recognize Sister Jacalyn DeLange, ESTARL Chairman. Will she come to the East? While she's coming, we'll do the Grand Chaplain's report.

**GRAND CHAPLAIN:** I move that we adopt the Chaplain's report that I gave last night and the Memorial Service.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Grand Chaplain. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Thank you. Motion carried.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** I move that we adopt the report of the ESTARL Committee as given last night.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the ESTARL Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, it's not 9 a.m. yet, so I'm going to continue with the amendments. I'm going to ask Brother Lee Stallings if he will come to the East.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** We'll start with the legislation. A couple of things that I'd like to mention before we get started. First of all, today obviously is the day that the Lord made, but it's also several people's birthday. In particular it's Betty Friend's birthday who's on Jurisprudence. Happy birthday to Betty and to anyone else who has a birthday. And Past Grand Matron Mary Brown, too, I understand. [applause]

There have been several questions that have come through the Jurisprudence Committee this morning concerning Amendment No. 3 from last year concerning the per capita and why that is not going to be brought back up at this Grand Chapter session. I wanted to explain that real quickly so that you understand. Amendment No. 3 from last year moved the per capita from the constitution to the Code of Laws. The Code of Laws only takes one reading. It was read and passed last year. Resolution 4 from last year, which is on page 183 of the most current constitution, we'll let you read that resolution which talks about the \$2 drop in per capita, starting the year after the sale of the OES Home. So if you want to look at your constitution, you can see it in Article 11.2.A on page 44, and the actual verbiage is in the Code of Laws, Article 159(a) on page 112. So that particular piece of legislation will not be coming up at this Grand Chapter session. At this point we'll start with the amendments.



### REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 13

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 13 is found on page 83 of your Advanced Annual Report. This amendment relates to Article 152-U, page 107 of our Code of Laws and will become effective at the end of this Grand Chapter session if it passes. This amendment will change two things with the Webmaster Committee. Number one, it will place the Webmaster Committee under the exclusive direction of the Worthy Grand Matron. Number two, the chairman of the Webmaster Committee would be required to present a complete annual report at each Grand Chapter session. Justification: The current method of control has been difficult with so many individuals involved. By placing the Committee under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, activities will be better organized and reported.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 13 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### AMENDMENT NO. 13

Page 107, Code of Laws, Article 152-U

WHEREAS, the Webmaster Committee is a committee appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron, (Chapter 4, Article 17, page 54), and

WHEREAS, the Webmaster Committee is under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors budget the funds for this committee, and

WHEREAS, the Webmaster Committee needs further direction on reporting the activities.

BE it resolved that we, the undersigned, recommend the following changes to Code of Laws Article 152-U, page 107.

NOW READS:

The Webmaster Committee shall be composed of three to five members, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Secretary and the Board of Directors. The Webmaster Committee shall develop and maintain a website for the Grand Chapter of Texas. The funds necessary for the website shall be budgeted by the Board of Directors.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

Page 115, Code of Laws, Article 152-U

The Webmaster Committee shall be composed of three to five members, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron. The Webmaster Committee shall develop and maintain a web site for the Grand Chapter of Texas. The funds necessary for the website shall be budgeted by the Board of Directors. **The Chairman of the Webmaster Committee shall make a complete report annually, to the Grand Chapter, of its activities. The committee shall maintain records and documentation and pass them on to their successors through the Grand Secretary.**

Forrest Smith      Jack C. Beall  
A.L. Casparis      Gary E. Steele

Raul Garcia      Lori M. Goldman  
 JoAnn Snow      Jayne Yenger  
 Mickie Campbell

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 13. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Opposed. Amendment passed.

#### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 14**

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Amendment No. 14 is found on page 84 of the Advanced Annual Report. This amendment is to Article 70 of the Code of Laws entitled "Salary," and is found on page 66 of your Code of Laws, at the bottom of the page, and if passed will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This refers to the Grand Secretary's compensation, which is \$18,000 per year. In the past the Grand Secretary has been furnished an apartment in the Administrative Building on the second floor over the offices. The space that the offices will occupy at the TMRC does not include an apartment. The TMRC has offered to provide an apartment to our Grand Secretary at a cost of \$1200 a month. This amendment would continue to pay the Grand Secretary her current salary of \$18,000, but would add a housing allowance of \$600 per month.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 14 reads as follows in its entirety.]

#### **AMENDMENT NO. 14**

ARTICLE 70 CODE OF LAWS – SALARY, page 66

WHEREAS, the Grand Chapter of Texas has set a precedent by providing the Grand Secretary an apartment at the Grand Chapter office, and

WHEREAS, these living quarters at the current Grand Chapter Office will not be available for the Grand Secretary after the Grand Chapter office moves into the new offices at TMRC, and

WHEREAS, the TMRC has offered an apartment for the Grand Secretary to rent/lease in the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per person, per month, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the person elected as Grand Secretary to live in the Arlington area or thereabouts,

WE submit the following amendment:

WHICH NOW READS:

CODE OF LAWS

ARTICLE 70 SALARY. The Grand Secretary shall receive as full compensation for her services. Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) PER YEAR.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

CODE OF LAWS

ARTICLE 70 SALARY. The Grand Secretary shall receive as full compensation for

her services. Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) PER YEAR **SALARY, plus a housing allowance of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) PER MONTH beginning at the time of relocation of the Grand Chapter office.**

Forrest Smith	Jack C. Beall
A.L. Casparis	Gary E. Steele
Raul Garcia	Lori M. Goldman
JoAnn Snow	Jayne Yenger
Mickie Campbell	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 14. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 15**

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Amendment No. 15 is found on page 84 of your Advanced Annual Report. This is an amendment to Article 152-G, item number 7 of our Code of Laws, page 100. If approved by this assembly, it will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment would change the required number of semester hours a recipient must carry at the graduate and post-graduate level from 12 to no set amount, no minimum.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds that this amendment is in proper order and is ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 15 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 15**

#### **Amendment to Code of Laws – page 100**

Due to the level of difficulty in advance courses and the time factor in completing graduate and post-graduate degrees, students in the Masters and Doctoral Programs of any university are unable to maintain 12 hours within one semester; therefore, the undersigned wish to submit the following amendment to ARTICLE 152-G, Item No. 7, page 100 of the Code of Laws,

**WHICH NOW READS:**

(7) Recipients must carry a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester.

**BE AMENDED TO READ:**

(7) Recipients must carry a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester in their undergraduate degree, and no set minimum for graduate and post-graduate degrees.

Signed,  
 Rosemary T. Swetland  
 Betty P. Benham  
 Elsie Paladino

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 15. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, raise your

green card. Down. All those opposed. The amendment passed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 16**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Sisters and Brothers, this is Amendment No. 16. It's found on page 85 of the Advanced Annual Report. This amendment concerns Article 224, page 154 of our Code of Laws, and it relates to the number of copies of the Secret Work that the Grand Secretary will distribute each term and to whom. If approved, this amendment will become effective at the end of this Grand Chapter session. If this amendment passes, each member of the Board of Grand Examiners will be issued a copy of the Secret Work for their personal use by the Grand Secretary, as she does for the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment to be in proper order and is

ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 16 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 16**

WHEREAS, our Code of Laws does not allow the Grand Examiners to have a copy of the Secret Work, and

WHEREAS, Grand Examiners are frequently asked to provide a rendition of the Secret Work, and

WHEREAS, our members are entitled to know that the Secret Work is correct,

THEREFORE, the following is proposed:

Article 224 currently reads:

**ARTICLE 224. SECRET WORK AND DIAGRAM OF LABYRINTH. PAGE 154**

- a. The reproduction of all or any portion of the Secret Work in any way or manner, positively is prohibited.
- b. The Grand Secretary shall furnish the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron a long form copy of the Secret Work for their use during their term of office; said copies shall be returned to the Grand Secretary during the Session of Grand Chapter.
- c. Four (4) copies of the long form Secret Work shall be furnished to each Chapter, one for the use of the Worthy Patron, one for the use of the Associate Patron, one for the use of the Conductress, and one for the use of the Associate Conductress.
  - (1) A written record shall be maintained by the Chapter Secretary, and signatures of each of the above officers secured to receipt of said copies.
  - (2) Said copies always must be in charge of one of these officers and kept under lock and key when not in use.
- d. The four (4) copies of the Secret Work shall be delivered to the Secretary by the outgoing Worthy Patron, Associate Patron, Conductress and Associate

Conductress before the installation of officers. The Secretary shall furnish the copies to the Installing Officer that she/he may comply with the Ritual work, Page 125.

- e. In the event of loss or destruction of one or all of the copies of the Secret Work furnished in conformity with Paragraph b, and c, of this Article, a Special Dispensation must be secured from the Worthy Grand Matron to replace lost copies.
  - (1) The number of the copy lost and numbers of copies on hand in the Chapter shall be furnished the Grand Secretary when the request for replacement, with the Special Dispensation attached, is forwarded to the Grand Secretary's office.
  - (2) The cost for replacement of the Secret Work shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per copy.
  - (3) If a copy of the Secret Work is worn beyond use, a Special Dispensation shall be procured from the Worthy Grand Matron to have same replaced. Upon receipt of the Special Dispensation, it shall be attached to the worn copy and mailed to the Grand Secretary by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, with a check from the Chapter to cover the return of the requested copy via U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, plus the actual price of the replaced copy.
- f. The Secret Work is copyrighted by General Grand Chapter and all members are forbidden to copy any part of either. Any violation of this law must be reported to the Worthy Grand Matron, and any member found guilty of such violation shall be subject to reprimand by the Worthy Grand Matron or suspension or expulsion from the Order.
- g. That upon the consolidation, demise or permanent arrest of a Charter, the Chapter will return the four (4) copies of the Secret Work to the Grand Secretary.

BE AMENDED TO READ: **(The only change is in Article 224, b)**

ARTICLE 224. SECRET WORK AND DIAGRAM OF LABYRINTH.

- a. The reproduction of all or any portion of the Secret Work in any way or manner, positively is prohibited.
- b. The Grand Secretary shall furnish the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron, **and each member of the Board of Grand Examiners**, a long form copy of the Secret Work for their use during their term of office; said copies shall be returned to the Grand Secretary during the Session of Grand Chapter.
- c. Four copies of the Secret Work shall be furnished to each Chapter, one for the use of the Worthy Patron, one for the use of the Associate Patron, one for the use of the Conductress, and one for the use of the Associate Conductress.
  - (3) A written record shall be maintained by the Chapter Secretary, and signatures of each of the above officers secured to receipt of said copies.

- (4) Said copies always must be in charge of one of these officers and kept under lock and key when not in use.
- d. The four (4) copies of the Secret Work shall be delivered to the Secretary by the outgoing Worthy Patron, Associate Patron, Conductress, and Associate Conductress before the Installation of Officers. The Secretary shall furnish the copies to the Installing Officer that she/he may comply with the Ritual Work, page 125.
- e. In the event of loss or destruction of one or all of the copies of the Secret Work furnished in conformity with Paragraph b, and c. of this Article, a Special Dispensation must be secured from the Worthy Grand Matron to replace lost copies.
- (4) The number of the copy lost and numbers of copies on hand in the Chapter shall be furnished the Grand Secretary when the request for replacement, with the Special Dispensation attached, is forwarded to the Grand Secretary's office.
- (5) The cost for replacement of the Secret Work shall be ten (\$10.00) per copy.
- (6) If a copy of the Secret Work is worn beyond use, a Special Dispensation shall be procured from the Worthy Grand Matron to have same replaced. Upon receipt of the Special Dispensation, it shall be attached to the worn copy and mailed to the Grand Secretary by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, with a check from the Chapter to cover the return of the requested copy via U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, plus the actual price of the replaced copy.
- f. The Secret Work is copyrighted by General Grand Chapter and all members are forbidden to copy any part of either. Any violation of this law must be reported to the Worthy Grand Matron, and any member found guilty of such violation shall be subject to reprimand by the Worthy Grand Matron, or suspension or expulsion from the Order.
- g. That upon the consolidation, demise or permanent arrest of a Charter, the Chapter will return the four (4) copies of the Secret Work to the Grand Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerre Lucas

Bess Caldwell

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 16. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

#### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 17**

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Amendment No. 17 is found on page 87 of the Advanced Annual Report. This amendment is to Article 59 entitled "Supplies." In your

Code of Laws it can be found on page 64 right in the middle of the page, and if passed will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. Currently, it states that the Grand Secretary shall furnish to each Subordinate Chapter a computerized list of names and addresses of members that is to be corrected and returned with the Annual Chapter Report. This amendment would change from the computerized list of names and addresses to a Monthly Membership Change/Addition Form that is to be sent to the Grand Secretary on a monthly basis.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 17 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 17**

#### ARTICLE 59. d. SUPPLIES

WHEREAS, the need to have the most current information on the membership in the data base at the Grand Secretary's office,

WE, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to Article 58,d.

#### WHICH NOW READS:

- d. She shall furnish each Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction a computerized membership list of names and addresses to be corrected and returned with the Annual Chapter Report.

#### BE AMENDED TO READ:

- d. She shall furnish each Subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction a **Monthly Membership Change/Addition Form** to be sent in monthly by the Secretary of the Chapter.

Nell Smith  
Cheryl McGee  
Zaneta Miller

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 17. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? We'll call for the vote. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. The amendment passed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 18**

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 18 is found on page 88 of the Advanced Annual Report. This amendment of Article 234.e, found on page 159 of the Code of Laws, if approved by this Assembly, will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment, which has been prepared by our Grand Secretary, removes the words – and I quote – “the computerized list through to the first day of July,” end quote, and inserts the words, quote, “a Monthly Membership Change/Addition Form will be sent to the Grand Secretary's office each month, reporting all changes in membership, such as Name Change, Address Change, New Members,

Demits and deceased,” end of quote.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 18 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### AMENDMENT NO. 18

#### ARTICLE 234.e., DUTIES SECRETARY

WHEREAS, the need to have as current information as possible in the data base in the Grand Secretary’s office, and

WHEREAS, the annual reports come to the Grand Secretary’s office in June and a budget needs to be done in May due to the change of our Grand Chapter Year, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to have the information needed in a timely manner,

WE, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to Article 234, e. page 159

NOW READS:

- c 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 prefix Miss or Mrs. This report shall designate those who are members of the 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 the Grand Chapter on all items covered by said report. This 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 reports no later than April 30th. The corrected printout must be returned to the Grand Secretary’s office no later than the first day of July.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

- c. **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 prefix Miss or Mrs. This report shall designate those who are members of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center and shall contain a tabulation of monies due the Grand Chapter, showing the amount due under each item, and the total amount due Grand Chapter on all items covered by said report. A Monthly Membership Change/Addition Form will be sent to the Grand Secretary’s office each month reporting all changes in membership, such as Name Change, Address Change, New Members, Demits and deceased.**

Nell Smith  
 Cheryl McGee  
 Zaneta Miller



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 18. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Opposed. The amendment passed.

### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 19**

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 19 is found on page 89 of the Advanced Annual Report. This amendment would clarify Article 185 through 188, Surrender, Forfeiture or Loss of Dispensation or Charter of the Code of Laws, page 126 through page 128. If approved by this Assembly, it will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This amendment provides a clear step-by-step process by which a Chapter may consider the demise of their Chapter. It addresses, one, how a Chapter should notify its members that a demise of the Chapter is being considered; two, how to handle the assets of the Chapter after a vote to demise has been approved by the membership; three, who they shall seek assistance from after the vote to demise; four, the responsibility of the Chapter Secretary in a demised Chapter; and, five, the status of the Chapter members until demits are secured.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 19 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **AMENDMENT NO. 19**

Surrender, Forfeiture or Loss of Dispensation or Charter  
Article 185 – 189; Pages 126 – 128

#### **PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE PROCEDURE FOR THE DEMISE OF A CHAPTER**

WHEREAS, many Chapters within our jurisdiction are faced with decisions regarding the future use of their Chapter, and

WHEREAS, many recognize that they have two considerations, consolidation or demising, and as each places a serious responsibility on the members, and

WHEREAS, both are viable options; but many Chapters may feel demise is a better solution for them, and

WHEREAS, our laws do not address the option of demising in a clear, step by step manner, causing confusion for the Chapter and its members.

THEREFORE, to assist our membership in determining what is the best solution for them, the following is proposed:

ARTICLE 185, PAGE 132, CODE OF LAWS,

Which now reads:

**SURRENDER.** The Worthy Matron causes written notice to be sent to all members of said Chapter, giving the date of the meeting when they will consider the demise of the Chapter. By a majority vote of all members present, the Chapter may surrender its Charter, PROVIDED that no Charter can be voluntarily surrendered as long as twenty-five (25)

members desire to retain it.

Be changed to read:

**DEMISE AND SURRENDER**

- a. **Should your Chapter make a motion and it carries by vote of the Chapter to consider Demise, the Worthy Matron should direct the Secretary to send written notice to all its members, advising them the Demise of the Chapter is contemplated, setting forth the date of the meeting, either stated or special, that the members will discuss and vote if they wish to Demise.** By a majority vote of all members present at said meeting, the Chapter may surrenders its Charter PROVIDED that no charger can be voluntarily surrendered as long as twenty-five (25) members desire to retain it.
- b. **If the motion and vote carries to Demise, NO ASSETS MAY BE GIVEN AWAY from the time the motion carries. This includes all cash, savings accounts, CD's, and all Chapter articles of monetary value, etc. This, along with ALL records, paraphernalia, etc. will become the property of Grand Chapter immediately upon vote to demise.**
- c. **Your section's Deputy Grand Matron should be contacted for assistance in this important action, as she is involved in the return of all properties, monies, etc. to Grand Chapter. (See Article 188 a. C.O.L.)**

ARTICLE 186. N/A

ARTICLE 187 N/A

**ARTICLE 188, PAGE 126, CODE OF LAWS**

WHICH NOW READS:

- a. When a Chapter voluntarily demises, the Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron shall see that the Secretary of said Chapter forwards all money, including financial records for the past two years, jewels, dispensation or Charter and other property of the Chapter, including 3 copies of the Secret Work, to the Grand Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Deputy Grand Matron to see that all properties of a demised Chapter are returned to Grand Chapter.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

- a. When a Chapter voluntarily demises, the Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron shall see that the Secretary of said Chapter forwards all money, including financial records for the past two years, jewels, dispensation or Charter and all other property of the Chapter, including 4 copies of the Secret Work, to the Grand Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Deputy Grand Matron to see that all properties of a demised Chapter are returned to Grand Chapter. **The Deputy Grand Matron is to be contacted for assistance.**

b. WHICH NOW READS:

The Secretary of the Demised Chapter must submit a report to the Grand Secretary, which will START with the number of members they ended with on their last Annual Report. This report will show all activity in their

membership from that date to the date of demise and list all present members in good standing. The forms for this report will be supplied by the Grand Secretary’s office. The report must be accompanied with a check to cover the Per Capita Tax due. Upon completion of the foregoing all members in good standing at the time of demise will be entitled to Grand Demits upon request.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

- b. The Secretary of the Demised Chapter must submit a report to the Grand Secretary, which will START with the number of members they ended with on their last Annual Report. This report will show all activity in their membership from that date to the date of demise and list all present members in good standing. The forms for this report will be supplied by the Grand Secretary’s office. The report must be accompanied with a check to cover the Per Capita Tax due. Upon completion of the foregoing all members in good standing at the time of demise will be entitled to Grand Demits, **which will be mailed from the Grand Secretary’s office to the member at their last known address. Until such demits are secured, such members are deprived of all rights and privileges of the Order. (See Article 189. C.O.L.)**

Article 189. No change

Respectfully submitted,

Retha Bjork	Mary Winters
Sue Shoemaker	Johnita Winters
Dolly Evans	Bill Pierce
Clyde Kelley	Mary Calvert
Imogene Kimberley	Natalie (Pattie) Kelley
Doris Pierce	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 19. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? We’ll call for the vote. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Opposed. The amendment passed.

**REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 20**

**MRS. BETTY FRIEND:** Amendment No. 20 is found on page 91 of your Advanced Annual Report. This amendment relates to guidelines and deadlines for application for our Educational Fund. They’re found in Article 152-G, page 99 of our Code of Laws. If Amendment No. 20 passes at this Grand Chapter session, the Board of Directors will be able to keep educational guidelines and forms standardized and will meet all Grand Chapter requirements. Its passage will be effective immediately after this Grand Chapter session. The changes that will be made include date all donations collected by the Educational Committee and the membership; the time it’s due at the Grand Chapter office is moved from August 31st to March 1st of each year. Second, the scholarships of up to \$1,000 are to be issued no later than July 1st each year. Guideline changes for these scholarships are highlighted within the numbered paragraphs of this amendment.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper

order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 20 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT PROPOSAL NO. 20**  
**CODE OF LAWS PAGE 99**

ARTICLE 152-G-EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE PAGE 99

WHEREAS, the guidelines and deadlines need to be changed to coincide with the dates of the new Grand Chapter year, and

WHEREAS, the requirement to use only the interest will allow the use of those funds that are granted through trust funds and last will and testaments that do not specify the use of interest only, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors will be able to ensure that the guidelines and forms are kept standardized and meets all Grand Chapter requirements, and

WHEREAS, the one time payment at the beginning of the fall semester will prevent confusion and an undue burden on the administration to monitor the payments and will prevent the use of the funds for anything other than tuition and books, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors are responsible for the approval and disbursement of the funds, and

WHEREAS, the Grand Chapter of Texas and its members are deserving of public recognition for its contribution as a non-profit organization,

WE, the undersigned, propose this amendment.

ARTICLE 152-G

NOW READS:

Whereas ARTICLE 152-G. The Educational Fund Committee shall perform the following, to wit:

- a. Solicit and collect voluntary contributions from the Texas Eastern Star Chapters and their members for an Educational Fund. The amount collected shall be turned over to the Grand Secretary before August 31st of each year. Any person can devise or bequest by will to this Grand Chapter any amount of money, securities or real estate for the purpose and use for which said Educational Fund is administered.
- b. This fund shall be for the purpose of awarding funds for education to members of the Order in good standing in a Texas Chapter in the form of scholarships 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 scholarship will be given to any one person for any one year.
  - (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 Directors. An annual report shall be made to the Grand Chapter of these awards.

- c. All applications for scholarships shall be made on forms prepared by the Educational Fund Committee and submitted by March 1st. Each application form shall contain the necessary information and data. All applicants shall furnish at least three or more recommendations from reliable persons.
- d. The Committee shall meet by April 30th of each year to select the recipients of the scholarships.
  - (1) The amount of each scholarship shall be determined by the Committee, not to exceed \$1,000.00.
  - (2) The scholarship shall be based on the information furnished by the above-described application and letter from the applicant setting forth their financial status, plans for the future and reasons for applying for the scholarship.
  - (3) The scholarship shall be given only to members and spouses, children, grandchildren and orphans of members whose legal residence is/was in Texas.
  - (4) The Educational Fund Committee Chairman shall provide copies of the scholarship applications which are granted by the Committee, with written instructions to the Grand Secretary to be issued through the Grand Treasurer.
  - (5) Each applicant receiving a scholarship shall communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee at least twice each year during the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.
  - (6) Applicants who fail to communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee, as stated above, shall not be eligible for additional scholarships.
  - (7) Recipients must carry a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester.
  - (8) Recipients whose grade point average is less than 2.5 in all subjects SHALL NOT be eligible for additional scholarships.
  - (9) Proof of grade points must be furnished to the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee with each semi-annual communication. The Fall Semester letter, with grades, must be provided before the Spring Semester share of the annual scholarship shall be sent.
  - (10) The Educational Committee shall make a complete report, annually, to the Grand Chapter of its activities. They shall maintain records and pass them on for their successors through the Grand Secretary.
- e. The Principal of the Educational Fund shall be kept invested by the Board of Directors and the interest only may be used to provide scholarships.
- f. The Educational Fund Committee shall coordinate duties with the Board of Directors.

AMEND TO READ:

**EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 152-G**

Whereas **ARTICLE 152-G**. The Educational Fund Committee shall perform the following, to wit:

- a. Solicit and collect voluntary contributions from the Texas Eastern Star Chapters and their members for an Educational Fund. The amount collected shall be turned over to the Grand Secretary before **March 1st** of each year. Any person can devise or bequest by will to this Grand Chapter any amount of money, securities or real estate for the purpose and use for which said Educational Fund is administered.
- b. This fund shall be for the purpose of awarding funds for education to members of the Order in good standing in a Texas Chapter in the form of scholarships 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 graduation from a public high school in Texas. Only one scholarship will be given to any one person for an one year.
  - (1) The interest income received on Educational Fund Investments (or as directed by a trust fund or last will and testament) may be used to provide Eastern Star Scholarships to qualifying students, under the direction of the Board of Directors. An annual report shall be made to the Grand Chapter of these awards.
- c. All applications for scholarships shall be made on forms prepared by the Education Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. All applications must be submitted by **March 1st**. Guidelines and instructions on completing the application will be developed by the Education Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.
- d. The Committee shall meet by April 30th of each year to select the recipients of the scholarships.
  - (1) The amount of each scholarship shall be determined by the Education Committee, not to exceed \$1,000.00. The scholarship will be issued **in one payment and no later than July 1st** of each year. **The scholarship will be designated to be used for tuition and or books only, with instructions that if not used for that purpose, the money will be returned to the Grand Chapter of Texas.**
  - (2) The scholarship shall be based on the information furnished by the above described application and letter from the applicant setting forth **as a minimum** their financial status, plans for the future and reasons for applying for the scholarship. All applicants shall furnish at least three or more recommendations from reliable persons.
  - (3) The scholarship shall be given **(unless designated otherwise by a trust**

**fund or last will and testament)** only to members, spouses, children, grandchildren and orphans of members whose legal residence is/was in Texas.

- (4) The Educational Fund Committee Chairman shall provide, **after approval of the Board of Directors, a list of the scholarship recipients, which have been selected by the Committee, with written instructions to the Grand Secretary to issue the scholarship through the Grand Treasurer. The Chairman of the Education Committee will also communicate in writing to each applicant the final decision of his or her application. All efforts will be made to have the scholarships presented at public ceremonies.**
  - (5) Each applicant receiving a scholarship shall communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee at least twice each year during the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.
  - (6) Applicants who fail to communicate, by letter, with the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee, as stated above, shall not be eligible for additional scholarships.
  - (7) Recipients must carry a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester.
  - (8) Recipients whose grade point average is less than 2.5 (unless designated otherwise by a trust fund or last will and testament) in all subjects SHALL NOT be eligible for additional scholarships.
  - (9) Proof of grade points must be furnished to the Chairman of the Educational Fund Committee with each semi-annual communication.
  - (10) The Educational Committee shall make a complete report, annually, to the Grand Chapter of its activities. They shall maintain records and pass them on for their successors through the Grand Secretary.
- e. The Principal of the Educational Fund shall be kept invested by the Board of Directors and the interest only may be used to provide scholarships.
  - f. The Educational Fund Committee shall coordinate duties with the Board of Directors.

Gary E. Steele  
 Jayne Yenger  
 Lori M. Goldman  
 Nell Smith

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 20. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Call for the vote. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Opposed. The amendment passed.

#### **REPORT ON AMENDMENT NO. 21**

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Sisters and Brothers, Amendment No. 21 is found on page

95 of your Advanced Annual Report. This amendment is to the Code of Laws, Article 170, Section a, which is found on page 116 of your Code of Laws, and if passed will become law at the end of this Grand Chapter session. This refers to how our laws are made, amended and repealed. Currently, all legislation, which includes new laws, amendments, repeal of current laws and so forth, is to be filed with the Grand Secretary 90 days before the Grand Chapter session, with a copy forwarded to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee. To allow ample time for the Grand Secretary and the Jurisprudence Committee to perform their duties, this amendment would change that 90 days and require that legislation be submitted to the Grand Secretary 100 days before the Grand Chapter session, with a copy forwarded to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this amendment in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Amendment No. 21 reads as follows in its entirety.]

**AMENDMENT NO. 21**  
**Article 170, Section a. Page 116 Code of Laws**

General Provisions

Article 170. LAWS, HOW MADE, AMENDED OR REPEALED.

WHEREAS, the Grand Chapter Session some times falls late in the month of August, and

WHEREAS, the Jurisprudence Committee needs ample time to study and return the Proposed Legislation to the Grand Secretary, and

WHEREAS, the Grand Secretary needs the Proposed Legislation in a timely manner to put in the Bulletin and Advanced Report by the printing deadlines,

WE, the undersigned, propose the following change:

Which now reads:

- a. All such proposals for new laws, amendments or repeal of existing laws, including the Legal Code and prescribed forms, shall be filed with the Grand Secretary at least 90 days before the Annual Session (or in sufficient time to be included in the Call for a Special Session) of the Grand Chapter, with a copy forwarded to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee. Proposed amendments shall be printed in the Official Bulletin prior to Grand Chapter and in the Advanced Report.

Be changed to read:

- a. All such proposals for new laws, amendments or repeal of existing laws, including the Legal Code and prescribed forms, shall be filed with the Grand Secretary at least **100 days** before the Annual Session (or in sufficient time to be included in the Call for a Special Session) of the Grand Chapter, with a copy forwarded to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee. Proposed amendments shall be printed in the Official Bulletin prior to Grand Chapter and in the Advanced Report.

Nell Smith  
Zaneta Miller



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Amendment No. 21. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? We'll call for the vote. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Those opposed. This amendment passed.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Sisters and Brothers, that completes the amendments. We'll now go to the resolutions.

### **REPORT ON RESOLUTION NO. 1**

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Resolution No. 1 is found on page 97 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a resolution requesting that the Grand Chapter of Texas annually contribute \$1 per member from the General Fund to the Texas Masonic Youth Foundation, which is a 501(c)(3) Endowment Fund. This Fund encompasses the Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters and DeMolay. Only interest will be used to support their endeavors. A report will be given annually to the Grand Chapter by the Committee Chairman. During the Annual Communication in 2003 the Grand Lodge of Texas voted its approval of this request. If this resolution is accepted by this Grand Chapter body, it will be referred to the Board of Directors for proper appropriation, as prescribed in Article 169.b, found on page 116 of the Code of Laws.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds this resolution in proper order and ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Resolution No. 1 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1**

Whereas, the Texas Masonic Youth Groups; The International Order of Rainbow for Girls; The International Order of Job's Daughters and DeMolay for Boys, are all Masonic and/or Eastern Star related and oriented.

They are well informed in ritual work and discipline from the early training in their Fraternities that are not religious in nature but are built around the stories from Our Bible, as is Eastern Star.

Whereas, these Young Ladies and Men are already excellent candidates for Texas Eastern Star when they reach Majority age. Now, more than ever, many of them are moving in to Eastern Star and Masonry and becoming the young members and leaders that we so desperately need. Where could we possibly find more qualified and dependable candidates than in these Masonic Youth Groups?

**Therefore, be it resolved that The Order of Eastern Star, Grand Chapter of Texas, contribute \$1.00 per member, per year, from the Grand Chapter's general fund, to go into the Texas Masonic Youth Foundation, a 501-C3 Endowment Fund, for the Texas Masonic Youth Groups (IORG, IOJD, and DeMolay). The Endowment Foundation is for their future and will in time help support them, using only the interest from the fund.**

The interest earned from the Endowment will aide in the abilities these groups rely on for sustenance. It will also allow the Texas Masonic Youth Groups to spend more time in leadership rolls instead of struggling for existence.

The Texas Masonic Youth Groups Endowment Foundation Committee Chairman will report to Grand Chapter annually on the activities and transactions of the Endowment Fund.

The Texas Masonic Youth Foundation is a 501-C3, tax-free foundation, established on May 21, 2003 under the rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service. It was incorporated in Texas by “The Articles of Incorporation from the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Texas in 2003”.

**The Texas Masonic Grand Lodge has already voted the approval of a like resolution at its 2003 session.**

**(Ref: Grand Lodge law book, page 105, article #163, sub.13)**

This Texas Masonic Youth Foundation will be an investment in **Our Future, The Future of Texas** and in **The Future of America!**

Dwight Philips	J. Weldon Clampitte
Karen Morgenthaler	Jerry L. Martin
H. Bart Henderson	Brian R. Dodson
Normal Phillips	

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Resolution No. 1. Is there any discussion? The member in the South.

**MR. LINDSEY WALKER:** Worthy Grand Matron, my Sisters and Brothers: My name is Lindsey Walker. I’m a Past Patron of Wisteria Chapter #823, Beaumont. I am personally opposed to this particular resolution and cite an experience from my early youth to give you a basis upon which I’m thinking. I came home from my office one day. I told my wife I had seen the most gorgeous automobile in the world. It was a Jaguar XK-120. I went into rapturous spells about its details. It was a car that would have made James Bond jealous. The only comment she had to make really, she said, “How much does it cost?” I told her, and she says, “We can’t afford it.” And, folks, if you look at our budget, if you realize that the per capita is the bones and meat of our fiscal financial operation, I do not see how we can afford to commit \$1 of our per capita for what I consider to be one of the finest, best charities available to any of us to contribute. If we were to put this on our Humanitarian budget, I would vote for it in a minute. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MR. JACK BEALL:** Worthy Grand Matron, I’m Jack Beall, Past Patron of Farris 508. I’m opposed to this due to the funding aspect, the same as my previous Brother has spoken. If you take a dollar of per capita – at present \$1 of our \$3.50 General Fund per capita is going to General Grand Chapter. Now they say this may be relieved at the next triennium, but it has not as of yet. So we have already \$1 of \$3.50 that operates Grand Chapter. If we pass this, now we’re at \$2.50. Our previous resolutions from last year already takes it to \$3 effective January 2006, one year after the sale of the property. So if you pass this, we are down to \$1 to operate Grand Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Gentleman in the South.

**MR. DWIGHT PHILIPS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers of Grand Chapter, Past and Present, my Sisters and Brothers all: I am Dwight Phillips, a Past

Patron of Bellaire Chapter #1021. I am the proposer of this resolution, and I just can't tell you how important it is. I have been involved with Rainbow in the state of Texas for 55 years. I have been involved with DeMolay for 48 years. I am presently involved as the Bethel Guardian Treasurer of Bethel #2 of the Job's Daughters. I see these children – these young men and young ladies every day. I know what their needs are. While we're sacking experiences, I would like to tell you, as a prime example, there's a lady here with us today that was born in 1909, and when she was 13 years old she became a Rainbow Girl. When she became 18 she became an Eastern Star. And in 1945 she became the youngest Worthy Grand Matron of the state of Texas, our Sister Lallah Mae Vollus. These young men and young women of DeMolay and Rainbow are coming into this fraternity every day. When the Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters reach majority, they come right on into Eastern Star. The young men of DeMolay are coming into Masonry at a record rate. I have seen 8 or more in the Houston area come right into Masonry and be raised as Master Masons in the last 16 months.

I am not trying to tell you that this is the only solution to our declining membership, but it is certainly one of the solutions to our declining membership. Your Chairman stood there on that stage yesterday and told you that every year we're declining by a thousand or more members. These young men and young women of the Masonic youth organizations are coming in at a record rate. And for the first time in the last 20 years, the DeMolay Chapters of Texas, the Rainbow Chapters of Texas and the membership is on an increase. I can't say that for Eastern Star right now –

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Dwight –

**MR. DWIGHT PHILIPS:** – but we're doing everything we can. Yes, ma'am.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I'm sorry, but we're only allowed three minutes.

**MR. DWIGHT PHILIPS:** Thank you very much, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, all of you that are Rainbows –

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Dwight. Thank you.

Do we have any further discussion? We need to hurry; we've got elections to do.

I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. MARY JO ROSMUND:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Mary Jo Rosmund, a Past Matron of Prospect Hill Chapter #817. And while the principle of having an endowment fund from which the youth will benefit through the interest is a wonderful idea, at this point the assemblies are struggling to stay alive and to make enough money. We depend so much on our sponsoring Eastern Star Chapters to provide the funding and the assistance with our fundraisers. I'm afraid that if ultimately we have to increase the endowment to cover this dollar a person, or we have to have a special fundraiser, we're going to lose the individual assembly support of our local Eastern Star Chapters. I think that would end up ending the number of Rainbow assemblies that there are now. They're also declining. So I would urge you to be very careful about making a commitment to such a large donation for an endowment that the interest will at the beginning be very small. The reward and what the local assemblies get will probably be nil. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the South.

**MR. HOMER NELSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my name is Homer Nelson. I'm Past Patron of Lamarque Chapter #979, and I'm here to echo Brother Philips' sentiments. When it comes to our Masonic youth, Sisters and Brothers, Rainbow

and DeMolay is the flower garden of the Masonic family. I stand here as a senior DeMolay. I've been in Lodge and in Masonry for 40-plus years. It's because of my affiliation with the DeMolay at the age of 13 that I stand here. I have four daughters. Each is a Rainbow Girl. I have been active over my lifetime in DeMolay and Rainbow. I ask, my Sisters and Brothers, that you carefully consider what a dollar is. A dollar is an investment in the flower garden of the Masonic family. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, and thank you, Worthy Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Sisters and Brothers, I must remind you that we only have three minutes per person. I recognize the Member in the North.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, I am Richard Ochs, Past Patron, Amarillo Chapter 787. I personally will support it and must because of my personal feelings. I am a senior DeMolay, have worked with DeMolay and was very fortunate to be Chapter Dad of the Year some 20 years ago in the state. I have worked with Rainbow. I have not had the privilege of Job's Daughters. But we do need to support them. I don't know how things will turn out on this, but I personally will do it because I personally support them much beyond a dollar a year. But they are in need. There aren't a lot of them, and they are struggling. So if you don't choose to vote for it here, please consider it outside this organization.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MR. JACK WRIGHT:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I am Jack L. Wright, Past Patron of Houston Heights Chapter #258 in Houston, Texas. I stand before you today as a 65-year DeMolay. If it had not been for the love and nurturing that I got when I was 15 years old from two great men who were advisors of Reagan Chapter there in Houston, I would not be here today. They transformed a young man into a grown man with high ideals through their actions. This today gives us an opportunity to invest in the future of not only the Eastern Star, but in all of our Masonic family. We are talking about pennies compared to the dollars. I think I was just whispered in my ear that it was something like 30 cents on a cup of Starbuck's coffee. Now we need to support this for the future of not only the Eastern Star, but our whole Masonic family. I ask you to vote for this resolution. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. JO ANN SNOW:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Jo Ann Snow, Past Matron of Brownwood Chapter #116. I am against this because of what it could do to our Grand Chapter. We do not have a lot of per capita in our General Fund. But if you remember last year, resolution 1 adopted at the 2003 Grand Chapter session held in Fort Worth, Texas, we put into this resolution, the principal not to be expended without the consent of Grand Chapter, and the interest accruing from the investment of said principal shall be placed in the General Fund to supplement benevolent projects, including, but not limited, to our members, Chapters in financial need, local benevolence, worthwhile community needs and educational purposes, office expense in archiving existing records. This interest could be used to help finance our youth projects and still not take money out of our General Fund for the \$1 that we're asking for. That would be archiving into something else and then drawing the interest. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. RHONDA SUMNER HOLLAND:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My name is Rhonda Sumner Holland from Farmers Branch Chapter No. 687. I am a Past

Worthy Advisor and I have been a member of this Order since I was 18 years of age. I only regret that my father did not become a Mason until well after I was the age of 12. I oppose this amendment, but I must ask, where is the money going, how will it be divided and how is it different from the money that we already give – that the Worthy Grand Matron already gives to these organizations? I feel that we can still give to these organizations without having a resolution designating \$1 per member. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. DIANE WILSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Diane Wilson, a Past Matron of The Colony Chapter #1136. I've been involved as an advisor for DeMolay for the last five years, and I have been involved as an unofficial advisor for the last ten years. I've also been Bethel Guardian for Dallas Bethel #3 for four years. Sisters and Brothers, for the last 15 years that I have been in Eastern Star, we have had various projects to support our youth organizations. We have always said that the youth are our future. We have had many projects where we have bought things that we don't necessarily need. We've paid 3, 5, 7, even 10 dollars. Well, Sisters and Brothers, it's time to put our money where our mouth is. Are we really, really saying that these youth organizations are our future? If so, let's belly up to the bar and put the dollar down, because it's one Coke a year. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** My name is Marlene Dibrell. I'm a Past Matron of Dalcliff Chapter #574. I do speak for this resolution because I believe in the youth of today, and I'm willing to make the sacrifices that it will take if I can help even one of these youth. I have worked with the youth for a number of years, as you know. I believe in the girls; I believe in the young men as well. I also know that my educational opportunities were given to me because my parents made sacrifices. I realize that this body will make sacrifices when we approve this resolution. The resolution is not about frills. It's about basic education, loans and grants, that will benefit our youth. These 100 pennies will allow us as a body to do so much more than any one of us could do individually. These 100 pennies are a reaffirmation of our words when we talk about the youth of today being the hope of our future. I believe, Sisters and Brothers, that our future is not tomorrow, but our future is today. And our decisions for the future are being made today. I sincerely encourage your support of Resolution No. 1. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. LILLIAN TRAVIS:** I'm Lillian Travis, Past Matron of Velasco Chapter #220. What I'm hearing is that if you vote against this resolution, you're against the youth of tomorrow. You're against the DeMolay and the Rainbow Girls. I believe that as a Grand Chapter we should support them in every way. I am against this resolution because I see a great deal of money put in an endowment fund that's going to draw very little interest to support the boys and girls of today. I believe there's a better way to support them rather than an endowment fund. Set aside in this Grand Chapter certain funds, however much is decided, to support them and each year after, but do away with the endowment fund.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Rosemary Swetland, a Past Matron of Burke Chapter #1098. I would first like to say that I respect every speaker that has been on the floor this morning. Sometimes it's difficult to weigh the two sides. Sister Lillian Travis just almost took the words out of my mouth, but I will reiterate them in my own saying. We are not against our youth. We love them and support

them. Every year our Worthy Grand Matrons have made arrangements to fund some of the youth organizations. I am going to always say that if something's not broke, let's not try to fix it. I think we've handled it over the years, and I believe we can continue to do that. We love the young people; we want to help them. But our General Fund must have this dollar to operate, so I respectfully ask this membership to defeat Resolution No. 1, with no disrespect to the signers or anyone that has spoken. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Ladies and gentlemen, the time really for debate has expired. Is there any member that wishes at this time to move the previous question?

**MRS. ANNA HAWS:** I am Anna Haws. I am Worthy Matron of Handley Chapter #617. I am a Past Worthy Advisor. I have four children that are in the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. However, I cannot support this resolution for the fact that I don't think we have enough information in this resolution to make an informed decision. We don't know who's going to be watchful with caring for this money, we don't know how this money will be spent, and we need more information before we hand over money so that we know that it's truly going to benefit each and every one of our youth for tomorrow. I appreciate the thought. I think we need more information to make an informed decision of how the money will be spent, who will be making the decisions on how the money is spent, who will be investing this money.

**VOICE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I move the previous question.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** One moment.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Sisters and Brothers, our last speaker just asked a question. I happen to have the information here, and I'll give you what I have. I apologize for the delay. But if information is what you need to make a clear decision, we want to make sure we provide it. This is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization called the Texas Masonic Youth Foundation, which was organized on May 21st, 2003. The Foundation charter was issued under articles of incorporation from the office of the Secretary of State of Texas. The Foundation is administered by a board of seven members; the heads of the Masonic youth groups (DeMolay, Rainbow, Job's Daughters) will be on the board. There are currently five board members, which are J. Weldon Clampitte, Marlene Dibrell, Linda R. Harrison Brian R. Dodson, Boyd Patterson. A sixth member has been elected, but will not be installed until a seventh member has been elected. There will also be a representative of the Grand Chapter of Texas who will be a Past Grand Matron. So I just wanted to give you that information since the makers provided it to us so that you have full disclosure. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. FRANCES BURBANK:** I am Frances Burbank, Past Matron of South Fort Worth Chapter #835. I move the previous question.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** The previous question has been moved. I have explained to your Worthy Grand Matron that we'll take a vote to stop the debate. If that happens, she will immediately state the question on the resolution to be voted on affirmatively or negatively.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we are now voting to stop the debate. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Resolution No. 1. All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. Opposed. The resolution fails.

Sisters and Brothers, we're going to stop on – we have one resolution left, but we need to get into elections. Grand Choir, would you please. [singing by Grand Choir]

May I have your attention, please. Credentials is not ready; they're still trying to balance. So we're going to continue with some reports. At this time I ask Sister Jacalyn DeLange to bring the ESTARL report.

**MRS. JACALYN DeLANGE:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: During the 2004-2005 Grand Chapter year the ESTARL Fund received a total of \$24,078.64 in donations as a part of the Humanitarian program. The Worthy Grand Matron graciously donated \$3,000 from her undesignated funds making it possible to fund 27 \$1,000 scholarships. Last evening you outdid yourselves. Due to your generous contributions, the ESTARL collection came to \$4,825.05. [applause] This will be the starting amount of the ESTARL Fund for the next Grand Chapter year. Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report. Respectfully submitted, Jacalyn DeLange, General Chairman.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the ESTARL Committee. Is there any discussion?

All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, may we say to Sister Jacalyn and the members who served on ESTARL what a beautiful program they had last night. Would you please show her and her Committee your appreciation. [applause]

I'm going to ask if the Education Fund, Home Endowment, International Temple, Development and Marketing, Titles, Deeds and Properties and the Webmaster Committees will please come to the East to give reports while we're waiting on Credentials. Also, the Pillows of Support Committee. I recognize Pat Koehn for the Home Endowment report.

### **REPORT OF OES HOME ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE**

**MRS. PAT KOEHN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

The OES Home Endowment Committee is comprised of 5 members: Mr. Lewis N. Mathison, Mrs. Mary Nell Ramsey, Mrs. Virginia Keasling, Mrs. Jane Hudson and I.

The Home Endowment Fund contains over \$10 million. I believe that there was little activity for this committee due to the sale of the OES home.

As chairman, I received notice of only 2 donations to the fund these past 9 months. Both donations were received from Mesquite Chapter No. 887 and totaled \$75.00. These contributions were acknowledged by me in a letter to the chapter. On behalf of the committee members, I thank the Worthy Grand Matron for the honor and courtesies we received as members of this Grand Chapter Committee.

I move the adoption of this report.

Pat Koehn, Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Sister Pat. Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the OES Home Endowment Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your green card. Opposed. Motion carried.

Do we have Development and Marketing? I recognize Brother J. C. Gilmore.

## REPORT OF DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING COMMITTEE

**MR. J. C. GILMORE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Would the members of the development and marketing committee please stand as I read this report?

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Distinguished Sisters and Brothers:

The purpose for the development and marketing committee is to encourage bequests and wills to be presented to the Grand Chapter of Texas.

There have been contacts to banks and other organizations to give grants to further scholarships and contribute to benevolent purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Gilmore, Chairman

Development and Marketing Committee

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Development and Marking Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Opposed. Motion carried.

I recognize Sister Joyce Gillett, International Temple Committee, who will present her report.

## REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE COMMITTEE

**MRS. JOYCE GILLETT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

It is with pleasure that I present the following International Temple Report for 2004 – 2005. This year a notice was sent to all chapters regarding the International Temple Fund. The response from them was overwhelming. A total of \$6,469.27 was collected, making the majority of our chapters in Texas 100%. At General Grand Chapter, Teas heartfelt love of our order will be recognized by these results.

Remember, it is only \$5.00 per member who joined your chapter during this year. Anyone who signed your By-Laws, initiations, affiliations, including dual members.

Thank you again for this opportunity to serve our Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Gillett

Chairman, International Temple Fund

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the International Temple Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion passed.

