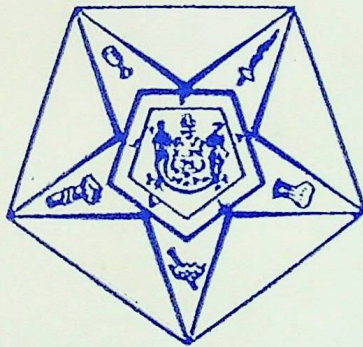


PROCEEDINGS OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
OF DELAWARE
ORDER of the EASTERN STAR



56th ANNUAL SESSION

Pathway to the Stars Session

1977



MABEL L. MACKERETH
MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON
OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
1976-1979



WILLIAM E. GEORGE

MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON
OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

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MISS ELIZA L. CROSSLAND
MEMBER CHARTERS COMMITTEE
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER O.F.S.

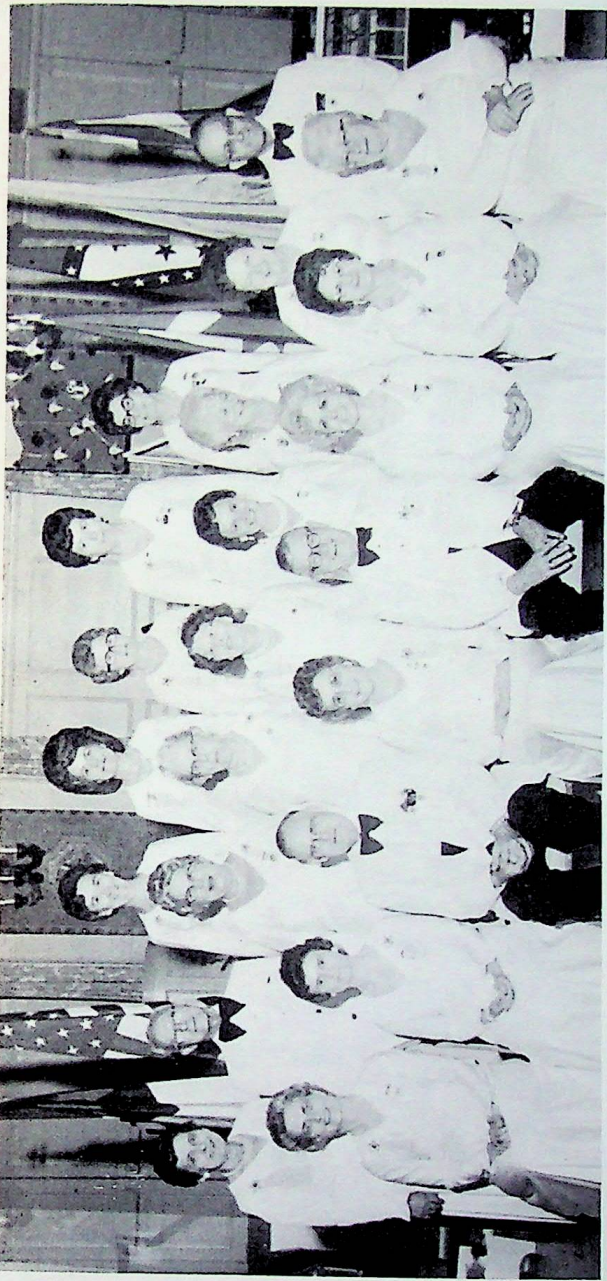
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THIRZA P. HALL
WORTHY GRAND MATRON
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JOHN B. BETTY
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
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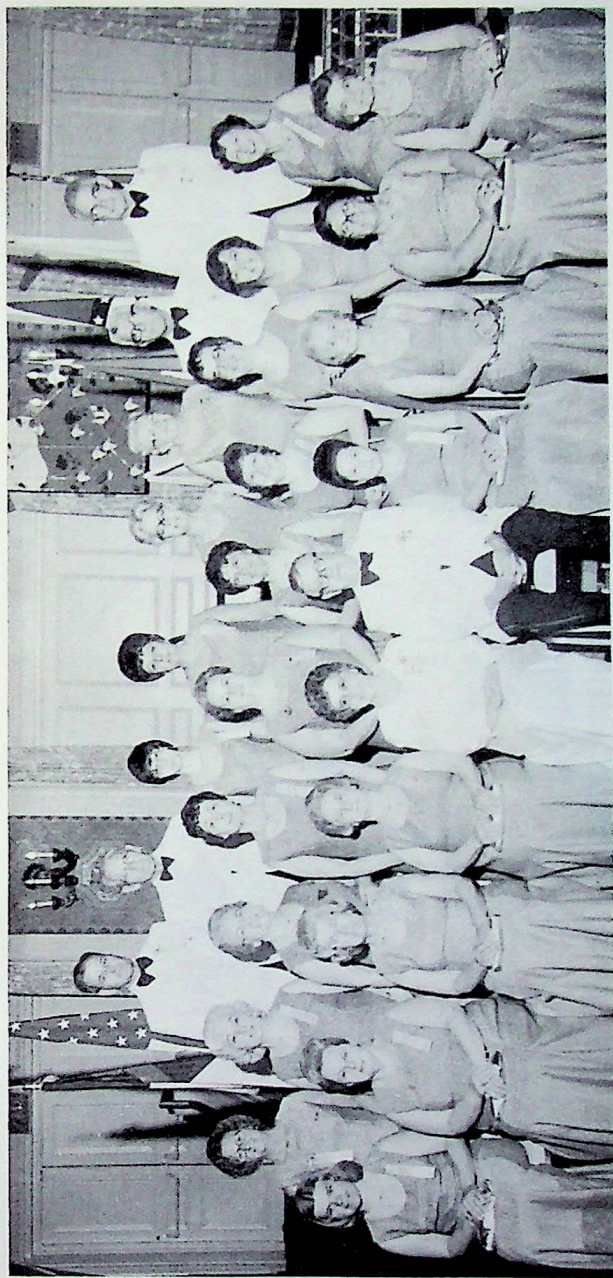


GRAND OFFICERS

First Row: Elizabeth K. Loeffel, Grand Treasurer; Phyllis Ann Stewart, Associate Grand Conductress; George D. Bogart, Associate Grand Patron; Thirza P. Hall, Worthy Grand Matron; John B. Betty, Worthy Grand Patron; Ethelene F. Krauss, Associate Grand Matron; Betsy Ann Conner, Grand Conductress; Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary.

Second Row: Frann Hutchison, Grand Warder; J. Baptist Milano, Grand Trustee; Pauline P. Davis, Grand Trustee; Jeanette H. Gutzke, Grand Trustee; Cynthia Lewis, Grand Lecturer; E. Jean Thornett, Grand Chaplain; Catherine D. Ruston, Grand Marshal; Rena Morgan, Grand Organist; A. Warren Wheatley, Grand Sentinel.

Third Row: Margaret S. Keith, Grand Adah; Lena M. Lee, Grand Ruth; Etta Marine, Grand Esther; Phyllis A. Thomas, Grand Martha; Margaret M. Rugg, Grand Electa.



GRAND PAGES AND ASSISTANT GRAND SENTINELS

First Row: Renee Young; Phyllis Carmean; E. Virginia Timmons; Pearl Austin; Thirza P. Hall, Worthy Grand Matron; John B. Betty, Worthy Grand Patron; Gail Reilly; Jean DeGraw; Catherine Mason; Doris Corrigan. Second Row: Madalyn Seymour; Margaret Mills; Lyda Niblett; Mary Boltz; Edna C. Aliree; Mary Ann Campbell; Linda Good; Hazel Rhodes; Carole Noble; Bonnie Jester. Third Row: Clifford Faircloth; John Crossland; Christine Cannon; Geraldine Harmon; Gay Huston; Betty LaPorte; Oliver Foskey; Clayton H. Keith.

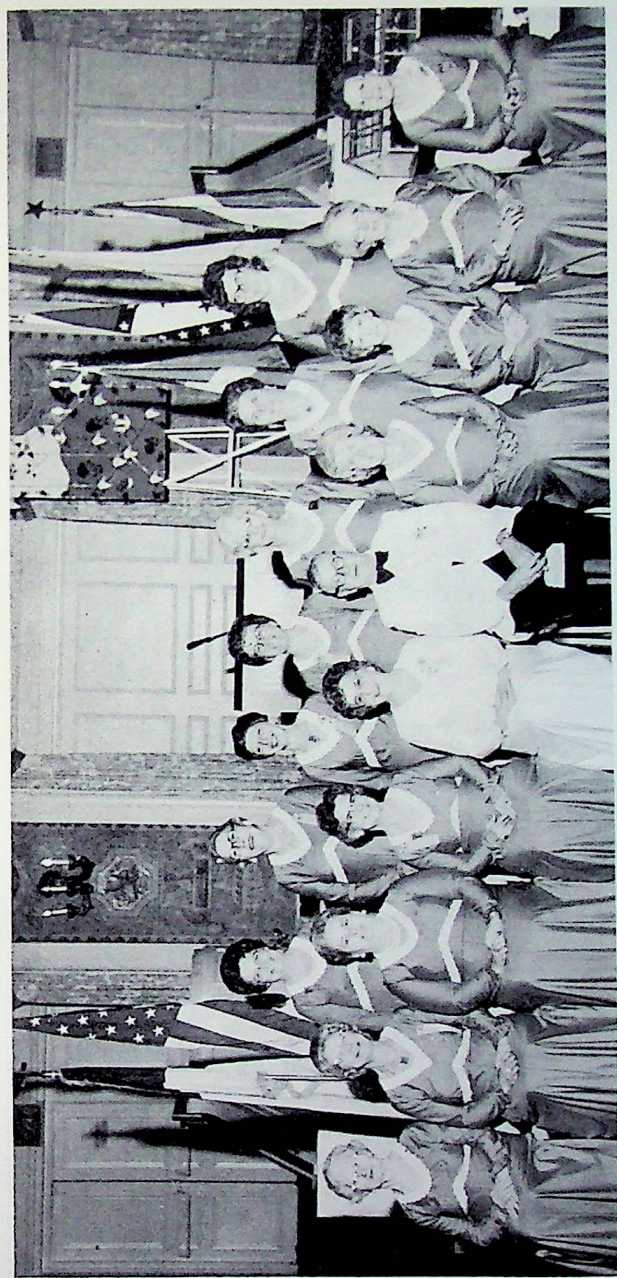


GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN DELAWARE

First Row: Margaret M. Rugg; Dorothy Thomas; Beulah H. Rodway; Lyda Niblett; Thirza P. Hall, Worthy Grand Matron; John B. Betty, Worthy Grand Patron; Anne P. Richter; William Finkley; Gloria Piergalline; Helen O'Neal.