Sisters and Brothers, if you'll be seated, please, we're going to do some preliminaries for the election. At this time I am pleased to appoint Brother Kenneth Gregory as the Election Judge. I will ask Brother Kenneth to come to the East.



**MR. KENNETH GREGORY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this opportunity to serve this membership. Sisters and Brothers, our Code of Laws contains specific instructions concerning elections. Let us briefly review them. When making a nomination, only the name of the candidate, and 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 office at any one session of Grand Chapter. If only one candidate is nominated, the election may be by acclamation, which is a voice vote. If two or more candidates are nominated, the election may be by ballot upon the official forms furnished to the voting delegates during registration. A majority of all votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. If on any ballot, no candidate has received a majority vote, the name of the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped. In case two or more candidates tie for the lowest number of votes, and there are at least two other candidates receiving a higher number of votes, then all candidates tied for the lowest number of votes shall be dropped. Subject to these regulations, the election shall proceed until some candidate receives a majority of all votes cast. The results of all votes shall be declared by the presiding officer.

Some additional instructions. The Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels have been instructed, according to our law, that no one is allowed to enter or to leave the Grand Chapter room while a ballot is being taken unless it is deemed an emergency. Please be cooperative and understanding in this regard, and know that if you are caught outside during a ballot and are denied admission, our people are only faithfully performing the duties which they were assigned to perform. Do not leave your seat without all your credentials. This includes your signed envelope with your ballots, your badge, your current dues card. You will need these to reenter the Grand Chapter room.

I would like to remind the Pages that all votes must be deposited inside the Grand Chapter room. Members caught outside the Grand Chapter after the ballot has been declared open will not be allowed to reenter unless the ballot is closed. The Assistant Grand Sentinels must step inside the room to cast their ballot. The ballot boxes must not leave the Grand Chapter room. The Assistant Grand Sentinels will be allowed to step inside the door where they are stationed. The Assistant Grand Warders in each case will open the door when a Page approaches, and the Assistant Grand Sentinels will be allowed to step inside and deposit their individual ballot in the Teller's box and return to their stations outside the door.

Sisters and Brothers, we have some of our members who are required to still continue their work. This is the Registration and Credentials Committee and also those people who are involved in First Aid. For these, they will approach the door that's in the south lobby. And when they approach, the Sentinels will let the Warder know, and they will be allowed – that door will be opened by the Assistant Grand Warder. The Teller will approach the door, always remaining inside the Chapter room. Only the members of the Registration, Credentials Committee and those in First Aid will be allowed to step inside the door, deposit their ballots in the Teller's box and step back outside the Chapter room. The Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels will ensure that no one else is allowed to enter or to leave the Chapter room while the ballot is open.

Let me talk to you a little bit about the ballots. You were given a voting package which contained four ballots, an A and B ballot which is for the candidates, and an M and P ballot which are yes and no votes. We would respectfully request that you try to keep these

ballots as clean as possible. They will be read by a machine. That machine does not like candy; it doesn't like chocolate. It's not thirsty. It doesn't need water on that ballot. We'd like for that ballot to be as straight and clean as possible. So do try to keep your ballot clean because this will speed the process with which we proceed with our election. Your vote is important to you, to your Chapter, to the candidates, to our Order. Do not mark any ballot until you are instructed to do so by the Worthy Grand Matron. She will announce the number of the ballot to be marked and will declare the ballot open. At that time you will mark your ballot. Remember, please, use only the #2 pencil that will be provided to you. Now if you did not receive one as you came in the door, it's my understanding that the Pages will have these as they go through the Chapter room. Do not use ball point pens. The machine will not read your vote if you use a ball point pen. The vote must be carefully blackened – to vote, you must carefully blacken the rectangle to the left of the candidate's name of your choice. To write in a name, you will blacken the rectangle to the left and write in the name of your choice in the space provided for that purpose. When voting for candidates, please vote for only one for each position. If you vote for two candidates in one position, your vote for that race will be void. Please also do not fold your ballots. When the ballots are collected, we would ask that you simply place your ballot face down in the ballot box from the Tellers.

Now our Worthy Grand Matron has agreed that since the seats are so close to each other, that the Pages will be allowed to pass the ballot box through the aisles, just like taking a collection in your churches. So as the ballot box passes in front of you, simply place your ballot in the ballot box. We would ask that the Pages are the only ones to be in the aisles during the collection of the ballots. We will not open the doors until all the Pages have returned to the arena floor and are located at the Tellers' tables with the collected ballots. When the ballot has been closed by the Worthy Grand Matron, the Pages will place the contents of the ballot box in front of the Tellers. We have four tables set up, two in the South and two in the North. In a short time our Worthy Grand Matron will name the Tellers that will be used.

Let me repeat. No one can cast more than one ballot. Each ballot is to be placed face down in the ballot box for secrecy. No one can leave the room or ask another to deposit their ballot for them. After the presiding officer declares the ballot open and nominations are completed, the Pages will begin to collect the ballots in the sections they are assigned. When all ballots have been completed, they will proceed to the Tellers' tables and place the ballots in front of the Tellers.

There will also be Monitor Table Judges which the Worthy Grand Matron will designate. They will observe the processing of the ballots. A scanner system will be used to tabulate the ballots. In case a ballot is rejected, we will review the ballot and attempt to determine what the voter intended to do. As an example, Sisters and Brothers, someone may mark a ballot for one candidate and then change their mind and vote for another candidate and try to erase the first mark. They may not erase it enough, and the machine may look at it as two votes in the same race. If this is obvious, that someone has tried to erase the first one, then voted for another candidate, it will be considered a valid ballot. Also, you are not supposed to use checks or X's because the machine sometimes will not read that. But if we find one that is clearly intended that you have voted for a specific candidate, we will count that ballot. If there is a blank line for a write-in, blacken in the box to the left, write in the name also. The machine will not pick up the name, but it will

pick up the marked box and we can read the written name. If the machine kicks out a ballot, it will be hand counted. Do not mark more than one box for each position. If one or more positions require a second ballot, the voting delegates will be instructed as to which ballot to use. The names of the remaining candidates will be given.

In previous years we have tried to segregate the voting delegates from the nonvoting delegates, but the Worthy Grand Matron this year has decided that we will let you sit exactly where you are. The nonvoting delegates can stay where you are, and you will not have a ballot when the ballot box is passed to you.

Let me repeat. Remember, you may vote only one time. The ballot which you were given in your individual registration packet is your ballot. It should always be in your possession, and no one is allowed to vote twice.

Worthy Grand Matron, if you would at this time designate the Monitors and the Tellers to be used for the election.

We are requesting this year that no one be back at the machine. There's only going to be three people back there. If there's a question which you might have regarding what's going on back at that area, we're going to have a chair designated for a Past Grand who will be a monitor. You will go to that individual and relay to them your concern. He in turn will come and relay to me your concern. Thank you very much.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** The member that will be the Monitor for the Table Judge, I'm going to ask Sister Betty Phillips Benham to be in that position. The person that will relay messages, I would like to ask Sister Effie Mae Davis if she would be in that position. And, Sister Effie Mae, there will be a chair there for you.

On this first table – there will be four tables – I would like Brother Jack Guy to be at Table 1; Beulah Speers, Table 2; Buddy Baker, Table 3; Jane Gregory, Table 4. The computer operators will be Mark Dieckmann and Paul Garner. Are they both there? Thank you. The adding machine operators will be Karen Joseph and Kathy Johnston. Would they please go to that table.

For Tellers, Table 1: Barbara Grovesnor, Sue Hill, Sue Ellen Abbott, Norman Abshire, June Adair, Lori Adams, Dorothy Angermiller, Kay Ballentine, JoAnn Barrett. Would you please go immediately to Table 1 if I've called your name. Shirley Show for the second table, Cissy Furie, Athline Gressett, Helen Gregory, Kay Swain. On Table 3 Tish Field, Anna Chapman, Billy Collie, Ann Langston, Gay Carnes, Joy Bentley, table 3. Margaret Byer, Nicki Balleski, Shirley Bichenstein, Carolyn Black, Frank Bruce, Arthur Burnett, Eva Burlin, Nell Casparis, Nadina Cherry, Freda Combest, Jonell Cooper, David Dibrell, Alan Duncan, Bertie Ebert.

Where do we stand on Tables 1, 2 and 3? Maydell French, Joyce Gillett, please go to Table 1, the ones I just called your name. Barbara Gregory, Nanette Gwaltney, Shirley Hadley. Is Table 1 completed?

How many are we missing at Table 2? Three. Patricia Hancock, Jean Hemby, Wanda Hollingsworth, Burlie Jones.

Table 2. Is Table 1 completed? Three more. Diane Jordan, Table 1. Margaret Jones, Table 1.

Is Table 4 completed? Take your seats so we'll know if we need more.

Is Table 1 completed? Table 2? Okay. That's it.

Sisters and Brothers, we now will have the report of our Credentials. I invite Sister Sherry Dieckmann to come to the East. Sister Sherry, you and your Committee have

discharged your duties with courtesy and kindness. Thank you for this labor of love. Sisters and Brothers, today is an important day in this Grand Chapter session. We will be electing officers who will preside over our future in Texas. Please be patient with us and stay with us until the close of this session. We must maintain a quorum in order that our efforts will be valid.

### **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

**MRS. SHERRY DIECKMANN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, My Sisters and Brothers All.

The Credentials Committee would like to make the following report to the Grand Chapter of Texas, 2005:

We have the following Voters:

		<u>Total</u>
Number of Voters with one Ballots	1,347	1,347
Number of Voters with two Ballots	359	718
Number of Voters with three Ballots	103	309
For a Grand Total of Votes		<u>2,374</u>

Total Number of Chapter Representatives: 370

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Elizabeth Dieckmann,  
Credentials Chairman  
2004 – 2005

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Credentials Committee. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, please raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, at this time we will be balloting on Ballot No. A. I declare the ballot open. Would everyone please be seated.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you please preside.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Patron, I am Karen Morgenthaler, a Past Matron of Pearland Chapter #1065. I place the name of Sister Nancy Brown, a Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028, for the office of Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sister Nancy Brown has been nominated for the office of Worthy Grand Matron. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Nancy Brown for the office of Worthy Grand Matron say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Nancy Brown, you have been elected Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Yes, Worthy Grand Patron, very humbly I

accept. I pledge my best support to the membership. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you. Worthy Grand Matron, I return the gavel to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. Nominations are now open for the office of Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Brother Jerry L. Martin.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Jerry L. Martin, a Past Patron of Travis Chapter #472. I place the name of Brother Nelson Campbell, a Past Patron of Silsbee Chapter #298, for the office of Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Nelson Campbell has been nominated for the office of Worthy Grand Patron. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Brother Nelson Campbell for the office of Worthy Grand Patron say aye. Those opposed no. Brother Nelson Campbell, you have been elected Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, with much humility I accept. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the office of Associate Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Nancy Brown.

**ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Nancy Brown, a Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028. It is with pleasure that I nominate Sister Geraldine “Gerry” Dusek, a Past Matron of Harlingen Chapter #641, for the office of Associate Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Geraldine “Gerry” Dusek has been nominated for the office of Associate Grand Matron. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Geraldine Dusek for the office of Associate Grand Matron say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Gerry Dusek, you have been elected Associate Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I do humbly accept. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the office of Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Alma Carter.

**MRS. ALMA CARTER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Alma Carter, a Past and Present Matron of Plano Chapter #703. It is with pleasure that I nominate Brother John Creel, a Past and Present Patron of Plano Chapter #703, for the office of Associate Grand Patron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, Brother John Creel has been nominated for the office of Associate Grand Patron. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Brother John Creel for the office of Associate Grand Patron say aye. Those opposed no. Brother John Creel, you have been elected Associate Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**MR. JOHN CREEL:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is an honor and a privilege to serve my Sisters and Brothers. Yes, I do accept. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the office of Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Kathy Teele.

**MRS. KATHY TEELE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Kathy Teele, Worthy Matron of Bandera Chapter #643. It is with pleasure that I nominate Sister Nell Smith, a Past Matron of Bandera Chapter #643, for the office of Grand Secretary for the ensuing year. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Nell Smith has been nominated for the office of Grand Secretary. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Nell Smith for the office of Grand Secretary say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Nell, you have been elected Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I humbly accept. And my last name now is Drenner, you know. And you know what? It just gets better. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Nell, I was just following how the lady nominated you, so there would be no confusion.

Nominations are now open for the office of Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Pat Archer.

**MRS. PAT ARCHER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Pat Archer, Past Matron of Edwin J. Kiest Chapter #959. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Betty Prater, a Past Matron of Edwin J. Kiest Chapter #959, for the office of Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Betty Prater 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 Betty Prater for the office of Grand Treasurer say aye. Opposed no. Sister Betty Prater, you have been elected Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**GRAND TREASURER:** Yes, I accept, Worthy Grand Matron, with a heart full of gratitude and love for this fine membership. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the office of Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Gerry Dusek.

**GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Geraldine Dusek, a Past Matron of Harlingen Chapter #641. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Sister Joyce Gilbert who is a Past Matron of Princeton Chapter #1126 for the office of Grand Conductress.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Joyce Gilbert has been nominated for the office of Grand Conductress. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Joyce Gilbert for the office of Grand Conductress say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Joyce, you have been elected Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Do you accept?

**ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I accept and say a very grateful thank you to this membership. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the office of Associate Grand Conductress of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Sherry Dieckmann.

**MRS. SHERRY DIECKMANN:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Sherry Dieckmann, and I am the Worthy Matron of Ransford Chapter #135 in Houston, Texas. I would like to place the name of Sister Mary Ruth White, who is a Past Matron of Ransford Chapter #135, in nomination for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? I recognize Sister Michele Henchy.

**MRS. MICHELE HENCHY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Michele Henchy. I'm the Worthy Matron of Mineral Wells Chapter #44. It is my pleasure to nominate Sister Joyce Nicklas, Past Matron of Mineral Wells Chapter #44, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? I recognize Sister Carolyn Littleton.

**MRS. CAROLYN LITTLETON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Carolyn Littleton, Worthy Matron of Grand Prairie Chapter 219. I place in nomination the name of Sandra Perdue, Past Matron of Grand Prairie Chapter 219 and Dual Member of Arlington Chapter 249, for the office of Associate Grand Conductress for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect. I would like to ask the Sisters nominated to come to the center of the stage. A reminder to the Warders and Sentinels: No one is to leave or enter this Grand Chapter room at this time. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce Sister Mary Ruth White, Sister Joyce Nicklas, Sister Sandra Perdue. I declare ballot number one open. Please mark only one name on the ballot for the office of Associate Grand Conductress.

Nominations are now open for the Board of Directors of District 3 for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Pat Turner.

**MRS. PAT TURNER:** Good morning. I'm Pat Turner, Past Matron of McLennan Chapter #639 in Waco. It is my distinct pleasure to place in nomination the name of Diane Davidson, Past Matron of McLennan Chapter #639, for the Board of Directors of District 3.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect by acclamation. I will ask the Sister nominated to please come to the center of the stage. Sister Diane Davidson has been nominated for the Board of Directors for District 3. All in favor of Sister Diane Davidson will say aye. Opposed. Sister Diane Davidson, you have been elected. Do you accept?

**MISS DIANE DAVIDSON:** I do accept and I thank the membership of Texas for their confidence in electing me. I pledge my best. I thank them and I pledge to give it my best as I give back to the membership for all the blessings that Eastern Star has given me in my life. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the Board of Directors of District 4 for the ensuing year. I recognize Sister Margaret DuBois.

**MRS. MARGARET DuBOIS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Margaret DuBois from Corrigan Chapter #631. I nominate Brother Jim Pierce for the position of Board of Directors of District 4.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? I recognize Ruth Clifton.

**MRS. RUTH COOK CLIFTON:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Ruth Cook Clifton and I am Worthy Matron of New Caney Chapter #1093. I have the pleasure to place the name of Terri Rozell, a Past Matron of New Caney Chapter #1093, for the office of Board of Directors, District 4.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect. I would like those nominated to please come to the center of the stage. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce Brother Jim Pierce and Sister Terri Rozell. Please mark only one name on the ballot for the Board of Directors of District 4. Thank you.

Nominations are now open for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 1 for the ensuing year.

**MRS. PAT PRICE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Pat Price, Worthy Matron of Loyal Chapter #648. I'd like to place the name of Elizabeth Grayson, Past Matron of Loyal Chapter #648, for the office of Grand Examiner, District 1.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Other nominations?

**MRS. LINDA TURNER:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I am Linda Turner, a Past Matron of Garland Chapter #156. I would like to place the name of Dr. Linda Jay Puckett, a Past Matron of Garland Chapter #156, in nomination for the office of Grand Examiner, District 1.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Other nominations? I recognize Sister Jessie Freeman.

**MRS. JESSIE FREEMAN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Jessie Freeman, a Past Matron of New Boston Chapter #700. It is my pleasure to nominate my daughter, Abi Freeman, Worthy Matron and Past Matron of New Boston Chapter #700, for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners, District 1, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect. I would like to invite those Sisters to please come to center stage. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce Sister Elizabeth Grayson, Sister Linda Puckett, Sister Abi Freeman. Thank you very much.

Nominations are now open for the office of Board of Grand Examiners, District 2, for the ensuing year.

**MRS. JUDY BURCHARD:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Judy Burchard, Affiliated Past Matron of Cora Posey Chapter #1072, Abilene, Texas. It is with great pleasure that I nominate Sister Bess Caldwell for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 2. She's a Past Matron of Cora Posey Chapter #1072, Abilene, Texas.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Sister Bess Caldwell has been nominated for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 2. We will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Bess Caldwell for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 2, say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Bess, you have been elected Grand Examiner of District 2. Do you accept?

**MRS. BESS CALDWELL:** It is with great honor that I accept this position for Grand Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Now we go to 3. Nominations are now open for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 3, for the ensuing year. I recognize Brother Jim Fentress.

**MR. JIM FENTRESS:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Jim Fentress, Past and



Current Worthy Patron for Crescent Chapter 820, Fort Worth, Texas. It's my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Cheryl Albrecht, a Past Matron for Crescent Chapter #820, for the office of the Board of Grand Examiners, District 3, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? I recognize Sister Jean James.

**MRS. JEAN JAMES:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Jean James, Worthy Matron of North Fort Worth Chapter 684. It is my pleasure to place the name of Annette Curry, a Past Matron of North Fort Worth Chapter 684 in nomination for the office of Grand Examiner of District 3 for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect. I would like to ask these Sisters nominated to come to the center stage. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce Sister Cheryl Albrecht and Sister Annette Curry. Thank you very much.

Nominations are now open for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 4.

**MRS. JANET YANCEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Janet Yancey, Worthy Matron of Alvin Chapter #15. It is my honor and privilege to place in nomination the name of Sister Christine Armstrong, Past Matron and Endowed Member of Alvin Chapter #15 and a Dual Member of Friendswood Chapter #1131, for the office of Board of Grand Examiners, District 4, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Christine Armstrong has been nominated for the Board of Grand Examiners, District 4. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Christine Armstrong for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 4 say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Christine Armstrong, you have been elected Grand Examiner of District 4. Do you accept?

**MRS. CHRISTINE ARMSTRONG:** Worthy Grand Matron, I accept the opportunity to serve the membership of District 4 again. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 5 for the ensuing year.

**MR. GEORGE GWALTNEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am George Gwaltney, Worthy Patron of Schertz Chapter #911. It is my privilege to nominate Jerre Lucas for the office of Grand Examiner, District 5, for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Jerre Lucas has been nominated for the Board of Grand Examiners for District 5. Are there any other nominations? Hearing none we will proceed to elect by acclamation. All in favor of Sister Jerre Lucas for the Board of Grand Examiners of District 5 say aye. Those opposed no. Sister Jerre Lucas, you have been elected Grand Examiner for District 5. Do you accept?

**MRS. JERRE LUCAS:** Worthy Grand Matron, with a very humble heart I do accept. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Nominations are now open for the Board of Grand Examiners At Large for the ensuing year. I recognize Brother Ehren Hertenberger.

**MR. EHREN HERTENBERG:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Ehren Hertenberger, Worthy Patron of Texas City Chapter #626. It is my pleasure to place in nomination the name of Sister Vicki Hertenberger, a Past Matron of Texas City Chapter #626, for the office of Grand Examiner At Large for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations?

**MRS. VICTORIA ALLEN:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Victoria Allen, Worthy Matron of Smithville Chapter #39. It is my pleasure to nominate Sister Janice Hoffman, Past Matron of Bastrop Chapter #64 and Dual Member of Smithville Chapter #39, for the office of Board of Grand Examiners At Large for the ensuing year.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, I declare the nominations closed, and we will proceed to elect. But, Sisters and Brothers, wait one moment, please. This will have to be handwritten on that ballot. Please write very carefully – is it better to print? It does not matter. You will be placing it under the name of Vicki Hertenberger for Board of Grand Examiners At Large the name of Janice Hoffman. At this time I would like these Sisters nominated to come to the center of the stage. Sisters and Brothers, I'd like to introduce Sister Vicki Hertenberger and Sister Janice Hoffman.

Sisters and Brothers, you have now completed ballot number one. To expedite the collection of ballots, I ask that no one but the Pages be in the aisles. We will not open the doors until all of the Pages are on the area floor at the Teller tables with the collected ballots. I direct the Pages to begin collecting the ballots.

Voting delegates, please listen. You are to place your ballot not folded – it is to stay flat – face down in the ballot box. Once all ballots are collected, I'll declare the ballot closed. Pages, if you will, proceed to the Teller tables where you will pick up the ballot boxes. We have special music for you to listen to while they're collecting the ballots. That was Shirley Show on the violin with our Grand Organist. [applause]

Do we have at the door Registration, Credentials who want to ballot? They need to be inside this Grand Chapter room in order to ballot. I need to see them so I can explain something to them. And First Aid. Sisters and Brothers, I do not wish anyone to lose their vote when they are working for this Grand Chapter. Let me explain. We now have a write-in candidate for the position of Grand Examiner At Large. If you will look at the screen, we are balloting on ballot number A. The write-in candidate would be placed under the name of Vicki Hertenberger if you're going to do a write-in ballot. Cast your ballots at this time. Thank you very much. We won't forget you. We're going to continue bringing you in. They may retire; they've already cast their ballots.

Have all ballots been picked up? Sisters and Brothers, all who are entitled to vote this morning, have you cast your ballot?

Sisters and Brothers, may the Sentinel at this door come in to cast his ballot?

**VOICES:** Yes.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Now have all balloted? I declare the ballot closed. To the Pages, will you distribute that ballot, the first ten to number 1, the next ten to table 2, the next group to table 3 and the next group to table 4?

Sisters and Brothers, we are now going to continue. I wish that you stay in this room; we do have work to be done. Sister Grand Warder, you will let the Grand Sentinel know that the doors are now open.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, the doors are now open.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize Brother Bill Bane to give the Webmaster report.

### REPORT OF THE WEBMASTER COMMITTEE

**MR. BILL BANE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I am Bill Bane, General Chairman of the Webmaster Committee. On behalf of the committee members, Joe Blair, Jack York, Carl Starkey and myself, I would like to thank you for allowing us to serve on this committee this year.

During the year, the Board of Directors' tentative minutes were made available to the membership. Also, the Grand Secretary's Office sent us the forms for Grand Chapter. These were made available through the efforts of Joe Blair. Other information was put on the page as it was given to us.

One of the directives of the Board was that notifications of special meetings should appear in the Bulletin and not on the Web site. In following this directive, I had to tell several chapters that we could not put their requests on the website.

As many of you know, the Grand Chapter site has been down for about a month now. We had a similar situation last year right before the Grand Chapter session. After last year's incident, we considered changing ISP's. However, this was the first time it had happened in several years, and other organizations had used the ISP for some time without prior incidents. So, I decided that we would stay with them. That ended up being a bad decision. Since the site went down again this year, the ISP has not communicated with us in any form, and has not even returned phone calls.

Therefore, since Jack York will be General Chairman this coming year, I asked him to find an ISP that he wanted. The Board of Directors has set aside some money in the budget for use by the Webmaster Committee. Jack has used some of this money to secure a new site and has a Web page well under way. Unfortunately, we do not own the site address name. Jack is looking into how we might be able to use the same name. In the meantime, we have not been able to let you know the URL we do have because our current site is still down.

The new URL is [www.GrandChapterofTexasOES.org](http://www.GrandChapterofTexasOES.org). It looks great. I would encourage you to log on and take a look at it.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this opportunity to serve on this committee and for allowing me to make this report.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Webmaster Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

I now recognize Brother Jim Rippey, Titles, Deeds & Properties. Sisters and Brothers, I wish you would be seated. This is a very important Committee report that I would like for you to hear from Brother Jim. He has worked many, many hours with his Committee to give you this report. What he is accomplishing this year is that he is going and tracing all of the property and oil and gas leases that have been owned by the Grand Chapter of Texas, bringing our records up to date. I would like for you to listen to what he has to say. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers.

### **REPORT OF THE TITLES, DEEDS & PROPERTIES COMMITTEE**

**MR. JIM RIPPEY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: As our Worthy

Grand Matron said, this is not going to be a routine Titles, Deeds & Properties report, so I urge your close attention. First of all, I would like to introduce the members. From District 1, Sister Emily Bidler; Emily is a school teacher. From District 2, Sister Bonnie Erickson; Bonnie is an attorney. From District 3, Brother and Past Grand Patron Murray Watson, also an attorney. From District 5 Brother Ronald Zipp, also an attorney. And of course I am Jim Rippey. I thought I was retired until I got this assignment. I would also like to acknowledge one other who is my travel companion and who has labored with me each work session, researching our property records in the State office, that being my wife, Selma.

The Titles, Deeds & Properties Committee report is as follows.

According to our Code of Laws: “The Title, Deeds and Properties Committee shall provide counsel and advice by way of providing and recommending legal services support for the management of Grand Chapter real property and personal property, especially as to examining and protecting titles and records of titles thereto, and recommending policies and procedures in general. Also, the committee is to be composed of: “Five (5) members who are learned in the law, one from each of five Districts...” etc. Consistent with these responsibilities, there have been no requests for the legal services of this committee this past Grand Chapter year.

During the past Grand Chapter Session, the Worthy Grand Matron assigned the Titles, Deed and Properties Committee (herein called TD&P) the specific task of reviewing and updating the OES property files kept in the Grand Secretary’s office. This assignment has uncovered a multitude of problems in that filing system. Many of these problems are outlined as follows:

1. At the beginning of this survey, the 2 ? drawers of property files kept in our State Office consisted of 61 folders which are alphabetized, primarily by oil and gas company name. Since these companies frequently change names due to mergers, splits, lease sales, transfer of drilling, distribution and management authority, it is essential that a cross-reference file be kept to maintain the ties to the donor, legal agreements and location(s) of the properties. This is not being done.
2. A spreadsheet titled “GAS & OIL” is used to tabulate each month’s receipts from each listing (currently 16) as identified by the company mailing the checks. These totaled \$24,918.26 for the 12-month period of July, 2004 through June, 2005. As part of our research effort to tie the donor information to the receipts, the donors have been matched with 14 of the companies. This information should appear on the spreadsheet for long-term continuity. In addition, division orders should be on file from each company so that the distribution policies of revenue are known.
3. Property taxes are paid promptly upon receipt of tax statements. In consultation with our Grand Secretary, she is not aware of any outstanding property taxes. Very few property tax appraisals, notices and receipts were found in the files.
4. Prior activities of the TD&P, as reported in the Grand Chapter Proceedings, have been researched back to 1980. It was reported in 1982 (the 100th session) that the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron asked TD&P to “examine the available information concerning properties of the Order.” That examination provided the comprehensive Penix Files. This was the last extensive survey of OES property records reported in Grand Chapter, according to TD&P reports. There have been several attempts initiated to update the files over the 23 years but, appar-

ently, never computerized nor documented.

5. After a detailed survey of the 61 files was completed last April, it was a concern that there were no primary legal documents in those files. Upon inquiry, it was learned there is an unidentified, 4-drawer, legal-sized file in the State Office that may have come over from the OES Home. Recently, this file cabinet was inventoried by file folder name only. The 141 folder subjects appear to be donor's names, however, some labels are peeling and others fallen off. It appears that these files have not been managed for some time.
6. A comparison of the 108 listings in the Penix Files with the 141 listings in the aforementioned legal files shows only 65 matching names. This suggests that a significant number of files have been stored elsewhere or discarded.
7. In consideration of the work still to be done to clean up the property filing system, it has become obvious that the TD&P is ill-suited to this assignment. Over 99% of the work must be done in the State Office. Eventually, there will be discovered potential revenue-producing properties and/or ones with overdue taxes. Their titles must first be secured. The legal descriptions of those properties should then be sent to the TD&P member in the applicable District for inquiry in courthouses and tax offices. In those applications the TD&P can best serve Grand Chapter.

The following is a list of recommendations from the Titles, Deeds and Properties Committee for Grand Chapter consideration:

1. Due to the limited accessibility, volume of the files and potential value to the order, a professional property-records management firm from the Metroplex should be hired to update and computerize the property files. The TD&P should have a primary input into its section, or;
2. The Worthy Grand Matron should appoint a sub-committee of the TD&P or a special committee whose members reside in the Metroplex and have the time and talents to complete this assignment.
3. Since many of the files are now closed, guidelines should be established for the options of closure, retention or disposal of file contents. This authority should be given to the organization working the property files.
4. As the files are being updated and computerized, a continuing updating system must be established for long-term property management.

This concludes the Titles, Deeds and Properties Committee Report. I move acceptance of this report.

Jim Rippey, Chairman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Titles, Deeds & Properties Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Brother Jim, thank you for such a beautiful report. [applause]

At this time I would like to recognize Brother Henry Martin who will give us a report on the Texas Cardinals.

## REPORT ON TEXAS CARDINALS

**MR. HENRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Installed Grand Officers and Elected Boards, my Sisters and Brothers all: It is a special privilege to present this Texas Cardinals report on behalf of all of the many people across the state of Texas and elsewhere who are working with us toward the goal of hosting General Grand Chapter in 2012 in Fort Worth, Texas, with our own Past Grand Matron Sister Rennie Oton serving as the Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Sisters and Brothers, this will be our opportunity to demonstrate to the world of Eastern Star, members from not only throughout the United States and Canada, but from Europe, Central and South America, Australia, the Philippines – literally from around the world – just what Texas is all about and what we can do. To that end we have signed contracts with the Convention Center and several hotels in Fort Worth, Texas, for the second week of November 2012. Now I know some of you are saying, well, 2012 is a long way off, but let me remind you that our first job is to install Sister Rennie and her Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Fred Clarke of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, into their offices. And do you realize that this will occur in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in November of 2009? Sisters and Brothers, that's a very short four years away.

We will travel to General Grand Chapter in 2006, next year, in Minneapolis. We want as many members from Texas to attend as possible because this will be the absolute last opportunity that we have to see a General Grand Chapter installation before we have to do it for ourselves in 2009. Our coordinator for General Grand Chapter in Minneapolis is Sister Alma Lynn Bane, our Past Grand Matron. She has housing forms that she would like for you to fill out. As we are looking forward to that, we need to provide the people in Minneapolis with our housing needs, how many people are going and so forth, so they can allocate hotel rooms for us. So we would ask you, if you even think that you might be able to go to Minnesota with us, get a form from Alma Lynn or at the Texas Cardinals table, which is just outside the door here, and fill that out and return it so that we might have an idea of your attendance.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, we're going to need you. I'm looking at you, and you, and you, and you, and you, and everyone to help us with this enormous undertaking. Just as so many people in this area participated in this Grand Chapter, on Arrangements, on the various Committees, General Grand Chapter is no different except that we will probably have two to three times as many people attending as we have here. So that just multiplies the need for assistance. Sisters and Brothers, with your experience we know you will come and help us. A number of you have volunteered to help with installation and the General Grand Chapter session. We appreciate your willingness to help, but we need more people. I want to encourage everyone in this auditorium to join us.

The Texas Cardinals, Inc., is the nonprofit corporation that was formed to raise funds for this 2009 installation and the 2012 General Grand Chapter session. The last several years we've been holding fundraisers and selling merchandise toward our goal of raising \$250,000 by 2012. As of July 18, 2005 – one month ago – we have raised a total of \$201,887.14. That, Sisters and Brothers, is 81 percent of our goal. [applause] Those of you who have served as Texas Cardinal officers, who have served as Texas Cardinal volun-

teers, those of you who have bought memberships in the Texas Cardinals and those of you who have bought the merchandise that we have offered, all of you are responsible for achieving this financial milestone, and you are to be commended. However, I would be remiss if I didn't mention those who have served as officers and provided the leadership for this organization. As I call your name, would you stand, please. Sister Rennie Ofton. Sister Rennie, by the way, is the reason we're all here. Sister Alma Lynn Bane who is here, she's our vice president who is also handling that job of coordinating our trip to Minnesota next year, and she will also be housing chairman for our General Grand Chapter session. Sister Eva Hicks – and I'm not sure if Sister Eva is here – Sister Eva is in the back. There she is. Wave to us. Sister Eva has had some health problems, and we weren't sure she was going to be here. We're so glad. Sister Eva Hicks is absolutely the most efficient secretary-/treasurer that I've ever known. We couldn't do without Sister Eva. Brother Lee Stallings who watches over our finances and advises us. Brother Kenneth Gregory who is serving as my general co-chairman for Texas. Sister Janice Herridge who is serving as the secretary to the Executive Committee. Brother Leland Benefield who has been appointed chairman of transportation. Sister Reba Fox who is the chairman of decorations for the 2009 installation. Sister Debra Gilbertson who will chair our first-aid committee. Sister Mary Ruth and Brother Joe White who have not only provided auditing help for our finances, but have helped immeasurably in many other special ways. Sister Willie Mae Shaw who coordinates our merchandise and evaluates new items. Sister Janell Trees who maintains our membership records. Those who have been responsible for actually purchasing the many items we have offered for sale, Sister Opal Martin and Sister Mary Horton Beech. Our district membership chairmen: District 1 - Brother Billy Combest, District 2 - Sister Betty Benham, District 3 - Sister Yvonne Brownfield, District 4 - Sister Pat Stallings, and District 5 - Sister Betty Friend. Our district liaison directors: Phyllis Macon for District 1; Shirley Rattan, District 2; Jayne Yenger, District 3; Gail Smith, District 4; and Gay Carnes, District 5. In addition to that, each of the district liaison directors have section liaison representatives to help them. If you have agreed to be a section liaison director, please stand at this time. We have people who went to General Grand Chapter in Portland, Oregon, in 2003 and observed how things were done and documented their findings, including Jane Gregory and Garland and Shirley Rattan, in addition to some who I have already named. We also have Sister Jerre Miller working with the vendors. Now those of you who are standing remain standing. Let's give this hard-working group a big hand. [applause]

Those of you who are standing, remain standing. If you are a member of the Texas Cardinals, if your Chapter is a member of the Texas Cardinals, if your Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association is a member of the Texas Cardinals, if you have offered your help in 2009 or '12, if you've bought one item of Texas Cardinals merchandise – or more, if you have served refreshments to one of our groups, if you have participated in any way, stand up. And those of you who are standing, you're the reason for our success. [applause] Before you sit down, I'm going to ask you to do one thing, and that is to get one more person to join the Texas Cardinals and volunteer to help us as we prepare for these big events coming up. If you'll do that, we'll be on our way to the most successful General Grand Chapter session that has ever been held, which, incidentally, if we're going to have the best Most Worthy Grand Matron that has ever been, that's what we need; right? Now, Sisters and Brothers, we need the rest of the people who are not standing, so let me make

a suggestion. Why don't you ask one of those people who is still sitting around you to join? I'll remind you, we have a Texas Cardinals table outside, and there are many items for sale. There are also brochures about the Cardinals containing answers to many of the questions you might have.

Sisters and Brothers, it has been a privilege to present this report to you today. Thank you. [applause]

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**FINANCIAL REPORT - November 1, 2004 to February 18, 2005**

**SAN ANTONIO FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

Beginning Balance 11-1-2004 \$ 22,927.22

**RECEIPTS:**

Membership and Dues	\$ 1,015.00	
Donations	215.00	
District 5 Day at the Ranch	20.00	
Sale of Various Items	5,516.00	
Dividends from Money Market Account	131.38	
Total Receipts	6,897.38	6,897.38
Sub-Total		\$ 29,824.60

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Postage for Secretary-Treasurer	\$ 37.00	
Printing and Stamps for Newsletter	350.91	
Paper and Cartridge for Membership Chrmn.	26.41	
Printing - Texas Cardinals Brochures	37.98	
Three year Renewal on Website	45.00	
Purchase of Sale Items	2,809.50	
<b>CHECKS FROM BANK</b>	18.54	
Total Disbursements		3,325.34

BALANCE - SACU MONEY MARKET – 02-18-05 \$ 26,499.26

WASHINGTON MUTUAL

Interest to Date

CD - 7 Year - Yield 6%, Matures 10-23-08	\$ 10,439.38	\$ 60,439.38
CD - 3 Year - Yield 3.23%, Matures 02-10-07	809.17	25,809.17

WOODFOREST NATIONAL BANK

CD - 5 Year - Yield 4.01%, Matures 04-04-08	\$ 3,568.22	\$ 53,568.22
CD - 5 Year - Yield 4.75%, Matures 08-08-07	3,082.71	28,082.71

Total in CD accounts in Both Banks 02-18-05 \$ 167,899.48

COMBINED TOTALS \$ 194,398.74



**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we will go back to Resolution No. 2. I invite the Board of Directors, if they will please come to the East to be ready to give their report.

### **REPORT ON RESOLUTION NO. 2**

**MR. GARLAND RATTAN:** Resolution No. 2 is found on page 98 of the Advanced Annual Report. This is a resolution requesting that the Grand Chapter of Texas Officers and Members refrain from imposing rules or regulations regarding what Subordinate Chapter members wear to Chapter meetings, and instead allow Subordinate Chapters to make their own dress code. If this resolution is approved by this assembly, it will become effective at the end of this Grand Chapter session.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Jurisprudence Committee finds that this resolution is in proper order and is ready for action by this Grand Chapter.

[Resolution No. 2 reads as follows in its entirety.]

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2**

**WHEREAS**, the Grand Chapter of Texas Constitution and Code of Laws are silent on the issue of a dress code, and other Grand Jurisdictions allow the wearing of pantsuits, and

**WHEREAS**, we have members in our organization with physical needs which require them to wear pants to Chapter meetings, and

**WHEREAS**, attendance at Chapter meetings continues to decline, partially due to many members wanting to wear pants to Chapter meetings, and

**WHEREAS**, female professionals, such as bankers, lawyers, accountants, clergy and others successfully wear pantsuits to work and business meetings, and parishioners of churches and members of many other fraternal organizations wear pantsuits to their meetings, many members of Texas Eastern Star want to wear pantsuits to attract our family members and other eligible applicants, who, at times need to leave work and be able to go directly to Chapter meetings without having to change clothes, and

**WHEREAS**, our membership continues to decline, in part, because Texas Eastern Star members continue to hold on to traditions of what we wear, and what we wear does not affect the lessons and purposes of our charitable and benevolent order, and

**WHEREAS**, the Grand Lodge of Texas, according to the Grand Master's Annual Report in 2004, has never issued a ruling or edict concerning what women wear in their lodge halls, and said report was approved by Grand Lodge at the 2004 session,

#### **THEREFORE:**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grand Chapter of Texas membership and all subordinate Chapter members be allowed to wear pantsuits to Chapter meetings, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Grand Chapter of Texas officers and members refrain from imposing rules or regulations regarding what subordinate Chapter members wear to Chapter meetings, and instead, allow subordinate Chapters to make their

own dress code.

Janice K. Langford	Patsy Cates	Naomi Curry
Paulette Bartlett	Evelyn Cates	Joyce Hood
China Smith	Robert G. Langford	Julia Ward
Guy Smith	Mary E. Cates	Robert H. Roberts
Gay M. Carnes	William J. Scales	Ross Raymond
Neal Brighton	Maxine Sill	Rachel A. Peckne
MaryJane Brigham	Thomas E. Carnes	Jane E. Robison
Doris N. Urbaneck	Helen Marsh	Natalie Calvert
Ralph DeLuna	Epifania DeLuna	Edna Thornberry
Hilda Cantrell	Jesse Cantrell	Polly Ferk
Jimmy D. Huckabay	Tinie Riggs (Leona F.)	Daniel B. Mason
Barbara Britten	Betty Sanders	Salvador A Campos
Virginia E. Tyler	Lynne Huckabay	Kristina Lefferty
Addie Climer	Judy Stone	Marilyn Olivarez
Cecil D. Robison	Ruth Mason	Mary Christ
Michael J. Kelly	Helen M. Kelly	JoAnn Squyers
Nancy LaFosse	Cecelia T. Byers	Linda Holt
June Nesrsta	Frank Nesrsta	Maxine Hester
Ollie Smith	Durward Smith	Beverly Wolfe
Esther Merle Martin	Geneva Connally	Elva Radicke
Mildred Lewey	Gertrude Krienke	Minnie M. Galvan
Pauline McDaniel	Irene B. Salinas	June Bell
Priss Whitlock	Jean Smith	

98 Additional Signers

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Garland, there's a discrepancy in your report compared to what's in the Advanced Report. Grand Choir, would you sing us a song while they're clarifying it. [singing by Grand Choir of "How Great Thou Art"] Thank you, Grand Choir. That was absolutely beautiful.

I recognize Brother Lee Stallings.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, if you look at resolution 2 in the last "Be it resolved," it says, "Be it resolved, that the Grand Chapter of Texas membership and all Subordinate Chapter members be allowed to wear pantsuits to Chapter meetings," the Jurisprudence Committee interpreted Grand Chapter of Texas members as members of the Subordinate Chapters. However, we did not make this legislation or present it. We believe that the fair way to have it explained is ask the maker of this resolution to come to the microphone and to explain their intent. Sisters and Brothers, we'd ask that you listen to the maker, as the person explains their intent. If there is still confusion, we would suggest that the verbiage be amended and we would allow time to do that so that everybody understands exactly what you're voting on. I appreciate the fact that our Parliamentarian called this to our attention. Certainly we want to make sure that the membership understands what they're voting on and what the impact of that might be. So would the maker come forward, please. Or if the maker is not here, one of

those that signed it I guess would be the second best.

**MRS. GAY CARNES:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Gay Carnes, a Past Matron of Boerne Chapter #200. Our intent was – there’s no rules really in the Grand Chapter of Texas right now that tell us we can or can’t wear pantsuits. Usually Worthy Grand Matrons make the ruling every year that they don’t want members of Subordinate Chapters or even a Grand Chapter to wear pantsuits. Our intent was that we wanted the Grand Chapter of Texas Officers and Members refrain from imposing rules or regulations regarding what Subordinate Chapter members wear to Chapter meetings and instead allow Subordinate Chapters to make their own dress code. Is that – was that the one you were having problems with, the first “Be it resolved, that the Grand Chapter of Texas membership and all Subordinate Chapter members be allowed to wear pantsuits to Chapter meetings”?

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Sister Janice, are you saying this – so there’ll be no confusion – that it’s up to the Subordinate Chapters to decide yea or nay whether they do this?

**MRS. GAY CARNES:** Yes, ma’am.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Is that what you’re saying?

**MRS. GAY CARNES:** Yes, ma’am.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** All right.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Sisters and Brothers, we’re going to let you determine whether or not you’re okay with that explanation and you’re ready to move forward. So, Worthy Grand Matron, do you want to ask the membership if they’re ready to move forward?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, are you comfortable with the explanation that was given in regards to Resolution No. 2? If you are in favor of the description of what was said on the floor, raise your green card. Opposed. If you are not comfortable with it, raise your green card. Passed.

Now we will go back to discussion on Resolution No. 2. I see the Gentleman in the South.

**MR. TOBY LYTLE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Toby Lytle, Worthy Patron of Spring Chapter #1105. I’ve had the great privilege during my working career to see many, many changes within the workplace. When I first started working, ladies wore hats and gloves to work; men wore suits, most of them wore hats. Down through the years many, many changes came about: wide lapels, narrow lapels, hemlines up and down. But nothing – nothing changed the workplace like Casual Fridays, which became Casual Thursdays and Fridays, and then became Casual Week. The workplace became casual, the output of the worker became casual, and it became a mess. During those times it was a privilege to go to Eastern Star meetings where ladies dressed as ladies, acted as ladies and were respected as such. [applause] If you, the members, pass this resolution, you’re one meeting away from pedal pushers and flip-flops. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I will remind you that each speaker will only be allowed three minutes. The Member in the North.

**MRS. GLADYS BRUCE COX:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Gladys Bruce Cox, an Affiliated Past Matron of Texas City Chapter #626. Now I do not object to women wearing pantsuits or dresses, but I do object to women or men wearing shorts in their Grand Chapter meetings. Now if you look at the last one there, it says in any – and I will read it – “allow Subordinate Chapters to make their own dress code,” which means you could

have women coming there in shorts, in bathing suits or any other attire. Now, you know at installation I have seen women across the room that are not members and they cross their legs, and I don't even have to tell you what happens. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. CORA FERGUSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Cora Ferguson, Worthy Matron of Cypress Chapter #1102. When I joined this organization over 45 years ago, I joined it because it was a ladies' organization. Our founder founded this organizations as a ladies'. Ladies has never changed; they will never change. Our dress is what changes us. Yes, there is a place for pants to be worn, but not in a Chapter room because when we walk in a Lodge room, we are disrespecting our Brother Masons, and that's the way I feel. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. JANICE LANGFORD:** Worthy Grand Matron, Janice Langford, Past Matron, Huffman 1112. Many other Grand Jurisdictions allow members to wear pantsuits to Chapter. Pantsuits are proper business attire. Proper business attire is not Casual Friday. Our Order is declining in membership and decreasing in attendance. We should encourage, rather than discourage, attendance. It is unrealistic to deny members attendance to Chapter meetings because of outdated dress codes. Those who wear pantsuits professionally, and those who for physical reasons need to wear pantsuits, should be welcomed to attend Chapter meetings. For the benefit and comfort of our members, I urge you to vote for this resolution. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. RHONDA SUMNER HOLLAND:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Rhonda Sumner Holland. I'm a Past Matron of Farmers Branch Chapter #687. Over thirty years ago as a freshman in high school, the young women of my time had to fight for the right to wear pantsuits to school. I remember well the matching polyester plaid – top and bottom – that my mother made for me. Over twenty years ago as an Associate Conductress, I had a brand new silk blouse that I wanted to wear to a tea. I only had a pair of slacks that matched. I chose to wear a pair of pants to a tea honoring our Grand Officers, but after some constructive advice from some Past Matrons, I would not dream now of wearing pants to an Eastern Star tea again. And I can tell you which Past Matron corrected me on that, she's in this room.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** No names.

**MRS. RHONDA SUMNER HOLLAND:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Sisters and Brothers: I love to wear pants; however, I am opposed to this resolution. Women wearing pants in our Chapter rooms during our ritualistic work destroys the solemnity of our work. If we pass this resolution, by this time next Grand Chapter, pantsuits will have transitioned into blue jeans, Dockers or Capris. Please, Sisters and Brothers, let us remember how our mothers and fathers have taught their daughters to dress. Let us respect how our Founder, Brother Rob Morris, envisioned our beautiful, ritualistic work to be. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. GAY CARNES:** Worthy Grand Matron, I am Gay Carnes, a Past Matron of Bourne Chapter #200. I am for the resolution. Does it really matter what a person wears?

**VOICES:** Yes.

**MRS. GAY CARNES:** I believe we look too much on the physical makeup of a

person versus what's in a person's heart. This organization to me is based on charity and benevolent work and cementing the bonds of brotherly love, not a beauty contest. Many people today are involved in high tech endeavors and do not want to take the time to adhere to our dress policies. I asked one of our members recently why she did not come to Chapter anymore. She was once one of our active members. She is involved in all types of community activities and a business woman. She said, "Gay, I work in pantsuits every day, and I'm not about to go home and change just to go to a Chapter meeting." We recently initiated a woman who had to purchase a dress to get initiated because she did not own one. Our own members don't come to Chapter because they are expected to wear dresses. We are losing our members and not gaining membership because of our outdated ideas of what is proper dress for our organization. We are not a school that must have a dress code, so we should stop treating our members like children who need to be told what to wear. Chapters know what our members' needs and desires are. This is something Grand Chapter needs to step out of. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. LAURA STONE:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Laura Stone. I'm a Past Matron of Mesquite Chapter #87. My issue is not necessarily with the pantsuits themselves, but if we leave it up to the Subordinate Chapters to decide their own dress code – and my Chapter, for example, decides we are not going to be able to wear pants, and another Chapter decides that they are, and they come to visit our Chapter in pants, do we turn them away and hurt their feelings? Do we allow them in, which then violates our own law? That's my issue. I think it would be better – I think it would hurt feelings more for people to be turned away from a meeting when they want to go visit and have fellowship than it would be for just – nip it in the bud and say no pantsuits at all. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the North.

**MRS. IRIS STONE LOWE:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Iris Stone Lowe, Past Matron of Brazoria Chapter 74 and Clute City Chapter 1011, who is now consolidated. I move the previous question. [applause]

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** My turn to explain again. Isn't that wonderful? You have moved the previous question. Does anyone object to my making an explanation? If so, I'm sorry. The previous question has been moved. Is there a second?

**VOICE:** Second.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** It has been moved and seconded. Your presiding officer will ask if all are in favor. If all are in favor of ordering the previous question, then debate will stop and she will take a vote, affirmatively and negatively, on this resolution.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we will be voting with your green card. All in favor of stopping the debate. Opposed. Carried. Passed.

Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Resolution No. 2. All those in favor, would you please raise your green card. Down. All those opposed. Resolution No. 2 fails. [applause]

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Worthy Grand Matron, with your permission I'd like to thank the membership for their indulgence, for their being prepared and voting their conscience and exercising their responsibility as members of Grand Chapter. I'd like to recap for you very quickly the amendments that were approved, defeated and withdrawn. The amendments approved were amendments number 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21. Those amendments that were defeated are amendments 2, 3, 5 and

12, along with resolutions 1 and 2. Amendments withdrawn was amendment number 4.

At this time there is no unfinished legislation to be carried over to the 2006 Grand Chapter session. Worthy Grand Matron, this concludes the report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you very much. We have some members outside who failed to bring their green card to vote. With the concurrence of Jurisprudence, we're going to allow them to come in, because they are members, but they just will not be able to vote.

I do want to remind the Assisting Grand Sentinels and Grand Warders that the 2004 green dues card is permissible to come in on with their badge. They may come in on that. You are allowed to use last year's card.

I would like to invite Brother Jack Beall, Chairman of the Board of Directors, to bring their report. I also would like to ask our Worthy Grand Patron if he would preside at this time.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I'm sorry, let me retract that. Sisters and Brothers, we did have some unfinished business from yesterday. With the assistance of Brother Lee, I'm going to let him bring this to you.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Yesterday at our session there was a Worthy Grand Matron Recommendation with regard to a financial study committee. There has been an amendment to that recommendation that has been presented in proper form. Basically it says the following, "I propose that we accept the amendment with the following addition. Delete the named committee and allow the incoming Worthy Grand Matron authority to appoint the committee." It was signed by Nancy Brown and Nelson Campbell. We find it in proper form and ready for action of this Grand Chapter.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Is there any discussion on this? Go to the microphone so we can hear you.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Worthy Grand Matron, I heard her, if I may answer. Is that okay?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, sir.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** What she asked, is it an amendment. It's not an amendment; it's the Worthy Grand Matron's recommendation for the financial study committee. It's the one where 2,000 copies were handed our yesterday afternoon. It's a recommendation of the Worthy Grand Matron, not legislation.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a Brother in the North.

**MR. JOHN FOWLER:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm John Fowler, Worthy Patron, Fairfield Chapter #331. I'm in favor of your recommendation, but I have a question, please, that I need some clarification on. You said that increases in the number of 50-year award recipients who no longer have to pay dues have resulted in decreases in funds available to the Subordinate Chapters and the amount of per capita income received by Grand Chapter. I believe that Article 267, paragraphs E, 2 and 3, say that members awarded 50-year memberships prior to October 31st, 1991, are exempt from dues. Those who qualify for the receipt of a 50-year membership certificate after October 31st, 1991, will be subject to the payment of dues. Chapters may vote to remit their dues, but the Chapter still has to pay the per capita tax. So the number of members who don't have to pay dues will continue to decline, not increase.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you for that correction. We have Sister Nancy in the South.

**MRS. NANCY BROWN:** Worthy Grand Matron, an explanation. I would just like to tell the membership that I was not aware of this recommendation until it was presented yesterday. I do feel this is something that we need to do. I think it would be very beneficial to our Grand Chapter. But not having had the opportunity to study it ahead of time, I talked with our Worthy Grand Matron this morning and she assured me that the names listed for her committee were simply recommendations, but I didn't feel that the members took it that way. So I would just like to have it verified that the committee could be appointed, once we have time to study everything that's listed there.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes.

**MRS. NANCY BROWN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** You're welcome, Nancy. Sisters and Brothers, please listen. I'm trying to get this straight, too. We're going to be voting on the amendment – to the correction that was just made to the recommendation that our Brother just gave us where it says declining membership, and I had “increases” where it should be “decreases.” We need to vote on that first if you are in agreement. All those in favor of accepting the amendment to the recommendation, raise your green card. Opposed. Carried.

Sisters and Brothers, now we need to vote on the recommendation that Brother Lee Stallings just read to you. Do you understand? They don't. Brother Lee –

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Worthy Grand Matron.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, sir.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Worthy Grand Matron, are we getting ready to vote on your recommendation is what you're suggesting?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, sir, as amended.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** I wish to discuss briefly, once we're ready to consider the recommendation – is that at the level we are right now is my question.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes, sir. I was going to get into –

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Okay. I'm going to step back.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Just as a clarification so everybody understands. What we're voting on now is the amendment that I read. It basically allows the incoming Worthy Grand Matron to appoint the committee. We need to vote on that first, and if approved, then we will vote on the amended recommendation. If that's approved, we're finished. Any questions on that before we move forward?

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Yes, sir. On that issue, the last page – in looking at it, where the list was, it says, “Suggest a committee.” So does that mean that that – with what we're presenting or voting on, that will be the committee –

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** No, sir.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** – or what you're meaning now is we're just going to eliminate those recommendations for consideration or let her – our incoming – make the decisions, period?

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Brother Richard, actually what you said there in the latter piece is correct. This amendment would allow the incoming Worthy Grand Matron to appoint the committee, which could very well be the same people, although the people that were suggested here would not be included if this is amended as proposed.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Okay. Thank you very kindly. I'm just wanting to be sure that whatever we're doing, we're keeping – where we can discuss the recommendation to form a committee, and not lose that. I don't care how it ends up who. So I'll step back and wait till we discuss the real issue.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Okay. Thank you for your comments, Richard.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, we are going to be voting on the amendment on the recommendation as proposed, that Brother Lee gave to you this morning, which is basically deleting the named committee that I recommended – suggested and to allow the Associate Grand Matron – incoming Worthy Grand Matron to name her committee to do this recommendation. Any question? All those in favor of this amended recommendation, hold up your green card. Opposed. Motion carried.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. The amendment that Sister Nancy submitted, you have voted on. Now we will open for debate the original resolution, as amended. Don't forget, you have the amendment to add that was presented. Now, your Worthy Grand Matron will ask for discussion on the resolution as amended. That's what you'll be discussing and voting on.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, is there any discussion? I recognize the Brother in the North.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I am Richard Ochs, Past Patron of Amarillo 787. I definitely support the recommendation that we do get a committee identified to where we can possibly increase our income from our investments so the Chapters can benefit too overall. I had the privilege of being a trustee in the mid eighties when Sister Alma, our Past Grand Matron – Sister Alma Carter – come on the board, and there was many conglomerate banks acquiring smaller banks, through which the trustees at the time were investing about \$100,000 at a time because they were remaining federally insured. And if the conglomerate banks – then it started exposing some of the money, so we got involved with a trust. Our trust people currently are not making as much money for us for our investments as, for instance, the Grand Lodge. And we need someone who can improve this, at least look into it, to where we can improve our financial situation. We ended up with substantially less money than I would have ever expected on the home – what transpired. And as many of you are aware, I was not in agreement with some things that went on. I do encourage that we as a membership allow some changes to progress to a point to where we can possibly increase our income to put us in a better situation and not have our monies exposed like they currently may be. We did not have much income on Home Endowment – I mean – on Home Endowment or any of those funds this year. I just hope that our membership is willing to consider us trying to move forward a step as we tried to do back twenty years ago. We needed a lot more input in past years. But thank you very kindly for your patience.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the South.

**MR. JACK BEALL:** Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Jack Beall, Past Patron, Farris 508. I am currently chairman of the Board of Directors. It is our responsibility to take care of the finances of this great Order. And in that token, we have made steps this year in progressing with our finances. We have gone back to our trust companies. Currently we have cut our fees in half of what they were previously. This will help our smaller accounts as we have everything under one umbrella for fee purposes only. We are also working towards bringing legislation to this Grand Chapter in 2006, as Brother Richard has spoken



of, of how our hands are tied in how this money is used and taken care of. We have a 20 percent limit in equities on our (c)(8). This is our largest endowment. Twenty percent equities. We have a progress report for the last ten years, that at 50 percent we would be gaining considerably from what we have. Right now our hands are tied due to the rules and regulations of this Grand Chapter. I appreciate your consideration, and trust your Board of Directors.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the South.

**MR. DWAYNE MASSERANG:** Worthy Grand Matron, Dwayne Masserang, a Past Patron of A.E. Shirley Chapter #986 and a member of the Board of Directors. This recommendation is a good thing, but I think that the Board of Directors has the expertise available on that board to handle our finances as directed in the constitution by this Grand Chapter. It's kind of ironic, but day before yesterday I was talking to Brother David Dibrell about this situation and that the Board of Directors was looking at our finances very carefully and was trying to find a way where we could increase the income on our monies that we have in this trust. And I would think that the Board of Directors should be able to appoint a committee with people that are qualified in finances to take care of this situation that we're talking about right now. I would encourage the membership to let the Board of Directors do the job that they are elected to do. Thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. SHARON REYNOLDS:** Worthy Grand Matron, my name is Sharon Reynolds, and I am a Past Matron of Velasco Chapter #220. I am in favor of this recommendation. I personally in my job handle millions and millions and millions of dollars every day. I personally have an advisory committee. You have to learn to look outside of the box to invest the money for safety, security, and yield is the last thing you want to see. Your recommendation is something that has been needed for years. It is not a reflection on a bad job done by any individual. It is merely a recommendation, and this Chapter should consider, we're not looking at today or tomorrow, we're looking at years from now. We have Past Grand Matrons sitting in the East who have many, many years. What are we going to do for those sitting in the East now and for our young coming behind us, if we do not take the time to look outside the box? In dealing with money, there are many tricksters in the business. If you are not aware – which I do teach classes on investments – if you are not aware what is out there, you can be tricked. We could do so much, invest our money, lose our principal or we would wait years and years and years to never get our principal in whole or maybe never earn interest. That is not what we need to do in this Grand Chapter. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** We have a Member in the North.

**MRS. DARLA DUNAWAY:** I am Darla Dunaway, Past Matron, Mansfield Chapter #876. I would like to invite the membership to explore this possibility. This is a recommendation for a study. It is not tying hands of what to do with our money for the next year. It's simply looking, as she said, outside the box as to what would be best for Grand Chapter for our financial future. We have had investments in the past that were over \$1 million that did earn \$40 in a month's time. \$40 on a million-dollar investment is not a very wise investment. What our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have proposed is that we simply study this and see if we're doing what is best. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Member in the South.

**MRS. NAOMI WOLFE:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. My name is Naomi Wolfe, and I'm the Worthy Matron of Andral Van Chapter #741. Of course I'm in favor of this recommendation. I just wanted to address the Board of Trustees that they need to understand that they do not appoint committees. That's what our Worthy Grand Matron does, and that's what she's here for. They need to follow along with some of the suggestions that you all have as the leadership of this Grand Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

I move for the question.

**THE PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Sister Naomi, I'm not taking anything away, but I was hoping everybody would look and read this next to the explanative, "Therefore, the Worthy Grand Matron" – and you accepted an amendment by Sister Nancy Brown, who we hope will be the next Worthy Grand Matron. "I hereby appoint a financial" – the word is "study" – "study committee." You're not actually appointing a committee, a special committee, an ad hoc committee of any kind. You're appointing a study committee; is that understandable?

**VOICES:** Yes.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I recognize the Brother in the North.

**MR. TOBY LYTLE:** I'm Toby Lytle, Worthy Patron of Spring Chapter 1105. I'd like for the membership to look at page 44 in the Advanced Report under total endowed membership. We have \$1,927,000 that earned \$11,988 in a year. That's less than .6 percent.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Brother Toby, I'm sorry. Sister Naomi had moved for the question. I'll have to stop you because we do need to take a vote. I'm sorry.

Just one moment. Sisters and Brothers, you are about to vote on the amended recommendation – wait just a moment – oh, I'm sorry. We have a motion to stop the debate. All those in favor, raise your green card. All those opposed. It passed.

Now we are going to vote on the amended recommendation to appoint a financial study committee to study and report on the money management needs of the Texas Grand Chapter. Is that clear? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Carried. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to ask you to be seated. I do have some election results to bring to you. We do not have an election on two categories, but what I will do is give you the names of everybody on ballot A, and then we will have to ballot again on ballot B. I will ask you that you do not display any uproar about who has won an election. It is very unfair to the other candidate. When all is completed and we finish the second ballot, then I will introduce you to all of the newly elected members to those offices.

For Associate Grand Conductress, we do not have an election. Number of votes cast - 2,213. Number of votes to win - 1,107. Mary Ruth White - 682 votes; Sandra Perdue - 585 votes; Joyce Nicklas - 946 votes.

The Board of Directors of District 4, we do have an election. Number of votes cast - 2,203. Number of votes to win - 1,102. Jim Pierce - 688 votes. Terri Rozzell - 1,515 votes. Terri Rozzell is the winner of that election.

Board of Grand Examiners for District 1, we do not have an election. Number of votes cast - 2,195. Number of votes to win - 1,098. Elizabeth Grayson - 390 votes; Linda Puckett - 1,093; Abi Freeman - 712 votes. For the Board of Grand Examiners, District 1, we will drop Elizabeth Grayson's name.

For the Board of Grand Examiners of District 3, we have an election. Number of votes

cast - 2,192. Number of votes to win - 1,097. Cheryl Albrecht - 1,030; Annette Curry - 1,162. Annette Curry is the winner.

The Board of Grand Examiners At Large, we have an election. Number of votes cast - 2,177. Number of votes to win - 1,089. Vicki Hertenberger - 1,413; the write-in candidate, Janice Hoffman - 764. Vicki Hertenberger is the winner for the Board of Grand Examiners At Large.

Sisters and Brothers, as I said, please do not give any emotion at this time. We now will go to ballot B. For the Associate Grand Conductress you will be dropping the name of Sandra Perdue. For the Board of Grand Examiners of District 1, you will drop Elizabeth Grayson.

Sister Grand Warder, you will see that the doors to this Chapter room are closed so that this membership will be able to vote.

**GRAND WARDER:** Brother Grand Sentinel, you will inform the Assisting Warders and Sentinels that we're about to cast our ballots.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assisting Grand Warders and Assisting Grand Sentinels, we are about to cast out ballot, and you are directed to permit no one to enter or leave the Chapter room while we're in progress.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. I now declare this ballot open. Will the Pages please pick up the ballot boxes.

You can begin picking up the ballots.

At this time I will ask the Registration Committee if they will come forward and bring their report.

**REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**MRS. LYNN KEARNEY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers,

I would like to thank all who helped me with registration before and during Grand Chapter. We trust our best services have proven acceptable.

Voting Delegates Pre-Registrations	1907
Non-Voting Pre-Registrations	384
Voting Delegates registered since Pre-registration closed	174
Non-voting Members registered since Pre-registration closed	95
<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS</b>	<b>2560</b>

Which includes:

Visitors registered (other Grand Jurisdictions) 154 from 25 Jurisdictions

Less: Exempt from Registration Fees:

TMR	5
MWGM & MWGP	2

**TOTAL REGISTRATIONS WITH FEES** **2553**

Total Registration Fees Collected:	
2553 X \$10.00 =	\$25,530
Donation	\$ 10
 Total Monies Deposited	 \$ <u>25,540</u>

Respectfully submitted by the Registration Committee:

Chairman: Lynn Kearney  
 District 1: Charlotte Soape  
 Marty Drescher  
 District 2: Flora Maserang  
 Norma Graham  
 District 3: Steve Koehn  
 Martha Heffington  
 Barbara Martin  
 District 4: Jane Wert  
 District 5: Joe Nance  
 Bobie Welch

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Lynn Kearney  
 Chairman, Registration

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Before we vote to accept her report, have we checked with First Aid? Is Credentials inside the room now? Have the Sentinels outside the door come in to vote? Sisters and Brothers, I just don't want anyone to lose their vote. Brother Jerry, has everyone voted? I can't hear you. They have. Thank you. I declare the ballot closed. The first five Pages with ballots, if you'll go to table 1, the next five to table 2, the next five to table 3 and the balance to table 4 and deposit them on those tables.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, while they're doing that: Sisters and Brothers, this motion comes from a Committee and needs no second. You have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Registration Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Motion carried. Sisters and Brothers, would you please show these members your appreciation for their hard work. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, I'm going to ask the Board of Directors – Brother Jack Beall – if he will – Sister Grand Warder, the doors may be opened. Sisters and Brothers, this is Brother Jack Beall, who is Chairman of the Board of Directors. He does need to give a report to you, so please listen carefully.

Worthy Grand Patron, will you preside.

**MR. JACK BEALL:** Sisters and Brothers, if you would like to follow along with me, my report starts on page 51. I do have a supplement to it that you do not have.

**REPORT NO. 1  
 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and

Brothers All.

I'm Jack Beall, a Past Patron of Ferris Chapter No. 508 and Chairman, Board of Directors from District I.

It is my honor and pleasure to introduce the members of the Board of Directors:

Raul Garcia – Vice Chairman from District 5  
Jo Ann Snow – Secretary from District 3  
Gary Steele – Member from District 1  
Dwayne Maserang – Member from District 2  
Al Casparis – Member from District 2  
Jayne Yenger – Member from District 3  
Forrest Smith – Member from District 4  
Mickie Campbell – Member from District 4  
Lori Goldman – Member from District 5

Words cannot express adequately my appreciation for these nine Board Members. Each has contributed his or her own expertise and knowledge and, collectively, they have faced each issue and rendered good sound decisions. A strong bond of respect and friendship has evolved from their hard work.

The first meeting is required at Grand Chapter after the new Board Members are elected. We elected our officers, welcomed the new members and Benevolent Aid was taken care of. We had seven scheduled meetings on the calendar. We cancelled the June meeting and moved the January meeting to Killeen to coincide with the Conference and had a called meeting in December. Our meetings are listed in the Worthy Grand Matron's Calendar, the Yearbook, The Official Bulletin and on the Grand Chapter Web Site.

We welcome all members to attend our meetings and are grateful to know that there are members taking an interest in the business of Grand Chapter. We are thankful for the support you have shown to the members of the Board.

Several presentations were made to the Board at various meetings. The Bank One Trust Officers reviewed our investments and accounts. All bank accounts under the 501(c)3 can be used only for the care of our ladies. All 501(c)8 accounts belong to the Grand Chapter of Texas. Our auditors presented the audit from November 1, 2003 - October 31, 2004 and made recommendations for improved performance. Our insurance agent explained the insurance coverage after the sale of the Home, and recommended what is needed for the preparations for the new office and museum.

The Board of Directors and the Corporate Board closed on the contract with One Prime, L.P. submitted and approved by Grand Chapter in Corpus Christi. The contract was signed January 11, 2005 for \$3.5 million, less realtor fees, closing cost and a \$700,000.00 one year note at 5% interest due January 11, 2006. One Prime, L.P. had to make a loan to complete the first payment. The bank required a 1st lien to make the loan. We were asked to subordinate to a 2nd lien. We requested and obtained a personal guarantee for this balance. A payment was received January 13, 2005 for \$2,663,525.00. Fifteen percent (15%) of the \$2,663,525.00 was placed in a separate account for relocation expenses, automating Grand Chapter records pertaining to the sale and move including packing and storing museum items and other items located in the existing buildings; this amount was \$399,528.75. The remaining \$2,263,996.25 was placed in an undesignated sub-account of the C-8 Endowment. The interest will be placed in the General Fund to supplement

Benevolent Projects including but not limited to our own members, Chapters in financial need, local benevolence, worthwhile community needs and educational purposes, office expenses and archiving existing records and automating records.

I would like to thank our attorney, Randy Thompson and realtor, Jim Hobbs, for their expertise and services. They were compensated for their services but they went above and beyond to complete the sale.

The Committee from the Board of Directors, Worthy Grand Matron, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Secretary and Henry Martin, met several times to finalize the plans for the new state office and museum that will be built at Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC) in Arlington.

The board approved the purchase of a 12' x 24' storage building and an enclosed 16' trailer for Grand Chapter paraphernalia. Insurance was obtained and they were placed at TMRC.

The museum and collectable contents from the Home were moved to climate control on January 28, 2005. The bricks from the "Walkway of Reflection" were offered to the membership. The remaining bricks were loaded and stacked behind the storage building at TMRC to be used in some way at the new office. The contents from the storage room in the pavilion of Grand Chapter paraphernalia was moved and placed in the storage building.

The Board accepted the offer from Prime One, L. P. for the remaining contents of the property, excluding the Administration Office, for \$10,000.00. This money was placed in the OES Retirement Fund (501c3).

We transferred the utilities, cut the insurance and then set insurance to cover the Administration Office and contents. We are paying \$500.00 a month to lease the office for a year. Our time of lease and move will depend on the City of Arlington purchase and the construction of the new building at TMRC.

The archiving of Grand Chapter permanent records has been completed.

We have four applications in progress to enter Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC) through our Order.

We now have 21 ladies that we provide care for at TMRC at an average cost of \$53,000.00 per month. Ruth Lierly passed away February 18, 2005.

We are privileged to have our Grand Secretary, Nell Smith Drenner, and our Grand Treasurer, Betty Prater, in attendance at all our meetings. We owe them our heartfelt thanks and our gratitude for their dedication to Grand Chapter and for their invaluable assistance to the Board. Thanks to both of you.

We are grateful for our appointed secretary, Ann Kelly, for her service and dedication to the Board of Directors. We are thankful to have you as part of our group.

We do not want to overlook the Grand Secretary's office staff for their continued work and dedication to our Order and to the membership. They are always willing to lend a helping hand. Thank you all.

The Board welcomed many visitors at our meetings. Our deepest appreciation is extended to the elected Grand Line Officers and Grand Chapter members for their interest in the work of the Board and for their attendance at many of our meetings.

To the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: Thank you for the service you have given to the Grand Chapter and your interest in the Board's business. Our hope is that you enjoyed your travels and the membership. Thank you for selecting Ann Kelly

as our appointed secretary.

To the Grand Secretary: You are in your second year and there have been many challenges you have met and conquered. No one can be more grateful than I for all of your assistance to me and the Board this year. May God bless you and George.

To the Grand Treasurer: Sister Betty, your genteel way has been refreshing in white-capped water. We certainly thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May God bless you and Don.

To the Members of the Board of Directors: Grand Chapter may have elected you to the Board, but I appreciate all you have done during the changes in Grand Chapter. You have worked long hours, moving contents of the property, museum items, cataloging and Board meetings. The membership does not realize all that has been asked of you and how efficient you have been. Friendships and admirations have been established. God has blessed me by having all of you. Thank you.

To the retiring board members: Sister Jo Ann, you started with the Benevolent Board and will complete your service on the Board of Directors. You have brought knowledge and compassion with you. Retire, knowing our appreciation for what you have accomplished the past 5 years. Brother Forrest, this is not the first time we have served together and probably will not be the last. Know your diligence will always be appreciated. You may be a country boy; may God bless us with more country boys like you.

To the Membership of Texas: Thank you for having elected me to the service of our Grand Chapter through the Board. The last four years have been a learning experience of the business of Grand Chapter. As members of Grand Chapter, we are asked to vote on matters that affect us now and in the future, read, study all legislation, be a good voter and understand what you are voting. I covet your prayers for my fifth year on the Board and any future service. May God bless the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star.

Fraternally submitted,  
Jack C. Beall, Chairman

### **SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. 1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

In your Advance Annual Report, there is a generalization of the Board of Directors Report No. 1 on Page 51. This report was closed May 31, 2005 due to the printing deadline.

The Board asked the Bank One Trust Officers to return to the Board of Directors with ways to reduce our Trust Fees and increase interest earned on our accounts. At the July Board Meeting, the Bank Officers returned with permission from Bank One to combine all of our accounts into one for fee calculation only. This will reduce our trust fees, especially the smaller accounts.

The Board Representatives and the Grand Secretary met with Pinnacle Consulting, Land Procurement Company for the City of Arlington. Grand Chapter, as a tenant of One Prime, LP, was informed by Pinnacle that we are entitled to receive compensation for relocation of the Grand Chapter Office and the Grand Secretary once. The condemnation has started in the area and we are keeping a watch over the development of the land buy out. Pinnacle has informed us that they would try to let us stay till the last minute.

Hopefully we will only have to move once.

The construction at Texas Masonic Retirement Center (TMRC) has not started due to the illness of the architect and permits from the City of Arlington.

Grand Chapter now has the CD's with all the archived records and will be preparing the permanent records for storage in the near future. Using the CD's will help make it easier for the Grand Chapter Office to retrieve information. The Board approved the use of \$3,100.00 from the \$10,000.00 in the Contingency Fund. This was to replace the air conditioner for the Grand Secretary's apartment, above the Grand Chapter Office.

Lamesa Chapter No. 363 received a bequest from a demitted member. The Chapter purchased 40 Endowed Membership to all members of their Chapter who were not Endowed or Fifty Year Members.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Excuse me, Brother Jack. If everybody would be seated for just a moment. I know that it's not normally done, but this is important because, as I said, I did not want anyone to lose their vote who was working in the Grand Chapter session. This gentleman has been working in my First Aid room. This is Dr. Fred Quinzer. He has been working very hard; he set that room up for me. We had radios going back and forth so he would be aware that we were getting ready to take a ballot. However, as you know, mechanical things fail. He was not aware of us taking the second ballot. I would like your permission, if you would allow this gentleman – since they are still counting the ballots – to allow him his vote. [applause] Opposed. Carried. Sisters and Brothers, I cannot say enough for who you are and what you are. Brother Fred, if you will, on the Associate Grand Conductress, we dropped the name of Sandra Perdue, and on the Grand Examiner for District 1 we dropped the name of Elizabeth Grayson. So the other names are those who – whichever you would select. If you would, take your ballot and I will have a Page pick it up. Thank you.

I'm sorry, Brother Jack. If you'll continue.

**MR. JACK BEALL:** The remaining \$5,000 was donated to the Educational Fund. We appreciate their benevolent donation to our Order.

The Board approved George, Morgan & Sneed, PC, to audit our records for November 1, 2004 to August 31, 2005. Respectfully submitted, Jack C. Beall, Chairman, Board of Directors.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move adoption of Report No. 1 of the Board of Directors.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 1 of the Board of Directors. Sisters and Brothers, this motion requires no second. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed, same sign. Motion carried.

**MR. JACK BEALL:** I would like to introduce Brother Raul Garcia to bring Report No. 2.

**REPORT NO. 2 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
STATUS OF TMRC RESIDENTS  
501c(3) OES RETIREMENT FUND  
501c(8) OES GENERAL FUND**

**MR. RAUL GARCIA:** Thank you, Brother Jack.



Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, My Sisters and Brothers: I guess, by now, I don't have to convince anyone that our Ladies at TMRC are receiving excellent care. Just read the "Home Happenings" in the bulletin and you will be impressed with all the activities and outings that they enjoy. They are not only living longer, but their quality of life has been greatly improved.

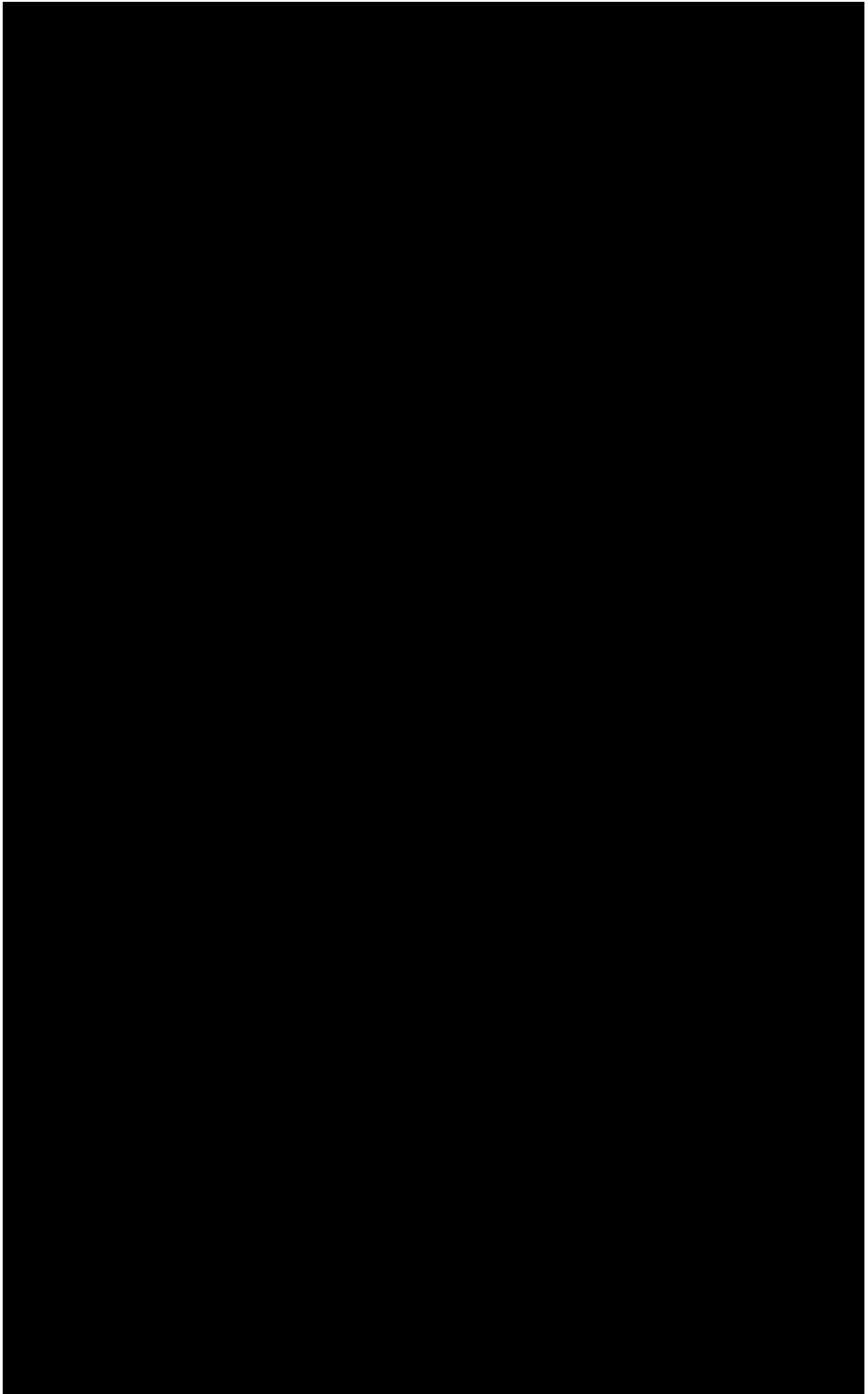
This report covers the period from October 31, 2005 to August 1, 2005. We started with 22 residents – 9 in the clinic and 13 in independent living. We are currently working on four new applications, one of which, we expect to finalize during this Grand Chapter. Unfortunately, we lost one resident, but with the new resident, we will again have 22 residents at TMRC.

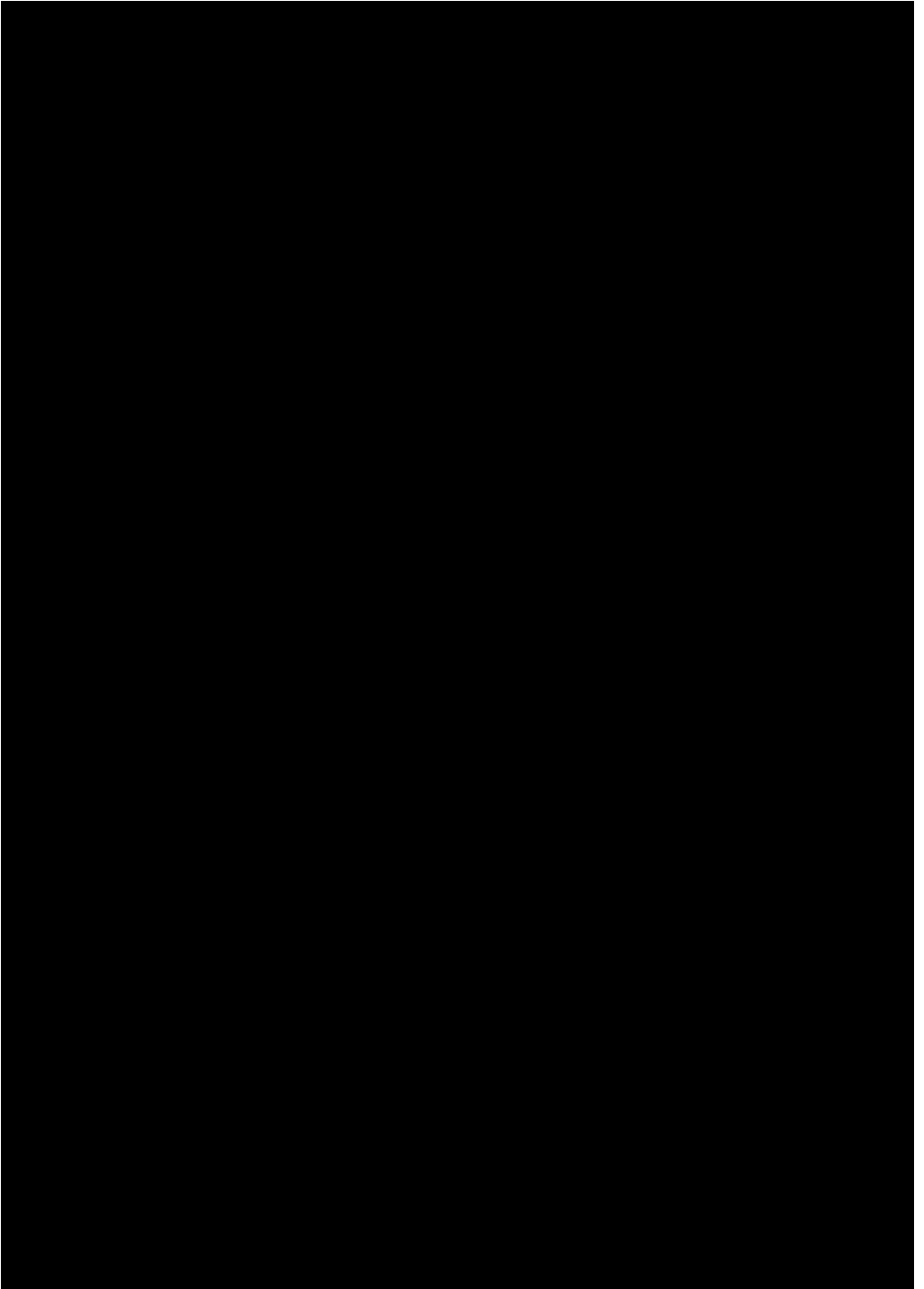
The cost to keep one resident in independent living is now \$40.36 per day or \$14,731 per year, while the cost for clinic care is \$149.89 per day or \$54,710 per year. These costs have continued to rise, primarily because of increases in medical care.

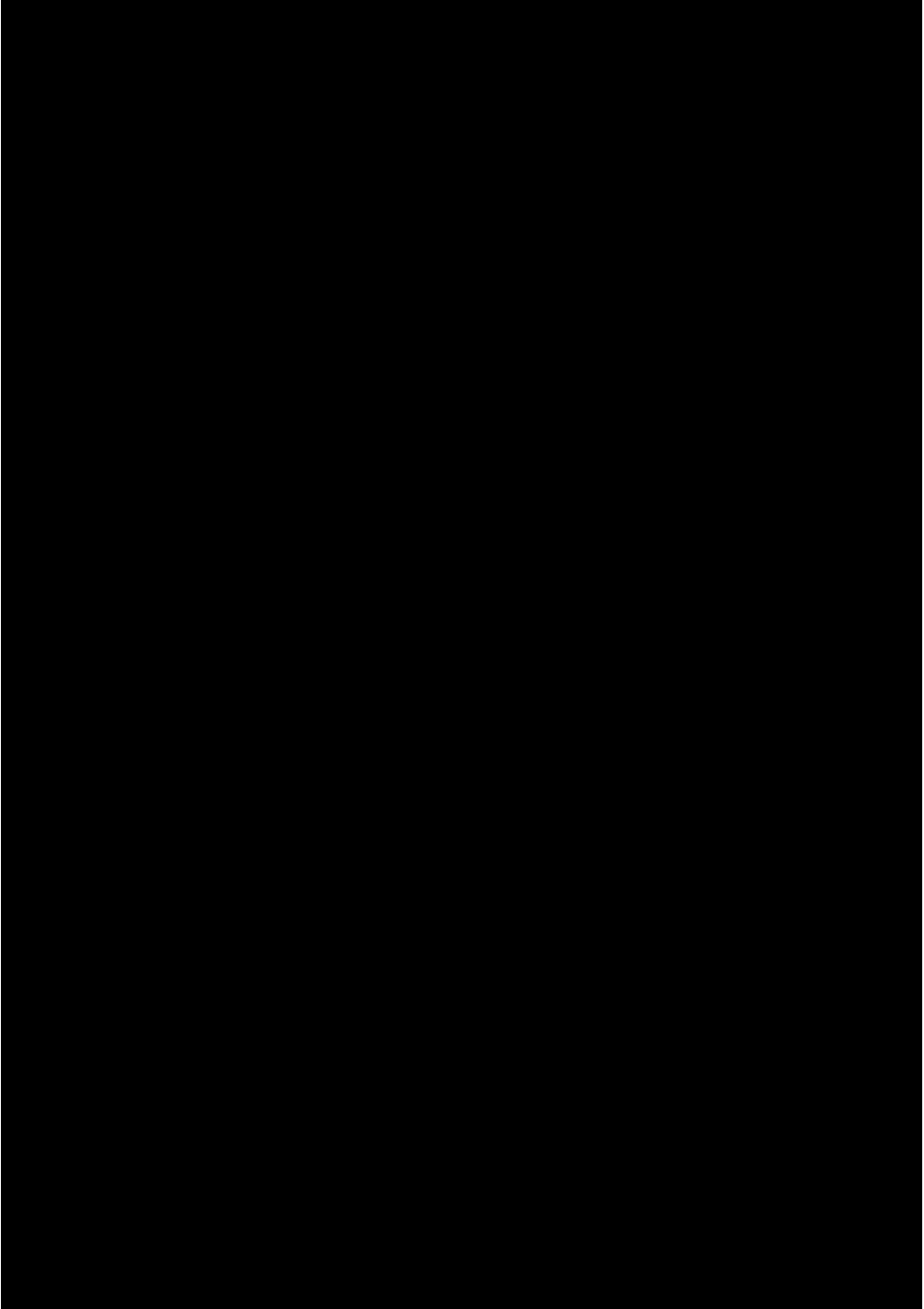
Allow me now to tell you about the two major budgets we deal with. The first is the 501c(3) or OES Retirement Fund which can only be sued to support our Ladies. It is printed in the Advanced Annual Reports on page 54. We anticipate revenues of \$790,963 with expenses of about \$778,655. We have a potential surplus of \$12,308. As you can see, our overall costs to support our Ladies are easily funded by this budget.

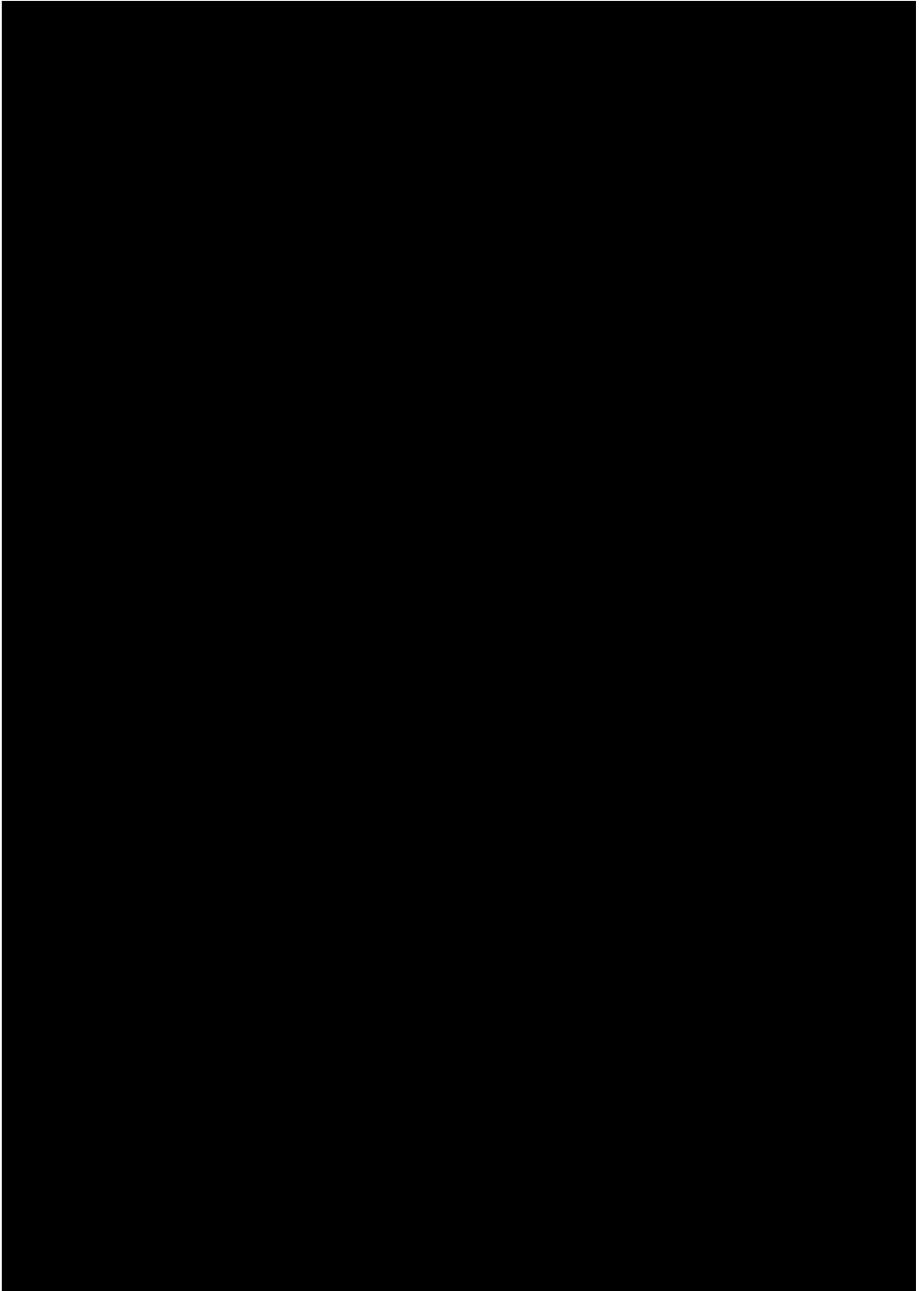
The second budget is the 501c(8) or General Fund Budget. This is where the money comes to support the operations of the Grand Chapter. It includes all day to day operations, such as salaries, utilities, legal fees, audit, insurance, printing, van expenses, maintenance contracts, rent and any contingency that may arise. Heretofore, we have had to prepare several budgets to cover the Administrative Building and the unoccupied building. With the sale of the property, our job is getting a little easier. Yet, we are still faced with many unpredictable costs since we will have to relocate to another facility until the permanent State Office and Museum is completed at TMRC. These relocation costs and interim lease is not well defined. However, we are confident that with the additional interest from the sale of the property and frugal spending, we can expect to come out of this transition period in very good shape.

For the coming year, we expect revenues of \$497,571 with expenses of about \$477,317. This should provide us with a potential surplus of \$20,254, which, if not used, will be returned to the principle at the end of the year. The details of this budget are printed in the Advanced Annual Reports on pages 55 through 58. The actions the Board of Directors have taken the last couple of years to consolidate the many separate funds and reduce the cost of doing business is beginning to bear fruit. We are now showing small surpluses instead of the usual deficit budgets.











Worthy Grand Patron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** You have heard the second report of the Board of Directors. Is there any discussion? We'll proceed to vote. All in favor of accepting Report No. 2 of the Board of Directors, please raise your green card. All opposed, same sign. Report No. 2 is adopted.

**MR. RAUL GARCIA:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron. I now invite JoAnn Snow to give Report No. 3.

**MRS. JO ANN SNOW:** I have Report No. 3, the Ladies' Retirement Fund.

### **REPORT NO. 3 LADIES RETIREMENT FUND**

Thank you, Brother Raul Garcia. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers All.

The Ladies Retirement Fund is a designated Fund and can only be used for our Sisters at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. If you will look at the Budget in your advance proceeding, you will see that it is a 501(c)3 Fund. In checking your Budget, you will also see that the largest revenue into this account is from Per Capita and the Pensions the Ladies receive.

The information that I will supply you within this report is from the beginning of this Grand Chapter Year, November 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. The information will only be two (2) months short since our Grand Chapter Year will end August 31, 2005.

#### Ladies Retirement Fund

Opening Balance	\$ 23,952.93
Revenue	\$203,813.54
Transfers	\$195,000.00
Expenditures	<u>(\$363,898.70)</u>
Balance June 30, 2005	\$ 58,867.77

#### Ladies Retirement Trust Fund

Opening Balance	\$1,159,787.61
Revenue	\$ 7,754.37
Expenditures	<u>(\$ 227,331.15)</u>
Balance June 30, 2005	\$ 940,240.83

The Welfare of our Ladies has been and always will be a major concern of the Board of Directors.

Worthy Grand Patron, I move the adoption of this Report.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 3 from the Board of Directors. Is there any discussion? Then we will proceed to vote. All those in favor of accepting the Board of Directors Report No. 3 raise your green card. All opposed, same sign. The report is adopted.

**MRS. JO ANN SNOW:** I am pleased to present Brother Dwayne Masserang who will present the next report.

**MR DWAYNE MASSERANG:** Thank you, Sister Jo Ann Snow.

**REPORT NO. 4**  
**Audit Report**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers all.

In compliance with Chapter 5, Article 82(b) of the Code of Laws for the Government of the Grand Chapter of Texas, as found on page 70. We, the Board of Directors, are pleased to present the Audit Report for the Grand Chapter fiscal year ending October 31, 2004. This Audit Report, as conducted by George, Morgan and Sneed, PC, Certified Public Accountants, is printed in its entirety in the proceedings of the 122nd Session of Grand Chapter, November 2004.

**AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2004**

	REVENUES	EXPENSES	REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES
GENERAL FUND	549,411.00	572,292.00	(25,881.00)
HOME FUND	773,343.00	785,798.00	(12,455.00)
ENDOWMENT FUND	449,479.00	42,732.00	406,747.00
BENEVOLENT FUND	85,005.00	64,131.00	20,874.00
EDUCATION FUND	49,206.00	40,941.00	8,265.00
FANNIE V. WARD	1,193.00	0.00	1,193.00
HUMANITARIAN SPECIAL PROJECT FUND	219,528.00	112,326.00	107,202.00
HOME RENOVATION FUND	6,637.00	160.00	6,477.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,133,802.00</b>	<b>1,621,380.00</b>	<b>512,422.00</b>

Worthy Grand Patron, I move the adoption of Report No. 4.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 4 of the Board of Directors. Is there any discussion? Then we will proceed to vote. All in favor of adopting Report No. 4 raise your green card. All opposed, same sign. The report is adopted.

**MR. DWAYNE MASSERANG:** It's my pleasure to introduce A. L. Casparis who will present Report No. 5.

**MR. A. L. CASPARIS:** Thank you, Brother Dwayne.

**REPORT NO. 5**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:



In compliance with Article 204e, pages 138 – 141 of the Code of Laws, we, your Board of Directors present the report on the Endowed Memberships for the period from November 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005.

One Hundred Seventy-Four (174) Endowed Memberships were purchased from November 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005 for a Total Dollar amount of \$87,000 (Eighty-Seven Thousand Dollars).

In accordance with Article 204e (5) (a) page 140, distribution of earnings cannot be made until May 31 of the first year after purchase of the Endowed Memberships.

As of May 31, 2005, a Grand Total of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Four (3,854) Endowed Memberships have been purchased for a Total Dollar Amount of \$1,927,000.00 (One Million Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars).

Respectfully submitted,  
A. L. Casparis  
Board of Directors

Worthy Grand Patron, I move the adoption of Report No. 5.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 5 of the Board of Directors. Is there any discussion? Then we will proceed to vote. All those in favor of adopting the report, raise your green card. All opposed same sign. The report is adopted.

**MR. A. L. CASPARIS:** Sister Jayne Yenger will present Report No. 6.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Worthy Grand Matron, at this time I would ask you to preside, and I return the gavel to you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you.

**MRS. JAYNE YENGER:** Thank you, Brother Al.

## **REPORT NO. 6 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, My Sisters and Brothers All.

We, the Board of Directors are pleased to present the Scholarship Report for the year 2004 – 2005. We are grateful for the Educational Fund Committee. We thank them for their dedication and assistance. We regret that we were unable to award Scholarships to all the deserving and well qualified students. We received funds in the amount of \$33,400.00, which include interest from the Mary C. Kennington Trust and our OES Humanitarian Fund. These funds enabled us to present Scholarships to 33 outstanding students in the amount of \$1,000.00 each.

We thank the membership for any donation they might have given to this fund, and especially the Lamesa Chapter No. 363. A donation of \$5,000.00 was made in June of this year in memory of Mrs. Jewelle McAllister. We are pleased that they designated this be used for Scholarships for 2005 – 2006.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jayne Yenger,  
Board of Directors, District 3

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard Report No. 6 of our Board of Directors. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. All opposed. Carried.

**MRS. JAYNE YENGER:** Thank you. Brother Gary Steele will present Report No. 7.

**MR. GARY STEELE:** Thank you, Sister Jayne.

**REPORT NO. 7  
BENEVOLENT AID**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, My Sisters and Brothers:

In compliance with our Constitution, Article 7, Section IV, I present the following report on the Benevolent Aid for the period from November 1, 2005 to August 31, 2005.

**INCOME**

Beginning Balance: .....	\$75,071.75	
Gift/Donations: .....	\$31,398.00	
Interest: .....	\$73.40	
Prior Year Returned/Cancelled Checks: ....	\$3,921.73	
Total Income .....		\$110,464.88

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Benevolent Aid through August 31, 2005 ..	<u>\$57,694.00</u>	
Balance .....		\$52,770.88

**TYPES OF DISBURSEMENTS**

Temporary Aid	8
One Time	4
Permanent Aid	14

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of report 7.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you heard the motion to accept Report No. 7. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. Down. Opposed, raise your green card. Passed.

**MR. GARY STEELE:** Now I'd like to introduce Brother Forrest Smith who will bring the Contingency Report.

**MR. FORREST SMITH:** Thank you, Brother Gary.

**REPORT NO. 8  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

We, the Board of Directors, are pleased to present this Report of the Contingency Fund for 2004 – 2005.

**CONTINGENCY FUND**

Beginning Balance July 1, 2004 . . . . . \$10,000.00  
 Expenditures . . . . . 0.00  
 Ending Balance June 30, 2005 . . . . . \$10,000.00

I need to inform you that after this report was filed, the Grand Secretary’s air conditioner went out. She says, “Help, it’s hot.” We spent \$3100 to get that replaced. Respectfully submitted, Forrest Smith, Board of Directors.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 8.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt Report No. 8. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

**MR. FORREST SMITH:** I am pleased to have Sister Lori Goldman present No. 9.

**MRS. LORI GOLDMAN:** Thank you, Forrest.

**GRAND CHAPTER OF TEXAS  
 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
 REPORT NO. 9  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

In compliance with the 113th Annual Session of 1995, Resolution No. 2, Page 178 of the Code of Laws, the Board of Directors presents the Home Renovation Fund for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

Account Balances 06-30-2004	\$ 461,715.51
Account Balances 01-19-2005	\$ 453,756.84
Account Balances 06-30-2005	\$ 0.00

During the reporting period, there were no withdrawals from the Home Renovation Trust Fund for the purpose of Eastern Star Home renovations. There were attorney fees paid out of the Fund of \$4,316.36 concerning the sale of the O.E.S. property. As instructed at the 122nd Annual Session in 2004, Resolution No. 3, page 183 Code of Laws, which states, “the Restricted Renovation Fund be added to the OES Endowment Account Trust C-8 (the big Endowment Fund) with the interest from the OES Endowment Account Trust C-8 to be used under the supervision of the Board of Directors, if needed”, the monies in the Renovation Fund have been transferred to the Endowment Fund, resulting in the ending balance as of June 30, 2005 of zero. The transfer, which occurred on January 19, 2005, was delayed until the sale of the O.E.S. property was finalized. This enabled the funds to be used, if needed, for the sale of the property.

During the period of June 30, 2004 through January 19, 2005 (day money was moved to the OES Endowment Account Trust), the Home Renovation Fund earned \$2,347.64 of interest.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 9.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori M. Goldman

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt Report No. 9. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

**MRS. LORI GOLDMAN:** Thank you. Sister Micki Campbell will present Report No. 10.

**MRS. MICKI CAMPBELL:** Thank you, Sister Lori Goldman.

**REPORT NO. 10  
WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S SPECIAL FUNDS FOR 2004 – 2005**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, My Sisters and Brothers.

It is with pleasure that I give you Report No. 10 on the cost and sales of items that have been sold this Grand Chapter Year by the Special Committee Members. The figures in this report are as of July 31, 2005. The figures should increase by August 31, 2005, as the money is still coming in.

The total sales were \$119,777.55, less cost of items of \$63,245.36, netting \$47,532.19 in revenue.

The figures through July 31, 2005 are:

Captains Log Calendars . . . . .	net \$1,182.56
Star Search for a Cure . . . . .	net \$4,904.81
Starfish of Hope . . . . .	credit (656.25)
Mysteries Beneath the Sea . . . . .	net \$2,166.50
Melodies From the Sea . . . . .	net \$3,289.00
Mariners Lookout . . . . .	net \$3,439.00
No Dress/No Blazer. . . . .	\$7,982.00
Sand Dollars Across Texas (THE YEAR BOOK) .	net \$21,657.07
Treasurers of the Past . . . . .	credit ( 797.50)
Shipmate Celebration . . . . .	net \$ 52.25
Paul’s Trophy Rebate. . . . .	\$2,425.50
Youth Organizations were given . . . . .	\$ 1,000.00
Family Conference portion was paid . . . . .	\$1,500.00
TMRC Party received . . . . .	(\$ 612.50)

Also collected but not included in the above totals were:

Tsunami Fund . . . . .	\$10,975.29
Museum Relocation . . . . .	\$ 2,500.00

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of Report No. 10.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt Report No. 10. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sister Grand Secretary, may I ask you on that report that she just gave, will we be printing in the Proceedings the full total before we deducted the net, the 25%?



**GRAND SECRETARY:** Yes.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Okay. Thank you. I'd like to invite Brother Jack Wright at this time –

**GRAND SECRETARY:** Worthy Grand Matron, may I say something? There has been money turned in to me on some of your projects. I know that you have other monies, and I think by the time it's all said and done, there'll be no negatives. We'll get it all worked out next week. Okay?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Brother Jack. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to introduce this gentleman that's standing next to me this afternoon. It is Brother Jack Wright. He is a trustee of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center, and he would like to speak to you at this time.

**MR. JACK WRIGHT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron: As president of the Board of Directors of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center, I would like to inform you-all that we are going forward with the new building. The plans which have been submitted to us for the Grand Secretary's office on the first floor of that building is in the hands of the architect and are being incorporated into the final plans of that building. We do and have tried to grease the path through city hall at Arlington, Texas, in reference to building permits. We have an outside source that is working with that, and we hope to get that completed as quickly as possible. I would also thank the Board of Directors that you-all have for their interest, but not only them, but the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. They have been wonderful this year in cooperating with us in the care of the 22 ladies of the Eastern Stars there. They are a wonderful group of ladies. Every month that I go up for our board meeting, I get hugs from them and how much they appreciate being cared for there. You should be proud of those 22 ladies. You should be in contact with those 22 ladies. Remember their birthdays with cards. If your Chapter has a member up there, I hope that you have adopted them and are taking care of them in special needs. It would be great if your Chapter could adopt a Sister there and remember them, because they love to get cards.

Also, I would like to make an offer to each of you and your Chapters. I have a Powerpoint presentation on the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. If the Worthy Matron and the Worshipful Master of the Lodge where your Eastern Star Chapter is located – we will work out a date and I will come put on that presentation for you at no cost to you. This is something to bring to you the fact that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas owns and operates the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. The widows who reside there are wards of Grand Lodge, and they are under a similar contract with us for their care, the same as the care for the Eastern Star Sisters. But also I would like for you to put on your calendar – and this is a date in 2006 – we have set a Family Day on Saturday, October 28th, 2006. I would urge you to put that on your calendar, make plans to come up and visit and see what is there. By that time we hope some part of the building will be up out of the ground and progressing and you will be able to see it. But I urge you, don't wait for that time. Come any time you have; any time that you are in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, come to Arlington, come out to TMRC and see how your Sisters are being taken care of.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for permitting me to give these words. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time I would like the Board of Grand Examiners to bring their report.

**MRS. BETTY M. SCOTT:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINER  
DISTRICT ONE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Installed Grand Officers, Elected Board Members, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a pleasure to serve this Grand Chapter as the Grand Examiner of District One for three years. This is a privilege that comes to but few. Thank you, membership of this fine Jurisdiction, for three fantastic years and for electing me to this position, thus allowing my life to be touched by so many loving and caring people. This has been such a humbling experience.

To the Members of District One: you could not have been more thoughtful, helpful, or loving. I appreciate the Honorary Memberships to each of the Chapters of District One and the many acts of kindness. I extend to the entire membership of District One my deep appreciation.

To our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: it was a delight to be included in your Grand Family and to be a part of your conferences and the workshops. Thank you for your thoughtful expressions of friendship and kindness.

To my Co-workers, the members of the Board of Grand Examiners: you are loving and gracious. I will always treasure our friendships and our year together.

To our very capable District Deputy Grand Matron and the ten efficient Deputy Grand Matrons: your combined Conferences were great and your individual workshops were well planned and enjoyable. Thank you for every act of kindness and love.

To the dedicated Members who assisted in the Examining Room: thank you for all of your assistance. It made my job much easier.

It is with great pride in the membership that I submit the following report of Certificates of Proficiency earned for the Grand Chapter year 2004 – 2005:

**CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY**

	<u>“A” Certificates:</u>	<u>“B” Certificates:</u>	<u>First Timers:</u>
Section One	48	0	4
Section Two	58	0	1
Section Three	47	0	0
Section Four	71	0	4
Section Five	89	0	2
Section Six	21	0	1
Section Seven	49	0	1
Section Eight	60	0	2
Section Nine	85	0	8
Section Ten	<u>73</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>

**“A” Certificates Earned 601**

**“B” Certificates Earned 0**

**Total Certificates Earned 601**

A detailed report by Chapter is on file with the Grand Secretary’s office and each

Chapter in District One has been mailed a list of the names of their members who were granted Certificates of Proficiency.

Members of the Grand Chapter of Texas, you have greatly enriched my life by allowing me to serve you. Thank you so very much and always remember:

*There ever walks beside you a Friend!*

Betty M. Scott  
 Board of Grand Examiners  
 District One

It is with pleasure that I present to you my sweet friend and co-worker, the Grand Examiner of District Two, my friend, Sister Bess Caldwell.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you. Let’s stop for one moment and get a picture of the Board of Directors. Sisters and Brothers, I just want you to know what the delay is. We had a problem with some ballots. Table number 3 is doing hand counting at this time of the ballots that were spit out. We will continue with our reports. Let me say thank you for staying in this Grand Chapter room and being so supportive today. When we get ready to close – I’m going to tell you something. You know, I do surprises. You never know what I’m going to do, but you had better not leave because you’re going to miss something really pretty at the very end. Thank you.

We’ll now have the report of our Grand Examiner of District 2.

**MRS. BESS CALDWELL:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

**REPORT OF THE GRAND EXAMINER  
 DISTRICT TWO**

Thank you, Sister Betty Scott, my good friend and co-worker.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin, for your friendship and support this year.

Sister Betty Martin, Grand Esther, my long time friend. What a joy it was to share this year with you.

Thank you, the membership of Grand Chapter for granting me the honor and privilege to serve as the District Two Member of the Board of Grand Examiners. This has been a very rewarding and unforgettable year of service, successfully completed with the capable assistance of the membership of District Two.

I am honored to present the following report of District Two for the Grand Chapter Year 2004 – 2005.

**CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY**

TOTALS		
BY SECTIONS	A’S	B’S
Section 1	21	0
Section 2	45	0
Section 3	12	0
Section 4	33	0
Section 5	9	0



Section 6	35	0
Section 7	44	2
Section 8	29	0
Section 9	11	0
Section 10	41	0

Total Number of "A" Certificates earned were	280
Total Number of "B" Certificates earned were	2
Total Number of Certificates earned was	282

A detailed report by Section and Chapter is on file with the Grand Secretary. Each Chapter in District Two has been sent a list of their members who earned Certificates of Proficiency.

I thank the membership of District Two for the many way in which they continue to express their love and support.

My special thanks to Andi Martin, District Deputy Grand Matron, and the ten Deputy Grand Matrons of District Two. Your thoughtfulness and kindness if appreciated by this Grand Examiner.

Respectfully given,  
 Bess Caldwell  
 Grand Examiner of District II

It is my honor to present to you my co-worker and friend, Grand Examiner of District Three, Sister Joyce Nicklas.

**MRS. JOYCE NICKLAS:** Thank you, Sister Bess Caldwell, my co-worker and friend.

**REPORT OF DISTRICT THREE MEMBER  
 BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS**

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin for your support and encouragement this year.

Indeed this was a new experience having conferences.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Proficiency committee were terrific. Those serving took their duties seriously and were always there to help give exams. The workshops were a great success and your Deputies and District Deputy were so much help to their Grand Examiner.

Sister Betty Martin, our Grand Esther and wife to our Worthy Grand Patron, you were a joy to be around. Thank you for being my friend these many years. You were a joy to serve with on the board of Grand Examiners. You know that I love you.

A special thank you to Sister Donna Pope, District Deputy Grand Matron and the 10 wonderful Deputy Grand Matrons of District III. Your excitement and enthusiasm made your workshops a great success. Sister Donna Pope, it was evident you prepared your deputies well, and it show4ed in the love and admiration each of them had for you. Thank you for traveling to the workshops with me. I treasure our friendship.

Sister Betty Fogarty, we didn't have a chance to travel together. But you were always

near if I needed a little help. You are a very special lady.

I especially thank the membership of this great order, for without you, this report would not have been possible.

This has been an unforgettable year of service as Grand Examiner of District III, thanks to the enthusiastic and capable assistance of the membership. Thank you for allowing me to serve these past four years.

I am honored to present this report for District III.

	“A” Certificates	“B” Certificates
Ft. Worth Conference	222	
Cisco Conference	51	
Killeen Conference	128	
Workshops and Chapters	176	
Total “A” Certificates	577	
Total “B” Certificates	0	
Total Certificates	577	

There were 31 “First Timers”, those who earned their first “A” Certificate of Proficiency. The Worthy Grand Matron allowed the Board of Grand Examiners to give exams to shut ins, and also when visiting chapters. This enabled members who have a difficult time traveling to earn their certificates.

Respectfully given,  
Joyce Nicklas  
Grand Examiner of District III

It is now my honor to present my co-worker and friend, Sister Christine Armstrong, Grand Examiner of District IV.

**MRS. CHRISTINE ARMSTRONG:** Thank you, Sister Joyce Nicklas, my dear friend.

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINER DISTRICT FOUR**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

This is my first year to serve on the Board of Grand Examiners as the District Four member, and it has been an exciting, rewarding and a challenging year. I thank the membership for allowing me to serve in this place of service.

A special thank you to District Deputy Grand Matron, Sister Vicki Hertenberger, the ten Deputy Grand Matrons of District Four, and Traveling Secretary, Betty Fogarty. It was a delight to serve with each of you and the members that assisted in the examinations rooms.

Thank you, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Brother Jerry L. Martin and Sister Betty. It

was also a pleasure to be with you at the conferences and I thank you for every word of encouragement and support extended to me personally.

To each of the Grand Examiners, my co-workers, thank you for all of your assistance and guidance. It has been my utmost pleasure to serve with each of you.

I am also grateful to the members of District Four and because of their assistance in the examining room at the Workshops and at the four Conferences, I am pleased to submit the following report.

“A” Certificates Issued	780
“B” Certificates Issued	1

**CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY 2004 – 2005**

	“A” Certificates	“B” Certificates
Section 1	67	
Section 2	106	1
Section 3	61	
Section 4	91	
Section 5	136	
Section 6	52	
Section 7	70	
Section 8	34	
Section 9	36	
Section 10	127	

A detailed report by Chapter is on file in the Grand Secretary’s office. Each chapter has been forwarded a list of their members earning Certificates of Proficiency.

I am pleased to recognize Sister Jerre Lucas, Grand Examiner of District Five for her report.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Christine Armstrong  
 Board of Grand Examiners  
 District Four

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I’m going to release the Teller tables at 1, 2 and 4. Three stays working.

**MRS. JERRE LUCAS:** Thank you, Sister Christine Armstrong.

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS  
 DISTRICT FIVE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers:

What an interesting year this has been as my first year as Grand Examiner, District Five. Exciting, challenging, learning, frightening – and grateful!

I am so grateful, to the membership for electing me to this special place of service.

Thank you sincerely, my Sisters and Brothers. This is a humbling experience.

I am also grateful to the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Jerry Martin, and Mrs. Betty Martin, Grand Esther, for every courtesies extended during this, my first year of service. This is truly a year I shall never forget.

A special thanks to the District Deputy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Wright for her planning and friendship. Always it was a joy to be with Mrs. Betty Fogarty, Secretary to the Worthy Grand Matron. Each Deputy Grand Matron has planned and executed the plans of the Worthy Grand Matron in an excellent and professional manner. I am grateful for every courtesies extended as this Grand Examiner attended all workshops possible.

The opportunity to serve Grand Chapter with the other Grand Examiners, I thank you for your sincere friendship which I value. Your guidance, advice and counsel are appreciated. You understand.

The membership in District Five has been my strength, though we are not the largest in numbers, we have the largest hearts! Those who assisted in the Examining Rooms made my job easier, and I thank you.

Because of the assistance offered, I am pleased to submit the following report:

“A” Certificates Issued at Conferences . . . . . 431  
 “B” Certificates Issues . . . . . 0

“A” Certificates Issued . . . . . 76  
 (Issued at Workshops, Chapters)

**TOTAL CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY  
ISSUED FOR 2004 – 2005 – 507**

Section 1	36
Section 2	5
Section 3	45
Section 4	32
Section 5	37
Section 6	119
Section 7	92
Section 8	50
Section 9	53
Section 10	38

A detailed report has been sent to each Chapter, and a full report is on file. Each Chapter has been forwarded a list of their members who earned a Certificate of Proficiency.

I am pleased to present Mrs. Mary Ruth White, Grand Examiner at Large.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerre S. Lucas

Board of Grand Examiners

District Five

**MRS. MARY RUTH WHITE:** Thank you, Sister Jerre Lucas.

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS  
GRAND EXAMINER AT LARGE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

As Grand Examiner at Large, it is my duty to serve when needed in all Districts. I assisted in the examining rooms in all five districts and conducted the examinations in Rosenberg at the section 9 Workshop. I have assisted, Sister Christine Armstrong, by giving examination to those who were unable to attend the District IV, Conferences or Workshops.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler, thank you for your outstanding leadership this year. I had the pleasure of serving as District Deputy Grand Matron one of the years that you were Grand Examiner for District IV. It has been a joy for me to serve this year as Grand Examiner at Large when you were Worthy Grand Matron. You have left me with many wonderful memories.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin, it has been a pleasure to set sail with you as we have sailed down the highways with you as our Worthy Grand Patron.

To the membership of this wonderful Grand Jurisdiction, I thank you for the privilege of serving as Grand Examiner at Large for the past three years. I will never be able to express how much I have enjoyed that honor that the membership of Texas has afforded me in allowing me to serve in this position. The precious friendships formed and renewed during these years have immeasurably enriched my life.

To my five co-workers of the Board of Grand Examiners, I thank you for the friendships we have formed and the experiences we have shared. It has been a joy working with each of you for the past three years.

A special thanks to all that have assisted me this week in the Examining Room. Thank you for your dedication to our Order and for making it possible for those who have come to the examining room to earn their Certificates of Proficiency during this Grand Chapter Session.

It is with pride that I submit the following report of Certificates of Proficiency earned during this Grand Chapter Session.

Totals by District	“A”	“B”
District One	3	0
District Two	0	0
District Three	2	0
District Four	45	0
District Five	4	0

Total Certificates earned at this 2005 Grand Chapter Session: 54

A detailed report by Chapter will be filed in the Grand Secretary’s office and each Chapter and District Grand Examiner will be forwarded a list of their members earning

Certificates of Proficiency.

There were two first-timers that received “A” certificates: Mark McCollum of Frank W. Lynn #1015 and Peggy Barrington of Groves - Port Arthur #953. There was one “A” certificate that I would like to particularly address. That is one to a 96-year-old member of this Grand Chapter. She is a Past Matron several times in this Grand Jurisdiction. I issued her 73rd “A” certificate. [applause] She is standing in the back. This is Sister Irene Viereck, and I’m very proud to say she is an Affiliated Past Matron of Ransford #135. Thank you, Sister Irene. She came all the way from Virginia to receive her “A” certificate yesterday.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of these combined reports of the Board of Grand Examiners. Respectfully submitted, Mary Ruth White, Grand Examiner At Large.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Board of Grand Examiners. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I’d like for everyone to be seated because this next Committee you’re going to see upon these screens. I want you to hear this report because it is outstanding. I invite Gail Smith and her Committee to come.

**VOICE:** May I interrupt for just one moment?

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Yes.

**VOICE:** Worthy Grand Patron, we just wanted to take this one last opportunity to tell you how very proud we are of you and how we have enjoyed working with you this year.

**VOICE:** Worthy Grand Matron, we just want to tell you – your District Deputy Grand Matrons – how very, very proud we are of you. I know that this membership loves you and Jerry. Know that this Grand Chapter has been a wonderful Grand Chapter. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Will the Arrangements Committee meet in the West with Brother Ray. We need the Executive Committee up here also.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, as you’re listening, please watch those screens.

## **REPORT OF PILLOWS OF SUPPORT COMMITTEE**

**MRS. GAIL SMITH:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: It has been my pleasure to serve as General Chairman of the Pillows of Support Committee this year. I would like to introduce the District Chairmen: Mrs. Martha Gardner, District 1; Mrs. Faye Murphy, District 2; Mrs. Carolyn Schafer, District 3, was unable to be with us; Mrs. Helen Horton, District 4; Mrs. Martha Fluckinger, District 5. Our Committee assembled heart-shaped pillows to take to cancer patients in hospitals and at home. They were also given to heart patients and those suffering from broken hips. Committee members had workshops in their homes and Lodges to cut, sew and stuff pillows. Sometimes there were neighbors and friends, not members of the Order of the Eastern Star, who helped them. Some of our Committee members suffer from cancer, but were thinking about making others comfortable and not thinking of themselves. We sadly lost a member of our Committee with cancer, and pillows were made in her memory and given to her daughter to deliver to a hospital of her choice. This Committee is what Eastern Star is all about, helping others in time of need,

making their life a little easier. It was reported to me that one of the Chapters will continue this as one of their Chapter projects. We are delighted to report as of this day 7,610 pillows were lovingly made and distributed throughout the state of Texas. [applause] It has been our pleasure to serve on this Committee. And since I wrote this, there have been about 200 more reported to me that are still being delivered. Respectfully submitted, Gail Smith, General Chairman.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Pillows of Support Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried.

Sisters and Brothers, I never dreamed this Committee would accomplish the work that they did. Would you please show them our appreciation. [applause] All of the pictures that you are seeing on these screens have been sent in by the membership throughout the state of Texas. If you saw earlier, I had three scrapbooks out there with wonderful letters from doctors and the clinics that received the pillows, from the membership sending me articles that they did when they delivered their pillows. You know, the membership of Texas is fantastic, and you've proved it this year. Thank you so very much.

At this time I would like to introduce Brother Ray Hertenberger, the Executive Chairman for this Grand Chapter session.

**MR. RAY HERTENBERGER:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

### **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my Distinguished Sisters and Brothers:

My Sisters and Brothers, the planning for this Grand Chapter started shortly after Sister Karen's election as Associate Grand Conductress. We had numerous meetings with Moody Gardens Hotel and Convention Center and other outlying hotels. Through negotiations, we came to an agreement that led to what you see here today.

Two years into the project, Sister Karen added a new member to our team. At her Mr. X banquet, she announced that Brother Jerry L. Martin would be accompanying her to the Grand West. Since that time, both Brother Jerry and Sister Betty have traveled many miles, met with us for many long hours and they have been valuable assets to our Order.

No one, two or three people working day and night can plan or execute an undertaking such as a Grand Chapter Session.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Executive Committee and Arrangements Chairmen who sacrificed their time and resources working for this Grand Chapter.

Executive Committee:

Brother Oscar Moser – Co-Chairman

Sister Bettye Murrell – Secretary

Sister Gladys Cox – Treasurer

Sister Gene Griffin – Treasurer

Brother Joe White – Auditor

Arrangements Committee:

Brother John Elkinton – Chairman

Brother Dwight Van Heeder – Co-Chairman

Sister Shirley Meirscheidt – Secretary

I want to thank my family and the families of these hard working members for the sacrifices they have made while we were in our planning sessions.

I would like for all Arrangements Committee members to please stand with us. Sisters and Brothers, here are the hard working members of this Grand Chapter. Please join with me in showing our appreciation for their labors.

A full accounting of all income and expenses of this Grand Chapter will be made available through the Grand Secretary's office as soon as our audit is complete.

Sister Karen and Brother Jerry, we thank you for having faith in us and for all your support, love and dedication while on this wonderful journey.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

Ray Hertenberger

Executive Committee Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of the report of the Executive Committee.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you have heard the motion to adopt the report of the Executive Committee. Is there any discussion? All in favor, raise your green card. All opposed. Motion carried. Thank you.

Sisters and Brothers, I would like for you to be seated. We do have a couple more special things, and I have an announcement to make shortly that you're just dying to know. So if everybody can be seated. I need you to stay. I need to ask you a very serious question. The question that I have for you – and I'm going to make you vote on it – if I give you the election results, do you promise to stay in this room until we close it down? Raise your green card if you favor.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** We're taking names!

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Opposed. Carried. Lock those doors!

Sisters and Brothers, you have been fantastic. You promised, and if I see one person walking out of this room, Harbor Pilots, go get them. The Grand Secretary said she spent \$300 of your money on those pencils, so turn them in as you leave.

Sisters and Brothers, as I told you earlier, we're not going to do anything to hurt anybody when I read these two names. I will then introduce all of those who you have elected to serve this Grand Chapter. The Associate Grand Conductress. Number of votes cast was 1,996. Number of votes to win - 999. Mary Ruth White - 718 votes; Joyce Nicklas - 1,278 votes. Joyce Nicklas is the winner.

For the Board of Grand Examiners of District 1: Number of votes cast - 1,987. Number of votes to win - 994. Linda Puckett - 1,287 votes; Abi Freeman - 700 votes. Linda Puckett is the winner. We now call the elections closed.

Will those who were elected please come to the East in the position you were elected in. Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce to you: Brother John Creel, newly elected Associate Grand Patron; our Associate Grand Conductress, Joyce Nicklas; Board of Directors for District 3, Diane Davidson; Board of Directors for District 4, Terri Rozzell; Grand Examiner of District 1, Linda Puckett; Grand Examiner of District 3,



Annette Curry; Grand Examiner At Large, Vicki Hertenberger. Sisters and Brothers, would you please join me now in welcoming these new Officers. [applause]

Now, Sisters and Brothers, I've always talked to you about certain things a Worthy Grand Matron gets to do. Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, if you would escort these members to the West as I call their names. Sister Betty Murrell, Brother Ray Hertenberger, Sister Annette Clark, Sister Betty Martin, Sister Toni Crawford. Please go to the West. I would ask Sister Lillian Travis if she'll come to the East, Sister Vicki Hertenberger in the East, Sister Polly McCamey in the East, Brother Jerry Martin who is in the East and Brother Monte Crawford who is also in the East. Could I get someone to assist in bringing Sister Alice Odom to the East.

It is a great honor to be able to present these members standing in the West the following Grand Appointments: "For the Grand Chapter of Maine, Order of the Eastern Star, whereas, the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, State of Maine, seeks to promote fraternal relations between Grand Jurisdictions and believing that the ties of affection may be strengthened and the prosperity of the Order promoted, its unity, integrity and strength be protected, and its purpose and its honor confirmed by the appointment and the reception of Grand Representatives; therefore, be it known that as evidence of our trust and confidence, we by these presents do constitute and appoint Sister Betty Murrell, Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Maine."

Brother Ray Hertenberger, the Grand Chapter of Maryland. And I'm not going to read all of that, Brother Ray, but it's the same thing I just said to Sister Betty.

To Sister Annette Clark, it says the same thing and I'm not going to read all of it. But it is to the State of Missouri.

Sister Betty Martin, to New Brunswick.

And Sister Toni Crawford. I can't say enough about this lady. She has worked diligently for me for the last four years, and it's the only way I knew how to give you something. New York.

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, will you escort these members to the East.

Sister Betty, would you like to bring greetings to this membership?

**MRS. BETTY MURRELL:** I believe that anyone that knows me could never possibly believe that I couldn't have something to say. I am absolutely overcome this afternoon with gratitude, with humility. My friendship with Karen goes back for many, many, many years, and I am so grateful for that. To my Chapter, Velasco #220, and all of you that are here this afternoon, that adds something special for me. Thank you. [applause]

**MR. RAY HERTENBERGER:** Sister Karen, we have been friends for many, many years. This is totally unexpected, but very much appreciated. It has been a lot of fun. Sometimes you hate for it to come to an end because we have grown real close, as we have with everybody else that has been working with us. Thank you very, very much.

**MRS. ANNETTE CLARK:** Worthy Grand Matron, this is hard! I've traveled many a mile with this lady for many years. It's time for you to travel with me to Missouri. Thank you so much.

**MRS. BETTY MARTIN:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I think I'm going to cry! I'd like to tell the membership, I was privileged to have the Grand Representative of Virginia in Texas that Sister Betty Friend extended to me. All along she said – when they

were working on Grand Appointments, she said, “Anybody that has had a Grand Representative before, I will not issue one to them.” I said, “I fully understand.” It has always been kind of the tradition of Grand Esther getting one, but I had had one. It was very nice, and I had enjoyed it. But thank you very much.

**MRS. TONI CRAWFORD:** Worthy Grand Matron, thank you so very much. I also want to thank you for being Housing Chairman. It was a delightful job. Yes, it was a lot of work, but just to try to please the membership. I had the biggest time finding just the perfect room for some very special ladies that followed you. Thank you.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, something we didn’t do was give them Grand Honors. Would you please join me and extend Grand Honors to these members. Thank you very much.

At this time I would like for Sister Lynn Kearney to come to the East. Sisters and Brothers, I promise you within the next 35 to 45 minutes we’re getting out of here.

**MRS. LYNN KEARNEY:** Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, please escort the Associate Grand Matron and the Associate Grand Patron to the East.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: Beginning later tonight Nancy and Nelson will tour our stage spreading their motto, which is GENERATE REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS. The motto is GREAT, GENERATE REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS. That enthusiasm will culminate in the Grand Chapter next year. So on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Examiner, District Deputy, Deputy Grand Matrons and Members of District 3, I cordially invite you to hold the 124th “Surrounded by God’s Love” session of the Grand Chapter of Texas at the Fort Worth Convention Center in Fort Worth, Texas, on August 17 through 19, 2006. If you have time and energy left after the sessions, the banquets, the fellowship and the Rob Morris Gala, Fort Worth offers Stockyards, Sundance Square and other sights where there is good food and wonderful shopping. And don’t forget the vendors who bring their wares to us so we don’t even have to go look for them. We are planning a great Grand Chapter. Until then, everyone, what are we going to do? GENERATE REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS. See you in Fort Worth. Y’all come!

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I would like to express my thank you at this time. I want to say to my secretaries – my number one secretary, Sister Betty Fogarty – but, really, before Sister Betty I had Vicki. Sister Vicki Hertenberger worked for me for several years until she made the decision to take the appointment of being District Deputy Grand Matron for me. Sister Betty Fogarty had been kind of in the background, and she took on the main responsibility of being a Worthy Grand Matron’s secretary. So, Sister Betty, I’d just like to say this to you: True friendship is like sound health, the value of it is seldom known until it is lost. Thank you for agreeing to be my secretary. Yes, we made mistakes along the way, but we survived together. Thanks for all you have done for me. You are a true friend. And then Sister Iris came aboard a few short months ago. I just want to tell Sister Iris how much and how deeply I appreciate all of her help and to be able to say she’s my friend.

Worthy Grand Patron, would you like to greet your secretaries?

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I would love to. I have had the honor of having two people to uphold me this year, because that’s what it

takes. I need a lot of help, folks, and I had two of the greatest. My, quote, traveling secretary, Mary Brunet – Mary, are you in the room? Mary was very instrumental in being on the road with us and helping sell the Worthy Grand Matron’s merchandise. She was also an invaluable aid to me, and I thank you so much. And on the other hand, I needed someone at home to take care of a lot of things. And this lady sitting behind me here who has helped me through this session – and I guarantee you I wouldn’t have made it through this session without her going, “It’s this line, it’s that page,” that’s the job, and they do it so well. This is Vicki Smith, and she was invaluable to me this year in many, many ways. She did a lot of work behind the scenes, many, many pages of pounding that keyboard, and I could never have made it without you. I thank you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** I’d like to address my Worthy Grand Patron and his lady for just a moment, and I don’t know how to do it because it’s hard to express your feelings for a couple that you think so much of, and, yes, you practically live together, work together and we play together sometimes. But, Sisters and Brothers, he has been a wonderful Worthy Grand Patron to me. He has been a good sounding block when I get a little upset about something. He’d say, “Now, just calm down. We’re going to work it out.” But you know what? I’m his block, too. When he gets upset, I say, “Calm down, we’re going to get it worked out.” But the most important thing that we had said was that we began this with friendship and we end it with friendship as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. And we look forward to many years working together as Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron. I didn’t know how to do this, but my Poet Laureate wrote a poem. In many ways I see this couple in it.

*Our journey is ended, how quickly it has past,  
Our journey together, the time flew so fast.  
We hoisted our sails and we put out to sea,  
Sailing away into history, to north and to south, to east and to west.  
Together on deck we stood to the test.  
Now we turn back to harbor once more.  
Our journey is ended, we now go ashore,  
We gave it our best, we worked every day to better our Order,  
To show a new way so out in the future the members will know that we truly loved them.  
Our actions should show, our journey is ended,  
For we’re back at the pier, our journey is ended  
and we truly have had a great year.*

Sisters and Brothers, would you please show your appreciation to this Worthy Grand Patron and his lady, Sister Betty. [applause]

In our Advanced Report I said many thank yous to many people, to my Chapter, to my District, to my Home Section. But there’s one person you can’t always say what you feel, and I made it very clear – I call him “Big Guy” – Sisters and Brothers, a Worthy Grand Matron when she gets elected to the Associate Grand Conductress position or any elected position she has a desire to go after, she doesn’t do it alone. She has to have the support of the number one person in her life, her husband, her family, those are important. I just want this gentleman to know how much I love him. We’ve been together almost 43 years. We’ve had a great time, and I just wanted him to know how much I love him for

allowing me to be in the position that I'm in today, because I couldn't have done it without his okay, because he knows from what he has seen of other Past Grand Matrons the hours and the time they take away from their families and their work and that type of thing. But he has been very good about it, and I just want him to know how much I love him. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, this is for you, the membership of Texas, because without you we would not be here. I've always said that I wanted to do what was good for the benefit of this membership because you make the Grand Chapter, you are the Eastern Star in Texas. And you know how much I love sand dollars, but this is a different version of "The Sand Dollar," and I'd like to read it to you because in some ways it fits you.

### THE SAND DOLLAR

*A local legend says that the sand dollar was created as a  
Reminder to beautiful young women.  
It seems that once a beautiful woman wanted riches and  
Decided that the way to obtain them was to marry a very wealthy older man.  
She found this man and persuaded him to marry her.  
After they were married she was both untruthful  
And unfaithful to her husband.  
Before too many years her husband died.  
Now she was wealthy, but she had no true friends.  
She found herself surrounded with dishonest, loveless,  
And unfaithful people who were only interested in her money.  
She went to church one lonely day and prayed for love.  
But her prayers went unanswered.  
The one night in a dream a voice came to her and said,  
"Walk the beach tomorrow morning.  
I have created something there to give answers you seek about life."  
The next day she rose early and walked the beach.  
There in the sand among the sea shells was a  
Beautiful shell-like dollar with a five ray design.  
As she picked it up, she heard the voice again,  
"This sand dollar has keyholes.  
Each unlocks one of the gifts of life –  
Honor, beauty, riches, long life, and love.  
But you must find the keys yourself through hard work,  
Honesty, faithfulness and respect for other."*

Sisters and Brothers, if you've never truly looked at a sand dollar, to me, knowing that that is my emblem and has been, I see the Order of the Eastern Star in that sand dollar, for the star is on the sand dollar. The five holes in that dollar to me represent our Star Points of Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa. And to me they are the honor, the beauty, the riches, the long life and the love that we have for each other in a beautiful organization that was founded by Dr. Robert Morris.

Sisters and Brothers, it may have only been nine months, but it has been nine months of beautiful memories. And to have been able to serve you as your Worthy Grand Matron

has been an honor. Thank you. [applause]

Sisters and Brothers, I know that our Worthy Grand Patron would like to speak to this membership.

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** She thought she was going to get us out early! Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I would like to mention my Pages – I certainly didn't mean to leave you out. I thought we had one more exchange. I had the privilege of having some wonderful Pages this year. Two started out with me early and decided they needed something better and went on to become Grand Representatives. I'd think being a Page to me was a lot better, but apparently they didn't. But Brother Art Brunet and Brother Jerry Trees, I thank you for all the service that you gave me and assistance. You are truly two fine Brothers and I thank you very much. My current Pages, David Ouilette and Arthur Drescher, I cannot say how much I appreciate what you have done for me. You have been an invaluable aid and I truly thank you for your service.

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Members and Guests and the membership of Texas: Approximately nine months ago I was privileged to be installed as the Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas. This was an honor given to me by you, the membership, and I will never forget that. It has been an exhilarating period of service that I could not accurately describe if I took hours to attempt to do so. As it has been said so many times, because it is so true, the fantastic membership of Texas is so supportive and caring. They were always ready to be of any assistance wherever I may happen to be. This was a year of considerable change in the way our schools of instruction and some of our protocol was handled. I must admit that we were very apprehensive at the first of the year, but after the very first school conference was completed, it was apparent that once again the membership of Texas was willing and ready to adapt to change and continue the strong support they had always given.

From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for your courage in supporting these changes. By your coming together and working with these new ways, you have started the period of change and we must adapt to the changing world. You have demonstrated that we can change. I urge you to continue to seek the changes that can allow our membership to grow. I have to tell you, I don't have the words to thank my lovely wife Betty for her constant support and assistance and for putting up with all the "Betty" jokes on the road. And if I didn't love you, I would not have done it. I could not have completed this course without her. Thank you, my dear. [applause]

I wish to thank my parent Chapter, Travis Chapter #472, and my Dual Chapter, New Braunfels Chapter #771, and for all the members of District 5, Section 6 that have always been there to support me a long time before this.

I can never thank the membership of Texas for all that you have done for me. There is no way I can ever repay you for allowing me to serve in this office. Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve with you in this special year. You and Tom have been like family to Betty and me, and we shall always remain the best of friends. With your permission, I would like to read the little poem I wrote for you as a tribute way back when you thought you were really getting me!

*How glad I am to walk beside you,  
Not in front or behind, but beside you,  
For there is where you said I should be.*

*Whenever in our term the winds may blow our way,  
 We're jointly share the sunshine and the shadows of our day.  
 Our honest efforts and labors we will gladly give to our Grand Chapter,  
 And if we cause just one positive change,  
 perhaps we will be favorably remembered thereafter.  
 And when our term is over, and years ebb and flow with the tide,  
 Whenever you need some help or a friend, turn your head and you'll see  
 I'm still standing by your side.*

[applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, remember your promise. I see you sneaking out back there. Seriously, though, we're getting ready to close. Don't jump up when we're finished. The Floor Officers have something special we want you to see, and it won't take five minutes.

Sister Grand Warder, you will inform the Grand Sentinel that we are about to engage in the ceremony of calling this "Bon Voyage" 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 123rd session of Grand Chapter from labor to rest. You will direct the Assistant Grand Warders and Grand Sentinels to allow no interruption.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assistant Grand Warders and Assistant Grand Sentinels, we are about to call this 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas from labor to rest, and you are directed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.

**GRAND WARDER:** Worthy Grand Matron, your order has been obeyed and there will be no interruption.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, you'll join us in singing "This Is My Father's World."

Please bow in prayer as Rev. Paul Lowe, Jr., leads us in our benediction.

**MR. PAUL LOWE:** Our Wonderful, Gracious and Heavenly Father, the One who loves us so very, very much, we thank You for each and every blessing that You give us each and every day. We especially want to thank You for the blessings that You have given to our wonderful Order of the Eastern Star in Texas for this past 123 years. Today we bring a close to a term of change. We appreciate and are very grateful, Dear Father, for Your guiding our Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry Martin, and the Officers and the membership along the way to ensure that our blessed Order will keep moving forward. In a short while we will begin a new year. I ask that You be with each and every one of us, that we remember what we are about and that You will guide the new Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in their efforts to continue everything that would be pleasing in Your sight. And, Dear Father, we would be remiss if we didn't thank You for Your Wonderful Son Jesus, the example that He has given us to follow, but most of all His willingness to die for each and every one of us so that we might have eternal salvation. And in His Most Precious Name, I pray. Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, Paul. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar.

I now call this "Bon Voyage" session from labor to rest until 6 p.m. Saturday evening for the Installation of 2005-2006 Grand Officers.

Sisters and Brothers, would you be seated for just a moment. The Floor Officers would like to do something while you're here. I recognize Sister Pat Stallings.

**MRS. PAT STALLINGS:** I now invite the Grand Officers to circle the Altar from their stations for a special ceremony retiring the Grand Officers badges.

You've served this year with joy and love, guided by the Lord above.

Blest by our members' true loyalty and our lessons of fidelity,

Though they now may shed a tear, it has been a wonderful year.

Their badges now they lay to rest, trusting that they've done their best.

The Crossed Swords brought security,

The Peaceful Dove pure harmony,

Electa's Cup of hospitality,

Martha's Column, hope of immortality,

The Crown and Scepter for loyalty,

The Golden Sheaf of constancy,

The Sword and Veil a vow obeyed,

The Lyre for sweet music played,

The Crossed Batons for courtesy,

The Open Bible, God's Word to see,

The Baton means leadership that's faith,

The Scroll and Baton, plans made with care,

The Crossed Keys to keep our funds secure,

The Crossed Pens for records that will endure,

The Star within the Star divine guidance does show,

The Effulgent Sun to make our principles glow,

The Square and Compasses for cherished ties,

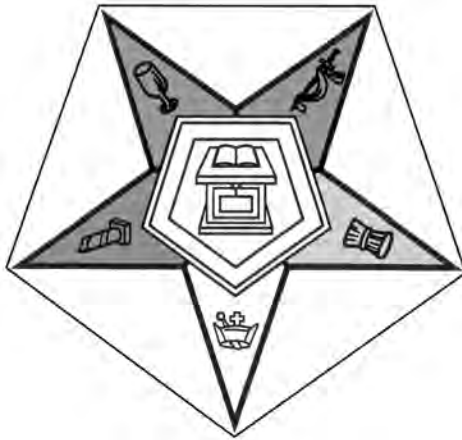
The Gavel where careful authority lies.

From the Altar we received them, on the Altar now we leave them.

May this year's heritage ever reflect duties performed with love and respect.

The 2004-2005 Grand Officers will now retire. [applause]

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**WRITTEN REPORTS**  
**OF THE**  
**WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S**  
**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

### REPORT OF THE POET LAUREATE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my dear Sisters and Brothers.

Let me, first, thank you, Sister Karen, our Worthy Grand Matron, for the wonderful privilege of writing for you and the Worthy Grand Patron for this Grand Chapter year. Some days, I confess, it felt odd to put words in someone else's mouth. Serving you and the membership of our lovely Order has been my joy. I have written a total of eighteen poems for the Bulletin as well as twelve others for various programs and/or publications to be used either by or for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I was privileged to speak for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in their greetings each month during the year for a total of nine times. For the "Grace Without Measure" Memorial, I was especially blessed to have been asked to write.

It has been my delight to put my heart and my mind into words which, hopefully, have spoken the thoughts and feelings of the lovely members of the Grand Chapter of Texas during the year 2004 – 2005.

I wondered as the year drew on,  
 Just what the end would be;  
 Then God spoke softly in my ear,  
 "My child, you've walked with me  
 Along the path I chose for you.  
 All the words that were you wrote  
 Were placed into your mind  
 To grace the hearts of other folk."  
 "Thank you, Lord, with all my heart  
 For guiding me so well."  
 And now, my friends, we do part  
 My ship of words set sail.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move the adoption of this report.