Second Row: Alverta Bowman; Geraldine Edwards; Dora Ford; Janet M. Day; Martha Little; Christine Cannon; Louise Bunting; Judith Parrott; Iva C. Hall; Joanne Keenan; Thebna Sisson; Mary Beaston; Mary Hutchison; Elcanor Allione; Lucille Willis.

Third Row: Alex Chris; Lucille Hopley; Robert Sherwood; Betty LaPorte; Granville D. Lee; Clayton H. Keith.



DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

First Row: Elizabeth Wharton; Elzada H. Berry; Edna C. Aliree; Marion O. Milano; Thirza P. Hall, Worthy Grand Matron; John B. Betty, Worthy Grand Patron; E. Virginia Timmons; Wanda Collins; Katherine Devenney; Kathryn R. Hoey.

Second Row: Doris M. Downs; Miriam D. Ziegler; Effie Marvonek; Joyce Quillen; Judith J. Parrott; Hilda D. Livingstone; Jacqueline Fooks.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Fifty-Sixth Annual Session

of the

GRAND CHAPTER

of

DELAWARE

ORDER of the EASTERN STAR

Pathway to the Stars Session

May 9th and 10th, 1977

CREED:	Care and Share - Thoughtfulness Promotes Happiness, Joyous Benevolence Builds.
WATCHWORDS:	Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith, Love
SCRIPTURE:	Rev. 2:10 "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a Crown of Life."
GUIDE:	Open Holy Bible
SYMBOLS:	Open Hand and Star
EMBLEM:	Crown and Scepter
HONORED STATION:	Esther
FLOWER:	Red Rose
COLORS:	Red - for Love White - for Purity and Joy Blue - for Serenity when all clouds have vanished Silver Accents.

NECROLOGY SERVICE

Memorial Service will be held in the First and Central Presbyterian Church, Market Street at Eleventh, at 7:30 P. M., Sunday, May 8, 1977.

SOCIAL EVENTS

DINNER for the Grand Officers, Grand Trustees, Deputy Grand Lecturers, Grand Officers Emeritus and our General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Sunday, May 1, at 6:30 P. M. in the Blue Coat Inn, Dover, DE.

GRAND BANQUET - To be held in the Mosque of Nur Temple, DuPont Highway, on Saturday, May 7, 1977, at 6:30 P. M. Given in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers, by the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware. EVERYONE WELCOME.

CAFETERIA-STYLE DINNER in the Grill of the Hotel DuPont on Sunday, May 8, from 3:00 until 6:00 P. M. Tickets must be purchased in advance from members of the Hospitality Committee. No tickets will be sold at the door.

RECEPTION - In P.G.M., Sister Edith C. Galloway's suite, on Sunday evening, May 8, immediately following the Necrology Service, in honor of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel L. Mackereth and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William E. George. EVERYONE WELCOME.

RECEPTION - In P.G.M., Sister Sylvia M. Knox's suite on Sunday evening, May 8, immediately following the Necrology Service, for visiting Grand Representatives, given by the GRODEL ASSOCIATION. EVERYONE WELCOME.

LUNCHEON FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVES - Monday, May 9, at 12:00 Noon in the DuBarry Room of the Hotel DuPont.

DINNER FOR PAST GRAND MATRONS, PAST GRAND PATRONS, and other distinguished guests on Monday, May 9, at 5:00 P. M. in the DuBarry Room.

BREAKFAST - Tuesday morning, May 10, at 8:00 A. M., in the DuBarry Room honoring our GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBER, SISTER ELIZA L. CROSSLAND. Everyone welcome. Make reservations with the Hospitality Committee.

LUNCHEON FOR GRAND PAGES - Tuesday, May 10, at 12:00 Noon in the New Castle Room of the Hotel Du Pont.

"PATHWAY TO THE STARS" SESSION

FORMAL OPENING

MONDAY MORNING

MAY 9, 1977

10 A. M.

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG, Sessions Chairman:

Good morning Sisters and Brothers! I consider it an extreme honor to be the first to officially welcome you to our 56th Annual Session, "The Pathway to the Stars", and may I extend a hearty welcome to our own members and a special welcome to our visitors. Please make yourselves at home and enjoy every minute. Our wish to each of you—May you walk the "Pathway to the Stars" in Happiness along our Eastern Star Way. Take the time, and have the will to enjoy each passing day. May your hopes and plans succeed and may your dreams come true. All of these and more are just a part of all we're wishing you.

I would like to make the following announcements:

1. There is a first-aid station set up in the Foyer at your right as you leave the Gold Ballroom. Sessions' nurses are Sisters Lorraine Carver and Eleanor Allione.
2. Only Pages, Nurses and Hospitality Committee are to use the unguarded door.
3. Please be very careful when using the stairs as you come down to the Foyer.
4. Please familiarize yourself with the fire exits.
5. The Hotel Management requests that we recess for lunch promptly at 11:30 A.M.

Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M. and Brother William E. Hall, P.G.P. were escorted to the Grand East to open this morning session.

The Grand Officers, preceded by the Grand Pages, entered the Grand Chapter Room. The Grand Officers formed a Pentagon around the Altar before forming the Hollow Square.

WELCOME BY SISTER RUTH M. BETTY, P.G.M.:

Good Morning Sisters and Brothers. Welcome to our "Pathway to the Stars" session. We especially welcome those who are with us for the first time. May you be impressed with the spirit of fraternalism and may you say in your hearts, "It was good to be in our midst".

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, welcome to the beginning of your own "Pathway to the Stars" session.

With Brother Bill at my side, I thank you for this great honor. Also, I thank you for the honor of helping Brother Bill to start you on this journey one year ago. You have had a very full, beautiful year, with some shadows, but enough sunshine to wipe them all away.

Both of you have served our Order faithfully and unselfishly, always giving your best, always performing your duties in a most dignified manner. You have been just in your dealings, and you have done unto others as you would that they should do unto you, and now,

"May the love you've shown to others, follow you wherever you go;
May the lives you've cheered and cherished warm your hearts with a hallowed glow.

May you always have peace and gladness for the good that you have done;

For your Eastern Star devotion and the lasting love you've won."

Thanks for everything.

WELCOME BY WILLIAM E. HALL, P.G.P.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, it is a great honor and a privilege for me to greet you both on this, the first of your Grand Sessions and I thank you very much for allowing me to assist Sister Ruth. This is unique in that the wife of the Worthy Grand Patron and the husband of the Worthy Grand Matron are both in this position.

You both have worked very hard this past year and I am only sorry that I could not always keep up with you.

Worthy Grand Matron, I hope for you and Brother Jack, that your Grand Sessions are all that you both hoped for and may you see many more years of service to our Grand Order.

Sister Thirza, you have always been and will continue to be MY WORTHY GRAND MATRON.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

The Worthy Grand Matron was presented with the gavel of the Most Worthy Grand Patron to preside over this first session.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Ruth and Brother Bill. Our hearts overflow with love and gratitude to you, our devoted spouses and our Installing Officers for opening this, our "Pathway to the Stars" session.

Sister Ruth, it was you who expressed your faith in me and opened the door to Grand Chapter when you asked me to be your Grand Esther for your "Gleaners" Session. And Brother Bill, 49 years ago I promised to "Love and Obey", so when you were Worthy Grand Patron, I was pleased and proud to serve you and Sister Mildred Minner as your Grand Chaplain. Thank you both for fulfilling my dream of many years.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Ruth and Brother Bill, it is only fitting that you should open this 56th Annual Session of our Grand Chapter. You have been guiding lights to our Order and have added much to its glorious record. Thanks for everything.

The Grand Officers and Pages assumed their respective stations.

Roll Call of Chapters - All Chapters represented.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ritualistic form.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S., duly opened for the transaction of such business as may properly come before it.

The Opening Ode "How Great Thou Art" was sung, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the first stanza of the National Anthem.

Roll Call of Grand Officers. All were present.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Good Morning, my Sisters and Brothers. Welcome, everyone, to the 56th Annual Session of our Grand Chapter. Your presence here inspires us with confidence and joy.

Sisters Ellen Gregg, Chairman and Flo Rust, Co-Chairman of our Sessions Committee, how can we ever thank you enough for the beauty of this room. Your creative touch, your precision planning and the ideas that were used in carrying out the theme of the "Pathway to the Stars" session, are truly in evidence as we look upon the results of your efforts of love and labor. Truly beautiful, and most inspiring to all who behold it. A special tribute to you and your committee and a big thank you to each one.

The Worthy Grand Patron also expressed his appreciation.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Appointments -

I appointed Sister Evelyn Melton to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Margaret Keith on the Credentials Committee.

Sister Laura Taylor, to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Phyllis Thomas on the Chapters Under Charter and Dispensation.

Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M., to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Eunice Tull, who resigned from the ESTARL Committee.

Upon my return from General Grand Chapter, I appointed Sister Vada L. Lockerman, P.G.M., Chairman of the Heart Fund.

Sister Hazel Rhodes is replacing Sister Betty Stahl as Page from St. John's Chapter No. 4.

I will now appoint the following Committee on Nomination:

Norman H. Hull, Chairman
Eleanor R. Lenhart
Faith Benson

Please remember, all nominations must be in the ballot box before 10 A. M. tomorrow morning. Names of nominees for an elected office must be presented by a member of the same Chapter as the nominee, and the nominee for said office, with the exception of Associate Grand Patron, Grand Sentinel, and Grand Trustee, must hold an "A" Certificate in Proficiency.

A motion was made by Sister Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M. that all distinguished guests presented at the Altar along with all of Delaware's Grand Representatives in other Grand Jurisdictions who are visiting this Session and have not previously received them, be presented with Honorary Memberships. Seconded by Harry A. Moore, P.G.P. Motion adopted.

Sister Catherine Ruston, Grand Marshal, was escorted to the Grand East.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Catherine, you are a grand Grand Grand Marshal. You, who like to travel so well, have devoted this year to our Grand Family and have brought honor to this Grand Chapter. This probably is no surprise to you if you have read your Program, but it gives me a great deal of pleasure to present you with the Grand Representatives Commission to the State of Louisiana. May joy and happiness be yours in your endeavors to strengthen the links in our golden chain of friendship.

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, that the minutes of the 1976 Grand Sessions be accepted as printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Brother Carl E. Olliver, P.G.P. Motion adopted.

The following was an omission from the 1976 Proceedings in the printing.

Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, P.G.M. and Brother Eugene Lockerman were escorted to the Grand East and presented Sister Mattie's jewel to Jr. Past Grand Matron, Sister Vada L. Lockerman. It was Sister Mattie's wish that Sister Vada be presented with her jewel since they both belong to St. John's Chapter No. 4 and knowing it would be safe in Sister Vada's hands.

Sisters Iva C. Hall and Carol Hall presented Brother Howard C. Hall, Jr. Past Grand Patron with a Past Grand Patron's ring which had been formerly worn by Brother Jay W. Miller, P.G.P. who had belonged to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

Sister Vada presented the traveling Worthy Grand Matron's jewel and seal to Sister Thirza and Brother "Pete" presented Brother Jack with his traveling jewel, seal, gavel and ballot box.

Sister Catherine Ruston, Grand Marshal, presented gifts from the Grand Family to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

A check was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, for the Summer Benefit.

The Bible on the Altar is a gift from the Worthy Grand Matron's family and the Gavel with which she was installed is a gift from the Worthy Grand Patron and Sister Ruth Betty.

The Worthy Grand Patron presided for the reading of the Worthy Grand Matron's Report.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

To the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, and all Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Time does not stand still as we sometimes wish it would. Soon the gate will swing open for a new year and our pathway will be but a happy memory.

I am grateful for a year that has been busy; a year that has brought many new friends; a year with its trials and joys; and now as I pause to reflect upon the activities and blessings of each day, I will remember the many hands extended in helpfulness, for I know that "It is in loving that we are loved, and it is in giving that we receive."

With humble thanks to my Heavenly Father for His guidance, my good health and the strength to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron, I now submit the record of my stewardship for your consideration.

WELCOME

The fraternal love and heart warming greetings that we received when we visited in your Chapters is returned to you one hundredfold, as we welcome each of you to the "Pathway To The Stars" 56th Annual Grand Session.

We extend our hand in friendship and fellowship and trust that our deliberations will be harmonious, inspiring and beneficial to you as you return to your respective Chapters.

To our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel L. Mackereth; our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William E. George, and all other Distinguished Guests, we are honored and inspired by your presence. May your visit with us bring you much happiness and many pleasant memories.

DEDICATION

That any of us reach whatever heights we are privileged to reach in life is due to the influence and training of a loving mother. This Grand Chapter Session is lovingly dedicated to the memory of my mother, Mary A. Pyle; to Master Masons, who gave us our heritage; to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, who labored to build our Order; to the Subordinate Chapter Members, who are serving so faithfully and courageously and to those who will accept the challenge for the future.

IN MEMORIAM

In the midst of life with all its joys, there comes messages of sadness, silent as the dawn, mysterious as the night, yet certain as truth, the messenger of death.

Reverently we pause in gratitude to our Heavenly Father that the circle of our Grand Officers remains unbroken, though sorrow has come to many homes.

It is with a feeling of great loss we report the passing on March 19, 1976 of Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mildred K. Schanbacher - 1931-1934.

We were saddened to learn of the death on January 31, 1976 of Brother Joseph C. Galloway, Jr., Past Grand Patron. With a trustful faith in God, he fought long and valiantly against that dread disease - cancer.

The eyes were closed in rest when God reached out and took to her eternal home, our beloved Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, on September 19, 1976. Our lives have been enriched through our association with these dear friends and though they have gone beyond our touch, they have left deep and lasting impressions.

We extend loving sympathy and understanding to all those whose hearts have been saddened by the loss of members and loved ones in the Subordinate Chapters, to those in other Grand Jurisdictions, and to the General Grand Chapter Officers whose loved ones have been called to rest.

Earthly links all crumble, and Earth's relations sever
But then the resurrection morn will find us back together
We'll form another circle, we'll all join hands again,
This time around God's Altar, according to His plan.

MY BIBLE

"The Way, the Truth and the Light". The beautiful white Bible which rests upon our Sacred Altar was a gift from my husband, Brother Bill, our son William, Jr., his dear wife, Barbara and our granddaughter, Debra. It was first used on the night I was installed as Worthy Grand Matron. It has rested upon the Altar in every Subordinate Chapter and has been reverently opened by the Conductress on the night of our Official Visit. It contains the signatures of the Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1976. One of my most cherished possessions, it is the guiding light that has directed our footsteps - Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love - on the Pathway To The Stars.

MY GAVEL

The emblem of authority, lovely as it is, was a gift from my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack and his wife, Ruth. It was first used to install me and my Grand Officers just one year ago. It, too, has been a traveling companion and it was a great joy to share it with the presiding officers on the night of our Official Visit.

OFFICIAL ACTS

The selection of the appointive Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and Committee Members was a pleasant but challenging task for there are so many deserving of recognition, yet so few appointments to make. With the

assistance of the Worthy Grand Patron, we tried to choose wisely. Each Officer is special in her own way and we hope that each has received from her year of service, all that she anticipated. Their service of love and devotion to duty has brought great satisfaction to us, credit to themselves and honor to Grand Chapter.

GRAND OFFICERS APPOINTED

Grand Chaplain	E. Jean Thornett
Grand Marshal	Catherine D. Ruston
Grand Organist	Rena M. Morgan
Grand Adah	Margaret S. Keith
Grand Ruth	Lena M. Lee
Grand Esther	Etta M. Marine
Grand Martha	Phyllis A. Thomas
Grand Electa	Margaret M. Rugg
Grand Warder	Frann Hutchison

DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS APPOINTED

Delaware Chapter No. 1	Miriam D. Ziegler
Mizpah Chapter No. 2	Effie Marvonek
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	Katherine Devenney
St. John's Chapter No. 4	Marion O. Milano
Adah Chapter No. 5	Wanda Collins
Radiant Chapter No. 6	Elzada Berry
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Jacqueline Fooks
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	Norma Armstrong
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	Joyce Quillen
Newark Chapter No. 10	Alyce I. Donnell
Kent Chapter No. 11	Elizabeth C. Homan
Frankford Chapter No. 12	Elizabeth Wharton
Five Points Chapter No. 13	E. Virginia Timmons
Brandywine Chapter No. 14	Hilda D. Livingstone
Victory Chapter No. 15	Judith J. Parrott
Unity Chapter No. 16	Doris M. Downs
Esther Chapter No. 17	Edna C. Alfree
Laurel Chapter No. 18	Janet C. Womach
Ruth Chapter No. 19	Kathryn R. Hoey
Naomi Chapter No. 20	Mary C. Ziegler

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES RECOMMENDED

It was our pleasure to recommend the following Sisters and Brothers to represent other Grand Jurisdictions in the State of Delaware:

Arkansas	Alice Paulson
British Columbia & The Yukon	Anne P. Richter
California	Margaret M. Rugg

Colorado	Dorothy Thomas
Connecticut	Dora W Ford
District Of Columbia	Mary G. Dilks
Georgia	Robert L. Sherwood
Illinois	Anna E. Krauss
Kentucky	Charles Betts
Louisiana	Catherine D. Ruston
Manitoba	Alexander Chris
Massachusetts	Janet M. Day
Nevada	Mary Beaston
New Jersey	Barbara Shenton
New York	H. Jean Cottman
Oklahoma	Janet C. Womach
Oregon	Lucille M. Hopley
Puerto Rico	Mary E. Franks
Quebec	Louise Bunting
Rhode Island	Joann Keenan
South Carolina	Martha L. Little
South Dakota	Clayton H. Keith
Virginia	Beulah H. Rodway
Washington	Dorris Wahl
Wyoming	Geraldine Edwards

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPROVED

It was a great pleasure to approve, upon the recommendation of their Worthy Grand Matron, the following Sisters to represent Delaware in their Jurisdictions. The letters of appreciation I have received from them are real treasures.