Juanita Gregory  
 Poet Laureate, 2004 – 2005

### REPORT OF THE ENDOWED MEMEBERSHIP STAMP COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

This is the report of the Endowed Membership Stamp Committee. We thank you for the privilege of serving on this Committee. Those serving were:

Mrs. Annette Curry, General Chairman  
 Mrs. Dorreen Carden, General Co-Chairman  
 Mrs. Kay Drescher, District 1 Chairman

Mrs. Evelyn Berry, District 2 Chairman  
 Mr. Trey Smith, District 3 Chairman  
 Mrs. Carolyn Abercrombie, District 4 Chairman  
 Mr. Larry Matthews, District 5 Chairman  
 And 87 other Committee Members

District 1 sold 409 stamps and 20 books

District 2 sold 142 stamps and 21 books

District 3 sold 999 stamps and 4 books

District 4 sold 1,097 stamps and 11 books

District 5 sold 435 stamps and 2 books

There were 114 additional stamps sold

The total of all stamps sold was 3,196 and 58 books were sold

There were 250 Endowed Membership Certificates issued from December 1, 2004 until August 10, 2005

The totals, as of July 31, 2005, in the two Endowed Membership Stamp Accounts were:

Endowed Membership Trust Account: \$1,991,032.032

Endowed Membership Special Fund Stamp Program: \$95,294.53

Respectfully submitted,  
 Annette Curry

Endowed Membership Stamp Committee  
 General Chairman

### **REPORT OF THE GRAND CHOIR DIRECTOR**

As Grand Choir Director, this year I have enjoyed directing a wonderful choir of over 50 people that has participated in the ritualistic opening and the memorial service as well as other times during the session when requested by the Worthy Grand Matron.

The Psalmist encourages us to "Make a Joyful Noise." Our Grand Choir, this year, made a beautiful, joyful, praise offering. I am honored to be associated with them. Our love for each other and our beautiful Order has grown during this Grand Session.

Thank you, Sister Karen, for allowing me to share my love of singing with you during the Treasures of Life Session of Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Keith Buice  
 Grand Choir Director

### **STARFISH OF HOPE COMMITTEE LINDA HENDERSON, GENERAL CHAIRMAN 2004 – 2005**

The Starfish of Hope Committee was created by the Worthy Grand Matron, Karen Morgenthaler, and the Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry Martin, to raise money throughout the state to supplement and benefit the Masonic Youth Organizations of Texas.

A beautiful silver starfish pin with rhinestones was the focal point of this committee. The cost of each pin was \$10.00. They were distributed to District Chairmen for further distribution to Section Chairmen for general sales. The pins were also made available at the Schools of Instruction during the Worthy Grand Matron's School Schedule. They were made available at the 2004 Grand Chapter for any member of the committee to pick up.

Sales were brisk and it was difficult to have available additional pins for those that were seeking them. Many of the members of the committee never even saw the pins to sell.

Monies collected were to be funneled through the General Chairman. My report includes those monies that were accurately channeled through the General Chairman. In addition, the funds collected at the school were received by the Grand Chapter office. The collections were as follows:

District 1	Nadine Cherry	\$770.00
District 2	Bill Orr	\$670.00
District 3	Juanita Bolster	\$840.00
District 4	Betty Mugg	\$ 0.00
District 5	Lilian Arrington	\$450.00

I want to sincerely thank those District Chairmen that were so willing to work with, and have patience with this General Chairman. Their enthusiasm is what we at Eastern Star should always strive for. Thank you, Nadine, Bill, Juanita and Lilian. This group was constantly looking for additional pins to make available to the membership and at times only to find that I could not supply them as there were no pins available.

To Karen, Worthy Grand Matron and Jerry, Worthy Grand Patron, than you for your belief in me to man this position. Although there have been some rough spots for me, I appreciate your trust in me.

To all of the membership that contributed to the pins for the youth of the state of Texas, thank you. You cannot imagine what an impact your gifts to the Job's Daughters, the Rainbow for Girls and the DeMolay for Boys, means to each of these groups. It allows them to have choices given to them by the various organizations that just might lead them in a path in their lives to becoming great leaders of this world. It may seem so small to you to give your \$10 for a beautiful pin, but it could mean the world to that young adult that now has the opportunity to present themselves in a capacity that will impact them for the rest of their lives.

Sincerely,

Linda Henderson, PM Houston Heights No. 258  
General Chairman, Starfish of Hope Committee

**JOANNE M. BURBRIDGE**  
**GENERAL CHAIRMAN**  
**ROB MORRIS JEWEL COMMITEEE**

AUGUST 27, 2005

I submit the following report for 2004 – 2005.  
District 1 – Wanda Vaughn, Chairman

Jewels earned 39 Bars earned 8  
 District 2 – Joanne Burbridge, General Chairman  
 Jewels earned 6 Bars earned 2  
 District 3 – Rita Henry, Chairman  
 Jewels earned 18 Bars earned 7  
 District 4 – Mary Rogers, Chairman  
 Jewels earned 3 Bars earned 0  
 District 5 – Sarah White, Chairman  
 Jewels earned 50 Bars earned 5

A total of 96 Jewels and 22 Bars were earned

Respectfully submitted,  
 Joanne M. Burbridge  
 General Chairman

### **REPORT OF LABELS AND WORKSHEET COMMITTEE 2004 – 2005**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers.

I would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler for appointing me General Chairman of the Labels and Worksheet Committee.

I would like to thank my committee associates. Please come to the East for a picture as I announce your name.

Co-Chairman – Darla Dunaway  
 District I – Barbara Cockral  
 District II – Angel Clevenger  
 District III – Carol Patton  
 District IV – Rita Lynn Dickman  
 District V – Jan Walmer

It has been a pleasure working with these committee associates.

During this year, 15 sets of labels were produced by the Grand Secretary's Office. At this time, I would like to thank the Grand Secretary's Office for their outstanding and excellent work.

Worthy Grand Matron, I move that the report of the Labels and Worksheet Committee be adopted and printed in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Caryn Harris  
 Labels and Worksheet, General Chairman

### **REPORT OF THE BULLETIN COMMITTEE**

I would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen Morgenthaler and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jerry Martin, for allowing me the honor of serving as

General Chairman of the Bulletin Committee.

Generally, many of our members will purchase the Bulletin and renew their subscription to the Bulletin on their own. The following is a partial report from each district and a final report from the Grand Secretary's office.

**District One – Ruenell Jarriel, District Chairman**

9 New Subscriptions      5 Renewals      1 Eastern Star Journal

**District Two – Peggy Wright, District Chairman**

15 New Subscriptions      4 Renewals      2 Eastern Star Journals

**District Three – Helen Thornton, District Chairman**

4 New Subscriptions      0 Renewals      4 Eastern Star Journals

**District Four – Frank Randle, District Chairman**

31 New Subscriptions      0 Renewals      18 Eastern Star Journals

**District Five – Debbie Holman, District Chairman**

No report available

**Grand Secretary's Report for the 2004 – 2005 Bulletin**

563 New Subscriptions      1,442 Renewals

Total members taking the Bulletin 2,005 (\$30,425.50)

Respectfully submitted,

Delphia Von Heeder, General Chairman

**VISION COMMITTEE REPORT  
AUGUST 25, 2005**

To: The Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler,  
and Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Jerry Martin.

It has been our pleasure to serve our appointments as a Special Committee of the Worthy Grand Matron. Serving on the Vision Committee has broadened our personal knowledge of the condition of the Order of the Eastern Star, both in Texas and across the world. We sought possible ways to help improve the overall "health" of our Order and present this information to the membership of Texas. We were charged with the duty of assisting the General Grand Chapter Vision Committee Member, Henry Martin, Visioneer for Texas, in his responsibilities of presenting the program of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron. Their goal is to encourage and help build a brighter future for the Order of the Eastern Star.

At the beginning of the year, the Worthy Grand Matron requested that our committee present one Vision Program in each of the Five Districts, during the Conference Schedule. We were pleased to do this and in conjunction with Brother Henry Martin, we made oral presentations of our Vision Committee program in District I at Texarkana, District II in Abilene, District III in Killeen, District IV in Caldwell and District V in Corpus Christi. Approximately 1,250 Texas members were in attendance for the Vision Conference presentations which focused mostly on Membership, Communications, Leadership, Enthusiasm and having a positive attitude. There was much audience participation in the presentations and several membership surveys were used.

We enjoyed serving on this committee.

General Chairman, Janice Herridge  
 District I Chair, Willie Mae Shaw  
 District III Chair, David Nicklas  
 District IV Chair, Marceline Crenshaw  
 District I Member at Large, Sarah Coursey

### **REPORT OF GRAND SOLOIST**

It was my pleasure to serve as Grand Soloist for this Great State of Texas during this Grand Chapter year. I participated in school conferences in all but one District in the state. Unfortunately, a very heavy work travel schedule kept me from doing more, but what a sweet pleasure it was to be with the membership when I could. I also participated in numerous programs at many of our subordinate chapters. I did not keep an exact count, as many times it was very impromptu, just because I was attending a chapter's meeting. To these chapters, please know how much I appreciate your recognizing the Grand Soloist position. To the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it was an honor to be a part of the Treasure's of Life Grand Chapter Session. I know that God blessed me with a talent and I am grateful for the opportunity you gave me to share this w3ith our wonderful membership. I have memories that I will treasure a lifetime.

Melissa Simonton  
 Grand Soloist

### **REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAL COMMITTEE**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members and Guests, all of the Secretaries are extremely proud to have been selected to serve in the position of Grand Line Officer Secretary. Our duties were varied, but were filled in a manner that was of satisfaction to our respective Officer.

Secretaries:

Betty Fogarty	Secretary to Worthy Grand Matron
Iris Lowe	Secretary to Worthy Grand Matron
Mary Brunet	Secretary to Worthy Grand Patron
Vicki Smith	Secretary to Worthy Grand Patron
Lou Lewis	Secretary to Associate Grand Matron
Nelda Truesdale	Secretary to Associate Grand Matron
Elizabeth Wise	Secretary to Associate Grand Patron
Gloria Bennett	Secretary to Grand Conductress
Shirley Bixenstine	Secretary to Grand Conductress
Syble Yost	Secretary to Associate Grand Conductress
Ann Kelly	Secretary to Board of Directors

I have only served 2 years as Secretary to Sister Karen Morgenthaler, when she served as Associate Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Matron. The 2 years prior, Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Conductress, I was able to travel and assist Sister Karen with other duties. I was able to attend only the School Conferences in Districts 1, 3 4 and 5. This was

a year of many changes and one very big and important change was in the Schools. At the School Conferences that I was able to attend, the response from the membership was that we should have begun this years before. I was welcomed in each of the Districts that I attended and appreciate the Certificates of Appreciation that were given to me, as they had to be voted on by the members of that Chapter, and the many courtesies that were extended.

I was able to attend the Multi-State Exchange in Branson, Missouri, and help bring back the Banner for Texas. The many lasting friendships that I have made during this time will be ones that I will always remember and hold dear in my heart.

To our Worthy Grand Patron, Jerry L. Martin, and his wife, Betty, Grand Esther, I have gotten to now both of you and know that you have become very special to me. Your friendship is something I will always treasure and your devotion to our Order is an inspiration to the membership.

To our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Karen, thank you for allowing me to share this trip to the Grand East with you. Your leadership in making the changes this year has been a benefit to the Membership. I cherish our friendship and know that you and Tom will always be very special in my life. I respectfully submit this report and move for its adoption.

Submitted by:  
Betty Fogarty  
Secretary to Worthy Grand Matron

**WRITTEN REPORT OF THE  
2004 – 2005 GRAND CHAPTER YEARBOOK COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 2005**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

The members of the Yearbook Committee worked diligently to make your vision of this new project come true. We had assistance from Sister Betty Martin and others who sold yearbooks at each Conference. The membership embraced this project and I am proud to report \$61,893.90 was turned in to the Grand Secretary's office.

The Yearbook is a wonderful reference guide as well as an enjoyable picturesque journey of the Grand Chapter of Texas and will no doubt continue to be a "must have" item in the years to come.

Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of each member of the 2004 – 2005 Grand Chapter Yearbook Committee, I thank you for giving us the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter, and move for the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kaye Huffman, General Chairman  
2004 – 2005 Grand Chapter Yearbook Committee

**CAPTAINS LOG CALENDARS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Past



Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, my Sisters and Brothers all.

I thank you for the honor and trust of being the Captain's Log Calendars General Chairman for the year 2004 – 2005.

The Captain's Log Calendars were a success this year. All the calendars were picked up at Grand Chapter and many were paid for at that time. The various District Chairmen were a joy to work with and promptly sent monies to me as they received them. I want to thank each and every one of them for their hard work.

The members of this committee were diligent in getting the calendars to the membership. Many more calendars were requested but they were just not available.

At this time, I have been unable to obtain information from the Worthy Grand Matron or her secretary of the members who picked up the calendars and those paid for during Grand Chapter. The amount sent directly to the Grand Secretary has been requested.

As of today, a total of \$1,375.00 was sent through me to the office of the Grand Secretary and 12 calendars were returned to the Grand Secretary.

Mary Pike  
 Captain's Log Calendars  
 General Chairman

### **REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, we would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve on your Grand Historian Committee. We have enjoyed sharing the history of the Grand Chapter of Texas with the membership during this "year", along with reporting the history being made in the Chapters during our year of service in the Official Bulletin.

The membership has enjoyed learning about the "Historical Highlights" Book, and the information it contains. It has been our honor to make this book available to the members, as well as needed pages to keep their books updated.

It has been our privilege to serve with you, and we look forward to the continuation of the history made each day in the Eastern Star.

Fraternally,  
 Cheryl Albrecht, General Chairman  
 Charlotte Beall, District 1  
 Dorothy Hodges, District 2  
 Jane Mohon, District 3  
 Sharon London, District 4  
 Bernadine Watson, District 5

### **REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

The Public Relations Committee, a Special Committee of the Worthy Grand Matron, was composed of Mrs. Rebecca McMinn, General Chair, Mrs. Gerry Isaacs, Chair District I, Mrs. Radean Hodges, Chair District II, Mrs. Lesa Smith, Chair District III, Mrs. Pauline Walker, Chair District IV, and Dr. Monty McMinn, Chair District V.

It was the duty of the Committee to report on the charitable-benevolent work performed by the subordinate chapters within each District. The Chairs collected data from their respective Districts, composed a piece for editing by the general Chair for publication in the OES Official Bulletin under “Happenings in Texas Districts” on an every-other-month basis. This news from the subordinate chapters showed us that often-times it takes only a small group of OES-activist members to plan, develop and implement our charitable-benevolent work, whether to benefit the community, our membership or both. The number and sophistication of chapter reports accelerated as our membership learned more of the “Happenings in Texas Districts” project and responded to our duty to keep the membership informed.

We found that the hours devoted to volunteer charitable-benevolent tasks is not only impressive from a fund-raising and time-devoted perspective, but is also educated us on some extremely creative ideas for meeting the needs of both our members and non-members through outreach programs. This good news infused all of us with great enthusiasm and commitment to continue to recycle our energy into service and product resources that benefit humanity locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.

We want to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for her creative idea in initiating this project and the membership for making the project so much fun and informational.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Mrs. Rebecca McMinn, General Chair  
 Mrs. Gerry Isaacs, Chair District I  
 Mrs. Radean Hodges, Chair District II  
 Mrs. Lesa Smith, Chair District III  
 Mrs. Pauline Walker, Chair District IV  
 Dr. Monty McMinn, Chair District V

### **IN SEARCH OF THE TREASURES DISTRICT FOUR**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

I am happy to report that the following Chapters in District Four received the Traveling Treasure Chest:

Section 1	Huntington Chapter No. 313
Section 2	Nederland Chapter No. 1079
Section 3	Corrigan Chapter No. 631
Section 4	Cleveland Chapter No. 465
Section 5	East Houston Chapter No. 955
Section 6	Iola Chapter No. 458
Section 7	Conroe Chapter No. 710
Section 8	Somerville Chapter No. 245
Section 9	Rosenberg Chapter No. 429
Section 10	West Columbia Chapter No. 705

Fraternally submitted,  
 Marilyn Knowlton  
 District 4 Chairman  
 In Search of the Treasures

### **THE FISHERMAN – MASONIC RELATIONS**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Members, my Sisters and Brothers:

The purpose of the Fishermen Committee was to promote the Order of Eastern Star in our Lodges, to promote the Texas Masonic Retirement Center and Texas Masonic Family Convention in our Lodges and Chapters.

Serving with me as District Chairman is:

Mr. Jerry Kirby, District One  
 Mr. Farris Benham, District Two  
 Mr. Robert Brownfield, District Three  
 Mr. Jack Wright, District Four  
 Mr. Hank Knepp, District Five

I would like to thank each committee member who was able to serve. We were able to promote the Order of the Eastern Star. In our Lodges and had several good reports and responses by signing new petitions. We promoted the Texas Masonic Retirement Center by distributing thousands of brochures in our Lodges and Chapters. I am proud of the efforts of the committee members' time donated to this committee.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you, and I appreciate the opportunity to serve as General Chairman of the Fishermen Committee. I move the adoption of this report.

Bill Wyatt  
 General Chairman

### **REPORT FOR SHIPMATES CELEBRATION YEAR 2004 – 2005**

District One gave the Christmas party. All the residents at Texas Masonic Retirement Center received a Christmas Cactus. At each party, TMRC furnished the ice cream, punch and paper goods. The District Chairmen brought cookies, cake, candies and prizes. A list of parties is: Christmas, 12/19/04, 2:00 p.m. District 1, Acting Chairman Sue Briwa. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron attended the Christmas Party. Valentine Party, 2/13/05, District 5, Jeanne Williamson, District Chairman; Easter Party, 3/13/05, District 3, Pam Pace, District Chairman; Mother's Day, 5/1/05, District 4, Carole Mather, District Chairman; and what I called the party party on the 10th of July, 2005, District 2, Norma Fisher, District Chairman. The Worthy Grand Matron plans to be at TMRC in July. She has bookmark crosses for gifts. It happened the District Chairman didn't make it to the party. The Worthy Grand Patron and Betty were there and we had a good time. We had 70 residents at the party; the Worthy Grand Matron was not able to come.

I feel because of the short year, we did not sell all the tickets we should. I think this is a wonderful appointment, and I have loved each minute I spent at TMRC. I had won-

derful District Chairmen, and each one has been helpful.

Attached to this report is a financial statement of stickers sold.

Wanda Hollingsworth  
 General Chairman  
 Rio Vista #343 District 3 Section 10  
 Waskom #812 District 1 Section 8  
 Grand Chapter of Texas  
 Order of the Eastern Star

### **SHIPMATES CELEBRATION STICKERS SOLD**

District	Chairman's Name	Total Sent
4	Carole Mathers	\$222.00
3	Pam Pace	\$ 95.00
1	Sue Briwe, Acting Chairman	\$152.00
5	Jeanne Williams	\$ 95.00
2	Norma Fisher	\$200.00
	Dist. 1 Sec. 8 P.M. & P.P.	\$ 20.00
	Waskom Chapter #812	\$ 45.00
	Total Monies	\$829.00
	Total Stickers Sold	764.00

### **REPORT OF PROFICIENCY COMMITTEE GENERAL CHAIRMAN – FLEETA A. FANNETT**

A complete list of names consisting of 5 District Chairman and 130 Proficiency appointments received by the General Chairman.

#### **DISTRICT I**

Mrs. Linda Puckett, Chairman District I, had 27 Committee Members and 3 conferences.

Plano – Section 1, 2, 4, 5	January 21, 22, 2005
Texarkana - Section 3, 9	January 28, 29 2005
Tyler - Section 6, 7, 8, 10	January 4, 5, 2005

#### **DISTRICT II**

Mrs. Donna Swindle, Chairman District II, had 18 Committee Members and 4 conferences.

Lubbock – Section 4, 5, 8	March 4, 5, 2005
Amarillo – Section 1, 2, 3	March 11, 12, 2005
Abilene – Section 6, 7, 9	March 18, 19, 2005
El Paso – Section 10	March 25, 26, 2005

**DISTRICT III**

Mrs. Laverne Hadley, Chairman District III, had 25 Committee Members and 3 conferences.

Ft. Worth – Section 1, 2, 10	December 17, 18, 2004
Cisco – Section 3, 4, 5	January 7, 8, 2005
Killeen – Section 6, 7, 8, 9	January 14, 15, 2005

**DISTRICT IV**

Mrs. Betty Carter, Chairman District IV, had 33 Committee Members and 4 conferences.

Houston – Section 4, 5, 7	December 10, 11, 2004
Woodville – Section 1, 2, 3	April, 1, 2, 2005
Caldwell – Section 6, 8	April 8, 9, 2005
Pearland – Section 9, 10	April 22, 23, 2005

**DISTRICT V**

Mrs. Shirley Villoni, Chairman District V, had 22 Committee Members and 3 conferences.

San Antonio – Section 5, 6, 7	February 11, 12, 2005
Boerne – Section 1, 2, 3, 4	February 18, 19, 2005
Corpus Christi – Section 8, 9, 10	February 25, 26, 2005

The Grand Examiners were given W.G.M. stickers to sell at their workshop.

Betty Scott	District I
Bess Caldwell	District II
Joyce Nicklas	District III
Christine Armstrong	District IV
Jerre Lucas	District V
Mary Ruth White	Grand Examiner at Large

The total W.G.M. stickers sold: 1,618    Amount turned in: \$1,618.00

The total W.G.P. stickers sold:                    Amount turned in:

Total amount turned in to Grand Secretary's Office:

October 10, 2004 I attended the lunch and Committee chairman's meeting.

- I called each District Chairman and introduced myself.
- I sent a follow-up letter outlining the Worthy Grand Matron's plan for the Conferences.
- I sent letter number two advising of several changes.

- I sent letter number three, thanking them for a job well done.
- I attended 15 of the 17 Conferences.

I want to say Thank You to the Sisters and Brothers on the Proficiency Committee for all their hard work and commitment to the work.

I had a great rapport with our six Grand Examiners and the five District Chairmen.  
Thank you, Sisters.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Thank You.

Fleeta A. Fannett  
General Chairman

# *Surrounded by God's Love*



One Hundred Twenty-Fourth Installation

Grand Chapter of Texas  
Order of the Eastern Star

Moody Gardens  
Galveston, Texas  
6:00 P.M.

*Mrs. Nancy Brown*  
Worthy Grand Matron

*Mr. Nelson Campbell*  
Worthy Grand Patron

The GRAND CHAPTER of TEXAS  
ORDER of the EASTERN STAR

Presents

The One Hundred Twenty-Fourth  
Installation of Grand Officers  
2005 – 2006

“Surrounded by God’s Love”



Moody Gardens Galveston, Texas  
August 27, 2005  
6:00 P. M.

Mrs. Nancy Brown  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Nelson R. Campbell  
Worthy Grand Patron



**HONORED GUESTS**

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler  
Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Jerry Martin  
Worthy Grand Patron

## Texas' Own General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members

Mrs. Rennie Ofton  
Right Worthy Grand Conductress

Mr. H. Lee Stallings  
Director of the Vision Team

Mr. Henry S. Martin  
Visioneer for Texas

Mrs. Alma Carter  
Registration Committee

Mr. Billy H. Combest  
Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee

## Texas' Own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons

Mrs. Lallah Mae Vollus

Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon

Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith

Mrs. Sharon Fentress

Mrs. Molly Goodpasture

Mrs. Doris Hester

Mrs. Mildred Sharpe

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler

Mrs. Nancy Bailey Allen

Mr. Richard T. Porter

Mrs. Katherine Harbour

Dr. O. D. Christian

Mrs. Patricia Major Neinast

Mr. Murray Watson, Jr.

Mrs. Joyce Roberts

Mr. Wayne P. Jones

Mrs. Mary Brown

Mr. B. F. Hutson

Mrs. Lena Maye Cook

Mr. Harry G. Cunningham

Mrs. Elise Hammack

Mr. Joe E. Jeffers

Mrs. Beulah Speer

Mr. Graham H. Childress

Mrs. Elsie Paladino

Mr. Glenn Whitaker

Mrs. Betty Phillips Benham

Mr. Garland Rattan

Dr. Effie Mae Davis

Mr. Leland Benefield

Mrs. Jane Gregory

Mr. Charles Morris

Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green

Mr. Richard Ochs

Mrs. Wanda Fairchild

Mr. Kenneth Gregory

Mrs. Rosemary T. Swetland

Mr. Duane "Buddy" Baker

Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield

Mr. Harold Trammell

Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane

Mr. Ed Warner

Mrs. Betty Y. Friend

Mr. Jack Guy

Mrs. Naomi Wolfe

Mr. Jerry Martin

### **DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron  
General Grand Chapter Officers and Committees

Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons  
of other Grand Jurisdictions

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons  
of other Grand Jurisdictions

Special Appointments of the Most Worthy Grand Matron  
and Most Worthy Grand Patron, GGC

Mrs. Sylvia Garcia  
Mr. Raul Garcia

Installed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions

Mr. Elmer Murphy  
Most Worshipful Grand Master

Mr. Brian Dodson

Deputy Grand Master

and other Masonic Dignitaries

Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M.

Mrs. Marlene Dibrell

Supreme Deputy in Texas

Miss Lila Kerr

Grand Worthy Advisor

International Order of Rainbow for Girls

Mrs. Linda Henderson

Jurisdictional Guardian of Texas

Miss Bobbie Potter

Miss Texas Job's Daughters

International Order of Job's Daughters

Mr. J. Weldon Clampitte, Executive Officer

Mr. Zane Whitney, Master Councilor

DeMolay in Texas

### **SPECIAL GUESTS**

Worthy Grand Matron-elect's Family

Worthy Grand Patron-elect's Family

Castleberry Chapter No. 1028

and Members of District Three Section One

Silsbee Chapter No. 298

and Members of District Four Section Two

All Honored and Distinguished Guests are to be seated  
in designated areas in the West prior to the installation.

**INSTALLATION PROGRAM**

6:00 P.M.

Musical Selections	Mrs. Mary Alberts, PM Hadassah Chapter No. 188
Master of Ceremonies	Mrs. Alma Bane, PGM
Processional Marshal	Mrs. Elsie Paladino, PGM
Call to Order	Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, WGM  Mr. Jerry Martin, WGP
Processional	General Grand Chapter Officers and Committees Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions Texas' Own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons Most Worshipful Grand Master Other Masonic Dignitaries Special Appointment of General Grand Chapter Dignitaries of other Fraternal Organizations
Presentation of Grand Chapter Mom Escorted by Mr. Robert Byrd	Mrs. Alma Sivley
Presentation of Elected Boards Board of Grand Examiners Board of Directors	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, PGM

**PRESENTATION of GRAND OFFICERS for 2005 – 2006**

Narration	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, PGM
Fraternal Correspondent Escorted by Mr. Warren Huckabee	Dr. Anna Huckabee
Grand Sentinel Escorted by Mrs. Elizabeth Bordeaux, P.G.M.	Mr. David Ouelette
Grand Warder Escorted by Mr. Jack York	Mrs. Alma York
Grand Electa Escorted by Mr. George Lester, Jr.	Mrs. Mary K. Easterling

Grand Martha Escorted by Mr. Eddie Orr	Mrs. Georgia Orr
Grand Esther Escorted by Mr. Kenneth Campbell	Mrs. Georgia Campbell
Grand Ruth Escorted by Mr. Hershey Muse	Mrs. Emma Muse
Grand Adah Escorted by Mr. Bill Crews	Mrs. Dona Ernst
Grand Organist Escorted by Mr. Bill Steelman	Mrs. Judy Burchard
Grand Marshal Escorted by Mr. Dale Pope	Mrs. Donna Hill Pope
Grand Chaplain Escorted by Mr. Ray Lewis	Mrs. Virginia Strong
Associate Grand Conductress Escorted by Mr. David Nicklas	Mrs. Joyce Nicklas
Grand Conductress Escorted by Mr. Billy Combest	Mrs. Joyce Gilbert
Grand Treasurer Escorted by Mr. Mike Bidler	Mrs. Betty Prater
Grand Secretary Escorted by Mr. George Drenner	Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner
Associate Grand Patron Escorted by Mrs. Cathy Creel	Mr. John Creel
Associate Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Hubert Dusek	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek
Worthy Grand Patron Escorted by Mrs. Merri Lynn O'Leary	Mr. Nelson. R. Campbell
Worthy Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Gayle Brown	Mrs. Nancy Brown

Presentation of the Holy Bible	Mr. Darren Brown, Son of the Worthy Grand Matron
Presentation of Square and Compasses	Mrs. Lydia Hindman, Daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron
Presentation of Bible Marker	Mrs. Nannette Riley, Daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron
Presentation of White Daisies	Miss Rachel Riley, Granddaughter of the Worthy Grand Matron Escorted by Mr. Steve Riley
Emblem Presentation	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, PGM
Adah	Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green, PGM Escorted by Mr. Henry Martin, Visioneer for Texas, GGC
Ruth	Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, PGM Escorted by Mr. Garland Rattan, PGP
Esther	Mrs. Sharon Fentress, PGM Escorted by Mr. Harold Trammell, PGP
Martha	Mrs. Mary Brown, PGM Escorted by Mr. Forrest Smith, PP
Electa	Dr. Effie Mae Davis, PGM Escorted by Mr. Jerry Trees, Grand Representative of Idaho in Texas

#### **Presentation of Flags**

United States Flag	Mr. Gayle Brown, PP
Canadian Flag	Mr. Jack Guy, PGP
Texas Flag	Mr. Duane "Buddy" Baker, PGP
Christian Flag	Mr. Ed Warner, PGP
Eastern Star Flag	Mr. Jimmy Williams, PP
Pledge of Allegiance	Mr. Leland Benefield, PGP
National Anthem	Mrs. Lesa Smith, Grand Soloist, and Assembly

Grand Officers to be installed will retire to the West.

Opening of Holy Bible	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress
Invocation	Mr. Richard Ochs, PGP
Solo: "Who Am I?"	Mr. Darren Brown
Presentation of General Grand Chapter installing Officer	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane, PGM
Presentation of Assisting General Grand Chapter installing Officers	Mrs. Rennie Offton, General Grand Chapter installing Officer
Assisting General Grand Chapter installing Officer	Mr. Kenneth Gregory, PGP
Worthy Grand Chaplain	Mrs. Betty Friend, PGM
Worthy Grand Marshal	Mrs. Elise Hammack, PGM
Worthy Grand Organist	Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, PGM
Assisting Worthy Grand Organist	Mr. Darren Brown
Worthy Grand Secretary	Mrs. Alma Carter, Registration Committee, GGC

**★ ★ INSTALLATION CEREMONY ★ ★**

Closing of Holy Bible	Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Grand Conductress
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**GREETINGS**

Grand Lodge of Texas	Mr. Brian Dodson Deputy Grand Master
General Grand Chapter	Mr. H. Lee Stallings, Director of Vision Team

## International Order of Job's Daughters

Mrs. Linda Henderson, Jurisdictional Guardian

Miss Bobbie Potter, Miss Texas Job's Daughter

Texas DeMolay

Mr. J. Weldon Clampitte, Executive Officer

Mr. Zane Whitney, State Master Councilor,

## International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Mrs. Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy for Texas

Rainbow Drill and Presentation

Miss Lila Kerr, Grand Worthy Advisor

**Presentation of Jewels**

Worthy Grand Matron's Jewel

Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, PGM

Worthy Grand Patron's Jewel

Mr. Jerry Martin, PGP

Junior Past Grand Matron's Jewel

Mr. Tom Morgenthaler,  
Grand Representative of Quebec in Texas

Junior Past Grand Patron's Jewel

Mrs. Betty Martin  
Grand Representative of New Brunswick in Texas**Presentation of Worthy Grand Matron's Year**

Worthy Grand Matron's Dedication

Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, PGM

Worthy Grand Patron's Dedication

Mrs. Jane Gregory, PGM

Theme

Mrs. Doris Hester, PGM

Emblem and Honor Station

Mrs. Beulah Speer, PGM

Colors and Flowers

Mrs. Naomi Wolfe, PGM

Scriptures

Mr. Billy H. Combest, Knights  
Templar Eye Foundation, GGC

Humanitarian Program

Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, PGM

Dedication of Music

Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon, PGM

Presentation of Music

Worthy Grand Matron's

Mr. Darren Brown

Worthy Grand Patron's

Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, PGM

The Gavel	Mr. Gayle Brown, PP
Greetings on behalf of the Governor of Texas	Mr. David Dibrill, Past Grand Master
Solo: "The Circle of Friends"	Mrs. Lesa Smith, Grand Soloist
Address of the Worthy Grand Patron	Mr. Nelson R. Campbell
Solo: "Your Moment to Shine"	Mr. Darren Brown
Address of the Worthy Grand Matron	Mrs. Nancy Brown
"Circle of Love" Drill	Mrs. Dona Hill Pope, Grand Marshal
Benediction	Mr. Gayle Brown, PP

★ ★ RECESS ★ ★

**To our Visitors, we thank you for sharing the joy of this evening.  
Those who are not members will please retire at this time.**

Call from Rest to Labor	Mrs. Nancy Brown, WGM
Proving the Grand Chapter	Mrs. Geraldine Dusek, AGM
Presentation	Board of Directors
Retiring of the Flag	Mrs. Donna Hill Pope, Grand Marshal
Closing of Holy Bible	Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Grand Conductress
Closing Ode	

**"May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You"**

May the good Lord bless and keep you, whether near or far away;  
 May our star shine down upon you as you go your way,  
 May the veil of Jephthah's Daughter bring to mind fidelity,  
 May the sheaf of Ruth remind you of her constancy,  
 May you always walk in sunshine with Esther's loyalty,  
 May Martha's broken column promise immortality,  
 May your cup be over-flowing with Electa's love and then...  
 May the good Lord bless and keep you 'til we meet again.



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Breakfast honoring the newly elected Associate Grand Conductress,  
Sunday, August 28, 2005, 8:00 A.M., Moody Gardens Hotel.

Deputy Grand Matron Conference, Sunday, August 28, 2005,  
10:00 A.M., Moody Gardens Hotel, Salon C.

### INVITATIONS

Castleberry Ch. No. 1028 cordially invites you to attend the Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Saturday, September 3, 2005, 7:30 P.M., Masonic Temple, 1100 Henderson St., Ft. Worth. "She's Our Lady of Many Talents" Banquet, 6:00 P.M. Tickets: \$25.00 donation. Ticket deadline: August 30<sup>th</sup>. Ticket Chairman: Mrs. Ginger Byrd, 10017 Buffalo Grove Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76108, (817) 367-1828. Send SASE and 2005-2006 title. Make hotel reservations direct: Fort Worth Plaza Hotel, 1701 Commerce St., Ft. Worth. (817) 335-7000. Room rate: \$70.00. Mention OES.

Silsbee Ch. No. 298 cordially invites you to attend the Fraternal Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Saturday, September 10, 2005, at Cosmopolitan Masonic Lodge, 1901 Lakeshore Dr., Port Arthur, immediately following the "Reaching for the Stars" Banquet, at 6:00 P.M. Send SASE and 2005-2006 title to: Mrs. Jackie Allen, Ticket Chairman, 6240 Estate Blvd., Lumberton, TX 77567, (409) 751-4333. Tickets: \$18.00 donation. Ticket deadline: September 7<sup>th</sup>. Make hotel reservations direct: Holiday Inn, 2029 Jimmy Johnson Blvd., Port Arthur, (409) 724-5000. Rooms 1-4 persons: \$69.00. Specify OES.

### SPECIAL DATES

September 9 – Instituting of Kirbyville Chapter U. D.  
September 11 – Waelder No. 1023 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
September 25 – Uvalde No. 297 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
October 2 – Clifton No. 283 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
October 7 – Jasper No. 291 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
October 8 – Silsbee No. 298 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
October 9 – Brock No. 274 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
October 16 – Midland No. 253 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
May 26-27 – Texas-Louisiana Exchange Visit  
June 16-17 – Multi-State, Oklahoma City

### SCHOOLS of INSTRUCTION

Sept. 13	Zapata	Sept. 15	Corpus Christi	Sept. 17	San Antonio
Sept. 20	Cuero	Sept. 22	Devine	Sept. 24	Austin
Sept. 27	Uvalde	Sept. 29	Bandera	Oct. 1	San Angelo
Oct. 11	Spur	Oct. 13	Lamesa	Oct. 15	Abilene
Oct. 18	El Paso	Oct. 20	Fort Stockton	Oct. 22	Lubbock
Oct. 25	Pampa	Oct. 27	Hereford	Oct. 29	Dumas

Please consult the OFFICIAL BULLETIN for complete information for the Eastern Star Schools, Fraternal Visits and other events.

**SPECIAL APPRECIATIONS**

Installation Chairman	Mr. Jimmy Williams, Chairman 2005-2006 Arrangements Committee
Installation Coordinator and Decorator	Mr. Trey Smith
Installation Program Cover	Mrs. Lorraine Williams
Holy Bible	Mr. Gayle Brown
Square and Compasses	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, P. G. M.
Altar Cloth	Mrs. Marie Burch
Bible Marker	Mrs. Dona Ernst
Bible Cover	Mrs. Martha Grissom Mrs. Laneida Tehas
Stage Wreath	Mr. Ron Haws and Mrs. Anna Haws
Installation Banner	Mr. Carroll Macon
Installation Pictures	Mr. Cleo Ellison
Installation Video	
Special Assistance and Support	Executive and Arrangements Committees 2005-2006 Executive and Arrangements Committee 2004-2005 Staff of the Office of the Grand Secretary
Grand Chapter Formals	Mrs. Kimi Sharma and the staff of Creative Touch
Daytime Travel Dresses	Mrs. Drew Hayner and the staff of Star Fashions
Blazers	Mrs. Drew Hayner of Hayner & Associates

Special thanks go to the Joyful Wreaths and Star Builders:  
 Castleberry Chapter No.1028 and Silsbee Chapter No. 298;  
 members of District 3, Section 1 and District 4, Section 2;  
 all our friends and family who have been there when  
 needed and have continued to uphold us in prayer.

Pictures of the installation may be ordered from our Photographer:

Mr. Cleo Ellison  
 4025 Field Street  
 Fort Worth, TX 76117  
 (817) 834-4676

## *A Wreath for You*

I made a wreath for you today;  
It started in my heart,  
It dwells inside and helps to guide  
To capture and impart:

A love that's pure, a love  
that's sure;  
A love that's high and bright;  
From worldly cares, exempt, it stays  
A symbol in our sight.

Much like our Savior's love for us,  
Empowered, it may thrust,  
Through those important  
trials of life,  
Teaching greatest trust.

Each seed, each twig, each  
flower white,  
Upon this wreath I place,  
A blessing true, with thoughts  
for you  
And joy to light your face.

This wreath for you, will carry you  
Through work, and rest, and play,  
With thoughts anew of  
friendship true  
That will not fade away.

A wreath for you, my friend,  
so true,  
I give with high esteem,  
To lift you up, instill in you,  
That courage still to dream.

Dear Friend, we know that  
come what may,  
This wreath will surely find,  
A welcome in a joyous realm  
Of circles which remind,

That friends like you are equal to  
The warm touch of the sun;  
Or just the thing, for winter rain,  
Or shade when summer comes;

Or hugs when mournful tears  
flow down,  
Cool waters when there's thirst,  
On you I know I can depend;  
My friend, I'll call you first.

It is my prayer that everywhere  
Your cares take flight away,  
With blessings sweet for  
works complete  
And smiles throughout each day.

Wherever you go; whatever  
you do,  
You know you can rely  
On joyful wreaths like this one sent  
To bond us, you and I.

And bids you see all you can be  
A special friend to others,  
To serve with love, our fellow man,  
Our Sisters and our Brothers.

And other souls, less blest than we,  
Who wander through this life,  
In misery, hunger, or despair,  
So trapped in human strife.

This wreath, through me, speaks  
truth to thee,  
New words of hope and faith,  
A charge so clear falls on our ears,  
In humblest toil we'll stay.

Come joy, come pain, come  
trouble, too,  
My wreath of love encircles you,  
I offer up those heartfelt prayers,  
And wish you joy from one  
who cares.

Rosemary Jameson Harper  
Deputy Grand Matron  
District 3, Section 4  
March 4, 2005

The Worthy Grand Matron's theme of "Surrounded by God's Love" appeared in the East with her emblem, a large wreath, underneath it. A burgundy velvet cloth with a sheer white overlay adorned the Altar. Large topiary wreaths with white lights were affixed to the podiums. Wreaths of all kinds and sizes were displayed in the East, as well as elsewhere in the Grand Chapter room. Burgundy and gold drapes were placed over the Star Point Chairs.

Lady Officers wore burgundy dresses with full chiffon skirts and burgundy and gold overblouses. Fabric the same as the overblouses decorated the skirt. The Gentlemen Officers wore dark tuxedos.

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**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Welcome to the 124th Installation of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. On behalf of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, Sister Nancy Brown, and our Worthy Grand Patron-Elect, Brother Nelson Campbell, I extend their sincere appreciation to each of you for your presence tonight. We have been enjoying the lovely music provided by both Sister Mary Alberts, a Past Matron of Killeen Chapter #490, and Sister Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron of Texas. Thank you both for sharing your God-given talents with us this evening. [applause]

As the seasons come and go, we find ourselves at the turning of the road. We are remembering with gratitude the footprints that our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have left in the sand. Processional Marshal, it is my privilege to invite you to present our Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Jerry Martin.

It is my pleasure to introduce Sister Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Jerry Martin, Worthy Grand Patron. Please join me in saluting them with Grand Honors. Sister Karen, I present to you this gavel that you might call this session to order.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sisters and Brothers, I call the 123rd session of the Grand Chapter of Texas to order.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Processional Marshal, you will present Texas' own General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members. It is my pleasure to introduce Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Mrs. Alma Carter, Registration Committee and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Mr. H. Lee Stallings, Director of the Vision Team of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Texas; Mr. Henry Martin, Visioneer of Texas and a Past Grand Patron of Texas; Mr. Billy H. Combest, Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Past Grand Patron of Texas. Please join me in giving them a warm welcome. [applause]

Processional Marshal, you will present Texas' own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. "Yesterday holds precious memories; tomorrow holds our dreams, but today, well lived, makes every yesterday a vision of happiness and every tomorrow a dream of hope." These words were spoken by Sister Mildred Garlitz, Past Grand Matron, at the 94th Installation of Grand Officers on October 9th, 1975, at the Installation of Sister Doris Easterling and Brother O. D. Christian in Dallas.

Processional Marshal, you will present our Distinguished Guests of Eastern Star, our Deputies of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and the Most Worthy Grand Patron, General

Grand Chapter.

Processional Marshal, you will present the representatives of our Fraternal Family at this time.

I invite the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Castleberry Chapter and Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Silsbee Chapter to meet our Processional Marshal in the West. Our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect is a Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028 in Fort Worth. It is my pleasure to present Mrs. Rayda Conti, Worthy Matron, and Brother Robert Byrd, Worthy Patron, of Castleberry Chapter. Our Worthy Grand Patron-Elect is a Past Patron of Silsbee Chapter #298. It is my pleasure to present Mrs. Barbara Gant, Worthy Matron, and Mr. Harold Gant, Worthy Patron, of Silsbee Chapter. Join with me in welcoming them. [applause]

Along the trail of Eastern Star, our paths cross many times. Friends become dear friends; Sisters become loving Sisters. I am privileged to introduce to you at this time Mrs. Wanda Fairchild, Past Grand Matron of Texas, who will introduce our Installed Grand Officers, Elected Board Members, Fraternal Correspondent and Grand Chapter Mom. Sister Wanda.

**MRS. WANDA FAIRCHILD:** Thank you, Sister Alma, for this privilege. And to Sister Nancy Brown, our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, Nancy, I appreciate the honor of having a part in your Installation.

At this time I would like to introduce the Board of Grand Examiners and their Escorts. Dr. Linda Puckett escorted by Mr. John Puckett, District 1; Mrs. Bess Caldwell escorted by Mr. Al Caldwell, District 2; Mrs. Annette Curry escorted by Mr. Larry Hart, District 3; Mrs. Christene Armstrong escorted by Mr. Don Armstrong, District 4; Mrs. Jerre Lucas escorted by Mr. Robert Lucas, District 5; Mrs. Vicki Hertenberger escorted by Mr. Ray Hertenberger, Grand Examiner At Large.

I am pleased to introduce the Board of Directors: Mr. Jack Beall escorted by Mrs. Charlotte Beall, District 1; Mr. Gary Steele escorted by Mrs. LeJean Steele, District 1; Mr. Dwayne Masserang, Vice Chairman, escorted by Mrs. Flora Masserang, District 2; Mr. A.L. Casparis escorted by Mrs. Nell Casparis, District 2; Mrs. Jayne Yenger, Secretary, escorted by Mr. Buddy Baker, PGP, District 3; Ms. Diane Davidson escorted by Mr. Robert Brownfield, District 3; Mrs. Micki Todd-Campbell escorted by Mr. John Merk, District 4; Mrs. Terri Rozzell escorted by Mr. Jerry Trees, District 4; Mr. Raul Garcia, Chairman, escorted by Mrs. Sylvia Garcia, District 5; Mrs. Lori Goldman escorted by Mr. Forrest Smith, District 5.

Grand Chapter Mom, Mrs. Alma Sivley, Castleberry Chapter #1028, Fort Worth, escorted by Mr. Robert Byrd; Fraternal Correspondent, Mrs. Anna Huckabee, escorted by Mr. Warren Huckabee.

Installed Grand Officers: Grand Sentinel, Mr. David Ouelette, Past Patron of Canyon Lake Chapter #1103 and New Braunfels Chapter #771, escorted by Past Grand Matron Elizabeth Bordeaux; Grand Warder, Mrs. Alma York, Past Matron of Amarillo Chapter #787 and Dumas Chapter #653, escorted by Mr. Jack York; Grand Electa, Mrs. Mary K. Easterling, Past Matron of Jefferson Chapter #737, escorted by Mr. George Lester, Jr.; Grand Martha, Mrs. Georgia Orr, Past Matron of Weatherford Chapter #21 and Brock Chapter #274, escorted by Mr. Eddie Orr; Grand Esther, Mrs. Georgia Campbell, wife of our Worthy Grand Patron and Past Matron of Silsbee Chapter #298, escorted by Mr. Kenneth Campbell; Grand Ruth, Mrs. Emma Muse, Past Matron of Mary Martha Chapter

#981, Conroe, escorted by Mr. Hershel Muse; Grand Adah, Mrs. Dona Ernst, Past Matron of Polytechnic Chapter #420, Fort Worth, escorted by Mr. Bill Crews; Grand Organist, Mrs. Judy Burchard, Past Matron of Moran Chapter #591 and Cora Posey Chapter #1072, Abilene, escorted by Mr. Bill Stillman; Grand Marshal, Mrs. Donna Hill Pope, Past Matron of North Fort Worth Chapter #684, escorted by Mr. Dale Pope; Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Virginia Strong, Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028, Fort Worth, escorted by Mr. Ray Lewis; Associate Grand Conductress, Mrs. Joyce Nicklas, escorted by Mr. David Nicklas; Grand Conductress, Mrs. Joyce Gilbert, Past Matron of Princeton Chapter #1126 and dual with Gates City Chapter #77, escorted by Mr. Billy Combest, Knights Templar Eye Foundation of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas; Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Betty Prater, Past Matron of Edwin J. Kiest Chapter #959, escorted by Mr. Mike Bidler; Grand Secretary, Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner, Past Matron of Bandera Chapter #643 and dual with Arlington Chapter #249, escorted by Mr. George Drenner; Associate Grand Patron, Mr. John Creel, Past Patron and Worthy Patron of Plano Chapter #703 and Past Patron of McKinney Chapter #518, escorted by Mrs. Cathy Creel; Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Gerry Dusek, Past Matron of Harlingen Chapter #641, escorted by Mr. Hubert Dusek; Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Nelson R. Campbell, Past Patron of Silsbee Chapter #298, escorted by Mrs. Merri Lynn O'Leary; Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Nancy Brown, Past Matron of Castleberry Chapter #1028, Fort Worth, escorted by Mr. Gayle Brown.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** The Word of God rests upon the Altar in a position of honor in our Chapter rooms. It is the source of joy in the life of a Christian. All of the heroines of our Order and the lessons they teach are found within the pages of this Book. The Bible used tonight is the Masonic Bible belonging to Mr. Gayle Brown, the husband of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect. The beautifully hand-crocheted Bible cover is a gift from Mrs. Martha Grissom and Mrs. Lanita Leitkous. The Bible is being presented by Mr. Darren Brown of Reno, Nevada, son of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect. Brother Darren is a member of Castleberry Chapter #1028. Upon the pages of our open Bible, we reverently place the revered Masonic emblems, the Square and Compasses. This is a cherished privilege granted to us by the Grand Lodge of Texas. Presenting the Square and Compasses is Mrs. Lydia Hindman of Prattville, Alabama, daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect. Sister Lydia is also a member of Castleberry Chapter #1028. Our Bible is always open to the 2nd Chapter of Matthew where we read, "I have seen His star in the east and are come to worship Him." To mark the place in this beautiful Bible, an exquisite Bible marker has been handmade with love for our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect by Mrs. Dona Ernst, who spent untold hours hand beading its flowers. Mrs. Nannette Riley of Plano, Texas, daughter of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect and also a member of Castleberry Chapter #1028, has placed the Bible marker on our Altar. Placing a bouquet of flowers for the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect is Miss Rachel Riley, the two-year-old granddaughter of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, escorted by her father, Mr. Steve Riley. The beautiful white daisies are in memory of Mrs. Doris Easterling, Past Grand Matron, and Mr. J. B. Easterling, parents of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect.