California	Mrs. Lora Hubbard
District Of Columbia	Mrs. Delores E Crupi
Georgia	Mrs. Norma Conner
Illinois	Mrs. Dolly LaBrec
Kentucky	Mrs. Lillie Mae Price
Nevada	Mrs. Ruth Ann Sidford
New Mexico	Mrs. Winifred Blakely
New York	Mrs. Tracey S. Vanderlyn
North Dakota	Mrs. Alice Baird
Nova Scotia & Prince Ed. Isl.	Mrs. Edna MacVicar
Oregon	Beverly Woolman
Puerto Rico	Mrs. Conchita Zegarra
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Wanda May
South Carolina	Mrs. Athalea Laman
Texas	Mrs. Flo Sullivan

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES

A leader cannot achieve a goal without the help of others. Thanks so very much for accepting the appointments on various committees and making possible whatever success has been attained this year.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Credentials

Helen Ennis, Chairman
 Evelyn Melton
 Mildred Carpenter

Jurisprudence

Mary H. Bevis, P.G.M., Chairman
 Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M.
 Harvey J. Bunting, P.G.P.

Constitution & Laws

Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., Chairman
 Arthur R. Kempston, P.G.P.
 S. Elizabeth Tull, P.G.M.

Chapters Under Charter & Dispensation

Bette H. MacIntire, Chairman
 Laura Taylor
 William Finkley

Grievance & Appeals

Josephine Moore, Chairman
 Sylvia Johnson
 Frederick Bowman

Registration

Emily Forestieri, Chairman
 Esther Melvin
 Levin Lowe

ESTARL

Ross M. Lanius, P.G.P., Chairman
 Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M.
 Charles H. Schultheiss, P.G.P.
 Celia Green
 Rev. John Ed. Jones

Unfinished Business

Edith DeLacy, Chairman
 Barbara C. A. Rouse
 Eleanor O'Day

Necrology

Marilyn Cooper, Chairman
 Mary Weik, Co-Chairman
 Jean Thornett
 Effie Marvonek
 Henry Snedeker

Summer Benefit

Phyllis A. Howell, Chairman
 E. Virginia Timmons, Co-Chairman
 Mildred A. Wooten, Dining Room Chairman
 Marjorie D. Chris, Chairman, Sandwich Bar
 Alexander Chris, Co-Chairman, Sandwich Bar

Ralph Baker, Chairman, Parking
 1976 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons
 All Grand Officers
 All Grand Trustees
 All Deputy Grand Lecturers
 1976 Associate Patrons

Eliza L. Crossland, P.G.M.
 Vada L. Lockerman, P.G.M.
 Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.
 Edith H. Shinn, P.G.M.
 Adelaide L. Martin, P.G.M.
 Bessie M. Warrington, P.G.M.
 Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M.

William E. Hall, P.G.P.
 Janet M. Day
 E. Watson Day, Jr.
 Emily Forestieri
 Robert Nibblett
 Fred Thornett
 John Crossland III

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Phyllis A. Howell, Chairman
 E. Virginia Timmons, Co-Chairman

Edith DeLacy
 Margaret Wood
 Florence Schroeder
 Edward Willis
 Charles Betts
 Edward LaPorte
 Robert Glime
 Kathryn Crompton
 Margarette Webb
 Euretta B. Schultheiss

Carol Jordan
 Calvin Wahl
 Fred Thornett
 Margaret Bogart
 Robert Sherwood
 Harry A. Moore
 Frann Hutchison
 William E. Hall
 Editha Hinchliffe
 Sheldon Edwards

Sessions

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 Gladys E. Fetterolf
 Perc W. Gardiner
 Hilda Downard
 Christine Cannon
 Virginia E. Hambright
 Esther Melvin
 Gladys A. Kennedy
 Harvey J. Bunting
 Leah F. Cameron

LaVon Smith
 Viola Jackson
 Mildred Hurlock
 Ruth C. Layton
 Phyllis M. Saxton
 Joan L. Moore
 Dora W. Ford
 J. Norman Nicklas
 Louise M. Hildebrand
 Sheldon Edwards

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 Carl E. Olliver, P.G.P., Co-Chairman

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Eliza L. Crossland, P.G.M.
 Vada L. Lockerman, P.G.M.
 Howard C. Hall, P.G.P.
 Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
 Alexander Chris

Paraphernalia

Carl H. Rust
Joseph Allione

Fred Thornett

Charles O'Neal
Henry Y. Lutton

Grand Representatives Luncheon

Sylvia M. Knox, P.G.M., Chairman
Elisabeth Tomlinson, Co-Chairman

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Betty LaPorte

Job's Daughters

Gertrude Grubb, Chairman

Betty Lloyd

Nancy Burbage

Examining

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Sylvia M. Knox, P.G.M.

Alice C. Abbott, P.G.M.

Television Project

William E. Hall, Chairman
Ruth M. Betty, Co-Chairman

Dinner Project

Edith H. Shinn, Chairman
Eliza L. Crossland, Co-Chairman

Pearl Austin

Ralph Baker

O.E.S. Campout

Clayton Keith, Chairman
Richard Lloyd, Co-Chairman

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Peace Garden	Thomas J. Berry, P.G.P.
International Temple Fund	Thelma Sisson
Welfare	Shirley McShane
Red Cross	Granville D. Lee
Masonic Home Christmas Party	Catherine D. Ruston
Masonic Home Church Service	Howard C. Hall, P.G.P.
Veterans Hospital	Harry S. Bristow, Jr., P.G.P.
Masonic Home Arts and Crafts	Mildred A. Wootten, P.G.M.

APPOINTMENTS MADE TO FILL VACANCIES

Sister Evelyn Melton, was appointed to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Margaret Keith on the Credentials Committee.

Sister Laura Taylor, to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Phyllis Thomas on the Chapters Under Charter and Dispensation.

Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M., to serve the 2-year unexpired term of Sister Eunice Tull, who resigned from the ESTARL Committee.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

On May 12, 1976, in the early morning, the Grand Lecturer, Cynthia Lewis and I met in my hotel room to briefly discuss the Ritualistic Work and my instructions for the year. I gave Cynthia a copy of my instructions to the Deputy Grand Lecturers at this time.

On May 14, 1976, I met with the Grand Lecturer in my home to review all the Ritualistic Work and special instructions, in preparation for School of Instructions. Deputy Grand Lecturer, Elizabeth Wharton attended this meeting.

On May 15, 1976, School of Instructions was held in Dover in Victory Chapter Room. All Grand Officers and 16 of the Deputy Grand Lecturers attended. The Grand Officers exemplified the Work in a very commendable manner. A rewarding question and answer period followed. My sincere thanks to Sisters Bess Warrington, Mildred Wooten and Ruth Betty, who prepared and served a delicious luncheon and to Victory Chapter for the use of their room and paraphernalia.

On March 5, 1977, I attended the School of Instructions for Subordinate Chapter Secretaries, held by the Grand Secretary, Sister Margaret Wicks, in Harrington. Thank you, Margaret, for sharing your knowledge, and for the fellowship and delicious refreshments we all enjoyed.

OFFICIAL VISITS

As I look back over the events of my year as your Worthy Grand Matron, I find some of the happiest hours, now cherished memories, were those spent on the Official Visits in the Subordinate Chapters. If I had the gift of a poet or a writer, perhaps I could express, in glowing terms, how much I appreciated the many courtesies extended to me and my Grand Family. For the warmth of your welcomes, the beautiful rooms, the Officers earnestly striving for uniformity in their work, for the corsages and personal gifts so graciously given and for the many varied ways money was presented for the Cancer Fund, please accept my humble and grateful thanks.

You have given me many gifts, my friends, but the one I cherish above all others, is the gift of your friendship.

It was an inspiration and always a pleasure to see so many loyal travelers on the sidelines. Thank you, Sister Virginia Timmons, for arranging the transportation to our down state Chapters.

The dates of the Official Visits follow:

May 25, 1976	Unity Chapter No. 16
May 28, 1976	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
June 3, 1976	Newark Chapter No. 10
June 7, 1976	Adah Chapter No. 5
June 16, 1976	Kent Chapter No. 11
June 28, 1976	Julia M. Story No. 3
September 9, 1976	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
September 15, 1976	Esther Chapter No. 17
September 16, 1976	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
October 4, 1976	Ruth Chapter No. 19
October 6, 1976	Naomi Chapter No. 20
October 11, 1976	Victory Chapter No. 15
October 13, 1976	Frankford Chapter No. 12

October 19, 1976	Radiant Chapter No. 6
October 21, 1976	Sussex Chapter No. 7
October 26, 1976	Delaware Chapter No. 1
November 10, 1976	St. John's Chapter No. 4
November 11, 1976	Five Points Chapter No. 13
November 19, 1976	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
November 23, 1976	Laurel Chapter No. 18

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

An Honorary Membership is the most gracious compliment a Chapter can bestow. My grateful appreciation for these cherished gifts that made me one of your own. I pray that I shall always merit the tribute of your love and trust.

Honorary Memberships were received from the following Chapters:

Mizpah Chapter No. 2	Kent Chapter No. 11
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	Frankford Chapter No. 12
St. John's Chapter No. 4	Five Points Chapter No. 13
Adah Chapter No. 5	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
Radiant Chapter No. 6	Victory Chapter No. 15
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Unity Chapter No. 16
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	Esther Chapter No. 17
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	Ruth Chapter No. 19
Newark Chapter No. 10	Naomi Chapter No. 20

I was thrilled to receive the following Member of Honor Certificates in Job's Daughters:

The Grand Guardian Council of Delaware, I.O.J.D.

Bethel No. 3, Newark	Bethel No. 8, New Castle
Bethel No. 5, Georgetown	Bethel No. 9, Stanton

INSTALLATIONS

Installing the Officers in the Subordinate Chapters was an honor and a privilege. It is gratifying to share in this important ceremony that marks the beginning of a new year, and I thank the Worthy Matrons for inviting the Grand Officers to perform this service. Assisting in the installations were the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Grand Organist, Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel.

We were honored to install the Officers of the following Chapters:

January 4, 1977	Radiant Chapter No. 6
January 5, 1977	Naomi Chapter No. 20
January 6, 1977	Sussex Chapter No. 7

On this date the Worthy Grand Patron and I were assisted by:

P.M. Estelle Hoopes	Installing Chaplain
P.M. Eunice Tull	Installing Marshal
P.M. Grace Glime	Installing Organist
P.M. Lottie Cleaver	Installing Warder
P.P. Robert Glime	Installing Sentinel

January 7, 1977	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
January 11, 1977	Laurel Chapter No. 18

- January 12, 1977 St. John's Chapter No. 4
 January 13, 1977 Five Points Chapter No. 13

Assisted in the East by Sister Bertha Hall, P.M., and grandmother of the Worthy Matron.

- January 28, 1977 Mizpah Chapter No. 2

Installed the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Conductress, Chaplain and Star Point Ruth.

A special "thank you" to Brother Fred Thornett who substituted for Grand Sentinel in Radiant and Five Points Chapters; to Sister Ruth Betty for substituting for Grand Chaplain and to Sister Ethelene Krauss who substituted for Grand Warder in Mizpah Chapter during a blizzard. It was stormy on the outside but all serene within.

Thank you Grand Officers for the beautiful work and making these such memorable occasions.

I regret that a conflict of dates prevented our accepting the invitations to install in two other Chapters.

OUR WONDERFUL YOUTH

One of my most rewarding experiences this year was my visits with our youth groups. The future of our Order and our Country depends on these young women and men. They need our support. No greater service can be rendered than to assist in the guidance and character building of our youth, for they look to us Today for the exemplification of the principles and ideals we expect them to emulate Tomorrow. The work accomplished by our youth is outstanding, and they are to be congratulated on their endeavors.

June 11, 1976—I attended installation of officers of Gunning Bedford, Jr. Chapter, Order of DeMolay in Talleyville.

June 19, 1976—Attended the 16th Annual DeMolay Conclave at Nur Temple. Was happy to be a guest at the banquet and pleased to witness the installation of State Officers.

July 16-17, 1976—Attended the 18th "Mother and Daughter Session of the Grand Guardian Council of Delaware, IOJD, at which time Sister Anne E. Krauss (P.M. Radiant Chapter No. 6) was installed as Grand Guardian. 7 Grand Officers and many Star members were in attendance.

December 1, 1976—Attended installation of Bethel No. 9, Stanton

December 9, 1976—Attended installation of Bethel No. 10, Frankford

December 20, 1976—Attended installation of Bethel No. 3, Newark

January 25, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 3 Newark

February 1, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 8, New Castle.

February 24, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 10, Frankford

March 2, 1977—Attended regular meeting of Bethel No. 5, Georgetown

- March 4, 1977—Enjoyed Spaghetti Dinner of Bethel No. 11, Talleyville
- March 10, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 6, Delmar
- March 11, 1977—As a judge for Miss Job's Daughter Pageant, I met at the home of Janet M. Day, pageant chairman, to meet and interview the contestants.
- March 12, 1977—Attended Miss Job's Daughter Pageant, held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Judging this contest was a difficult task for each "Daughter" was special in her own way. The Worthy Grand Patron and I donated a silver bowl that was presented to the second runner-up, Miss Tamsey Lee Holloway, Bethel No. 10
- March 17, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 12, Milford
- March 21, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 7, Dover.
- March 30, 1977—Attended Eastern Star and Master Mason Night of Bethel No. 11, Talleyville.
- March 31, 1977—Was a guest at the Grand Guardian Council of Delaware, IOJD banquet. Acted as a judge for Centerpieces with Worthy Grand Patron and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons.
- April 6, 1977—Attended Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 1, Claymont.

Regrettably I was unable to attend the banquet and the Annual Grand Assembly of Maryland, Order of Rainbow for Girls, held in Ocean City, on April 15th., but was pleased to designate Sister Mary Hutchison, Grand Representative of Maryland in Delaware, to represent me and the Worthy Grand Patron and to bring greetings on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

OUT OF STATE VISITS

How I wish each of you could have been with me on these visits. The genuine hospitality, fellowship and fraternal love extended to us made each meeting a joy to attend. I was most happy to be accompanied by many of our Grand Officers, the G.G.C.C.M., Past Grands, Grand Representatives and a goodly number of members, and I was especially proud to bring greetings from Delaware.

- May 18, 1976—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, 2 Past Grands, and 3 Grand Representatives, we attended the Formal Opening of New Jersey Grand Sessions in Atlantic City.
- May 19, 1976—Attended Birthday Party of Port Deposit Chapter No. 78 and the reception for the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Frank Talley, in Perryville, Md. 36 Delaware members attended.
- May 26, 1976—Attended Official Visit of Grand Officers of Maryland to Crescent Chapter No. 44 in Pocomoke, Md., Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, Margaret Wicks.
- June 9, 1976—Attended Official Visit of Grand Officers of Maryland to Roelma Chapter No. 113 in Sharptown, Md., Accompanied by our Grand Marshal and 3 Laurel Chapter members.
- June 20-23, 1976—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, his wife, Past Grand Matron, Sister Ruth, and my husband, P.G.P., Brother Bill, I attended the Grand Chapter Sessions of South Carolina in Greenville.

September 24-October 1, 1976—Attended the 35th Triennial Assembly of General Grand Chapter in Cleveland, Ohio. 55 Delaware members in attendance.

In the absence, from the state, of the first 4 line Grand Officers, I placed the Grand Chapter of Delaware in the capable hands of Past Grand Matron, Sister Ellen E. Gregg.

October 29-November 8, 1976—Sept a wonderful 10 day vacation in Hawaii, accompanied by 38 members and friends.

November 17, 1976—Attended Official Visit of Grand Officers of Md. to Havre de Grace Chapter No. 27. 15 Delawareans present.

November 30, 1976—Official Visit of Grand Officers of Md. to Chestertown Chapter No. 85. Five Delaware Grand Officers and 4 Past Grands attended.

December 18-20, 1976—Attended niece's wedding in White Plains, N.Y.

March 23, 1977—Official Visit of Grand Officers of Md. to Elkton Chapter No. 84. Thank you Delaware, you made a beautiful showing—48 members greeted.

April 2, 1977—Dinner and Official Visit of Grand Officers of Md. to Port Deposit Chapter No. 78 in Rising Sun. 43 Delawareans present.

April 19, 1977—Attended Regular Stated meeting and Initiation at Kennett Square Chapter No. 513, in Kennett Square, accompanied by Worthy Grand Patron and members of Five Points Chapter.

During my absence from the State overnight, in June and December, I notified the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Ethelene Krauss, as is required by law.

MASONIC EVENTS

June 12, 1976—It was my pleasure to attend Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home. My deep appreciation to Sister Betsy Ann Conner for procuring the cookies, to all those who provided the cookies, and to the Grand Officers for your attendance and support.

October 5, 1976—My husband Bill and I were guests at the Grand Lodge Banquet, honoring the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons, Raymond M. Savage, at the Sheraton Inn in Dover.

December 22, 1976—Our Grand Marshal, Sister Catherine Ruston, planned a lovely Christmas Party for the Masonic Home guests. Entertainment was provided by P.M., Sister Mildred Bryan of Mizpah Chapter No. 2. The guests seemed to enjoy the entertainment of singing, dancing and acrobatics, the refreshments and their gifts. Thanks Catherine for the joy and happiness you brought.

February 26, 1977—Brother Bill and I were guests of Nur Temple at the Potentate's Ball, preceded by a reception at the Ramada Inn. I was pleased to present on your behalf, a check for \$2500.00 to the Illustrious Potentate, Allan Wrang, for the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia, and a check for \$2000.00 for the Burns Institute in Boston. I expressed our appreciation for the generous use of the building in which our Summer Benefit is held, helping to make these donations for crippled children possible.

April 3, 1977—The Grand Chapter was pleased to take religious services to the Masonic Home. Attendance was very good and I especially thank our Jr. P.G.P., Brother Howard Hall for making the arrangements.

April 13, 1977—I accompanied my husband to the Annual Ladies night banquet of Hope Lodge No. 4, in Laurel, Delaware.