Our Altar has been prepared, and at this time we invite beloved members of our Order to assist us with an emblem presentation. Sister Processional Marshal, please assist at this time. In Eastern Star our lessons are Scriptural, our teachings moral, our purposes beneficent. Central to all Eastern Star Chapter rooms is an Altar upon which we have placed the

Holy Bible, the Word of God for mankind. The five points of the emblematic star represent five great heroines found in the Bible. Each portrays a station in the life of a woman, and each teaches lessons of important values and meanings that are as vital in today's life, as in the time of Christ. The blue ray of Adah teaches us fidelity to our word, to be faithful to all our convictions of right and duty. The symbolic emblems of the Sword and Veil are being presented by Mrs. Virginia Lynn Green, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Henry Martin, Visioneer for Texas, General Grand Chapter Committee. The yellow ray of Ruth teaches us constancy in our devotion to kindred and friends. The symbolic emblem of the Sheaf of Wheat represents patient industry and is presented by Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Garland Rattan, Past Grand Patron. The white ray of Esther teaches us loyalty to ourselves, to our friends, to our country and to our God. The symbolic emblems of the Crown and Scepter represent royalty and power are being presented by Mrs. Sharon Fentress, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Harold Trammell, Past Grand Patron. The green ray of Martha teaches us that a trustful faith is greater than knowledge. The symbolic emblem of the Broken Column represents the uncertainty of life and is presented by Mrs. Mary Brown, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Forrest Smith, Past Patron. The red ray of Electa teaches us that love is of God and reminds us of the greatest commandment, that we love one another. The symbolic emblem of the Cup represents hospitality and loving kindness and is presented by Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Past Grand Matron, escorted by Mr. Jerry Trees, Past Patron. Let us show our appreciation to our Sisters and Brothers for this beautiful emblem presentation. [applause]

Throughout history, flags have been used to show allegiance to a country or to a cause. Battles have been fought as people have passionately protected the standards of their nation. We have the presentation of the flags at this time. I was going to ask you to stand, but you have stood on your own. So please join me as we salute the flag of our country. Across America and around the world, our nation's flag symbolizes the freedom we enjoy, as well as representing the protection of human rights. May we never take lightly the blood that continues to be shed to preserve for us the freedom to fly Old Glory. Proudly presenting the Stars and Stripes is Mr. Gayle Brown, Past Patron and husband of our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect.

The Canadian flag from our neighbor to the north is emblazoned with the Canadian Mapleleaf. May our flags always fly side by side in a spirit of peace and fraternal friendship. The Canadian flag is presented by Mr. Jack Guy, Past Grand Patron.

No other state has such a heritage of sacrifice for freedom as has Texas. Having served also as the flag of the Republic of Texas, the flag of the Lone Star State is recognized around the world. Proudly presenting our state's flag is Mr. Duane "Buddy" Baker, Past Grand Patron.

The cross on the Christian flag represents the sacrifice of our Savior and reminds us to emulate his compassion and brotherly love. It is the universal emblem of the Christian religion. Our Christian flag is presented by Mr. Ed Warner, Past Grand Patron.

An emblematic star on a background of white reminds us of the fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love of the Order of the Eastern Star. Presenting the Eastern Star flag is Mr. Jimmy Williams, Past Patron of Crowley Chapter #1125.

Mr. Leland Benefield, Past Grand Patron of Texas, will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our nation's flag.

Mrs. Lesa Smith, Grand Soloist for 2005-2006, will lead our National Anthem

accompanied by Mrs. Rosemary Swetland.

At this time I invite the Processional Marshal to escort the Grand Officers to be installed to the West.

I invite Sister Gerry Dusek, Grand Conductress, to assume her station. [Bible opened.]

Our invocation will be given by Mr. Richard Ochs, Past Grand Patron.

**MR. RICHARD OCHS:** Please join hands with a neighbor, if you can reach one. God, our Creator, Savior, Councilor, thank you for having looked over our Grand Family this past year. I ask you, Lord, for your oversight of Texas OES as we move forward into our future. Lord, I hereby request you to give our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron being installed tonight added insight because of the many duties to be performed by them, especially those which need to be performed in the next few weeks for our short- and long-term future. Thank you for your blessings. We ask these things in Jesus' Name, that you guide us all and direct us as we go and serve you and this Grand Chapter also. Amen.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** You may be seated. Sisters and Brothers, you are in store for a true blessing. At this time I present to you Mr. Darren Brown, son of the Worthy Grand Matron-Elect, who will sing "Who Am I?" [applause followed song] Thank you, Brother Darren.

It is the privilege of a Worthy Grand Matron-Elect to make all decisions about her installation. Our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect has selected Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Matron of Texas, to serve as the General Grand Chapter Installing Officer for the Installation. Thirty years ago Sister Rennie was installed as the Associate Grand Conductress of Texas, and at that same installation Sister Nancy was installed as Grand Adah. Sister Rennie, I welcome you and invite you to preside and to introduce those who will be assisting with the installation this evening.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Sister Alma Lynn Bane. Yes, this is an auspicious occasion. We have completed the pages of the history of the Grand Chapter of Texas for 2004-2005. Tonight it is our pleasure to open a brand new page and write upon it the facts that will strengthen our beloved Grand Chapter of Texas. I am honored to have been asked to be the General Grand Chapter Installing Officer. I know that as we do the installation tonight – I hope if we have any visitors – that you will listen to the beauty of our installation and understand why we dedicate so much time, effort and money to our beloved Order. We are lucky. We have an Order that is an enhancement of our individual churches. We have an Order that lets us meet the very best people. We have an Order that cares for humanity. Most of all, we have an Order that cares for each other. So tonight I hope that as you listen to the words of our installation, visitor or member, you will thank God for the blessing of the Order of the Eastern Star.

It is my pleasure to introduce those who will be assisting tonight. Assisting General Grand Chapter Installing Officer, Mr. Kenneth Gregory, Past Grand Patron; Worthy Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Betty Friend, Past Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Marshal, Mrs. Elise Hammack, Past Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Organist, our lovely lady who has been playing all of this beautiful music – and we thank you, Rosemary – Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Secretary, Mrs. Alma Carter, Registration Committee, General Grand Chapter. Will you help me welcome them? [applause]



At this time it is necessary to have a short recess to prepare for the ceremony of installation. If you'll bear with us, we'll hurry up every chance we get.

**\*\* Installation Ceremony \*\***

Worthy Grand Marshal, you will now proclaim the Grand Officers regularly installed.

**WORTHY GRAND MARSHAL:** In the name of Grand Chapter and by order of the General Grand Chapter Officer, I proclaim the Officers of the Grand Chapter of Texas for the ensuing year duly installed.

**MRS. RENNIE OFTON:** Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pride and a great deal of love that I present to you the gavel of your office.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Grand Conductress, you will close the Holy Bible.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Our Order is a direct result of the efforts and support of the Masonic Fraternity and the Grand Lodge of Texas. It is our honor to have Deputy Grand Master Brian Dodson in attendance this evening. It is my privilege to introduce to you Brian Dodson, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons. We would be pleased to have greetings from you at this time.

**MR. BRIAN DODSON:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, all of you beautiful Past Grand Matrons, and I guess to be fair, handsome Past Grand Patrons, Sisters and Brothers: I take great pleasure in representing our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Elmer Murphey, III, in bringing fraternal greetings from the over 115,000 Masons of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we congratulate you on the elevation of your office, and we pledge our support to you and your Officers to make this year everything you want it to be. It has been my pleasure to work with your Worthy Grand Matron in our Counterparts meetings over the last three or four years, and having gotten to know her, I have great confidence in her ability to lead this Grand Chapter.

As a personal point, I want to personally thank Lee Stallings for because of him I will always be known as an All Star. In looking around this audience, what a great example of the dedication and excitement that can be done in a Grand Chapter by your presence. We of the Grand Trustees understand the love, support and elegance that this Grand Chapter gives to our great fraternity, and we know we would be much less without it. May God bless. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Our ties with the General Grand Chapter are strengthened by the active participation of our Texas Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons in the endeavors of our Order internationally. To bring greetings from the General Grand Chapter this evening is Mr. H. Lee Stallings, Director of the Vision Team, General Grand Chapter, and a Past Grand Patron of Texas.

**MR. LEE STALLINGS:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members, Distinguished Members, Guests, my Sisters and Brothers: It is indeed an honor for me to have been asked to bring greetings on behalf of the General Grand Chapter on this very special evening when we install our new Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and their Officers. Sister Nancy, thank you for asking me to be a part of your installation. And, Deputy Grand Master, I am certainly glad that you are an All Star forever.

There is a distinct correlation between the leaders installed here tonight and those serving the General Grand Chapter from Texas. As I explain these correlations, I would invite those serving on the General Grand Chapter level, the Officers, Committee Members and Deputies, to stand with me. The correlation begins in that each group has a love for the Order and is willing to give time, talent and resources for the benefit of the Order of the Eastern Star. Each group is composed of leaders who believe very strongly that their involvement can make our Order stronger and more relevant. Both groups believe that the Order of the Eastern Star is here to stay. And while we may not be as many in terms of sheer numbers, we can and are making a difference in the lives of our members and the communities we serve. And, most importantly, both groups believe that if we place our faith in God, we will accomplish His mission for our beloved Order.

Sister Nancy and Brother Nelson, the General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members and Deputies stand before you tonight and pledge our support to you personally and to your programs. We are and will be by your side whenever needed. Most of us have walked this way before and truly understand that when the need comes for you to reach out to those that have gone before you, we will be there. When that happens, just lean on us for your support and your encouragement.

A wise man once told me that when speaking to a large group that I should remember the three B's: Be prepared, be factual and be brief. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Thank you, Brother Lee. The Grand Chapter of Texas realizes that the future of our Order to a great extent rests with our youth. Therefore, our fraternal family is proud to have three Masonic fraternal youth organizations sponsored in Texas. We are honored with the presence of these youth organizations this evening, and we will have greetings from their representatives.

DeMolay, the organization for young men, is alive and well in Texas. It is my pleasure to introduce Mr. J. Weldon Clampitte, Executive Officer in Texas, DeMolay International. Brother Weldon will introduce the youth leaders.

**MR. J. WELDON CLAMPITTE:** Several years ago when I was asked to take this position as Executive Officer of DeMolay in Texas by the Grand Lodge, at the request of then-Grand Master Dibrell to DeMolay International, to appoint me to this post, little did I know how much I would be enjoying such a position. I had never been a DeMolay. It was therefore very important to me to get to know about the kids. I got to learn the DeMolays. I got to working with Rainbows and Job's and all of these kids coming together making our youth organizations. The precepts of DeMolay, teaching filial love, reverence for sacred things, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanliness and patriotism – the last of these, patriotism, has really come to light in the last couple of years. There are over 25 DeMolays serving our country in various parts of this world. This is the type of kids that we have. This is the type of youth that we support here. The last five State Master Councilors, all of whom have petitioned Masonry, came this way before my young man today. Zane Whitney, a Past Master Councilor of Corpus Christi Chapter, is now the State Master Councilor of DeMolay in Texas. He's taking a little of his time this weekend while he's trying to register in college to be here with you. It is my pleasure to present to you the State Master Councilor of Texas DeMolay, Zane Whitney.

**MR. ZANE WHITNEY:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Executive Officer Dad

J. Weldon Clampitte, Supreme Deputy Mom Dibrell, my Rainbow Sisters, Job's Daughters and Friends: I would like to take this moment to introduce the rest of my State Officers. Would they please stand. Deputy State Master Councilor Randall Dupree from Reagan Chapter will succeed me next year as State Master Councilor; Brother Chance Chapman from Nederland is our State Senior Councilor; and Brother P.J. Hinkey from Houston Chapter is our State Junior Councilor. Thank you. As Dad Clampitte stated earlier, there are seven cardinal virtues in DeMolay, one of them being comradeship. I have seen that this weekend not only between the members of Grand Chapter but between those members and myself. I would like to personally extend a thank you for being very warm and welcoming to myself and my Fellow Officers during this weekend.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the DeMolays of Texas are here at your beck and call. Anything that you need this year, don't hesitate to contact us. We are truly grateful for you asking us to be here and be a part of your installation and I thank you. [applause] I look forward to seeing all of you in the future.

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** The International Order of Rainbow for Girls is seeing a renewed growth in Texas. Mrs. Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy for Texas, will introduce the Grand Worthy Advisor and the Rainbow Girls present this evening. Mrs. Dibrell.

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers: It is with pleasure that I bring greetings on behalf of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, the 60 assemblies and 1,000 members in Texas. We appreciate the privilege, Worthy Grand Matron, that you extended by your invitation to participate in this beautiful installation. It is our honor to be part of this celebration, a moment in time that we shall long remember. Many of our young ladies are proud members of Eastern Star and are currently serving as officers in some of our Texas Chapters. Our Orders share our beautiful teachings, as well as the beautiful friendships that we enjoy one with another. We thank you individually and our sponsoring bodies for supporting our young ladies with dedication and extraordinary service. It is said that a real friend is one who helps us to think our noblest thoughts, to put forth our best efforts and to be our best selves.

Thank you, Eastern Stars, for being true and genuine friends of Rainbow as together we help our young ladies become the very best persons they can be. We promise to work side by side with you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, this Grand Chapter year and hope to be part of your many accomplishments. We especially invite you to our 2006 Grand Assembly session in Waco and look forward to honoring you at that time. It is now with Rainbow pride that I invite Sister Lila Kerr, Grand Worthy Advisor, to bring greetings from our Rainbow Girls.

**MISS LILA KERR:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer and Committee Members and all Members: On behalf of the Texas Rainbow Girls, I extend congratulations to the Eastern Star Grand Officers. I have enjoyed attending many Eastern Star events in the past and look forward to working with you in the future. As we begin a new year, let us remember these words of wisdom: Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success. I pray that God grants us courage and faith to do His will in all things. We thank all who have made the Rainbow Girls feel welcome here, and we appreciate the courtesy and kindness that have been shown to us. We are glad to be in Galveston this evening, and we hope to see you in Waco next year with us at Grand Assembly 2006. May God bless you all. Thank

you. [applause]

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** I now invite the Rainbow Girls to enter this Grand Chapter room.

Sister Drill Leader and Assisting Drill Leader, you will conduct the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Nancy Brown, and the Grand Worthy Advisor, Miss Lila Kerr, to the west side of the Altar for the traditional Rainbow Bible presentation.

**MISS LILA KERR:** Many pleasant duties have fallen to me during my association with this Order, but none more pleasant than that which I am privileged to discharge at this time. There comes a time in the affairs of everyone when it seems no one can be depended upon and we are left to our own resources. But that all-wise and Supreme Being has furnished us a way for our own consolation. Upon reflection you will doubtless remember that among the first things brought to your attention in this Order was a copy of this Old Book, which you placed next to your heart and have been taught that it alone was to be the rule and guide to your faith and practice. At each succeeding step, you have been reminded that it will guide you to all truth, direct your path to the temple of happiness and point out to you your whole duty to mankind. And now at this most auspicious hour, surrounded by those who take you as a Sister and in whose very heart you have no doubt of the sincere wish for your future happiness, let me impress upon your mind in the most lasting and substantial manner possible that this Old Book contains the mind of God, the state of mankind, the way to salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, strength to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the Rainbow Girl's light and the Christian's character. Through it heaven is opened, paradise is restored and the gates of doom are disclosed. The Messiah is its grand subject, your good its design and the glory of God its end. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. If you will obey its precepts, it will be to you a river of pleasure, a mine of wealth and a paradise of glory. And now on behalf of this Grand Assembly, I have the very distinct honor, as well as the supreme pleasure, of presenting to you this beautiful white Bible, the gift of this Grand Assembly. May it be a beacon light to direct you through life to that assembly above where all is love and religion and nature and immortality and fidelity and patriotism and service. [applause and singing of "My Rainbow"]

**MRS. MARLENE DIBRELL:** Thank you, Rainbow Girls, for coming from all over this great state, for your beautiful presentation this evening. Thank you to the adults, Ms. Grovenor, Ms. Penn, Ms. Trees, Ms. Cuero and the many that helped prepare for this evening. Thank you for showing your Rainbow pride. Thank you, girls. You may please retire. [applause as Rainbow Girls leave]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** What would be a celebration like this without presentations? Presenting the Traveling Worthy Grand Matron's jewel will be Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler, Past Grand Matron. The Past Grand Matron's jewel will be presented by Mr. Tom Morgenthaler. Sister Karen, Brother Tom, I invite you to come forward.

**MRS. KAREN MORGENTHALER:** Nancy, it is with much honor and pleasure that I pin this on you. I know that you will wear it proudly, with dignity and with honor this year.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, what makes it so special is that Nancy's mother wore the

same pin. [applause]

**MR. TOM MORGENTHALER:** Karen, I know you like antique jewelry. This is a very old pin.

**VOICE:** Tom, she looks off balance. Do you have anything for the other side?

**MR. TOM MORGENTHALER:** Yes, I might have something that would balance this out! See if that won't help the balance. [presentation of ring]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Wait till Sister Pat Rasmusson sees this!

**MRS. KAREN MORGENTHALER:** Sisters and Brothers, it truly has been an honor to serve this membership of Texas as your Worthy Grand Matron. I look forward to stepping in the line behind Sister Doris and serving this membership as a Past Grand Matron. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** It's kind of like a seventh inning stretch. There are a lot of stories, a lot of unique moments that happened about six years ago. But the one that I shall never forget was in Jefferson, Texas. We had seen bad weather coming in, but there was a fraternal visit. Nancy was traveling with me. We were staying with J.B. and Mary Kay. As we were unloading things from the van into the house – we were not quite through, but suddenly the alarms came on in the town that there was a tornado approaching. So very calmly – and I had never been in a tornado, I had been in hurricanes – they began putting chairs in the hallway and shutting all the doors. We all sat down in the hallway, hoping that the tornado did not touch ground. While sitting there, I realized that my garment bag was still in the van with my Grand Chapter dress, with the Worthy Grand Matron's pin on it. I said, "Oh, my gosh! The pin is in the van." And Brother J.B., who hated tornadoes, very calmly looked at me and said, "Sister Alma, would you like for me to go and get it?" I said, "No, Brother J.B., you're worth a whole lot more." So that pin definitely has had some travels.

At this time, presenting the Traveling Worthy Grand Patron's jewel will be Mr. Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron. And the Past Grand Patron's jewel will be presented by Mrs. Betty Martin. Brother Jerry and Sister Betty, I invite you to come forward.

**MR. JERRY MARTIN:** Brother Nelson, it is indeed an honor and a privilege for me to be able to give you this little badge. I believe you are number 124. I wish you safe travel and good health in this next year, and I hope you just enjoy it half as much as I did. It's a great ride. [applause]

**MRS. BETTY MARTIN:** I'm not going to give him what Tom gave Karen! [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Brother Jerry, one last remark.

**MR. JERRY MARTIN:** Thank you, Sister Alma. What a pleasure it has been and what a great honor you gave to me this last year. I owe you a debt of gratitude that I can never repay, but I will certainly try. So if you ever need assistance, let me know. I thank you for the privilege of letting me serve you and this great Order last year, and I thank you for this chance to say good-bye. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Every Grand Chapter year is unique and represents the individuality of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The individual portions of the program for 2005-2006 will be presented by our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Presenting the Worthy Grand Matron's dedication is Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield, Past Grand Matron and our number one Gleaner.

**MRS. YVONNE BROWNFIELD:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. I think

protocol has been established a time or two. It is an honor to be asked to present this dedication. However, before I go into the serious part I did want to mention what a wonderful week this has been. It's a beautiful hotel and complex, but it's just like on a cruise. The last day of the cruise, you find your way around!

Now to be serious. "Dedication of the Worthy Grand Matron. This year is lovingly dedicated to those whose footprints I have been blessed to follow and those who have made my Eastern Star service so rewarding: to our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons for freely giving of their time and wisdom for the perpetuation of our beautiful Order; to the membership of our Subordinate Chapters for electing me to this position and willingly serving time after time for the good of their Chapters; to Castleberry Chapter #1028, my Eastern Star family for the last 33 years, for encouraging me and always assisting me in every endeavor; to the membership of District 3, Section 1 for their continued support and their enthusiasm in preparing for the 2006 Grand Chapter. I thank God for the opportunity of service given to me, and I pray that His blessings will be upon our Order during the coming year."

And then the "Special Dedication of the Worthy Grand Matron. This year of service is lovingly dedicated to my family who have meant the most in my life and who have sacrificed that I might stand in this place of honor. To my husband, Gayle, my best friend for the last 42 years, whose love and support have continued to encouraged me in every new endeavor. His love for Eastern Star has allowed us to share many wonderful memories. To our children and their spouses – Lydia Hindman and her husband Mark, Nannette Riley and her husband Steve, Darren Brown and his wife Lisa — they have always been such a help to me and have continued to be understanding when commitments kept me away on many family occasions. To our seven grandchildren – Caleb, Steven and Daniel Hindman, Rachel Riley, Parker, Chloe and Marshall Brown – each is unique and special in their unconditional love, which I cherish and which is irreplaceable. To my father, J.B. Easterling, Jr., upon whose Masonic relationship I was initiated into this Order and who instilled in me a reverence for the ritualistic work of the Order. He was so happy to see me installed as Associate Grand Conductress. To my mother, Doris Easterling, who was a wonderful example of a loving, Christian mother who always saw the best in everyone. Her outstanding year of service as Worthy Grand Matron in 1975-1976 provided the goal toward which I strive this year." [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting our Worthy Grand Patron's Dedication is Mrs. Jane Gregory, Past Grand Matron, our Strawberry Lady.

**MRS. JANE GREGORY:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege. It is my distinct honor and privilege to present the Dedication of Brother Nelson Campbell. I personally have a close tie to Brother Nelson as he and Georgia served as my Timekeeper and Strawberry Girl in 1991-92, their first time in the East. It was evident then that one day he would serve the Grand Chapter of Texas as Worthy Grand Patron. Words are inadequate to express my pride in both Nelson and Georgia.

Our Worthy Grand Patron would like to dedicate this year of service to the memory of his mother and father who planted the seeds that formed his life for these many years. We have no choice in choosing our parents, but he thanks God often that he had the privilege to have Ernest and Ida Campbell as his parents. Thanks to his wife of 30 years this September for always being by his side and encouraging him in whatever he attempts to do. She is his constant companion, faithful helper and encourager and his best friend. He

wants to thank Silsbee Chapter #298 and Silsbee Lodge #927 for accepting him both into the Lodge and into the Order of the Eastern Star. He wants to thank District 4, Section 2 for being there to help him obtain this position. Thanks to his six children and 11 grandchildren who have always been there for Dad and PaPa. He loves you. He looks forward with excitement as he assumes his station in the Grand East. He hopes that before this year is over, he will have the opportunity to meet each one of you personally. Remember the Scripture found in Galatians 6:9, "Do not lose heart in doing good for in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary." Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting our Theme is Mrs. Doris Hester, Past Grand Matron, our Bluebird.

**MRS. DORIS HESTER:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of being a part of this special evening in the beginning of this new year. It is with pleasure that I present your Theme. "The real joy comes only from God. Our daily lives are filled with experiences which make us happy or sad, contented or discouraged. Since happiness depends on events and circumstances, when happiness is gone, despair can set in. In contrast, joy depends only on God. Joy is the assurance that God loves us and that He will be with us and see us through all the trials of life. It has been said that for happiness, one needs security. But joy can bring spring like a flower, even from the cliffs of despair. As the Star shown in the East, the angels appeared to announce the birth of Christ, bringing 'good tidings of great joy.' That same God-given joy is ours as we depend on the strength of Christ rather than our own. May we, as with Paul in his letter to the Philippians, 'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again. Rejoice.'" Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting our Emblem and Honor Station is Mrs. Beulah Speer, Past Grand Matron, our Windmill Lady.

**MRS. BEULAH SPEER:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished General Grands, Distinguished Members, Sisters and Brothers: With love and appreciation for our Worthy Grand Matron, I am honored to bring her personal words about her emblem, the wreath, and the Honor Station, Esther.

"The Wreath. Wreaths have been used to represent special occasions since the earliest civilization. Archeologists have found remains of rings of flowers over 4500 years old in the burial pyramids of Egyptian kings. Throughout history wreaths have been associated with life, rejuvenation, renewal, the eternal season and everlasting life. They have been worn on heads, placed on coffins, hung around horses' necks, attached to buildings, fashioned around pillars and emblazoned on military insignia. Eventually, wreaths were divided into two categories. Those which represented happiness, good fortune or triumph were used to crown winners of sporting or literary games, as well as military conquerors. The wreaths which represented death and mourning were placed on coffins, tombs and gravestones. Originally the ingredients of wreaths were determined by the plants which were available, making certain wreaths unique to particular areas. Eventually, wreaths of plant leaves evolved into wreaths made with jewels for flowers and leaves of gold. These evolved into the crowns of rulers. The word "crown," comes from the Latin word "corona," meaning "wreath."

In fact, the Roman wreath of gold became the example for the crown of thorns that the Roman soldiers used to ridicule Jesus, calling him king of the Jews. Advent wreaths, used widely in homes and churches today, originated in the Lutheran tradition showing joyous anticipation of Christmas. Some of today's wreaths, such as those used by our

military, remain a symbol of honor, distinction, patriotism and special achievement. In the last Olympic games held in Greece, the athletes were crowned with wreaths, as had been done in ancient times. In addition to items from nature, current wreaths are composed of everything imaginable — from rope, leather, barbed wire, horseshoes to seashells, bread dough, feathers and cooking utensils. Contemporary wreaths serve many purposes. Ones made of fresh spices freshen our homes; jeweled wreaths adorn our clothing; beaded ones decorate our Christmas trees. Many handmade wreaths are given as gifts and express the personality of the maker.

This year it is the hope of the Worthy Grand Matron that the wreath will not only remind us of God's eternal love for us, but will also express the continued influence of the Order of the Eastern Star in the lives of each member.

The Honor Station is Esther. Esther the beautiful, young Jewish exile who became the queen of Persia, was willing to sacrifice her position of royalty and even her life to rescue an entire nation from destruction. Her life teaches us to seize the opportunities which God has given to us. He places us in particular places at appointed times. "Perhaps He has prepared us for such a time as this," Esther 4:14. Esther's emblem is the Crown and Scepter united. Esther's station represents light, purity and joy, each of which is a quality that enriches our lives. The light of Christ is our daily guide, illuminating our pathway. We receive purity from the blood of Jesus, and it is His joy which causes us to look beyond the trials of today to the reward which God has promised for all those who believe in Him. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting our Colors and Flowers is Mrs. Naomi Wolfe, Past Grand Matron and our number one Moonbeam.

**MRS. NAOMI WOLFE:** Thank you, Sister Alma. Worthy Grand Matron, thank you so very much for inviting me to bring your Colors and Flowers this evening. "A thing of beauty is a joy forever" - John Keats. God has blessed us by surrounding us with a vast expanse of beautiful colors. As is evidenced tonight, the colors to which our Worthy Grand Matron is drawn are shades of pink, from the deepest burgundy to the most brilliant fuchsia and the palest pink.

In the same color range, her favorite flowers are all those from delicate pink to rich burgundy, punctuated by the white daisy. The daisy is a simple, unassuming flower which always brightens a garden or a bouquet. In the Victorian language of flowers, the daisy stands for innocence and simplicity. Legend tells us the name "daisy" comes from the Old English phrase, "day's eye," because many varieties of daisies open their petals in the morning and close them at night. The daisy is also special to our Worthy Grand Matron because it was the flower chosen by her mother, Mrs. Doris Easterling, when she served in this place during the bi-centennial year of 1975-1976. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting our Scriptures is Mr. Billy H. Combest, Knights Templar Eye Foundation of General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Texas.

**MR. BILLY COMBEST:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Past Grand Matron Alma Lynn Bane. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for the honor of dedicating your Scriptures. The favorite Scripture for the Worthy Grand Patron is, "And we know that God causes all things to work together for those who love God, to those that are called according to His purpose," Romans 8:28.

The favorite Scriptures for the Worthy Grand Matron are: "For I know the plans I have



for you, declareth the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future,” Jeremiah 29:11. “These things I have spoken to you that your joy may remain in you and that your joy may be full,” John 15:11. “And may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit,” Romans 15:13. May God bless and honor the reading of His Holy Word, amen. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Each Grand Chapter year our Humanitarian Program is a focal point of our benevolent endeavors. Our Worthy Grand Matron has prepared a Humanitarian Program which will afford the membership the privilege of providing needed services to others. Presenting our Humanitarian Program is Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** Thank you, Sister Alma Lynn. Worthy Grand Matron, your chosen speaker for the evening was Sister Betty Benham, but it was necessary that she and Brother Ferris return home due to his brother’s illness, so I bring you appreciation from Sister Betty.

Each year our Worthy Grand Matron selects a special Humanitarian Program to which the monies that she earns during the year are placed. This year is no different. Her program is entitled “The Joy of Service.” The Bible speaks often of joy. We read that “the joy of the Lord is my strength, and that weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.” Each of us is blessed to share the joy of the Lord which gives us the strength to continue no matter how heavy the burdens or how discouraging the situations. If we are blessed with such joy, we should share our blessings with others. Brother Rob Morris envisioned the Order of the Eastern Star as a fraternity which would provide its members the opportunity of service to others. Each year our Worthy Grand Matron selects these projects of special significance to her. She allows the members the joy of sharing in these areas of service.

The motto of our Worthy Grand Matron this year encourages us to GENERATE REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS, which spells out the word GREAT. She hopes this will be an appropriate description of the year. The five areas chosen for her Humanitarian program spell the same word. G - General Fund; R - Religious Education or ESTARL; E - Educational Scholarships or the Educational Fund; A - Aid to our own Members, the Benevolent Aid Fund; and T - Texas Masonic Retirement Center, money to help our ladies who reside at TMRC. The General Fund: The everyday operating expenses of Grand Chapter are many and varied, and they are all dependent upon the money from the General Fund. Religious Education: ESTARL stands for Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership, and it has helped to put joy in hearts across our nation and around the world as those who have received ESTARL scholarships have followed God’s leadership to their fields of service. Recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships must be ministerial students who are in their third year of college or beyond. Educational scholarships: The principal of the Educational Fund remains invested, but the interest is used to provide scholarships for our Eastern Star members and their families. These scholarships are not limited to recent high school graduates, but may also be awarded to older applicants who are seeking to further their education. Aid: Our Benevolent Aid Fund serves to assist our members who may need emergency assistance. For some of our members, permanent aid enables them to remain in their own homes, to purchase needed medicines and to have a better standard of living. With the cost of living rising, this fund is in demand more often.

Application for aid must come through the Chapter. Texas Masonic Retirement Center: Money given to this fund helps our precious members who reside at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

The Humanitarian Program was established to provide the funds necessary to accomplish our benevolent purposes. Chapters may become 100% in Humanitarian by contributing \$1 per member as listed on their Chapter's 2005 annual report. Awards will be presented to Chapters upon becoming 100%, and additional awards may be earned for becoming 200%, 300% and each succeeding 100%. Funds may be designated to go to one portion of the Humanitarian Program or may be divided as the Chapter wishes. Chapter members also may make donations to any portion of the Humanitarian for memorials or honorariums. The District Humanitarian Chairman will send a card noting your contribution to the person that you designate, and funds will be added to the amount given by your Chapter.

It is said that OES stands not only for the Order of the Eastern Star, but also for Opportunity, Enthusiasm and Service. So this year may we seize the opportunity for enthusiastic service, and by doing so we will find true joy. As in Matthew 25:21, may we be told, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant." Joyfully, Nancy Brown, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Presenting the Dedication of the Music is Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon, Past Grand Matron.

**MRS. JIMMIE LEE McMAHON:** Thank you, Sister Alma. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for this honor and privilege to take part and to participate in this wonderful evening, the very special night that we surround you with a circle of love, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Music is one of the greatest blessings which enriches our lives and encourages all of us to appreciate more deeply the joys of each day. Languages may differ, accents may be unfamiliar, but music is a universal language understood and appreciated by everyone. Music washes from the soul the dust of everyday life. Truly, music inspires us; it intensifies every moment. Both our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron enjoy music of all kinds. They look forward to having the membership share with them their special talents. Nothing is more special than having music written and dedicated to you as an individual. "The Circle of Joy March," written for our Worthy Grand Matron, will bring to mind several hymns, including "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," "Joy to the World,," and our favorite childhood song, "I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy Down in my Heart." This march was written for our Worthy Grand Matron by her son, Darren Brown, who is a minister of music in Reno, Nevada. The special music written and dedicated to our Worthy Grand Patron is equally as impressive. Be listening for the sounds of "One Day at a Time" and "Please Don't Take My Sunshine Away." "The Starbuilder March" was written by our beautiful Past Grand Matron, Sister Rosemary Swetland, a music instructor and a member of our Worthy Grand Patron's District. Between all people and all lands, music is the link which holds us close together. Music is the bond of love which holds joy in our hearts. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** To play "The Circle of Joy March" this evening is the composer, Mr. Darren Brown, who lovingly wrote this for his mother. Brother Darren.

**MR. DARREN BROWN:** When I wrote it, I didn't know I'd have to play it. This isn't really my thing, but I'll do the best I can. It was an honor to be able to write this for

you, Mother. You know I love you. [applause followed song]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** To play “The Texas Starbuilder’s March” is its composer, Mrs. Rosemary Swetland, Past Grand Matron.

**MRS. ROSEMARY SWETLAND:** It was such a sweet honor when Brother Nelson asked me to write his march. I said to you, “What are your two favorite songs?” And you said, “Well, from Louisiana, ‘You Are My Sunshine’ and I need to take ‘One Day at a Time.’” So that was just a tiny bit of a challenge to put those two together, but I did my best. Thank you for this sweet honor. You know how I love you. [applause followed song]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** To present greetings on behalf of Governor Rick Perry will be Mr. David Dibrell, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons.

**MR. DAVID DIBRELL:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies, Alma Lynn Bane. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it is a distinct honor that I am able to bring you greetings tonight. The first to Nancy Brown. “Congratulations on your installation as Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. As you assume this role, this ceremony provides an outstanding opportunity to extend appreciation to the incoming officers as you celebrate your accomplishments and the agenda for the future. The Grand Chapter of Texas has touched the lives of Texans through its many outreach programs and services in communities across the Lone Star State. I commend your love of community and service of your fellowman. Such excellence highlights the best of the Lone Star State. Anita joins me in sending best wishes on this special occasion.” Signed Rick Perry, Governor of the State of Texas.

And similar greetings to Brother Nelson Campbell. Congratulations on your installation as Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star. As you assume this role, this ceremony provides another outstanding opportunity to extend appreciation from the Governor. The Grand Chapter of Texas has touched the lives of many Texans through its outreach programs and its services in communities. I commend your love of community and your service to your fellowman. Such excellence highlights the best of the Lone Star State. Again, Anita joins in sending her best wishes on this special occasion. Sincerely, Rick Perry, Governor of the State of Texas.

Congratulations. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Thank you, Brother David. The gavel is the emblem of the Worthy Grand Matron and represents her authority. To present the gavel tonight is Mr. Gayle Brown, husband of the Worthy Grand Matron,

**MR. GAYLE BROWN:** Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Nancy, Sweetheart: If I may, somewhere in this building is the actual gavel that I’m supposed to be presenting tonight. We’ll find it. But on that gavel it says, “Mrs. Doris Easterling, Worthy Grand Matron, 1975-1976, Bicentennial.” In addition, it is inscribed, “Nancy Brown, Worthy Grand Matron, 2005-2006.” Nancy, your family and I are proud of you. I know your mom and dad would rejoice. Gavels are used for a number of reasons, but I hope and pray that you will never have to use it in an arbitrary or dictatorial manner. And with that I will give it to you, and I love you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** He has already told me that when we go home, there will be no Grand Honors. [laughter]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** In honor of our Worthy Grand Patron, Mrs. Lesa Smith, Grand Soloist, will sing “Circle of Friends.” [applause followed song]

It is my privilege and pleasure to present our Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Nelson Campbell, for greetings. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND PATRON:** Thank you, Master of Ceremonies. And I'm going to say Worthy Grand Matron for sure because this is the first time. Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers all: Y'all are real lucky because the Junior Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron have left, and I had about a page that I was going to address to them. First, I'd like to thank all of these Installing Officers for the beautiful installation tonight. It'll be a memory we'll never forget. I know Sister Nancy won't, and I know Queen Esther and I won't. Would y'all help us thank them? It was very nice. [applause]

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Nancy, I thank you for the opportunity you've given me this year. Thank you for the privilege of serving with you and serving the members of this Grand Jurisdiction. I pledge to you my total support, and there's no doubt in my mind that you're going to make an outstanding Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you. [applause]

I want to thank this total membership from the bottom of my heart for the honor that you bestowed upon me in electing me your Worthy Grand Patron for the year 2005-2006. This is a position that I never sought, nor did I ever dream would come my way.

You see, I did not want position nor power did I crave.

I did not want the spotlight nor hear others sing my praise.

I didn't crave to be a big shot, nor to make a special hit.

I just wanted to be an Eastern Star and do my little bit.

There are some people here tonight that I would like to recognize. First of all, my wife and constant companion of 30 years, your Queen Esther. I love you, Georgia. [applause] Then I'd like to ask my children to stand. These four belong to Queen Esther and myself. And the rest of my extended family, the rest of you stand up. Some are nephews and step nieces and what have you, but that's my group, folks. [applause] These four kids and I were alone in our life until Georgia came in our life, and they've always been there for me in one way or another. Thanks for being here for your old dad tonight. Thank you. [applause]

Next, I'd like to ask my church family to stand. There's several here from my church tonight that are not members of Eastern Star. Some of them may be seeing the first installation they've ever seen. I'm not sure about that part of it, but I really thank y'all for putting forth this effort and being here. Y'all be sure y'all are in Sunday School tomorrow. These folks are in my Sunday School class.

Then I'd like to ask Silsbee Chapter to stand at this time. And then all the members of District 4, Section 2 please stand. This is pretty much the rowdy bunch that y'all heard earlier tonight. But Sister Joyce, I think you're competing with me. You had a pretty rowdy bunch over there, too, tonight. All right. Thank y'all for being here. I know it was a big effort for some of you to be here, but it sure did mean a lot to me. These Sisters and Brothers are the folks that have always encouraged us and have helped us to reach this place. They've given me help, comfort and encouragement along the way and have always stood by us through happy times, and we've had some sad ones, too, and they've always been there. Please help me thank this group for being here tonight. [applause]

I have a warm and genuine affection for the membership of the Eastern Star in Texas. And though my talents may be few, I have faith to believe that with your assistance I will not fail in this undertaking. As most of you know, we have named the Worthy Patrons

Starbuilders this year. I'd like to ask all the Starbuilders present to please stand. You know who you are; all the Worthy Patrons in Texas please stand. It's a pretty good group. We've talked to you all year about our goal to be real builders and make this Order grow again. By our example and confidence, we can inspire further loyalty and participation among ourselves and others and provide a climate to increase our membership for the new era now dawning. Please help me to thank this group for their service. [applause]

Whenever and wherever possible, the membership should become fully and enthusiastically involved and utilized in the many activities of our Worthy Grand Matron this year. I want you all to know that you're all needed and an appreciated treasure. This is a joyous field of labor, and I look forward to working with you with enthusiasm, love and rededication. I guess you've noticed that I've mentioned enthusiasm several times in this talk. Our slogan is about enthusiasm, as was mentioned a little earlier in the Humanitarian presentation. But before I get into that, I want to make an announcement that's very exciting to us. There's a couple of ladies in the stands up over in District 4, Section 2 that are even more excited than I, because on September 9th at Kirbyville, Texas, at 7:30 we're going to institute a brand new Eastern Star Chapter. [applause] Sister Kay, y'all stand up, from Kirbyville. Give them a hand. [applause] I'm real excited about it, not quite as much as Sister Kay. But I hope that you also join us in this excitement. We invite y'all to be there. They're ready to lay out the carpet in Kirbyville for as many of you as can come.

Now in closing, I want you to help me with this slogan for the year. It's easy to remember, as was explained to you earlier. And most of you have been practicing it since the roundup because we've gone over it several times. And for those of you who don't know – I'm just going to tell you once real quietly, and then we're going to say it loud. The words are GENERATING REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS. Now I want you to help me, and this is in an enthusiastic way, and especially you Deputies, with this slogan. GENERATING REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** In honor of our Worthy Grand Matron, Mr. Darren Brown will sing "Your Moment to Shine."

**MR. DARREN BROWN:** Thanks. I'd like to say just a quick word – I don't know really how quick it will be, but we've been here a long time, what's a couple more minutes, right? I grew up around Eastern Star my whole life. When other children were playing Candyland and Chutes and Ladders, my sisters and I were learning 42 and Chicken Foot. Instead of going camping on weekends, we thought vacations were roundups with Doris' Darlings. We didn't know about McDonald's, we just knew about covered dish dinners and things like that. It was very interesting growing up in that family. I remember 30 years ago – well, probably one of my first memories was being in my grandmother's installation. I don't remember what I carried in, but I had like a pillow I think or something I carried it in on. I remember that. Probably the Square and Compass.

My mom and dad – you know, this is my mom's life. This is a big deal. We are so proud of you, Mom. All of our lives you – even though you were involved, you always put us first, and we thank you for that, and we love you for that. But tonight is your moment to shine. I was going to sing something else, but I wrote this for you tonight. [applause followed song]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Worthy Grand Matron, before I invite you to bring your greetings, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your asking me to be a part of your installation. That little eight-year-old girl who was so dazzled by all the

beautiful formals at an Eastern Star meeting here in Galveston many years ago never dreamed she would get to stand here with someone as beautiful and such a good role model to our youth. We love you; we walk with you; we pray for you. And at this time we look forward to our greetings from you. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. I think expressing my greetings at this point is probably an impossibility. I know the hour is getting late, and I would like to enumerate my thanks to everybody that has had a part in this wonderful evening, but I'm not going to do that. I just want to say to each one of my Installing Officers, you each one are very special to me for very special reasons. I don't think we could have had a more beautiful installation, and I appreciate each one of you for accepting this position and for being a part of our special night. To Sister Alma, you've done a wonderful job being our Master of Ceremonies, and you've kept us moving. That was one of the things I especially wanted was for us to keep our program moving and not have dead time, and I think we've done that very well. To each of the other Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who've had a portion of the evening to share with us, I appreciate you. I want you to know that I will be coming to you for wisdom, for support - very quickly probably. Within the next few days some of you will probably be getting calls from me. I'll be saying, "I don't know what to do. I'm lost already." But I do appreciate you.

To my Installed Grand Officers this year, those that Grand Chapter chose to elect, you're in the perfect places. I look forward to serving with each one of you. To the ten Officers I had the privilege of selecting, each of you was selected after lots of prayer. You were selected because of your uniqueness, because of what you mean to me personally. I could not have chosen ten people that would be more perfect for our year, and I thank you.

To my Deputies of Grand Chapter – the District Deputies and the Deputy Grand Matrons – we had such wonderful conferences, and we left with such enthusiasm. There was a little bit of doubt in me wondering, "Is it going to fizzle out?" But I don't think it has. After the breakfast this morning, I think it's growing. And you don't know how I look forward to the school schedule, getting to be in each section, getting to share with you, with the members of your Chapters. Our goal is to get to be out among the members this year. We look forward to it. Both the Worthy Grand Patron and I are people who enjoy our membership. We want to be able to talk with you individually, to know about you, about your families, about your Chapters, about what you're doing, what is successful, what isn't, so that we can share that with other Chapters.

I want to thank my Chapter. Would Castleberry Chapter please stand. We're scattered. Some are on the floor and some are up here. I've told you many times before, but in the presence of this group I'd like to just say once again that I have been so blessed to have such a wonderful Chapter. Thank you. [applause]

As I'm sure you've been able to tell, family is very important to me. You've met most of my family. You know my husband Gayle. You've heard Darren and the wonderful talent that the Lord has given him. At five o'clock he was saying, "Now, Mother, what do you think I ought to sing tonight?" When did you write the song? After we started tonight, uh-huh. I saw him leave for a little while, and I saw he had a piece of paper with some scribbles on it. I appreciate your being here and sharing the music with us. Our daughter Lydia is here – Lydia Hindman. Lydia is a second-grade teacher. She and her husband live in Prattville, Alabama. Her husband is the Blue Bell Ice Cream branch manager there, so

they're very popular. They have three sons who are 15, 13 and 10. They've already had three weeks of school, so it was not possible for all of them to be able to come. Darren – I skipped over his family – but Darren is minister of music at Sparks Christian Fellowship in Reno, Nevada. He and his wife Lisa have three children: almost one, almost three and almost five. They said they'll be at Grand Chapter in Fort Worth next year because Lisa's family lives there and they'll have some help with the children, because these grandparents were too busy to help with children this time. Our daughter Nannette and her husband Steve Riley and their little girl Rachel, who is two, had to leave. It got a little bit beyond Rachel's bedtime. They live in Plano, so we do get to see that little grandchild. The other six we miss. We don't get to see them too much. And for another year I won't have the opportunity to see them very much, but I plan on catching up on that afterward. I'm very blessed to have my stepmother, Mary K. Easterling, serving as my Grand Electa in the Mother Station this year. Mary K. knows how dear she is to all our family. I'd like to introduce her children. They're my stepsister and stepbrother, Marsha Freeman and George Lester, Jr., better known as Butch. Would you all stand, please. Thank you so much for coming and making sure Mary K. got here. [applause]

You've heard all about my plans, my goals, my aims for the year. Just a couple of things I'd like to share with you, because I think most of you have already purchased the items we had for sale. We've run out of some things already. I appreciate everybody's cooperation. I would like to tell you that about one project that we will be sharing in with our Rainbow Girls. That is a project for the Scottish Rite Hospital. We're calling our committee the Bundles of Joy Committee. That group will be making items that we can donate to the Scottish Rite Hospital to be sold at their two bazaars during the year. So keep that in mind as you go back home.

Another is to start planning right now for our Rob Morris Gala which will be Thursday night of Grand Chapter next year following our opening. We are hoping to have a fantastic evening, and that will take the place of our Founder's Day for our Grand Chapter. Please keep that in mind.

I do want to especially thank our Rainbow Girls for the beautiful presentation. I've always been so in awe of the White Bible presentation. Sister Marlene, I commend you for the wonderful way you've worked with the Rainbow Girls and for the new growth that we're seeing. Thank you so much.

And to Brother Brian Dodson, who will be my Counterpart in Grand Lodge come December, I look forward to seeing you installed as the Most Worshipful Grand Master. Brian, it meant so much to me for you to be here this evening and to bring greetings from Grand Lodge. Thank you very much. [applause]

If you will look in the back of your program book, you will see some announcements and some invitations. Brother Nelson mentioned the instituting. I would like to mention that next Saturday night, even though it's Labor Day Weekend, Castleberry Chapter will be hosting our very first fraternal visit, and it will be in Fort Worth. It will be held at the Masonic Temple in downtown Fort Worth. If you don't have family plans, please plan to come and join us. We would love to see you there. The following Saturday night will be our second fraternal visit, which will be for Silsbee Chapter, but it will be held in Port Arthur. This will be our fraternal visit to the Worthy Grand Patron's Chapter. From there we leave on the school schedule, and I've listed for you the first two districts. If you have not yet bought a yearbook, please do so and you can find the entire school schedule in that

yearbook.

Sisters and Brothers, I look forward to working with you. This is an office that I never thought I wanted. At the time that my mother held this position, I guess I saw up close, firsthand all the work, all the stress, all the responsibility that goes with it. I had said then, “That’s a wonderful thing for my mother, but it’s nothing I ever want to do.” But, you know, Eastern Star is that unique organization that gives us opportunities for service that we don’t seek. And one opportunity led to another, and I have been so very blessed in the ways in which I have been allowed to serve. I appreciate, more than I can ever express to you, the confidence that has been placed in me. I promise that I will do my very best. I’ll pray for wisdom, and I ask your prayers for both the Worthy Grand Patron and me as we perform our duties this year. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, and may you be surrounded by God’s love and filled with His joy. Thank you. [applause]

**MRS. ALMA LYNN BANE:** Our Grand Marshal will present our “Circle of Love” formation of our Installed Grand Officers, Elected Boards, Grand Representatives, Deputies of Grand Chapter, Grand Chapter Committees and Special Committees of the Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Grand Marshal, I invite you to present your formation. [applause followed drill]

At this time to present our benediction is Mr. Gayle Brown.

**MR. GAYLE BROWN:** If you’ll take the hand of a friend or a new friend. Our gracious and everlasting Heavenly Father, I thank you for all the blessings of life. Father, thank you for a great week here at Galveston for our Grand Chapter session, for peace and harmony and love that you’ve given us all week long. Father, we ask that you bless each of us tonight as we close this session. Give us rest and a happy day tomorrow. Heavenly Father, as we do carry out this new theme of GENERATING REAL ENTHUSIASM ACROSS TEXAS, let us first start generating real enthusiasm across Texas for you, and the Eastern Star part will come. Be with our churches at home tomorrow. As we leave, give us safe travel. The ones that are sick and could not be here in Grand Chapter, be with them. Father, in all things we do, we’ll be careful to give you the praise and the glory. We ask these things in your name and for your sake, Amen.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time we’ll have a very brief recess while we prepare for our closing ceremony. We thank all of our visitors who have been with us this evening, but we will need to be able to have only those who have credentials so that we can close Grand Chapter. Please, Sisters and Brothers, do not leave because we need a quorum so that we can have our Closing Ceremony.

[Recess]

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:** Brother Grand Sentinel, we are about to call this Grand Chapter session from Rest to Labor, and you are to permit no interruptions while we’re thus engaged.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assisting Grand Warders and Assisting Grand Sentinels, we’re about to call this Grand Chapter session from Rest to Labor, and there will be no interruptions.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Sister Associate Grand Matron, you will ascertain



and report if all present are members of the Order.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, all present are members of the Order.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** It is well. Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar.

I now call this 123rd Grand Chapter session from Rest to Labor. Sister Grand Warder, you will so inform the Grand Sentinel.

**GRAND WARDER:** This 123rd session is called from Rest to Labor.

**GRAND SENTINEL:** Assisting Grand Warders and Assisting Grand Sentinels, this 123rd Grand Chapter session is now called from Rest to Labor.

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

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** At this time we'll have a presentation from Brother Raul Garcia, the new Chairman of the Board of Directors.

**MR. RAUL GARCIA:** Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. It is my pleasure to present to you on behalf of the Board of Directors the keys to the Grand Chapter van. May you have safe passage wherever you go and return home safely. Also, I think with the price of gas you might need a couple of these little credit cards to get you along the way. We're very pleased to be able to present them to you. Enjoy the van. [applause]

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON:** Thank you very much. We'll do our best to deliver the van back all safe and sound.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will retire the flag.

[Ritualistic closing of Grand Chapter]

I now declare this 123rd session of Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, closed.

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**APPENDIX**

## RECAP ON ELECTIONS

### ELECTED

Worthy Grand Matron .....	Nancy Brown
Worthy Grand Patron .....	Nelson Campbell
Associate Grand Matron .....	Geraldine “Gerry” Dusek
Associate Grand Patron .....	John Creel
Grand Secretary .....	Nell Smith Drenner
Grand Treasurer .....	Betty Prater
Grand Conductress .....	Joyce Gilbert
Associate Grand Conductress .....	Joyce Nicklas
Board of Directors District I .....	Jack Beall Gary Steele
Board of Directors District II .....	Dwayne Maserang A.L. Casparis
Board of Directors District III .....	Jayne Yenger Diane Davidson
Board of Directors District IV .....	Mickie Todd-Campbell Terri Rozell
Board of Directors District V .....	Raul Garcia Lori Goldman
Board of Grand Examiners District I .....	Linda Puckett
Board of Grand Examiners District II .....	Bess Caldwell
Board of Grand Examiners District III .....	Annette Curry
Board of Grand Examiners District IV .....	Christine Armstrong
Board of Grand Examiners District V .....	Jerre S. Lucas
Board of Grand Examiners-at-Large .....	Vickie Hertenberger

### BALLOT

Associate Grand Conductress	
Joyce Nicklas .....	1278
Mary Ruth White .....	718
Board of Directors District 4	
Terri Rozell .....	1102
Jim Pierce .....	688
Board of Grand Examiners District I	
Linda Puckett .....	1287
Abi Freeman .....	700
Board of Grand Examiners District III	
Annette Curry .....	1162
Cheryl Albrecht .....	1030
Board of Grand Examiners At-Large	
Vickie Hertenberger .....	1413
Janice Hoffman .....	764

LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR OF TEXAS, 1884-2002

Year	WORTHY		WORTHY		ASSOCIATE		ASSOCIATE		GRAND		GRAND	
	GRAND MATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND MATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND PATRON	SECRETARY	TREASURER	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1884	†Mrs. E.J. Talbot	†W.L. Holt	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†W.J. Wickham	†R. R. McPhail	†Mrs. A. McGregor				
1885	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†P. Hawkins	†Mrs. May Swayne	†Mrs. May Swayne	†Carr Forest	†J. K. Ashby	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. A. McGregor				
1886	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†P.H. Stevens	†Mrs. Sallie Wyde	†D.H. Highower	†D.H. Highower	†J. K. Ashby	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. M. Hightower				
1887	†Mrs. V. Tucker Essex	†J.J. Kendrick	†Mrs. B. McElroy	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J. K. Ashby	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. A. Schwartz				
1888	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†J.J. Kendrick	†Mrs. M.M. Neely	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J.B. Snodgrass	†J. K. Ashby	†J. K. Ashby	†Mrs. Sarah L. Berliner				
1889	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†J.W. Ellender	†Mrs. M.M. Neely	†T.J. Neely	†T.J. Neely	†Stephen Gould	†Stephen Gould	†Mrs. M.R. Marsh				
1890	*Mrs. Lizzie Hadley	†Stephen Gould	†Mrs. Belle Moon	†A.F. Hicks	†A.F. Hicks	*Mrs. Jennie Cassill	*Mrs. Jennie Cassill	†Mrs. M.R. Marsh				
1891	*Mrs. Belle Moon	†A.F. Hicks	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†J.L. Miller	†J.L. Miller	†J.D. Slawson	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter				
1892	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†J.L. Miller	†Mrs. M. Strehorn	†J.W. Felbaum	†J.W. Felbaum	†J.D. Slawson	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter				
1893	†Mrs. P.C. Harris	†Tom Murrah	†Mrs. E.C. Carpenter	†D. Ludlow	†D. Ludlow	†J.D. Slawson	†J.D. Slawson	†Mrs. R.M. Swaim				
1894	†Mrs. R.M. Swaim	†D. Ludlow	†Mrs. S.A. Hoskins	†L.S. Garrison	†L.S. Garrison	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Kate Birch				
1895	†Mrs. Sdte A. Hoskins	†L.S. Garrison	†Mrs. Kate Birch	†J.K. Bowman	†J.K. Bowman	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph				
1896	†Mrs. Kate Birch	†J.K. Bowman	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph	†W.S. Hoskins	†W.S. Hoskins	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Ree Alvord				
1897	†Mrs. Jennie Randolph	†J.T. Achinson	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. W.P. Baugh				
1898	†Mrs. Ree Alvord	†N.M. Karney	†Mrs. A.A. Garrison	†Mrs. A.A. Garrison	†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	†Mrs. A.V. Young	†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	†Mrs. K.M. Bryan	†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	†Mrs. M.E. Smith	†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	†Mrs. A. Walker	†Mrs. A. Walker	†P.S. Park	†Mrs. Laura B. Hart	†Mrs. E.J. Randolph				
1903	†Mrs. Alma M. Walker	†P.S. Park	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle	*Mrs. Amelia Huvelle	*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	†Mrs. E.J. Randolph	†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	†Mrs. M.E. Gray	†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	†Mrs. Carrah Johnson	†Mrs. Carrah Johnson	†J.H. Tucker	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman				
1907	†Mrs. Carrah Johnson	†J.H. Tucker	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†L.J. Anderson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman				
1908	†Mrs. Fannie V. Ward	†C.H. Thorn	†Mrs. Carrie B. Lane	†Mrs. Carrie B. Lane	†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	†Mrs. Edith Findlater	†Mrs. Edith Findlater	†E.J. Hoxey	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Anna Johnson				
1910	†Mrs. Edith Findlater	†E.J. Hoxey	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman	†Mrs. L.F. Seaman	†L.A. Heil	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Anna Johnson				
1911	†Mrs. Laura F. Seaman	†L.A. Heil	†Mrs. Matie I. Hill	†Mrs. Matie I. Hill	†Mrs. Matie I. Hill	†Sam P. Cochran	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Anna Johnson				
1912	†Dr. W.B. Christian	†Sam P. Cochran	†Mrs. Carrie A. Chase	†Mrs. Carrie A. Chase	†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	†Mrs. B.B. Huddleston	†Mrs. B.B. Huddleston	†S.B. Miller	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen				
1914	†Mrs. B.B. Huddleston	†S.B. Miller	*Miss Cora Posey	*Miss Cora Posey	*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	†Mrs. M.L. Eldridge	†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	†Mrs. Cora M. Cohen	†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	†Mrs. Flora Penix	†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	†Mrs. Maggie B. Moody	†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. Hoxey	†Mrs. M.L. Hoxey	†Mrs. M.L. Hoxey	†John Findlater	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson				

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	GRAND MATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND MATRON	GRAND PATRON	GRAND PATRON	SECRETARY	TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY	GRAND TREASURER	
1920	†Mrs. Margaret L. Hosey	†John Findlater	†Mrs. Mary E. Roach	†W.H. Mercer	†W.H. Mercer	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1921	†Mrs. Mary E. Roach	†W.H. Mercer	†Mrs. Mattie A. Sebitts	†S.A. Penix	†S.A. Penix	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1922	†Mrs. Mattie A. Sebitts	†T.J. Holbrook	†Mrs. Norton B. Wellborn	†T.J. Holbrook	†T.J. Holbrook	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1923	†Mrs. Norton B. Wellborn	†J.J. Dixie Smith	†Mrs. Stella C. Vodrie	†J.J. Dixie Smith	†J.J. Dixie Smith	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Mrs. C.C. Leonard	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1924	†Mrs. Stella C. Vodrie	†J.D. Todd	†Mrs. Velma B. Halley	†J.D. Todd	†Frank Holt	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1925	†Mrs. Velma B. Halley	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†L.E. Tennison	†L.E. Tennison	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson	†Miss Cora Posey	†Miss W.I. Pierson	
1926	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Frank Holt	†Mrs. LuLu LeFean	†W. Gregory Hatcher	†W. Gregory Hatcher	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1927	†Miss LuLu LeFean	†L.E. Tennison	†Mrs. Birdie J. Easterling	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1928	†Mrs. Birdie J. Easterling	†W. Gregory Hatcher	†Mrs. Beulah Rawlings	†Geo. S. Dowell	†Geo. S. Dowell	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1929	†Mrs. Beulah Rawlings	†Capt. Dan O'Connell	†Mrs. Bessie B. Garth	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1930	†Mrs. Bessie B. Garth	†Wm. G. Vollus	†Mrs. Belle P. Tomlinson	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1931	†Mrs. Belle P. Tomlinson	†Geo. S. Dowell	†Mrs. P. Tomlinson	†Mrs. Rose Potter	†Mrs. Rose Potter	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1932	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†A.P. Holbrook	†Mrs. Riva C. Burnett	†A.P. Holbrook	†A.P. Holbrook	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1933	†Mrs. Rose E. Potter	†A.P. Holbrook	†Mrs. Mattie M. Mitchell	†W.W. Caves	†W.W. Caves	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1934	†Mrs. Mattie M. Mitchell	†W.W. Caves	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†C.D. Miller	†C.D. Miller	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1935	†Mrs. Rebecca Miles	†C.D. Miller	†Mrs. Florence Read	†M.A. Childers	†M.A. Childers	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1936	†Mrs. Florence Read	†M.A. Childers	†Mrs. Norma Allen	†Clyde E. Smith	†Clyde E. Smith	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1937	†Mrs. Norma Allen	†John T. Rice	†Mrs. Mildred Harris	†John T. Rice	†John T. Rice	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1938	†Mrs. Mildred Harris	†John T. Rice	†Mrs. Freda Bernhard	†E.C. Couch	†E.C. Couch	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1939	†Mrs. Freda Bernhard	†A.E. Shirley	†Mrs. Robbie Dyer	†A.E. Shirley	†A.E. Shirley	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1940	†Mrs. Robbie Dyer	†Victor Keller	†Mrs. Viva Huffman	†Victor Keller	†Victor Keller	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1941	†Mrs. Viva S. Huffman	†James L. Lee	†Mrs. Hattie Anglin	†James L. Lee	†James L. Lee	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1942	†Mrs. Hattie Anglin	†Walter B. Baldwin	†Mrs. Cynthia May Watts	†Walter B. Baldwin	†Walter B. Baldwin	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1943	†Mrs. Cynthia May Watts	†E.B. Gauntt	†Mrs. Lillian Barnard	†E.B. Gauntt	†E.B. Gauntt	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1944	†Mrs. Lillian Barnard	†Frank R. Phillips	†Mrs. Lillah Mae Vollus	†Frank R. Phillips	†Frank R. Phillips	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1945	†Mrs. Lillah Mae Vollus	†Frank R. Phillips	†Mrs. Hattie D. Gilbert	†Pat Boone	†Pat Boone	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1946	†Mrs. Hattie D. Gilbert	†Frank R. Phillips	†Mrs. Cheba Dewees	†Dr. T.G. Rogers	†Dr. T.G. Rogers	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1947	†Mrs. Cheba Dewees	†Dr. T.G. Rogers	†Mrs. Esther B. Graves	†Dean Gaudin	†Dean Gaudin	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1948	†Mrs. Esther B. Graves	†Dr. H.C. Sloop	†Mrs. Mabel Harle	†Dr. H.C. Sloop	†Dr. H.C. Sloop	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1949	†Mrs. Mabel Harle	†Earl G. Manning	†Mrs. Lucile Dufner	†Earl G. Manning	†Earl G. Manning	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1950	†Mrs. Lucile Dufner	†John A. Rawlins	†Mrs. Flora Besst Boone	†John A. Rawlins	†John A. Rawlins	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1951	†Mrs. Flora Besst Boone	†Fred W. Dewald	†Mrs. Mildred Garlitz	†Fred W. Dewald	†Fred W. Dewald	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1952	†Mrs. Mildred Garlitz	†Chauncey Penix	†Mrs. Mary Ella Schoverling	†Chauncey Penix	†Chauncey Penix	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1953	†Mrs. Mary E. Schoverling	†Ed. Sharpe	†Mrs. Eunice Connell	†Ed. Sharpe	†Ed. Sharpe	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1954	†Mrs. Eunice Connell	†Dr. Russell Holt	†Mrs. Lois Burnett	†Dr. Russell Holt	†Dr. Russell Holt	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1955	†Mrs. Lois Burnett	†Mrs. Ruby Entoe	†Mrs. Pauline Smith	†Mrs. Ruby Entoe	†Mrs. Ruby Entoe	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	†Miss Cora Posey	†Mrs. Margery Wofford	
1956	†Mrs. Pauline Smith									

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1957	‡Mrs. Ruby Enloe	‡Dr. Russell Holt	‡Mrs. Katherine Poulis	‡Lewis T. Davis	‡Mrs. Katherine Poulis	‡Lewis T. Davis	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1958	‡Mrs. Katherine Poulis	‡Dr. R.O. Fuqua	‡Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	‡Dr. R.O. Fuqua	‡Mrs. Mary Katharine Smith	‡Dr. R.O. Fuqua	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1959	‡Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	‡Dr. R.O. Fuqua	‡Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	‡Gerald C. Allen	‡Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard	‡Gerald C. Allen	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1960	‡Mrs. Pearl Hall	‡Paul C. Stoneman	‡Mrs. Pearl Hall	‡Paul C. Stoneman	‡Mrs. Pearl Hall	‡Paul C. Stoneman	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1961	‡Mrs. Thelma McReynolds	‡Hal Burnett	‡Mrs. Thelma McReynolds	‡Hal Burnett	‡Mrs. Thelma McReynolds	‡Hal Burnett	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1962	‡Mrs. Molly Goodpasture	‡E.F. (Van) Plumlee	‡Mrs. Molly Goodpasture	‡E.F. (Van) Plumlee	‡Mrs. Molly Goodpasture	‡E.F. (Van) Plumlee	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1963	‡Mrs. Amy Goebel	‡James H. Goettee	‡Mrs. Amy Goebel	‡James H. Goettee	‡Mrs. Amy Goebel	‡James H. Goettee	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1964	‡Mrs. Edna Ear Duke	‡Marvin B. Simpson	‡Mrs. Edna Ear Duke	‡Marvin B. Simpson	‡Mrs. Edna Ear Duke	‡Marvin B. Simpson	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1965	‡Mrs. Mildred Sharpe	‡H.F. Harrington	‡Mrs. Mildred Sharpe	‡H.F. Harrington	‡Mrs. Mildred Sharpe	‡H.F. Harrington	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1966	‡Mrs. Nancy Bailey	‡Herbert L. Arnold	‡Mrs. Nancy Bailey	‡Herbert L. Arnold	‡Mrs. Nancy Bailey	‡Herbert L. Arnold	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1967	‡Mrs. Robbie Yates	‡J.T. Sanders	‡Mrs. Robbie Yates	‡J.T. Sanders	‡Mrs. Robbie Yates	‡J.T. Sanders	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1968	‡Mrs. Sally Matranga	‡Richard T. Porter	‡Mrs. Sally Matranga	‡Richard T. Porter	‡Mrs. Sally Matranga	‡Richard T. Porter	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1969	‡Mrs. Frances Key Herrin	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Frances Key Herrin	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Frances Key Herrin	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1970	‡Mrs. Aliene Houston	‡Harold Todd	‡Mrs. Aliene Houston	‡Harold Todd	‡Mrs. Aliene Houston	‡Harold Todd	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1971	‡Mrs. Katherine Harbour	‡C.A. Bill <sup>1</sup> Holmes	‡Mrs. Katherine Harbour	‡C.A. Bill <sup>1</sup> Holmes	‡Mrs. Katherine Harbour	‡C.A. Bill <sup>1</sup> Holmes	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1972	‡Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop	‡Paul Huffhines	‡Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop	‡Paul Huffhines	‡Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsop	‡Paul Huffhines	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1973	‡Mrs. Patricia Major Neimast	‡O.D. Christian	‡Mrs. Patricia Major Neimast	‡O.D. Christian	‡Mrs. Patricia Major Neimast	‡O.D. Christian	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1974	‡Mrs. Doris Easterling	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Doris Easterling	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Doris Easterling	‡J. Victor Jones	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1975	‡Mrs. Joyce Roberts	‡Murray Watson, Jr.	‡Mrs. Joyce Roberts	‡Murray Watson, Jr.	‡Mrs. Joyce Roberts	‡Murray Watson, Jr.	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1976	‡Mrs. Mary M. Brown	‡T.L. Weaver	‡Mrs. Mary M. Brown	‡T.L. Weaver	‡Mrs. Mary M. Brown	‡T.L. Weaver	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1977	‡Mrs. Rennie Olfon	‡Leslie G. Burnett	‡Mrs. Rennie Olfon	‡Leslie G. Burnett	‡Mrs. Rennie Olfon	‡Leslie G. Burnett	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1978	‡Mrs. Kathy Johnson	‡Thurman H. Perry	‡Mrs. Kathy Johnson	‡Thurman H. Perry	‡Mrs. Kathy Johnson	‡Thurman H. Perry	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1979	‡Mrs. Elise Hammack	‡Gene Belk	‡Mrs. Elise Hammack	‡Gene Belk	‡Mrs. Elise Hammack	‡Gene Belk	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1980	‡Mrs. Lois Bell	‡Ralph A. Davis	‡Mrs. Lois Bell	‡Ralph A. Davis	‡Mrs. Lois Bell	‡Ralph A. Davis	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1981	‡Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	‡Wayne P. Jones	‡Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	‡Wayne P. Jones	‡Mrs. Marjorie Johnson	‡Wayne P. Jones	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1982	‡Mrs. Beulah Speer	‡Arnold Paul	‡Mrs. Beulah Speer	‡Arnold Paul	‡Mrs. Beulah Speer	‡Arnold Paul	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1983	‡Mrs. Elsie Paladino	‡Leonard M. Ellington	‡Mrs. Elsie Paladino	‡Leonard M. Ellington	‡Mrs. Elsie Paladino	‡Leonard M. Ellington	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1984	‡Mrs. Jean Nesbit	‡B. F. Hutson	‡Mrs. Jean Nesbit	‡B. F. Hutson	‡Mrs. Jean Nesbit	‡B. F. Hutson	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1985	‡Mrs. Sherrill Cain	‡Harry G. Cunningham	‡Mrs. Sherrill Cain	‡Harry G. Cunningham	‡Mrs. Sherrill Cain	‡Harry G. Cunningham	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1986	‡Mrs. Doris Efrid	‡Joe E. Jeffers	‡Mrs. Doris Efrid	‡Joe E. Jeffers	‡Mrs. Doris Efrid	‡Joe E. Jeffers	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1987	‡Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	‡Graham H. Childress	‡Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	‡Graham H. Childress	‡Mrs. Effie Mae Davis	‡Graham H. Childress	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1988	‡Mrs. Jane Gregory	‡Glen Whitaker	‡Mrs. Jane Gregory	‡Glen Whitaker	‡Mrs. Jane Gregory	‡Glen Whitaker	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1989	‡Mrs. Virginia L. Green	‡Garland Rattan	‡Mrs. Virginia L. Green	‡Garland Rattan	‡Mrs. Virginia L. Green	‡Garland Rattan	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1990	‡Mrs. Marcella Curry	‡Leland Benefield	‡Mrs. Marcella Curry	‡Leland Benefield	‡Mrs. Marcella Curry	‡Leland Benefield	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1991							‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1992							‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles
1993							‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles	‡Mrs. Rebecca Miles

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1994	Mrs. Wanda Fairchild	Charles Morris	Mrs. Rosemary Sweetland	Billy Combest	Mrs. Frances Burbank	Mrs. Lola Wallace				
1995	Mrs. Rosemary Sweetland	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				
1997	Mrs. Yvonne Brownfield	Kenneth Gregory	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane	Henry Martin	Mrs. Marjorie Errington	Mrs. Patsy Wilson				
1998	Mrs. Alma Lynn Bane	Henry Martin	Mrs. Betty Y. Friend	Lee Stallings	Mrs. Marjorie Errington	Mrs. Patsy Wilson				
1999	Mrs. Betty Friend	Lee Stallings	Mrs. Naomi Wolfe	Duane Baker	Mrs. Marjorie Errington	Mrs. Betty Prater				
2000	Mrs. Naomi Wolfe	Duane Baker	Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon	Harold Trammell	Mrs. Marjorie Errington	Mrs. Betty Prater				
2001	Mrs. Jimmie Lee McMahon	Harold Trammell	Mrs. Sharon Fentress	Ed Warner	Mrs. Alma Carter	Mrs. Betty Prater				
2002	Mrs. Sharon Fentress	Ed Warner	Mrs. Doris J. Hester	Jack Guy	Mrs. Alma Carter	Mrs. Betty Prater				
2003	Mrs. Doris J. Hester	Jack Guy	Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler	Jerry L. Martin	Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner	Mrs. Betty Prater				
2004	Mrs. Karen Morgenthaler	Jerry L. Martin	Mrs. Nancy Brown	Nelson Campbell	Mrs. Nell Smith Drenner	Mrs. Betty Prater				

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Board of Directors,  
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 Eastern Star Home) (a nonprofit organization) as of August 31, 2005 and October 31, 2004, and the related statements of activities and statements of cash flows for the ten months ended August 31, 2005 and the year ended October 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Grand Chapter and the Eastern Star Home's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and the schedules referred to below on our audits.

Except as discussed in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

It was not practical for the Grand Chapter to establish controls over special fund-raising collections 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, referred to in the preceding paragraph, were received and recorded in the accounts, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph 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 August 31, 2005 and October 31, 2004, and the changes in their net assets and their changes in cash flows for the ten months ended August 31, 2005 and the year ended October 31, 2004 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted 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 the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effect, if any, of the matter discussed in the third paragraph, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*George, Morgan & Ince, P.C.*

Weatherford, Texas  
October 26, 2005

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August 31, 2005

	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,006,765	31,461		127,619	
Investments held in trust		965,383			
Due from other funds	9,987	200	1,171	4,749	8,267
Real estate notes receivable		700,000			
Prepaid expenses	1,077				
Accrued interest receivable		25,238			
Inventory	16,805				
Restricted cash and investments:					
Cash and cash equivalents					90,083
Certificates of deposit					6,262
Investments held in trust		305,853	8,650,476		517,184
Accrued interest receivable			71,204		907
Other Assets					
Property and equipment	34,682				
Other Assets		75,022			
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,069,316</b>	<b>\$ 2,103,157</b>	<b>\$ 8,722,851</b>	<b>\$ 132,368</b>	<b>\$ 622,703</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>					
Accounts payable	54,908	58,009		850	
Other accrued liabilities	6,494				
Due to other funds	11,714	3,696			3,045
Deferred revenue					
Funds held for others					
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>73,116</b>	<b>61,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>3,045</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
Unrestricted	996,200	1,735,599		131,518	
Temporarily Restricted					
Permanently Restricted		305,853	8,722,851		619,658
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>996,200</b>	<b>2,041,452</b>	<b>8,722,851</b>	<b>131,518</b>	<b>619,658</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,069,316</b>	<b>\$ 2,103,157</b>	<b>\$ 8,722,851</b>	<b>\$ 132,368</b>	<b>\$ 622,703</b>

Exhibit 1

Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Endowed Membership Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
	156,898			1,322,743		1,322,743
			2,721,757	3,687,140		3,687,140
		1,660		26,034	(26,034)	-
	11,547			700,000		700,000
			18,115	12,624		12,624
				43,353		43,353
				16,805		16,805
	97,327	285		187,695		187,695
39,222				45,484		45,484
		2,054,668		11,528,181		11,528,181
		7,705		79,816		79,816
				34,682		34,682
				75,022		75,022
<u>\$ 39,222</u>	<u>\$ 265,772</u>	<u>\$ 2,064,318</u>	<u>\$ 2,739,872</u>	<u>\$ 17,759,579</u>	<u>\$ (26,034)</u>	<u>\$ 17,733,545</u>
		678		114,445		114,445
	6,342	15	1,222	6,494		6,494
	191,612			26,034	(26,034)	-
		2,063,625		191,612		191,612
				2,063,625		2,063,625
	197,954	2,064,318	1,222	2,402,210	(26,034)	2,376,176
	67,818		2,738,650	5,669,785		5,669,785
39,222				-		-
				9,687,584		9,687,584
<u>39,222</u>	<u>67,818</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,738,650</u>	<u>15,357,369</u>		<u>15,357,369</u>
<u>\$ 39,222</u>	<u>\$ 265,772</u>	<u>\$ 2,064,318</u>	<u>\$ 2,739,872</u>	<u>\$ 17,759,579</u>	<u>\$ (26,034)</u>	<u>\$ 17,733,545</u>

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	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund
<b>REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>				
Bulletin sales	\$ 62,962			
Dues	153,257	261,852		65,463
Gifts and donations	5,106	8,085	141,534	40,807
Grand Session revenue	76,053			
Home member receipts		14,051		
Investment return	9,175	46,065	361,944	113
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments		(3,465)	33	
Other revenue	20,937	25,712		
Gain (loss) on sale of fixed assets	223,795	3,068,070		
Pension receipts		201,977		
Administrative revenue	28,173			
Special funds				
Supply sales	116,292			
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>	<b>695,750</b>	<b>3,622,347</b>	<b>503,511</b>	<b>106,383</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Compensation and related expenses				
Compensation	100,216			
Payroll taxes	9,593			
	109,809			
Administrative fees		7,000		
Allowance to home members		14,980		
Auto	7,166			
Chapter benevolence				54,686
Depreciation	7,163			
Funeral		3,785		
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	15,886			
Grand Session expense	113,978			
Past Grand Matron jewels	1,200			
Insurance				
Property and casualty, directors liability and vehicles	14,270			
Accident disability/worker comp/omissions	1,174			
Ladies medical		178		
Investment trust fees		3,940	42,611	
Legal and professional	14,813	6,946		
General Grand Chapter per capita	45,615			

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Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
				\$ 62,962	\$	\$ 62,962
				480,572		480,572
15,702		675		211,909		211,909
				76,053		76,053
				14,051		14,051
18,130	1,874	3,254	43,580	484,135		484,135
21,536			(15,983)	2,121		2,121
				46,649		46,649
				3,291,865		3,291,865
				201,977		201,977
				28,173		28,173
		193,899		193,899		193,899
				116,292		116,292
<u>55,368</u>	<u>1,874</u>	<u>197,828</u>	<u>27,597</u>	<u>5,210,658</u>		<u>5,210,658</u>
				100,216		100,216
				9,593		9,593
				109,809		109,809
		10,251		17,251		17,251
				14,980		14,980
				7,166		7,166
				54,686		54,686
				7,163		7,163
				3,785		3,785
				15,886		15,886
				113,978		113,978
				1,200		1,200
				14,270	51,803	66,073
				1,174		1,174
				178		178
1,905			1,980	50,436		50,436
				21,759		21,759
				45,615		45,615

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	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund
Infirmary and TMRC housing		553,159		
Office supplies	4,572			
Other	95,323	3,081		
Postage	14,241			
Printing	91,515			
Repairs, maintenance, copier lease	26,018			
Scholarships				
Special funds				
Supplies	29,831			
Telephone	3,113			
Utilities	13,486			
Retirement home care				
Insurance	51,803			
Repairs and maintenance	4,769			
Telephone	168			
Utilities	1,988			
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>667,901</b>	<b>593,069</b>	<b>42,611</b>	<b>54,686</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>	<b>27,849</b>	<b>3,029,278</b>	<b>460,900</b>	<b>51,697</b>
Operating transfers in	2,570,916	315,375	2,743,981	3,514
Operating transfers out	(2,290,968)	(2,424,275)	(3,133,409)	
<b>NET TRANSFERS</b>	<b>279,948</b>	<b>(2,108,900)</b>	<b>(389,428)</b>	<b>3,514</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AFTER TRANSFERS</b>	<b>307,797</b>	<b>920,378</b>	<b>71,472</b>	<b>55,211</b>
<b>NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>688,403</b>	<b>1,121,074</b>	<b>8,651,379</b>	<b>76,307</b>
<b>NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 996,200</b>	<b>\$ 2,041,452</b>	<b>\$ 8,722,851</b>	<b>\$ 131,518</b>

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Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
				553,159		553,159
				4,572		4,572
		130		98,534		98,534
				14,241		14,241
				91,515		91,515
				26,018	4,769	30,787
8,500		13,500		22,000		22,000
		85,956		85,956		85,956
				29,831		29,831
				3,113	168	3,281
				13,486	1,988	15,474
				51,803	(51,803)	-
				4,769	(4,769)	-
				168	(168)	-
				1,988	(1,988)	-
<u>10,405</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>109,837</u>	<u>1,980</u>	<u>1,480,489</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,480,489</u>
<u>44,963</u>	<u>1,874</u>	<u>87,991</u>	<u>25,617</u>	<u>3,730,169</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,730,169</u>
			2,746,931	8,380,717	(8,380,717)	-
		(42,609)	(489,456)	(8,380,717)	8,380,717	(0)
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(42,609)</u>	<u>2,257,475</u>	<u>(0)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(0)</u>
<u>44,963</u>	<u>1,874</u>	<u>45,382</u>	<u>2,283,092</u>	<u>3,730,169</u>		<u>3,730,169</u>
<u>574,695</u>	<u>37,348</u>	<u>22,436</u>	<u>455,558</u>	<u>11,627,200</u>		<u>11,627,200</u>
<u>\$ 619,658</u>	<u>\$ 39,222</u>	<u>\$ 67,818</u>	<u>\$ 2,738,650</u>	<u>\$ 15,357,369</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,357,369</u>



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	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund	Education Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 536,120	24,301		75,072	
Certificates of deposit					
Investments held in trust		943,713			
Due from other funds	5,789	200	1,171	1,235	267
Real estate notes receivable		15,371			
Prepaid expenses	73,346				
Accrued interest receivable		1,321			
Inventory	31,505				
Restricted cash and investments:					
Cash and cash equivalents					73,356
Certificates of deposit					6,262
Investments held in trust			8,573,948		497,068
Accrued interest receivable			76,260		787
Other Assets					
Property held for sale	13,278	32,998			
Property and equipment	32,624	28,148			
Other Assets		75,022			
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 692,662</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,121,074</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,651,379</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 76,307</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 577,740</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>					
Accounts payable	1,325				
Other accrued liabilities	2,734				
Due to other funds	200				
Deferred revenue					3,045
Funds held for others					
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>4,259</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>3,045</u></b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
Unrestricted	688,403	1,121,074		76,307	
Temporarily Restricted					
Permanently Restricted			8,651,379		574,695
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b><u>688,403</u></b>	<b><u>1,121,074</u></b>	<b><u>8,651,379</u></b>	<b><u>76,307</u></b>	<b><u>574,695</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 692,662</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,121,074</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,651,379</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 76,307</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 577,740</u></b>

Exhibit 3

Fannie V. Ward Fund	Humanitarian/Special Projects Fund	Endowed Membership Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
	39,340			674,833		674,833
			456,271	1,399,984		1,399,984
				8,662	(8,662)	-
				15,371		15,371
	50,611			123,957		123,957
			509	1,830		1,830
				31,505		31,505
	97,069	146		170,571		170,571
37,348		1,895,039		43,610		43,610
		15,492		10,966,055		10,966,055
				92,539		92,539
				46,276		46,276
				60,772		60,772
				75,022		75,022
<u>\$ 37,348</u>	<u>\$ 187,020</u>	<u>\$ 1,910,677</u>	<u>\$ 456,780</u>	<u>\$ 13,710,987</u>	<u>\$ (8,662)</u>	<u>\$ 13,702,325</u>
				1,325		1,325
				2,734		2,734
	4,180	15	1,222	8,662	(8,662)	-
	160,404	1,910,662		160,404		160,404
				1,910,662		1,910,662
	164,584	1,910,677	1,222	2,083,787	(8,662)	2,075,125
	22,436		455,558	2,363,778		2,363,778
37,348				-		-
				9,263,422		9,263,422
37,348	22,436	-	455,558	11,627,200		11,627,200
<u>\$ 37,348</u>	<u>\$ 187,020</u>	<u>\$ 1,910,677</u>	<u>\$ 456,780</u>	<u>\$ 13,710,987</u>	<u>\$ (8,662)</u>	<u>\$ 13,702,325</u>

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	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund
<b>REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>				
Bulletin sales	\$ 76,178			
Dues	161,891	275,436		68,859
Gifts and donations	7,909	154,063	130	16,099
Grand Session revenue	152,970			
Home member receipts		61,316		
Investment return	3,513	16,157	365,468	47
Net realized and unrealized gains on the sale of investments		(1,954)	83,881	
Other revenue	21,760	23,958		
Gain (loss) on sale of fixed assets	5,380			
Pension receipts		244,367		
Administrative revenue	17,565			
Special funds				
Supply sales	102,255			
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>	<b>549,411</b>	<b>773,343</b>	<b>449,479</b>	<b>85,005</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Compensation and related expenses				
Compensation	117,439			
Payroll taxes	10,275			
	127,714			
Administrative fees		7,700		
Allowance to home members		19,460		
Auto	6,002			
Chapter benevolence				64,131
Depreciation	11,294	12,925		
Funeral		6,499		
Grand officer's examiner's & committee expenses	11,794			
Grand Session expense	64,751			
Past Grand Matron jewels	1,650			
Insurance				
Property and casualty, directors liability and vehicles	13,880			
Accident disability/worker comp/omissions	1,104			
Ladies medical		406		
Investment trust fees		4,722	42,719	
Legal and professional	10,774	10,350		
General Grand Chapter per capita	4,796			

Education Fund	Fannie V. Ward Fund	Special Projects Fund	Home Renovation Fund	Totals	Eliminations	Adjusted Totals
				\$ 76,178	\$	\$ 76,178
				506,176		506,176
12,494				190,695		190,695
				152,970		152,970
				61,316		61,316
12,968	1,193	814	6,637	406,797		406,797
				-		-
23,744				105,671		105,671
				45,718		45,718
				5,380		5,380
				244,367		244,367
				17,565		17,565
		218,714		218,714		218,714
				102,255		102,255
<u>49,206</u>	<u>1,193</u>	<u>219,528</u>	<u>6,637</u>	<u>2,133,802</u>		<u>2,133,802</u>
				117,439		117,439
				10,275		10,275
				127,714		127,714
				7,700		7,700
				19,460		19,460
				6,002		6,002
				64,131		64,131
				24,219		24,219
				6,499		6,499
				11,794		11,794
				-		-
				64,751		64,751
				1,650		1,650
				-		-
				-		-
				13,880	57,096	70,976
				1,104		1,104
				406		406
1,941			160	49,542		49,542
				21,124		21,124
				4,796		4,796

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	General Fund	Home Fund (OES Ladies Fund)	Endowment Funds	Benevolent Fund
Infirmary and TMRC housing		723,160		
Office supplies	3,786			
Other	3,599	388	13	
Postage	16,752			
Printing	110,813			
Repairs, maintenance, copier lease	21,875	188		
Scholarships				
Special funds				
Supplies	41,258			
Telephone	3,399			
Utilities	9,183			
Retirement home care				
Insurance	57,096			
Legal and Professional	-			
Repairs and maintenance	31,393			
Telephone	941			
Utilities	23,753			
Theft expense	(2,115)			
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>575,292</b>	<b>785,798</b>	<b>42,732</b>	<b>64,131</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>	<b>(25,881)</b>	<b>(12,455)</b>	<b>406,747</b>	<b>20,874</b>
Operating transfers in	282,690	22,748	4,328	6,179
Operating transfers out			(184,587)	
<b>NET TRANSFERS</b>	<b>282,690</b>	<b>22,748</b>	<b>(180,239)</b>	<b>6,179</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AFTER TRANSFERS</b>	<b>256,809</b>	<b>10,293</b>	<b>226,508</b>	<b>27,053</b>
<b>NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>431,594</b>	<b>1,110,781</b>	<b>8,424,871</b>	<b>49,254</b>
<b>NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 688,403</b>	<b>\$ 1,121,074</b>	<b>\$ 8,651,379</b>	<b>\$ 76,307</b>

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<u>Education Fund</u>	<u>Fannie V. Ward Fund</u>	<u>Humanitarian/ Special Projects Fund</u>	<u>Home Renovation Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Adjusted Totals</u>
				723,160		723,160
				3,786		3,786
		475		4,475		4,475
				16,752		16,752
				110,813		110,813
				21,863	29,278	51,141
39,000		27,500		66,500		66,500
		84,351		84,351		84,351
				41,258		41,258
				3,399	941	4,340
				9,183	23,753	32,936
				-		-
				57,096	(57,096)	-
				-		-
				31,393	(31,393)	-
				941	(941)	-
				23,753	(23,753)	-
				(2,115)	2,115	-
<u>40,941</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>112,326</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>1,621,380</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,621,380</u>
<u>8,265</u>	<u>1,193</u>	<u>107,202</u>	<u>6,477</u>	<u>512,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>512,422</u>
		<u>(108,630)</u>	<u>(22,748)</u>	<u>315,945</u>	<u>(315,945)</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>(108,630)</u>	<u>(22,748)</u>	<u>(315,945)</u>	<u>315,945</u>	<u>-</u>
				<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>8,265</u>	<u>1,193</u>	<u>(1,428)</u>	<u>(16,271)</u>	<u>512,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>512,422</u>
<u>566,430</u>	<u>36,155</u>	<u>23,864</u>	<u>471,829</u>	<u>11,114,778</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,114,778</u>
<u>\$ 574,695</u>	<u>\$ 37,348</u>	<u>\$ 22,436</u>	<u>\$ 455,558</u>	<u>\$ 11,627,200</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,627,200</u>

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<b>HOME FUND-UNRESTRICTED</b>									
Government Money Market Fund CI A	Various		Various	3,720	2,960		6,680	6,680	
86,000 Federal Home Loan Mtg Corp	12/1/2003		4.000%	86,000			86,000	85,442	(558)
40,201 JP Morgan Ultra Short-Term Bond Fund	2/18/2004		Various	400,000			400,000	381,745	(18,255)
1,246 JP Morgan Intrepid America Fund	8/2/2005		Various	400,000	30,600		430,600	384,628	(45,972)
2,888 JP Morgan Tax Aware Disciplined Equity Fund	8/2/2005			20,000	50,000		70,000	44,963	(10,039)
2,007 JP Morgan Intrepid Growth Fund	8/2/2005			20,000	20,000		40,000	19,390	(2,610)
533 JP Morgan Educator Bond Fund	8/2/2005			10,000	10,000		20,000	10,133	133
JP Morgan Treasury Only Money Market Fund	Various		N/A	455,948	279,431	352,244	370,135	370,135	0
<b>Total Home Fund-Unrestricted</b>				<b>\$ 945,668</b>	<b>\$ 382,391</b>	<b>\$ 365,244</b>	<b>\$ 972,815</b>	<b>\$ 965,381</b>	<b>(7,433)</b>
<b>HOME FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
JP Morgan 100% US Treasury Securities Money Market Fund	Various			75,292	10,505	10,505	75,292	75,292	(0)
1,452 JP Morgan Intermediate Bond Fund	Various			26,782			26,782	45,524	18,742
5,681 JP Morgan Ultra Short-Term Bond Fund	Various			59,898			59,898	59,898	(0)
1,844 JP Morgan Government Bond Fund	Various			7,006			7,006	7,151	151
3,582 JP Morgan Diversified Growth Fund	Various			16,718	(75)		16,643	16,643	(0)
2,401 JP Morgan Core Plus Bond Fund	Various			44,510			44,510	44,290	(221)
430 JP Morgan Large Cap Growth Fund	Various			36,000			36,000	26,048	(9,952)
432 JP Morgan International Equity Index Fund	Various			8,248			8,248	6,812	(1,437)
184 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Growth Fund	Various			6,580			6,580	9,138	2,558
242 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Value Fund	Various			3,597			3,597	4,668	1,071
411 JP Morgan Equity Income Fund	Various			6,696			6,696	6,509	(187)
382 JP Morgan Large Cap Value Fund	Various			8,712			8,712	8,654	(58)
76 JP Morgan US Equity Fund	Various			6,325			6,325	6,604	279
10,000 United States Treasury Notes	5/15/1997	5/15/2007	6.625%	9,975			9,975	10,463	488
<b>TOTAL HOME FUND</b>				<b>303,839</b>	<b>10,505</b>	<b>10,505</b>	<b>302,839</b>	<b>305,653</b>	<b>2,814</b>
<b>ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED</b>									
JP Morgan 100% US Treasury Securities Money Market Fund	Various			1,249,507	402,896	375,749	1,276,654	1,271,235	(5,420)
<b>TOTAL HOME FUND</b>				<b>343,542</b>	<b>4,181,037</b>	<b>4,007,428</b>	<b>417,151</b>	<b>417,151</b>	<b>(6,606)</b>
<b>ENDOWMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED</b>				<b>243,542</b>	<b>4,181,037</b>	<b>4,007,428</b>	<b>417,151</b>	<b>417,151</b>	<b>(6,606)</b>
<b>Mutuable Equity Securities-</b>									
500 American International Group	4/22/2001	1/19/2005		34,990		34,990	0		
400 Albertsons Inc	6/9/2004	1/18/2005		9,659		9,659	0		
356 Alcoa Inc	1/4/2001	Various		16,956		16,956	0		
415 Altria Group Inc (formerly Phillip Morris)	3/14/2003	1/25/2005		19,392	3,760	3,760	15,632	29,240	13,708
153 AMB Poly Corp	3/14/2003	Various		4,700		4,700	4,700	6,782	2,082
239 Amerisourcebergen	10/10/2003	Various		13,755		13,755	0		
207 Angion Inc	10/10/2003	Various		19,889		19,889	4,467	8,342	3,855
89 Aradigm Corp	3/14/2003	Various		3,177		3,177	3,172	7,460	4,283
200 Avery Dennison Corp	10/10/2003	1/18/2005		10,524		10,524	0		
119 Bradwayna Rty Tr New	var-2003	3,305		3,305		3,305	3,796	481	
61 Boston Physix Inc	1/21/2005	4,074		4,074		4,074	2,455	4,340	1,885
500 BP PLC Sponsored ADR	1/18/2005	16,794		16,794		16,794	0		
57 Camden Poly Tr	Various	1,471		1,471		1,471	1,845	2,881	1,006
300 Capital One Finl Corp	6/9/2004	20,990		20,990		20,990	0		
1000 Citic Systems Inc	3/14/2003	Various		17,370		17,370	11,664	17,972	6,603
84 Colgroup Inc	3/14/2003	Various		38,147	7,452	7,452	26,816	38,738	12,120
250 Diversified Rty Corp	Various	3/16/2005		10,380	3,460	1,755	14,420	18,120	4,700