April 15, 1977—I was a guest of Brandywine Forest No. 20, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, at the "Bring Your Ladies Night" dinner and meeting in Nur Temple. From the Summer Benefit, and in your behalf, a check for \$1000.00 was presented to Grand Tall Cedar, Alfred Wilson, for the use of children suffering from Muscular Dystrophy. Many of our Star members enjoyed the evening of fun, frolic and fellowship.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

May 11, 1976—Immediately following Installation and closing of Grand Chapter, the Worthy Grand Patron and I held a reception in the Social Hall of the First and Central Presbyterian Church. Everyone was invited. Thank you Barbara, Sister Virginia Timmons, and all those who made this such a beautiful affair.

May 16, 1976—A reception was given honoring the Worthy Grand Matron; Grand Marshal, Sister Catherine Ruston; Grand Esther, Sister Etta Marine; Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Janet Womach and other Grand Officers, by my home Chapter, Laurel No. 18. The decorations, food and fellowship of family and friends, made this a never to be forgotten day. I received many beautiful gifts including the Hummell "Street Singer" as a 48th wedding anniversary gift from the Grand Family. Thank you one and all for everything.

May 23, 1976—Attended a reception in Five Points Chapter honoring the Worthy Grand Patron; Grand Chaplain, Sister Jean Thornett; Associate Conductress, Sister Phyllis Stewart; Deputy Grand Lecturer, Virginia Timmons and other Grand Officers. Thank you Five Points for the love gift of the "Sister" Hummell. The buffet was most enjoyable.

May 29, 1976—Attended 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration for Grand Trustee, Sister Pauline Davis and her husband Bob at the Monterey in Wilmington.

July 25, 1976—The Worthy Grand Patron and I gave a picnic for the Grand Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Grand Trustees, Deputy Grand Lecturers, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and their spouses at my summer home on Indian River Bay. Many thanks to all hands extended in helpfulness. Was a gorgeous day.

November 28, 1976—A surprise buffet dinner, celebrating the Worthy Grand Patron's birthday, was given by the Grand Marshal, Catherine Ruston, at the home of our Grand Chaplain, Jean Thornett. Was he surprised.

December 5, 1976—Christmas Party, honoring G.G.C.C.M., Sister Eliza Crossland, was given by P.G.M. Sister Phyllis Howell, at the Dragon Run Park Building, for the "Road Runners" and Joy Bells and Beaus of her year. Thanks Phyllis for the musical Owls.

December 12, 1976—Christmas Party and dinner for the Grand Family, given by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, in the Laurel Chapter Room.

PROJECTS

Last May when we were installed we asked that you "Care and Share" in our endeavors, because we know that Thoughtfulness Promotes Happiness and Joyous Benevolence Builds. You have extended your hands in helpfulness and the response has been most gratifying. My humble thanks to each of you.

SUMMER BENEFIT: P.G.M., Sister Phyllis Howell, General Chairman and Sister Virginia Timmons, Co-Chairman voluntarily assumed the double duty for the dinner and the Printed Program. How do you begin and where do you find the words to adequately express the appreciation for such outstanding cooperation, of everyone, that made this Grand Chapter project for the benefit of handicapped children such a rewarding one. A special thank you to Richard Lloyd for \$69.00 presented to me for crippled children, from the Delmarva Chapter of the National Camping Travelers, Inc.

I know Sister Phyllis will be thrilled to give the complete report at the Informal Opening.

MASONIC HOME ARTS & CRAFTS: We requested that the contents of the cheer cup on the night of Official Visits be donated to the Masonic Home Arts and Crafts. The total amount contributed was \$617.14 and the hours spent by the members of the upstate chapters is much appreciated.

VETERANS HOSPITAL HOBBY CART: Was the recipient of the contents of the cheer cup on the night of the Chapter's Birthday Party. Our Chairman, P.G.P., Brother Harry Bristow, will give you an interesting report later of the work he and his committee have done to bring sunshine and some measure of comfort into the lives of our Veterans.

CANCER RESEARCH: In my first official communication to the Subordinate Chapters, I requested your continued support of the General Grand Chapter projects, ESTARL and Cancer Research. I requested that in lieu of flowers on the night of Official Visits, a donation be made to Cancer Research, which is also my special project. Thank you most sincerely for the many varied and interesting ways the money was presented and for the generosity of the gift.

Delaware Chapter No. 1	\$ 10.00
Mizpah Chapter No. 2	10.00
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	25.00
St. John's Chapter No. 4.	25.00
Adah Chapter No. 5	10.00
Radiant Chapter No. 6	15.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7	20.00
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	15.00
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	15.00
Newark Chapter No. 10	10.00
Kent Chapter No. 11	10.00
Frankford Chapter No. 12	25.00
Five Points Chapter No. 13	25.00
Brandywine Chapter No. 14	25.00
Victory Chapter No. 15	15.00
Unity Chapter No. 16	15.00

Esther Chapter No. 17	10.00
Laurel Chapter No. 18	25.00
Ruth Chapter No. 19	10.00
Naomi Chapter No. 20	25.00

 \$340.00

In addition I received the following:

Donation—Naomi Chapter, in lieu of flowers to hospital	10.00
Donation—Phyllis & Jack Thomas, in lieu of Christmas Cards	25.00
Donation—Margaret & George Bogart	15.00
Donation—Dorris & Calvin Wahl	10.00
Donation—Lois & Clifford Faircloth	10.00
Donation—Isabel & Joseph Turley	10.00
Donation—Marjorie & Robert Homiller	25.00
Donation—Carol & Griffith Jordan	10.00
Hawaiian Vacation	540.00

 \$655.00

 \$995.00

This amount was turned over to the Grand Secretary and the Cancer Chairman, Sister Helen Berger will give a complete report at the proper time.

"KNIGHT OWLS" DINNER & TV PROJECTS:

These two projects were initiated in an effort to raise much needed funds for the operating expenses of the Grand Chapter. The R.C.A. Color TV project was funded privately and a Chairman and Co-Chairman was appointed to administer each project independently of the Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Chapter.

The response was most gratifying. Full details will be revealed later in the reports given by each project chairman.

HEART FUND: In support of one of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's Sister Mabel's projects, the Heart Foundation, I appointed P.G.M., Sister Vada Lockerman Chairman of the Heart Fund to promote the sale of the heart jewelry I procured at the Triennial Assembly in Cleveland. This project has been well received and I'm sure Sister Vada will present an interesting report. The jewelry is beautiful. Won't you open your Heart—Wear a Heart—to keep a Heart beating!

CONTINGENT FUND

I have filed a report of my Contingent Fund with the Board of Grand Trustees.

CHECKS SIGNED—GENERAL FUND

During the year 1976-1977, I have signed checks No. 3458 to No. 3864 inclusive.

CHECKS SIGNED—SPECIAL ACCOUNT

With a joyous feeling, I signed checks No. 255 to No. 286, to disperse the profits from the Summer Benefit.

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER BY-LAWS

On July 26, 1976 I approved the following amendments to the By-Laws of Five Points Chapter No. 13:

ARTICLE VIII, Section 16, reads:

"The Organist shall receive for her services the sum equalling the regular annual dues of the Chapter".

Renumbered Section 18, (Amended to read)

"The Organist shall receive for her services the sum of Twenty-five (25) Dollars per year".

ARTICLE XI, Section 1—Relief (now reads)

"The Worthy Matron shall appoint three members of the Chapter as a Committee on Relief whose duty shall be to investigate all applications for relief made to the Chapter and report the circumstances of the case at the first meeting after receiving notice of application. If the case is one of pressing necessity, the Worthy Matron may on the report of the Committee, draw an order upon the Treasurer for an amount not exceeding Twenty five (25) Dollars and the order so drawn shall be sufficient voucher to the Treasurer to pay the same.

ARTICLE XI, Section 1—Relief (Amended to read)

"The Worthy Matron shall appoint three members of the Chapter as a Committee on Relief whose duty shall be to investigate all applications for relief made to the Chapter and report the circumstances of the case at the first meeting after receiving notice of the application. If the case is one of pressing necessity, the Worthy Matron may on the report of the Committee, draw an order upon the Treasurer for an amount not exceeding One Hundred (100) Dollars and the order so drawn shall be sufficient voucher to the Treasurer to pay the same.

WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION REQUESTED

June 30, 1975 —From the Grand Chapter of Maryland over the petition of Mrs. Rose M. Murphy (nee Bell) of Fruitland, Maryland, in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5. GRANTED

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

The following were granted and the \$1.00 fee accompanying same turned over to the Grand Secretary.

May 14, 1976 —Radiant Chapter No. 6 to install Star Point Electa on May 18, 1976

June 14, 1976 —Delaware Chapter No. 1 to move paraphernalia on last day of June from Odd Fellows Hall to new permanent location at Hillcrest Methodist Church—first meeting to be held September 14, 1976 and all subsequent meetings to be held at new location.

October 17, 1976 —Laurel Chapter No. 18 to move their paraphernalia to the Laurel Senior High School for Official Visit on November 23, 1976.

- November 11, 1976—Naomi Chapter No. 20 to hold regular stated meeting in Five Points Chapter room at the Newport Masonic Temple on December 15, 1976.
- December 13, 1976—St. John's Chapter No. 4 to hold Installation of Officers at the Anna P. Mote School on January 12, 1977.
- December 24, 1976—Kent Chapter No. 11 to elect an Associate Matron and Associate Patron on January 5, 1977.
- December 30, 1976—Mizpah Chapter No. 2 to elect a Secretary and Treasurer on January 14, 1977.
- January 8, 1977—Radiant Chapter No. 6 to elect a Conductress and Associate Conductress, and to install the Conductress, Associate Conductress, Associate Patron, Organist, Star Point Electa and the Sentinel on February 1, 1977.
- January 11, 1977—Adah Chapter No. 5 to install the Associate Conductress on January 17, 1977.
- January 11, 1977—Esther Chapter No. 17 to install Associate Matron on January 19, 1977.
- January 13, 1977—Newark Chapter No. 10 to install Worthy Patron and Star Point Ruth on January 20, 1977.
- January 13, 1977—Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to install Associate Patron, Conductress, Chaplain, Marshal and Star Point Martha on January 21, 1977.
- January 16, 1977—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to install the Officers on January 24, 1977. Installation postponed due to severe snow storm.
- January 23, 1977—Delaware Chapter No. 1 to install Warder on February 8, 1977.
- January 23, 1977—Kent Chapter No. 11 to install Treasurer, Associate Conductress, Organist, Star Points Martha and Electa on February 2, 1977.
- January 27, 1977—Five Points Chapter No. 13 to elect and install Sentinel on February 24, 1977.
- January 27, 1977—Mizpah Chapter No. 2 to install Officers on January 28, 1977. Severe snow storm caused delay.
- January 31, 1977—Esther Chapter No. 17 to install Associate Matron on February 2, 1977.
- February 1, 1977—Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to install Conductress on February 4, 1977.
- February 3, 1977—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to install Star Points Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa and the Sentinel on February 14, 1977.
- February 3, 1977—Mizpah Chapter No. 2 to elect a Secretary and Treasurer and to install Secretary, Treasurer, Associate Patron, Conductress, Star Points Adah, Esther, Martha, Electa and the Warder and Sentinel on February 11, 1977.

- February 11, 1977 —Unity Chapter No. 16 to install Treasurer on February 22, 1977.
- February 14, 1977 —Radiant Chapter No. 6 to elect Associate Conductress and to install Associate Conductress, Star Point Electa and Sentinel on March 1, 1977.
- February 17, 1977 —Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to install Star Point Martha on February 18, 1977.
- March 7, 1977 —Naomi Chapter No. 20 to move paraphernalia from Anna P. Mote School to new permanent location in St. James Episcopal Church on St. James Church Road, for first meeting to be held on April 6, 1977.
- March 15, 1977 —Laurel Chapter No. 18 to install Star Point Esther on March 22, 1977.
- March 15, 1977 —Laurel Chapter No. 18 to move paraphernalia to Christ Church for 25th Birthday Party on April 12, 1977.
- April 14, 1977 —Brandywine Chapter No. 14 to move Chapter paraphernalia from Odd Fellows Hall, 3301 Market St., to Holly Oak United Methodist Church, 1511 Philadelphia Pike on April 30, 1977 and to hold stated meeting of May 5, and all subsequent meetings at the new location.

CORRESPONDENCE

The pathway to 169 Delaware Avenue was heavily traveled by the postman this past year. Correspondence means personal contact and I actually found myself anxiously awaiting the arrival of the many and varied messages I received each day. Some requiring action and advice, others greetings and well wishes. I have endeavored to answer all letters to the best of my knowledge and as quickly as possible. Your encouraging expressions of love and friendship are deeply appreciated.

FIRST LETTER

May 22, 1976

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

With the dawn of a new year we, your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, extend to you warm personal greetings, fraternal love and our sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred upon us and our home Chapters, Laurel No. 18 and Five Points No. 13. We fully realize the responsibility we have assumed, but acknowledge that nothing can be accomplished alone and earnestly solicit your support. Our prayer is for understanding, guidance and strength as we endeavor to be worthy of your trust.

The theme this year, Care and Share, hopefully will prompt you to extend the hand of helpfulness in our worthwhile projects; the Summer Benefit for Handicapped Children, Estarl, Masonic Home Arts and Crafts, Veterans Hospital Hobby Cart and our special project, Cancer Research.

On the night of Official Visits, in lieu of flowers, we request that a donation be made to Cancer Research and the contents of the cheer cup be given to the Masonic Home Arts and Crafts. Hopefully, the cheer cup on Birthday night will be donated to the Veterans Hospital Hobby Cart. We firmly believe that "Thoughtfulness Promotes Happiness and Joyous Benevolence Builds" so let's do everything possible to make our Summer Benefit an outstanding one.

Your Deputy Grand Lecturer is ready and willing to assist you in all phases of the Ritualistic work. Carefully study the Ritual, including the fine print and strive for high standards of efficiency in our Chapter work.

Your Worthy Grand Matron will be pleased to answer all questions presented to her in writing.

Please make every effort to improve Chapter attendance. Strive to make every Sister and Brother feel **wanted** and **needed** by your friendliness, the new member, the leaders and the sideliners. Our strength does not rest in the hands of a few but in the hearts and minds of the entire membership.

Sharing this year of service with Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love, it is our greatest desire that it will be a year of growth and harmony in your Chapter with good health and happiness for each of you.

With fraternal love,

Thirza P. Hall
Worthy Grand Matron
Jack Betty
Worthy Grand Patron

SECOND LETTER

October 12, 1976

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Once again time has brought us one of the most beautiful customs that has ever prevailed among any people—Thanksgiving Day. It is with grateful, happy hearts that we approach this period of Thanksgiving. We recognize and gladly own that the will of God is the ultimate secret of all true government, and His goodness and mercy the fountain of all real happiness.

Truly we are thankful for each other, for the fellowship we enjoy, for the spirit of helpfulness, kindly words and deeds, for our beautiful Order, and for His Star that leads us on into spheres of greater happiness and usefulness.

The art of thanksgiving is thanks-living. It is gratitude in action. This is the time for caring, and sharing of our generous bounty, and each year at Thanksgiving we have the opportunity to offer our gifts of home-made jams, jellies, canned fruits and canned goods to the Masonic Home of Delaware. A card bearing the name and number of your chapter should be enclosed so that your gift may be acknowledged.

May each of you have a happy Thanksgiving, and may each heart overflow with thanksgiving for His love. May God bless you for extending the hand of helpfulness in service to others.

With fraternal love.

Thirza P. Hall
Worthy Grand Matron
John B. Betty
Worthy Grand Patron

THIRD LETTER

March 26, 1977

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Time moves on and the story of another year is almost told. We are nearing the end of our Pathway that a year ago stretched out before us, with its many challenges. It has been a great honor and a privilege to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The pleasure that has been ours in this service will ever be a treasured memory.

The 56th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware—"Pathway To The Stars"—will convene on May 9 and 10, 1977, and we will welcome the opportunity to extend to each of you the same warm hospitality that was extended to us when we visited in your Chapter. This is the time to review past activities and to legislate for the future. We cordially invite you to attend.

All members who have attained fifty years of continuous membership in the Order will be honored on Monday afternoon, May 9th. Secretaries—please send their names and addresses to me as quickly as possible.

The books of the Grand Lecturer will close, by law, April 15. Anyone wishing to take or complete a proficiency examination in this Grand Chapter year must do so before that date.

Committee Chairmen, please be prepared to give your reports at any time. Welcomes, responses and reports shall be typed, double spaced, in duplicate on 8½ x 11 inch paper and given to the Grand Secretary immediately after they are presented. Any Grand Page will be happy to deliver it for you.

The Grand Family join us in thanking you for the Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love that has been the guiding light on our pathway. Your many acts of kindness, thoughtfulness, the generous support of our projects, and all courtesies extended to us have crowned this year with much happiness.

Easter is the symbol of man's highest hopes. May the miracle of life after death bring us new hope and joy this Easter Season and may our Heavenly Father bless and guide us in all our endeavors.

With fraternal love,

Thirza P. Hall
Worthy Grand Matron
John B. Betty
Worthy Grand Patron

IRREGULARITIES

1. Reverent Attitude given instead of Salutation Sign when Balloting.
2. Leaving Chapter room during meeting without giving sign.
3. Checks for Dispensations made payable to Worthy Grand Matron instead of Grand Chapter Of Delaware, O.E.S.
4. Crossing between the Altar and East while Bible is open.
5. Warder giving raps after Bible is closed.
6. Sword not wrapped at Adah's Station.
7. Sentinel entered Chapter room—failed to give sign—entered Labyrinth and balloted upon petition, without waiting to be addressed by the Worthy Matron.
8. Secretaries sending cash when requesting a Dispensation.
9. Improper stationery used when requesting a Special Dispensation.
10. Ritual Work being written.
11. Improper handling of the Ballot Box.
12. Officers being prompted by other than Deputy Grand Lecturer.

DECISIONS

1. An 83 year old member holding a demit, asked if it is permissible to have a Star engraved on the headstone, marking her cemetery lot. I know of no official ruling prohibiting such action. I advised that although the Sister is not considered a member anywhere, she was a member in good standing when she demitted, and since a demit has no time limit, I felt that to permit the engraving would be an act of kindness, and would bring her much satisfaction.
2. Communication was received from _____ Chapter before the regular installation date that the elected Conductress had stated that she could not accept that office for personal reasons, but was willing to remain as Associate Conductress if the Chapter so desired. The elected Associate Conductress was willing to accept the Conductress Station. Could I declare these two stations vacant so that another election could be held?

After personal interview with each of the Officers involved and talking with Chapter members, for the Good of the Order, I was pleased to declare the Office of Conductress and Associate Conductress vacant and issued a Special Dispensation to hold an election to fill the vacancies.