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700 Watsa Management Inc	3/14/2003	01/19/2005		18,707		18,707	0		0
500 Wm Fm Excl Rty TR Inc	10/28/2004	1/18/2005		23,636		23,636	0		
140 New Plan Excl Rty TR Inc	1/19/2005				3688	3,688	37,566	35,715	(1,851)
830 Bank of America Corp	1/19/2005	8/4/2005			5408		5,408		0
150 Tyco Intl LTD	1/19/2005	8/2/2005			12,256		15,381	13,889	(1,392)
485 TJX Cos Inc	1/19/2005	Various			30482		15,101	5,550	(3,08)
275 Morgan Stanley	1/19/2005	Various			14418		23,148	24,175	1,027
85 Mohawk Inds Inc	1/19/2005	Various			23745		13,828	32,202	8,457
745 McDonalds Corp	1/19/2005	Various			33828		13,828	22,362	(1,466)
1160 Hewlett packard Co	1/19/2005	7/25/2005			27284		12,133	22,362	1,466
170 Gannett Inc	1/19/2005	Various			27284		12,133	22,362	1,466
245 Chick-Cola Co	1/19/2005	Various			27460		18,715	23,202	182
790 CVS Corp	1/19/2005	Various			16465		18,715	23,202	4,487
405 Boston Scientific Corp	1/19/2005	Various			20613		20,613	10,886	(1,422)
510 American STD Cos Inc	1/19/2005	Various			23861		20,613	23,256	2,843
235 AMBAC Finl Group Inc	1/19/2005	Various			18700		19,174	16,116	(3,058)
1815 El Paso Corp	1/19/2005	Various			8113		19,700	21,054	1,354
190 Pinnacle West Cap Corp	1/19/2005	7/26/2005			8,113		15,926	17,966	(3,960)
425 Home Depot Inc	1/19/2005	Various			22212		17,848	17,136	(710)
200 Home Depot Inc	1/19/2005	Various			15470		15,470	17,144	1,674
200 Jilly Etl Corp	1/19/2005	Various			11,622		0		
275 Guidant Corp	1/19/2005	1/25/2005			19,863		2,876		
340 Analog Devices Inc	1/19/2005	Various			15099		12,223	12,393	170
350 American Express Co	1/19/2005	6/14/2005			18520		18,520	19,334	814
175 Scripps E W Co Ohio	1/19/2005	Various			13225		8,416	8,750	334
290 State Str Corp	1/19/2005	Various			13138		13,138	14,016	878
475 Conoco Phillips	1/19/2005	8/1/2005			25659		21,383	31,322	9,939
655 Wyeth	1/19/2005	Various			28901		28,901	29,992	1,091
370 Chevron Corp	1/19/2005	2/25/2005			40333		30,250	34,998	4,746
715 Kraft Foods Inc	1/19/2005	Various			19828		9,653		(6,622)
155 Willis Group Hldgs LTD	1/19/2005	05/17/2005			6212		0		(6,212)
455 Raytheon Co	1/19/2005	7/26/2005			18840		16,940	17,845	905
125 Renaissance Hldgs LTD	1/19/2005	Various			14616		6,300	(836)	
800 Connaught Corp	1/19/2005	2/17/2005			28216		26,216	24,136	(2,080)
1585 Oncle Corp	1/19/2005	2/17/2005			21772		21,272	20,589	(683)
70 OSI Pharmaceuticals Inc	1/19/2005	8/22/2005			4738		6,488	5,522	(866)
110 Sepacor Inc	1/19/2005	3/3/2005			9437		0		
685 Allera Corp	1/19/2005	Various			11035		0		
55 United Communications Inc	1/19/2005	8/12/2005			14380		0		
530 Qualcomm Inc	1/19/2005	7/2/2005			1,282		16,790	21,046	2,256
260 Colgate Palmolive Co	1/25/2005	Various			12968		12,968	0	(0)
45 OSI Pharmaceuticals Inc	2/8/2005	8/22/2005			2764		2,764	0	(0)
310 Procter & Gamble Co	2/8/2005	Various			16519		16,519	17,188	679
405 Exxon Mobil Corp	2/8/2005	Various			2819		24,948	24,260	(688)
50 OSI Pharmaceuticals Inc	2/25/2005	8/22/2005			3087		3,087	3,182	105
80 Apartment Invnt & Mgmt Co C I a	2/26/2005	8/22/2005			2926		2,926	2,824	(102)
190 Fairmont Hotels Resorts Inc	2/26/2005	Various			3208		0		(0)
150 Boston Scientific Corp	2/26/2005	5/26/2005			4577		4,377	4,124	(253)
375 Day Media Inc	4/11/2005	8/4/2005			3601		8,318	9,563	1,245
115 Tyco Intl LTD	4/28/2005	8/4/2005			3601		0		(0)
95 Tyco Intl LTD	5/3/2005	8/4/2005			2719		2,719	23,018	1,836
310 Wellpoint Inc	Various	Various			21082		21,082		

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Date Acquired	Description	Date of Maturity / Sold	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value	Unrealized Gain Or (Loss)
5/17/2005	90 Nike Inc Cl B				7048		7,048	7,102	54
Various	710 Corning Inc				11345		11,345	14,172	2,827
8/17/2005	119 Nextel Communications Inc	8/12/2005				3,552			(0)
8/2/2005	525 Sun Microsystems Inc				353		3,531	3,519	(12)
7/8/2005	525 GenCorp Fial Inc				18842		16,842	16,889	47
7/8/2005	295 Duke Energy Co				8840		8,840	8,552	(288)
Various	760 Motorola Inc				15097		15,097	16,629	1,532
7/15/2005	140 VF Corp				8469		8,469	8,303	(166)
7/15/2005	110 Arden Rty Inc				4255		4,255	4,197	(58)
7/15/2005	82 Post PPTYS Inc				3981		3,981	3,896	(85)
7/25/2005	140 United Sts Sll Corp				5949		5,949	5,869	(80)
7/25/2005	195 Fedex Corp				16488		16,488	16,488	(0)
8/17/2005	120 Marathon Oil				7167		7,167	7,115	(52)
8/17/2005	180 Sun Life of Canada				9111		9,111	9,111	(0)
8/22/2005	754 Spiritus Martial Corp				17923		17,923	19,551	1,623
8/22/2005	180 Lilly Eli & Co				9478		9,478	9,904	426
2/12/2004	400 Yum Brands Inc			13,360		13,360	0		
3/12/2003	2,631,490 JP Morgan Diversified International Fd			50,000	6464		56,464	0	
3/12/2003	4,138,350 JP Morgan International Eqty Inde Fd			45,000		45,000	0		
3/12/2003	2,824,350 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Growth Fund			130,000		86,078	43,324	71,877	28,553
4/8/2005	4,138,350 JP Morgan International Equity Index Fund				67,662		67,662	87,230	19,568
8/25/2005	1,245,847 JP Morgan International Equity Index Fund			30,000		30,000	30,000	30,000	(0)
8/25/2005	1,007,250 JP Morgan International Equity Index Fund			20,014		20,014	20,014	20,376	(362)
3/12/2003	3,631,710 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Value Fund			133,660	5,702	94,973	42,418	20,004	(10)
6/7/2004	2,189,477 JP Morgan Diversified Small Cap Growth Fund			25,000	128		25,128	71,218	28,799
6/7/2004	1,151,328 JP Morgan Diversified Small Cap Value Fund			20,981	2,308		23,289	25,482	4,368
				1,463,175	1,225,640	1,231,125	1,457,690	1,706,480	248,787
Marketable Debt Securities									
12/17/2003	20,000 United Pacific Corp NT	2/17/2006	6.400%	21,489			21,489	20,157	(1,332)
8/23/2004	40,000 General Corp Medium Term Sr Nts		6.875%	51,743			51,743	51,064	(679)
4/17/2004	40,000 Comcast Corp Medium Term Sr Nts		5.875%	51,743		43,263	8,480		
2/17/2004	50,000 Washington Mut Inc Sr Nt	11/5/2007	5.825%	53,823			53,823	50,791	(3,132)
4/23/2003	25,000 Target Corp	8/4/2005	5.500%	24,790		24,799	0		
6/28/2001	40,000 Coca Cola	11/1/2008	5.750%	39,503			39,503	41,770	2,267
5/12/1999	60,000 Amoco Corp Debs	8/4/2005	6.500%	81,518		81,518			
35,000	Countrywide Home Lns Inc Medium Term	5/15/2007	5.625%	36,602			36,602	35,723	(879)
146,884	Ford Motor Credit Auto Owner TR-2001	Various	4.010%	88,778		88,778			
60,000	Marill Lynch & Co Inc Medium Term	11/15/2007	4.000%	63,396			63,396	59,715	(3,681)
60,000	ChilGroup Inc Sr Nt	11/15/2004	7.275%	93,946			93,946	63,396	(30,550)
2/8/2002	100,000 Vero Gdr Nt	10/28/2008	6.100%	36,796			36,796	36,796	(0)
11/29/2001	40,000 McDonald's Corp Tr / Asset	11/15/2004	5.350%	58,596			104,644	100,677	(4,167)
8/21/2002	45,000 McDonald's Corporation Medium Term Nts	2/17/2009	5.375%	25,668		59,590	0		
5/17/2002	60,000 IBM Corp Nt	4/15/2009	6.500%	60,890			25,468	25,514	446
5/9/2002	48,771 Household Automotive Tr-2002-1	5/17/2009	4.390%	59,587		13,227	60,890	64,221	3,331
5/9/2002	50,000 Ford Mtr Cr Corp Nt	10/28/2009	7.375%	89,536			46,760	46,834	74
2/8/2002	40,000 United Technologies Corp Nt	11/15/2010	7.125%	43,424		89,536	0		
5/15/2001	60,000 Target Corp	1/15/2011	6.350%	62,545			45,424	45,114	(1,090)
5/15/2003	55,000 Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co Global Nt	4/15/2011	6.750%	81,489		34,429	62,545	62,501	(48)
7/1/2004	50,000 Bancorp Medium Term Nts Tranche		3.125%	58,553			57,040	60,774	3,734
2/8/2002	30,000 Debt South Corp Nt	10/15/2011	6.000%	30,172			36,172	32,251	(2,079)

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Summary table with columns: Date Acquired, Description, Date of Maturity / Sold, Interest Rate, Beginning Balance, Additions, Reductions, Ending Balance, Market Value, and Unrealized Gain Or (Loss). Rows include 5/15/2001 US Government Obligations, 1/5/2007 United States Treasury Notes, etc.

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<b>ENVIRONMENT TRUST - RESTRICTED (Continued)</b>									
<b>U.S. Government Obligations</b>									
190,000 United States Treasury Notes	4/21/1987	5/15/2006	6.875%	242,065		48,533	193,532	184,096	664
60,000 United States Treasury Notes	4/21/1987	5/15/2005	6.500%	56,393		58,363	0	79,338	3,793
75,000 United States Treasury Notes	1/12/2002	8/15/2011	5.000%	75,575			163,265	194,880	1,815
185,000 United States Treasury Notes	Various	9/15/2014	4.750%	38,886	94,279		307,827	304,610	(3,217)
355,000 United States Treasury Notes	Var-2003	1/15/2008	4.750%	347,827			154,393	156,833	(2,440)
140,000 United States Treasury Notes	VAR-2003	8/15/2009	4.250%		30,762		30,762	39,553	(8,791)
30,000 United States Treas NTS	6/15/2005	3/15/2007	3.250%	291,031			291,021	199,734	(1,297)
300,000 United States Treas NTS	6/12/2005	8/25/2008	4.375%	49,219	31,017		0	49,590	371
50,000 United States Treas NTS	7/15/2009	4/9/219	3.825%	34,200	49,219		34,200	34,837	637
35,000 United States Treas NTS	8/12/2005	2/15/2015	4.000%	1,602,256	864,880	338,893	1,929,113	1,820,884	(1,162,265)
<b>U.S. Government Agencies-</b>									
180,000 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	8/15/2005	5/15/2008	6.000%	197,768			197,768	184,831	(8,938)
81,101 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	2/27/2003	4/25/2014	5.000%	83,563			83,563	80,530	(2,833)
31,224 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	8/18/2003	5/1/2033	5.500%	75,304		14,757	60,547	17,765	1,981
38,274 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	2/24/2003	7/15/2006	5.000%	47,709		7,075	40,634	30,462	(9,172)
44,779 Federal Nat'l Mfg Assn Gld Mfg Pass	8/27/2004	3/1/2033	5.500%	148,831			146,851	159,857	19,728
10,068 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	2/18/2002	12/1/2015	7.000%	14,377		3,904	10,473	10,546	73
15,240 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	5/21/2002	4/1/2028	6.500%	19,859		4,331	15,528	15,071	(488)
16,781 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	2/13/2002	1/1/2031	7.000%	25,353		8,129	17,224	16,861	(492)
39,387 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	8/12/2002	8/1/2032	6.000%	54,264		14,151	40,113	40,354	241
4,827 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	10/19/1998	10/1/2013	6.000%	10,223		5,395	4,828	4,776	(55)
35,704 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	4/30/2003	8/1/2032	6.000%	28,339		23,924	38,000	38,389	119
170,000 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	8/15/2008	9/25/2008	6.500%	206,356			206,356	191,600	(5,362)
160,000 Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn	Various	8/15/2008	6.500%	206,356	97,421	138,898	38,000	186,682	(494)
53,376 Federal Nat'l Mfg Assn Gld Mfg Pass	1/14/2003	3/15/2013	6.250%	80,724	135,442		166,862	165,072	(2,875)
58,693 GNMA GTD Mfg Pass Thru	8/26/2004	8/1/2018	4.375%	83,148			83,148	85,824	2,675
18,168 GNMA GTD Mfg Pass Thru	2/1/2002	8/15/2013	5.500%	60,853		5,551	55,302	54,556	(746)
77,891 GNMA Gld Pass Thru CTF	6/22/2004	8/15/2029	7.500%	85,811		28,196	57,615	60,232	887
60,000 Federal Home Loan MTG	8/12/2002	4/15/2034	5.500%	29,222		10,545	18,678	20,328	1,650
65,000 Federal Home Loan MTG	5/14/2003	1/15/2005	6.875%	66,098		86,059	77,441	79,651	2,010
51,499 Federal Home Loan MTG	8/14/2003	8/15/2008	6.500%	70,322			70,322	66,251	(4,071)
100,720 Federal Home Ln Mfg Corp Parln Cth	4/20/2004	3/15/2009	8.000%	108,897		13,963	55,384	52,873	(2,511)
53,535 Federal Home Ln Mfg Corp Parln Cth	7/1/2019	2/15/2013	5.000%	78,574		7,485	191,412	190,957	(1,355)
23,223 Federal Home Loan MTG	11/26/2003	5/15/2013	8.000%	86,178		12,467	66,057	69,038	(21)
18,189 Federal Home Loan MTG	5/30/2003	1/1/2018	7.000%	33,958		9,574	24,384	23,184	(1,200)
35,000 Federal Home Ln BKS Tranche	2/19/2002	2/19/2002	7.000%	32,796			19,843	20,078	136
57,273 FHMA Pool 781333	11/28/2004	12/1/2007	3.250%		34,718		34,718	34,386	(332)
100,000 FHMA Remic 2005-34 C1 34-7B	8/9/2005	1/15/2034	8.000%	102,373	84,103		58,634	46,877	(6,857)
130,000 FHLMC 2962-YE	8/10/2005	3/15/2018	4.500%	126,181			126,181	127,944	1,763
				<b>1,945,745</b>	<b>560,838</b>	<b>442,007</b>	<b>2,065,571</b>	<b>2,055,838</b>	<b>(9,732)</b>
				<b>\$ 7,732,262</b>	<b>\$ 7,458,371</b>	<b>\$ 8,302,382</b>	<b>\$ 8,408,251</b>	<b>\$ 8,650,478</b>	<b>\$ 242,225</b>

Total Endowment Fund - Restricted

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity / Sold	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value	Unrealized Gain Or (Loss)
<b>EDUCATIONAL FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit (Brammet)	8/1/2002	09/01/05	2.500%	\$ 6,262	\$	\$	\$ 6,262	\$ 6,262	
Mary C Kennington Scholarship Trust:									
JPMorgan Liquid Asset Money Market	6/1/1998	Various	Various	14,435	35,625	39,083	10,937	10,937	
JPMorgan Mutual Fund-Fund Income	6/1/1998	Various	Various	208,677	13,327	222,250	222,250	221,534	(716)
JPMorgan Common and Mutual Fund Equities	6/1/1998	Various	Various	265,945	46,419	37,121	374,343	284,712	10,389
Total Educational Fund				\$ 514,419	\$ 85,987	\$ 86,214	\$ 513,702	\$ 523,445	\$ 9,653
<b>FANNIE V. WARD FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Comerica Bank-Arlington Certificate of Deposit	8/30/2000	Various	3.300%	\$ 37,348	\$ 1,874	\$	\$ 39,222	\$ 39,222	
Total Fannie V. Ward Fund				\$ 37,348	\$ 1,874	\$ 0	\$ 39,222	\$ 39,222	
<b>ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Cash and Equivalents				\$ 86,639	\$ 346,931	\$ 303,251	\$ 140,319	\$ 140,319	
Marketable Equity Securities-									
138,528 JPMorgan Liquid asset Money Fund	Various	n/a		5,021			5,021	5,314	293
221 JPMorgan Mid Cap Value Fund	4/1/2005			50,000			50,000	48,961	(1,039)
2,869 JPMorgan Tax Aware Disciplined Equity Fund	9/4/2005			20,000			20,000	19,751	(249)
831 JPMorgan Intrepid America Fund	9/4/2005			10,007			10,007	10,245	238
504 JPMorgan Integrated Growth Fund	8/1/2005			10,307			10,307	10,245	(62)
8,845 JPMorgan US Real Estate Fund	8/1/2005			10,344			10,344	97,805	(7,859)
Various Market Equity Funds	Various			104,311			104,311	126,839	(4,421)
8,002 JPMorgan Equity International Fund	Various			114,510	16,950		131,260	126,839	(4,421)
2,946 JPMorgan International Equity Index Fund	Various			45,558			45,558	62,364	(16,744)
6,343 JPMorgan Large Cap Growth Fund	Various			112,671			112,671	96,054	(16,637)
6,476 JPMorgan Large Cap Value Fund	Various			98,826			98,826	103,164	4,338
1,750 JPMorgan Diversified Mid Cap Growth Fund	Various			31,478			31,478	44,781	13,315
3,230 JPMorgan Diversified Mid Cap Value Fund	Various			42,250			42,250	63,346	21,370
21,838 JPMorgan Intermediate Bond Fund	Various			134,000	1,726		135,726	231,278	(95,552)
23,347 JPMorgan Core Plus Fund	Various			100,000			100,000	118,000	18,000
75,000 JPMorgan Short-Duration Bond	Various			20,007	50,000		70,007	166,839	(96,832)
5,189 JPMorgan Ultra Short-Term Bond	10/15/2003			1,500			1,500	170,937	(169,437)
				\$ 1,638,339	\$ 265,055	\$ 0	\$ 1,903,394	\$ 1,320,506	\$ 572,888
<b>U.S. Government Obligations</b>									
190,000 United States Treasury Notes	07/01/99	2/15/2007	6.250%	100,749			100,749	103,473	2,724
75,000 United States Treasury Notes	3/1/2002	11/15/2008	4.750%	75,530			75,530	77,030	1,500
				\$ 176,279	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 176,279	\$ 180,503	\$ 4,224
<b>U.S. Government Agencies-</b>									
100,000 Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	3/28/2001	6/15/2005	6.750%	102,808		102,808	96,400	103,531	7,131
100,000 Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	6/6/2000	1/5/2007	6.700%	96,400			96,400	103,531	7,131
				\$ 199,208	\$ 0	\$ 102,808	\$ 192,800	\$ 207,062	\$ 14,254
<b>Marketable Debt Securities</b>									
50,000 General Electric Capital Corp Notes	2/11/2000		7.250%	50,190		50,190	50,001	52,508	2,307
50,000 BankAmerica Corp	3/5/2002		5.875%	50,601			50,601	52,508	1,907
100,000 Norwest Corp Notes	6/4/2000		6.875%	96,000			96,000	102,129	6,129
50,000 Merrill Lynch & Co, Inc. Medium Trust Notes	6/31/2001	5/10/2006	6.130%	51,287			51,287	51,821	534
50,000 IBM Notes	6/31/2001	2/10/2009	3.375%	48,358			48,358	49,821	1,463
50,000 Household Finance Note	8/6/2001	6/17/2008	6.600%	49,300			49,300	52,707	3,407
				\$ 348,482	\$ 0	\$ 50,190	\$ 398,302	\$ 408,759	\$ 10,277
Total Endowed Membership Fund				\$ 1,859,008	\$ 611,885	\$ 456,220	\$ 2,014,744	\$ 2,054,665	\$ 39,824

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity / Sold	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value	Unrealized Gain Or (Loss)
<b>EDUCATIONAL FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Comerica Bank-Anting Certificate of Deposit (Bramlett)	9/1/2002	09/01/05	2.500%	\$ 6,282	\$	\$	\$ 6,282	\$ 6,282	
Mary C Kennington Scholarship Trust:									
JP Morgan Liquid Asset Money Market	5/1/1998	Various	Various	14,435	25,095	29,083	18,937	10,937	(716)
JP Morgan Mutual Funds Fixed Income	5/1/1998	Various	Various	200,077	13,373	222,260	222,260	231,334	
JP Morgan Common and Mutual Fund Equities	5/1/1998	Various	Various	283,042	46,412	57,121	274,343	284,712	10,369
Total Educational Fund				\$ 514,419	\$ 85,587	\$ 86,214	\$ 513,792	\$ 523,445	\$ 9,653
<b>FANNIE V. WARD FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Comerica Bank-Anting Certificate of Deposit	8/20/2000	Various	3.300%	37,248	1,874	\$	39,222	39,222	
Total Fannie V. Ward Fund				\$ 37,248	\$ 1,874	\$ 0	\$ 39,222	\$ 39,222	
<b>ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Cash and Equivalents									
138,528 JP Morgan Liquid Asset Money Fund	N/A	N/A		96,639	246,931	303,251	140,359	140,369	
Marketable Equity Securities:									
221 JP Morgan Mid Cap Value Fund	4/1/2005			5,021			5,021	5,314	293
2,889 JP Morgan Tax Aware Disciplined Equity Fund	8/4/2005			50,000			50,000	48,961	(1,039)
531 JP Morgan Intrepid America Fund	8/4/2005			20,000			20,000	19,751	(249)
504 JP Morgan Intrepid Growth Fund	8/1/2005			10,097			10,097	10,002	(95)
538 JP Morgan US Real Estate Fund	8/1/2005			10,107			10,107	9,765	(342)
8,855 JP Morgan US Equity Fund	Various			1,244			1,244	1,244	
2,946 JP Morgan Equity Income Fund	Various			11,180	16,950		131,260	126,839	(4,421)
6,343 JP Morgan Large Cap Growth Fund	Various			45,558			45,558	62,304	16,746
6,476 JP Morgan Large Cap Value Fund	Various			112,871			112,871	96,034	(16,837)
1,750 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Growth Fund	Various			98,826			98,826	103,164	4,338
2,320 JP Morgan Diversified Mid Cap Value Fund	Various			31,478	1,726		31,478	44,781	13,315
21,839 JP Morgan Intermediate Bond Fund	Various			134,000	100,000		234,000	63,348	19,370
23,347 JP Morgan Core Plus Fund	Various			185,000			185,000	184,968	(31)
15,855 JP Morgan Short-Duration Bond	Various			120,037	50,000		170,037	167,923	(2,114)
5,028 JP Morgan Ultra Short-Term Bond	10/15/2003			50,000			50,000	48,327	(1,673)
Total Endowed Membership Fund				\$ 1,029,239	\$ 265,956	\$ 0	\$ 1,303,394	\$ 1,320,506	\$ 17,911
<b>U.S. Government Obligations</b>									
100,000 United States Treasury Notes	07/01/99	2/15/2007	6.250%	100,749			100,749	103,473	2,724
75,000 United States Treasury Notes	3/1/2002	11/15/2008	4.750%	75,530			75,530	77,030	1,500
Total U.S. Government Obligations				\$ 176,279	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 176,279	\$ 180,503	\$ 4,224
<b>U.S. Government Agencies-</b>									
100,000 Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	3/28/2001	9/15/2005	5.750%	102,809		102,809	96,480	103,531	7,131
100,000 Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	8/6/2000	1/2/2007	6.700%	189,809		102,809	96,400	103,531	7,131
Total U.S. Government Agencies				\$ 292,618	\$ 0	\$ 102,809	\$ 192,880	\$ 207,062	\$ 14,262
<b>Marketable Debt Securities</b>									
50,000 General Electric Capital Corp Notes	2/1/2000		7.250%	50,190		50,190	50,601	52,508	1,907
50,000 BankAmerica Corp	3/5/2002		5.875%	50,601			96,000	102,129	6,129
100,000 Norwest Corp Notes	6/14/2000		6.875%	91,387			96,000	90,587	(700)
50,000 Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Medium Trust Notes	8/31/2001		5.130%	51,387			44,955	52,428	1,041
50,000 IBM Notes	2/1/2009		5.375%	51,459			51,459	52,763	1,304
50,000 Household Finance Note	9/6/2001		6.400%	380,922		50,190	290,922	308,750	11,457
Total Marketable Debt Securities				\$ 1,859,008	\$ 611,866	\$ 456,250	\$ 2,014,744	\$ 2,054,688	\$ 39,824

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Description	Date Acquired	Date of Maturity / Sold	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Market Value	Unrealized Gain Or (Loss)
<b>HOME RENOVATION FUND-RESTRICTED</b>									
Guaranty Federal Bank Floreata Fund	Various			138,976		138,976		18,980	(10)
Guaranty Federal Bank Floreata Fund	Various			158,141		158,141		30,000	(374)
Guaranty Federal Bank Floreata Fund	Various			158,154		158,154		50,000	48,981
								20,000	20,000
								20,000	20,000
								20,000	20,000
								20,000	20,000
Total Home Renovation Fund				\$ 458,271	\$	\$ 458,271	\$	\$ 139,954	\$ (6)
								140,000	(1,200)
<b>ENHANCEMENT TRUST - UNRESTRICTED</b>									
JPMorgan 100% US Treasury Money Market					\$ 2,359,691	\$ 1,776,305	\$ 583,296	\$ 583,296	\$
<b>Marketable Equity Securities</b>									
1,007 JP Morgan Intrepid Growth Fund	8/11/2005		4.700%	20,000			20,000	18,980	(10)
1,248 JP Morgan Intrepid America Fund	8/4/2005		6.000%	30,000			30,000	29,828	(374)
2,989 JP Morgan Tax Aware Disciplined Equity Fund	8/4/2005		6.000%	50,000			50,000	48,981	(1,019)
1,063 JP Morgan Tax US Real Estate Fund	8/11/2005		6.000%	20,000			20,000	20,286	286
1,180 JP Morgan Value Opportunities Fund	7/19/2005		6.000%	20,000			20,000	19,954	(6)
								140,000	(1,200)
<b>Marketable Debt Securities</b>									
15,000 Credit Suisse First Boston USA Inc	12/1/2005	8/1/2009	4.700%	30,647	30,647	15,324	15,323	15,147	(176)
15,000 National Rural Units Coop Fin Corp	12/1/2005	8/15/2010	6.000%	46,082	46,082	32,054	14,028	15,774	(254)
15,000 BellSouth Corp	12/1/2005	10/15/2011	6.000%	34,183	34,183	21,897	16,356	16,125	(231)
15,000 Citigroup In Global	12/1/2005	2/21/2012	6.000%	32,795	32,795	16,397	16,398	16,221	(177)
15,000 SBC Communications Inc	12/1/2005	8/15/2012	5.875%	49,538	49,538	33,359	16,179	16,036	(143)
25,000 Goldman Sachs Group	4/1/2013		5.250%	25,650			25,650	25,676	26
15,000 Bristol Myers Squibbe Co	12/1/2005	4/1/2013	5.250%	41,648		26,000	15,618	15,729	111
20,000 McDonnell Douglas Corp	12/1/2005	1/11/2006	6.875%	52,839		31,703	21,136	20,952	(84)
20,000 Daimler Chrysler North Amer Hldg	12/1/2005	8/9/2005	6.400%	51,899		51,899	16,088	14,989	(1,177)
20,000 American International Group	12/1/2005	12/22/2008	4.000%	50,288		35,200	15,088	15,200	112
18,000 American International Group	12/1/2005	12/22/2008	7.100%	37,108		31,998	5,110	5,181	(81)
18,000 Toxco Corp	12/1/2005	8/15/2007	7.800%	37,334		31,998	5,334	5,181	(173)
3,000 Kroger Co	12/1/2005	8/15/2010	7.800%	34,204		32,746	5,458	5,300	(158)
55,000 Citibank CR Card Issuance TR 2003-A5	12/1/2005	8/17/2010	3.900%	53,333	53,333	49,387	4,946	53,175	(158)
50,000 Citibank CR Card Issuance TR 2002-A8	12/1/2005	8/16/2010	3.500%	53,333	53,333	49,387	4,946	49,011	(376)
5,000 Alcoa Inc	8/15/2005	8/15/2012	6.000%	5,309	5,309	5,309	5,309	5,466	97
15,000 Allstate Corp Dabs	8/9/2005	8/15/2014	5.000%	15,078	15,078	15,078	15,078	15,323	245
10,000 American Express Co	8/11/2005	7/15/2003	4.875%	10,028	10,028	10,238	10,238	10,238	212
10,000 American International Automobile Receivables	8/29/2005	1/6/2010	3.630%	9,891	9,891	9,891	9,891	9,917	26
25,000 Bank America Corp Sr NT	8/10/2005	8/23/2012	6.250%	21,824	21,824	21,624	21,624	21,985	371
15,000 Bear Stearns Cda Inc Global	8/9/2005	8/23/2010	4.500%	14,681	14,681	14,881	15,028	15,028	145
10,000 Centaur Corp Sr NT	8/10/2005	1/15/2013	7.375%	11,211	11,211	11,211	11,211	11,447	236
15,000 Co Corp Inc Sr NT	8/10/2005	8/40/2007	7.375%	10,446	10,446	10,446	10,446	10,472	26
10,000 Countrywide Home Inc	8/10/2005	1/11/2008	6.170%	10,573	10,573	10,573	10,573	10,573	86
10,000 Countrywide Home Inc	8/10/2005	1/11/2008	5.625%	10,449	10,449	10,449	10,449	10,564	115
10,000 Countrywide Home Inc	8/10/2005	5/15/2007	5.625%	10,178	10,178	10,178	10,268	10,268	27
10,000 Daimler Chrysler North Amer Hldg	8/10/2005	8/9/2005	4.750%	8,955	8,955	8,955	8,955	10,005	50
10,000 Duke Energy Corp NT	3/1/2010	3/1/2010	7.375%	10,992	10,992	10,992	10,992	11,128	136
10,000 EOP Oper LTD Partnership	8/10/2005	2/15/2012	6.750%	10,833	10,833	10,833	10,833	11,043	210
20,000 General Electric Cap Corp Medium Term	08/10/2005	6/15/2012	6.000%	21,309	21,309	21,309	21,309	21,542	333
15,000 GTE North Inc Dab SER F	8/15/2005	2/15/2010	6.375%	15,786	15,786	15,786	15,786	15,863	97
15,000 Hewlett Packard Co Global NT	8/11/2005	7/1/2007	5.000%	15,274	15,274	15,274	15,334	15,334	60
10,000 Honeywell Int Inc	8/9/2005	3/1/2010	7.500%	11,207	11,207	11,207	11,207	11,289	82
25,000 Household Fin Corp NT	8/10/2005	1/1/6/2009	4.125%	24,375	24,375	24,375	24,375	24,698	323
15,000 International Business Machines Corp	8/10/2005	2/1/2009	5.375%	15,384	15,384	15,384	15,384	15,549	174
15,000 International Business Finance Corp	8/10/2005	4/15/2010	5.000%	15,091	15,091	15,091	15,091	15,261	170
10,000 McDonalds Co Inc Medium Term	8/10/2005	8/10/2005	4.000%	10,250	10,250	10,250	10,250	10,376	126
15,000 Marck & Co Inc NT	8/9/2005	1/1/2015	4.250%	14,771	14,771	14,771	14,774	14,870	96
10,000 Merrill Lynch & Co Inc Medium Term	8/11/2005	11/15/2007	4.000%	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,992	9,953	(51)





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 DETAIL OF HUMANITARIAN / SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES  
 FOR THE TEN MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2005

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Sand Dollars Across America	\$ 63,444	\$ 39,957
Captains Log	4,733	2,300
Mariners Lookout Proficiency	1,265	125
Melodies	3,744	250
Mysteries Beneath the Sea	4,685	1,066
Founder's Day	9,349	3,925
Shipmates Celebration	1,356	125
Star Seach	17,849	15,000
Starfish of Hope	9,655	-
Treasurers of P	3,760	-
Storm Watchers	3,234	488
Estarl Special Funds	31,524	6,530
100% Founder's Day	18,471	2,700
International Temple	7,355	2,515
Relief Fund	10,975	10,975
Museum	2,500	-
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Totals	\$ <u>193,899</u>	\$ <u>85,956</u>

123rd GRAND CHAPTER SESSION  
Income Statement  
For the Period Ended December 31, 2005

	12 Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	Dec. 31, 2005	Pct	Dec. 31, 2005	Pct
<b>Revenue</b>				
Grand Chapter Funding	\$ 21,796.40	35.52	\$ 21,796.40	35.52
Vendors	28,910.00	47.12	28,910.00	47.12
Grand Chpt Banquets	10,366.22	16.90	10,366.22	16.90
Attractions Pass	1,395.00	2.27	1,395.00	2.27
Refunds	<u>(1,112.00)</u>	<u>( 1.81)</u>	<u>(1,112.00)</u>	<u>( 1.81)</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>61,355.62</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>61,355.62</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Automotive Expense	100.05	0.16	100.05	0.16
Decorations	5,602.80	9.13	5,602.80	9.13
Delivery, Hauling	365.07	0.60	365.07	0.60
Equipment Rental	1,450.00	2.36	1,450.00	2.36
General Banquet Expense	639.76	1.04	639.76	1.04
Grand Chpt-123rd Expense	2,646.06	4.31	2,646.06	4.31
Grand Chpt - Housing	29,945.40	48.81	29,945.40	48.81
Gifts-Distinguished Gues	647.00	1.05	647.00	1.05
Maintenance/Repairs	125.59	0.20	125.59	0.20
Office Expense/Postage	787.95	1.28	787.95	1.28
Operating	22.65	0.04	22.65	0.04
Parking, Tolls	7.50	0.01	7.50	0.01
Special Programs/Enterta	448.24	0.73	448.24	0.73
Trailer Rental	179.70	0.29	179.70	0.29
Transportation	600.00	0.98	600.00	0.98
Travel, Hotels	<u>202.74</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>202.74</u>	<u>0.33</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>43,770.51</b>	<b>71.34</b>	<b>43,770.51</b>	<b>71.34</b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>17,585.11</b>	<b>28.66</b>	<b>17,585.11</b>	<b>28.66</b>
<b>Interest Earned</b>	<b>30.62</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>30.62</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>30.62</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>30.62</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss) \$</b>	<b><u>17,615.73</u></b>	<b><u>28.71</u></b>	<b><u>17,615.73</u></b>	<b><u>28.71</u></b>

*Photos from the  
Installation Ceremony  
of  
Karen Morgenthaler  
Worthy Grand Matron  
&  
Jerry L. Martin  
Worthy Grand Patron*

*Morgenthaler - Martin Installation Ceremony*



**FLAG PRESENTATION**  
 Art Brunet,  
 Grand Page to  
 Worthy Grand Patron



**ALTAR PRESENTATION**  
 Katelyn Lossen  
 Kiley Lossen



**INSTALLED GRAND OFFICERS AND FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT**

*Left to right, first row:* Lillian Travis, Grand Chaplain; Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Nell Smith Drenner, Grand Secretary; Nelson Campbell, Associate Grand Patron; Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron; Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron; Nancy Brown, Associate Grand Matron; Betty Prater, Grand Treasurer; Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress; Sharon Mosmeyer, Grand Marshal.

*Second row:* Susan Smith, Grand Organist; Marie Adamson, Grand Adah; Leah Hayes, Grand Ruth; Betty Martin, Grand Esther; Heidi Jenkins, Grand Martha; Donna Herrington, Grand Electa; Edna Marsh, Grand Warder; Winfred Whitlock, Grand Sentinel; Judy Northrup, Fraternal Correspondent.



Karen Morgenthaler.  
Worthy Grand Matron  
escorted by  
Edwin T. Morgenthaler



Jerry L. Martin  
Worthy Grand Patron  
escorted by  
Janice Thompson



Nancy Brown  
Associate Grand Matron  
escorted by  
Gayle Brown



Nelson Campbell  
Associate Grand Patron  
escorted by  
Georgia Campbell



Nell Smith Drenner  
Grand Secretary  
escorted by  
Claude Lindley



Betty Prater  
Grand Treasurer  
escorted by  
Mike Biddler



Geraldine Dusek  
Grand Conductress  
escorted by  
Hubert Dusek



Joyce Gilbert  
Associate Grand Conductress  
escorted by  
Jimmy Gilbert



Lillian Travis  
Grand Chaplain  
escorted by  
Paul Romine



Sharon Mosmeyer  
Grand Marshal  
escorted by  
Gary V. Mosmeyer





Susan Smith  
Grand Organist  
escorted by  
Richard Smith



Marie Adamson  
Grand Adah  
escorted by  
Irving G. Adamson



Leah Hayes  
Grand Ruth  
escorted by  
Paul Hayes



Betty Martin  
Grand Electa  
escorted by  
Jack Friend



Heidi Jenkins  
Grand Martha  
escorted by  
Richard W. Jenkins



Donna Herrington  
Grand Electa  
escorted by  
Bill Herrington



Winfred Whitlock  
Grand Sentinel  
escorted by  
Daphne Whitlock



Edna Marsh  
Grand Warder  
escorted by  
L.P. Marsh



Judy Northrup  
Fraternal Correspondent  
escorted by  
Ray Hertenberger



Ella Summers  
Grand Chapter Mom  
escorted by  
Michael Summers



Henry Schlitzkus  
Grand Chapter Dad  
escorted by  
Bettie Schlitzkus



Betty Jo Dean  
Grand Chapter Sweetheart  
escorted by  
David Dean

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



Jack Beall, District 1  
escorted by  
Charlotte Beall



Gary Steele, District 1  
escorted by  
LaJean Steele



A.L. Casparis, District 2  
escorted by  
Nell Casparis



Dwayne Maserang, District 2  
escorted by  
Flora Maserang



Jo Ann Snow, District 3  
escorted by  
Robert Brownfield



Jayne Yenger, District 3  
escorted by  
Paul W. Yenger



Mickie Todd-Campbell, District 4  
escorted by  
Ray Campbell



Forrest Smith, District 4  
escorted by  
Gail Smith



Raul Garcia, District 5  
escorted by  
Sylvia Garcia



Lori Goldman, District 5  
escorted by  
Mike Goldman

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS



Betty M. Scott, District 1  
escorted by  
Andrew N. Scott



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escorted by  
Alvin "Al" Caldwell



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escorted by  
David Nicklas



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escorted by  
Don Armstrong



Jerre S. Lucas, District 5  
escorted by  
Robert E. "Bob" Lucas



Mary Ruth White,  
Grand Examiner at Large  
escorted by  
Joseph White



Karen Morgenthaler,  
Worthy Grand Matron  
Betty Benham, Installing Grand Marshal



Jerry L. Martin,  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Betty Benham, Installing Grand Marshal





**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
 Standing: Jack Beall, Gary Steele, Dwayne Maserang, Jo Ann Snow, Jayne Yenger, Mickie Todd-Campbell, Forrest Smith, Lori Goldman.  
 Seated: Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.

**BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS**

Standing: Betty Scott, Bess Caldwell, Joyce Nicklas, Christine Armstrong, Jerry Lucas, Mary Ruth White.  
 Seated: Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.



**DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS DISTRICT 1**  
 Standing: Maxine Sparks, Joyce Smith, Barbara Grosvenor, Betty Hancock, Martha Isbell, Kathy Paschel, Debra Mulholland, Darlene Smith, Sue Hill, Peggy Allen.  
 Seated: Pam Dean, District Deputy Grand Matron; Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.

**DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS DISTRICT 2**

Standing: Carol Knutson, Karen Keith, Margaret Jones, Peggy Ledinski, Jane Ann Roby, Ann Orr, Patricia Blank, Pauline Lybrand, Shirley Scholl, Lola Norton.  
 Seated: Andi Martin, District Deputy Grand Matron; Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.





**DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS  
DISTRICT 3**

Standing: Sissy Furrrie, Brenda Martin, Leslie Keilberg, Judy Sadberry, Alphone Greset, Helen S. Gregory, Rita F. Wilson, Anna Huckabee, Kaye Swain, Pam Johnson.  
Seated: Donna Hill Pope, District Deputy Grand Matron; Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.

**DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS  
DISTRICT 4**

Standing: Vanda Sublet, Anna Y. Chapman, Jacqueline Pierce, Doris M. Jones, Reba "Tish" Fields, Linnie Stone, Shelly Fisher-Free, Georgia A. Ptacek, Janice Pryor, Virginia Franklin.  
Seated: Vicki Hertenberger, District Deputy Grand Matron; Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.



**DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS  
DISTRICT 5**

Standing: Ann Langston, Gay M. Carnes, Glenda Story, Doretta "Dee" Fahrigr, Sandra Zipp, Mary Jo Rosamond, Billie Collie, Jerline "Jerri" Standridge, Kay E. Marquez.  
Seated: Karen Wright, District Deputy Grand Matron; Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.

Standing: David Ouellette, Grand Page to WGP; Betty Fogarty, Secretary to WGM; Vicky Smith, Secretary to WGP; Mary Bruenet, Secretary to WGP.  
Seated: Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.



*Photos from the*  
*“Treasures of Life”*  
*123rd Session of the*  
*Grand Chapter of Texas*  
*Order of the Eastern Star*

*Karen Morgenthaler*

*Worthy Grand Matron*

*&*

*Jerry L. Martin*

*Worthy Grand Patron*

*“Treasures of Life” Session*



GRAND CHAPTER ROOM

**FLAG PRESENTATION**  
Oscar Moser, Co-Chairman,  
Executive Committee



**ALTAR PRESENTATION**  
Betty Lynn, Bible Marker;  
Frances Reedy, Bible.

**ALTAR PRESENTATION**  
Elmer Murphey III,  
Grand Master of Masons  
in Texas,  
Square and Compasses.





Left to Right: Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Loyal L. Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron; Patricia Rasmussen, Most Worthy Grand Matron; Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress.

Left to Right: Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Helen Cox, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron; Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress.

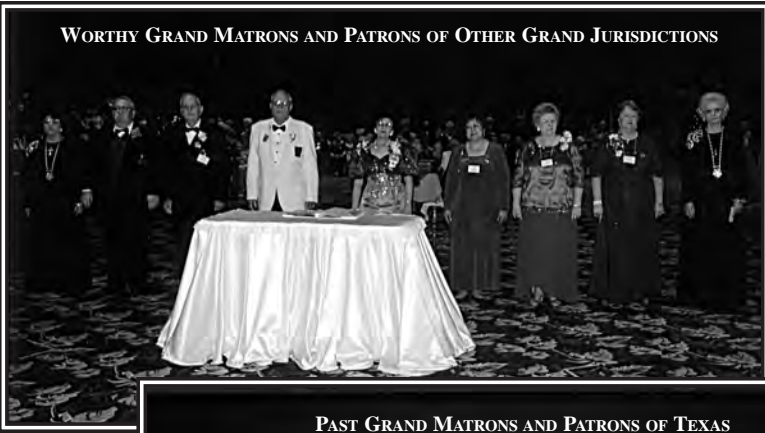


Left to Right: Joyce Gilbert, Associate Grand Conductress; Bobbie D. Harrelson, Worthy Grand Warder and PGM of Mississippi; Kathryn A. Newman, Worthy Grand Marshal and PGM of Rhode Island; Barbara “Bobbi” White, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress and PGM of West Virginia; Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and PGM of Texas; Barbara Benton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and PGM of Oklahoma; Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress

**GENERAL GRAND  
CHAPTER  
COMMITTEE  
MEMBERS**



WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS



PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS OF TEXAS



Elmer Murphey III, Most  
Worshipful Grand Master;  
Beulah Speer, PGM

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS  
IN THE GRAND EAST





**“JEWELS BY THE SEA”  
DRILL**

**“JEWELS BY THE SEA”  
DRILL**



Left to Right: Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Deputy in Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls; Kailee Rabbins, Jr. Past Grand Worthy Advisor, Grand Assembly of Texas, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Pearland Assembly No. 337,  
International Order of  
Rainbow for Girls







Left to Right:  
 Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy  
 Grand Matron; Bobbie Potter,  
 Miss Texas Job's Daughters;  
 Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand  
 Patron; Linda Henderson,  
 Jurisdictional Guardian  
 of Texas.  
 Front: Sara Gabels, Goodwill  
 Ambassador for Texas Job's  
 Daughters.

Left to Right:  
 Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy  
 Grand Matron; J. Weldon  
 Clampite, Grand High Priest  
 Grand Royal Arch Chapter of  
 Texas; Zane Whitney, State  
 Knight Commander Texas  
 DeMolay; Jerry L. Martin,  
 Worthy Grand Patron.



ESTARL COMMITTEE

HUMANITARIAN DRILL





Lillian Travis, Grand Chaplain and Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron at the Memorial Service.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE'S CAVALCADE OF FLAGS DRILL



FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS APPROACH THE GRAND EAST

FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS PRESENTED IN THE GRAND EAST





TEXAS CARDINALS

GRAND CHOIR AT WORK



NEWLY ELECTED  
GRAND OFFICERS AND  
BOARD MEMBERS

NEWLY APPOINTED  
GRAND REPRESENTATIVES





Proud Parents and their Son

Gunnery Sergeant,  
Ted Morgenthaler



Karen Morgenthaler, WGM;  
escorted by her son  
Ted Morgenthaler.

Jerry L. Martin, WGP; escorted  
by his wife Betty Martin,  
Grand Esther.





Worthy Grand Matron and Patron in serious discussion.

Karen Morgenthaler, WGM;  
Elmer Murphey III, Grand  
Master; Jerry L. Martin, WGP.



Karen Morgenthaler, WGM;  
Patricia Rasmusson, MWGM;  
Loyal Stark, MWGP; Jerry L.  
Martin, WGP.

Karen Morgenthaler, WGM;  
Edwin T. Morgenthaler.





Credentials Committee  
Rady for Work



Labyrinth Committee at Work



Sound Crew at Work



Presentation to the American  
Cancer Society



Presentation by Worthy Grand Matron's Pages: Left to Right: Vicki Hertenberger, Donna Hill Pope, Andi Martin, Karen Morgenthaler, Jerry L. Martin, Pam Dean, Karen Wright.

Worthy Grand Patron and Pages: Left to right: Arthur Drescher, Jerry L. Martin, David Ouellette.



Karen Morgenthaler, WGM; Geraldine Dusek, Grand Conductress.

Retiring Badges for the Last Time





Special Program: Left to Right: Lori Goldman, Vi Griffin, Doris Moore, Fay Murphy, Patricia Pettit, Phylliss Macon.

Shirley Echols and Susan Smith, Grand Organist



Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron; Betty Martin, Grand Esther; Judy Murphey; Elmer Murphey III, Grand Master of Masons in Texas; Karen Morgenthaler, Worthy Grand Matron; Tom Morgenthaler.

Sharing a lighter moment: Jerry L. Martin, Worthy Grand Patron and Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress.







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