3. Three Chapters elected their Conductress from the floor. I was pleased to grant permission for them to be installed on the regular date and to grant an extension of 30 days from date of installation in which to complete their proficiency examination.
4. Because of recent surgery, two of our Officers will be unable to fill their stations on the night of our Birthday Party. Both would like to attend that evening as sideliners. Would you grant permission for them to do so?

I advised that if these two Officers are **physically unable** to assume their stations on the night of the Birthday Party, they may sit on the sideline.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Can an elected or appointed Officer in Grand Chapter hold an elective or appointive office in a Subordinate Chapter?

Answer: Yes. There is no law that prohibits an elected or appointed Grand Officer from serving either as an elected or appointed officer, at the same time, in the Subordinate Chapter.

2. A former member of the Order, who received the degrees as the wife of a Master Mason, was suspended for non-payment of dues; became a widow and later remarried a non-Mason. Is she eligible for re-instatement—the purpose being to obtain a demit to affiliate with another Chapter?

Answer: Yes, she is eligible to petition for re-instatement, by paying 2 years back dues and current year's dues. Her present marital status has no effect on her eligibility for membership since she had the proper Masonic relationship when she received the degrees.

3. I am interested in using an unusual closing ceremony during my year as Worthy Matron. It involves the five Star Point Officers giving their signs while an appropriate song is being sung after the Chapter has been declared closed. Is this permissible?

Answer: Yes. You may use the closing ceremony described above. However, since portions of the Secret Work will be used, the door to the Chapter room must remain closed until the ceremony has been completed.

4. A Sister holding a demit from another Grand Jurisdiction, now a resident of Delaware, wishes to affiliate with our Chapter. Does the Brother named on the investigating committee have to check the Masonic relationship?

Answer: Yes. The Masonic relationship of this Sister, who received the degrees in New Jersey, must conform to the Membership requirements per Ritual, page 161 to be eligible for affiliation in Delaware.

5. Our Worthy Matron would like to use the Reverent Attitude in her closing march. Is this permissible?

Answer: Yes, this is not a secret sign.

6. Is it permissible to have the Scripture verses that appear in the fine print of our Ritual, following each Star Point lecture, printed in my Chapter programs?

Answer: No. Although the Scripture verses are taken from the Bible, the verses are contained in the lectures and as part of the Ritual are copyrighted. I refer you to page 165 in the Ritual, "Ritual and Secret Work", which positively prohibits the reproduction of any part of the Ritual.

7. May the Worthy Matron recite the Scripture verses at the invitation of the Worthy Patron, after each Star Point lecture during the Labyrinth march in the ceremony of Initiation?

Answer: Ritual states Worthy Patron or Associate Patron recites the verses.

8. Our Associate Patron has not yet completed his proficiency examination. Can he preside in the East for balloting in the absence of the Worthy Patron?

Answer: Yes. Your Associate Patron, by law, has 90 days from the date of installation in which to complete his examination. He has been regularly installed and as the Associate Patron it is his duty to perform all the duties of the Worthy Patron, in the absence of that Officer.

9. Two of our members want to withdraw from the Chapter for a while. How can this be done?

Answer: By demit. The request for the demit must be issued in writing. If the member is clear on the books the demit is granted.

I would suggest that they be encouraged to remain active. They may need us and we certainly need them.

10. A demit is good for one year only. Wouldn't they have to rejoin within the year?

Answer: There is no time limit on a demit, but demitted members can visit a Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction one year only.

11. Our Constitution states that a demit having been granted by the Chapter cannot be reconsidered. Does this mean that members cannot be considered for membership again in the Chapter from which they demit?

Answer. No. When once a demit has been granted by the Chapter to be reconsidered, a petition for affiliation must be presented accompanied with the demit.

12. Can a sister holding a demit petition for affiliation if she is divorced and her present husband is not affiliated with a Blue Lodge?

Answer: Yes. At the time she received the degrees she had the proper Masonic affiliation.

13. What is the proper method of voting on a petition for re-instatement?

Answer: By majority vote by secret written ballot. I refer you to last paragraph section 30, top page 51 in Constitution and By-Laws, also 1975 Proceedings No. 7 page 128.

14. A former member of _____ Chapter was granted a demit—now wishes to again become active. Is she re-instated or affiliated?

Answer: Affiliated. With a demit you petition for Affiliation.

15. If a former member, suspended for non-payment of dues, petitions for re-instatement, does she sign the By-Laws?

Answer: No.

16. In the absence of the Worthy Patron of _____ Chapter may a Past Patron preside during the ceremony of initiation even though the Associate Patron is present?

Answer: Yes, at the request of the presiding officer. I refer you to the last paragraph on page 34 in the Book of Instructions.

17. If an applicant for the degrees is rejected in a Subordinate Chapter in Kent or Sussex County, does the Secretary of each Chapter in these two counties have to be notified?

Answer: No. These two counties are not open jurisdictions.

18. _____ Chapter has a candidate for initiation who, because of arthritis, cannot kneel at the Altar. Can she stand to receive the Obligation or do we have to postpone the initiation?

Answer: A candidate who cannot kneel may stand or be seated at the Altar and hold the Bible in the regular manner and take the Obligation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. In the interest of printing cost, I recommend the Fraternal Correspondent eliminate, in her report, the description of the East of each Jurisdiction Grand Session.
2. An Annual Assessment of \$1.00 per member. Assessment notice to be provided by the Grand Secretary and sent out by the Subordinate Chapter Secretary with the annual due notice.
3. That the contingent fund for Sessions Chairman and Hospitality Chairman be increased.
4. Altar be draped for members of no lesser rank than Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron.
5. That the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and/or the Jurisprudence Committee formulate a set of guidelines to be followed in the appointment of a Parliamentarian so the Worthy Grand Matron can comply with a motion adopted by this Grand Body on May 10, 1976.

COMPLETE ITINERARY

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| May 11 | —Elected and Installed as Worthy Grand Matron. Reception—1st and Central Presbyterian Church Social Hall. |
| May 13 | —Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 Birthday Party |
| May 14 | —Met with Grand Lecturer to review my instructions. |
| May 15 | —Held School of Instructions in Victory Chapter No. 15's chapter room in Dover |
| May 16 | —Attended Reception held for me and other Grand Officers by Laurel Chapter No. 18 in the Senior High School. My 48th wedding anniversary celebrated at the same time. |
| May 18 | —Attended Formal Opening New Jersey Grand Sessions in Atlantic City. |

- May 19 —Port Deposit Chapter No. 78 Birthday Party, Port Deposit, Md.
- May 22 —Assisted with rummage sale Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- May 23 —Reception for Worthy Grand Patron given by Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- May 25 —Official Visit to Unity Chapter No. 16.
- May 26 —Grand Visitation of Crescent Chapter No. 44, Pocomoke, Md.
- May 28 —Official Visit to Mizpah Chapter No. 2.
- May 29 —Met with Associate Grand Matron in my home. Attended 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration of Grand Trustee, Pauline Davis and her husband Bob.
- June 3 —Official Visit to Newark Chapter No. 10.
- June 7 —Official Visit to Adah Chapter No. 5.
- June 8 —Stated Meeting of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- June 9 —Grand Visitation of Roelma Chapter No. 113, Sharptown, Md.
- June 11 —Installation of Officers at Gunning Bedford, Jr. Chapter, Order of DeMolay in Talleyville.
- June 12 —Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home of Delaware.
- June 14 —Birthday Party of Victory Chapter No. 15.
- June 16 —Official Visit to Kent Chapter No. 11.
- June 18 —Birthday Party of Georgetown Chapter No. 9.
- June 19 —Attended the Conclave banquet and Installation of State Officers of the Order of DeMolay in Delaware at Nur Temple.
- June 20-23 —Attended Grand Chapter of South Carolina.
- June 25 —Worked at Nur Temple preparing for Summer Benefit.
- June 26 —Summer Benefit.
- June 28 —Official Visit to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.
- July 5 —Attended funeral for Ethel Oldfield, charter member of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- July 6 —Met with Summer Benefit Chairman, the Co-Chairman and the Grand Secretary to transact business at the Wilmington Savings Fund Bank.
- July 7 —Had first request for child's wheelchair.
- July 11 —"Roadrunners" picnic at the home of Joan and Harry Moore.
- July 16 & 17 —Grand Session of Guardian Council, I.O.J.D., Wilmington.

- July 25 —Grand Family picnic at the summer home of the Worthy Grand Matron on the Indian River Bay.
- August 14 —Pot Luck Dinner at Steamboat Landing—Summer Campout.
- August 18 —Attended viewing and funeral for Wilbert Taylor, husband of the Chaplain in Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- August 19 —Visited Sister Elizabeth Fisher, Gr. Secretary Emeritus, at the Tilton Terrace Nursing Home.
- August 25 —Visited Sister Minnie Kytte whose husband passed away on August 24.
- August 27 —Attended funeral for Ellis Kytte.
- August 28 —Unable to attend funeral for Mabel Lowe, member of Laurel Chapter No. 18. Sent letter of condolence.
- September 1 —Visited Madelyn Seymour in St. Francis Hospital
- September 2 —Visited parents of "Danny" Bowers for whom we were getting a wheelchair.
- September 9 —Official Visit to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.
- September 11 —Banquet of Adah Chapter No. 5.
- September 15 —Official Visit and Birthday Party to Esther Chapter No. 17.
- September 16 —Official Visit to Brandywine Chapter No. 14.
- September 18 —Banquet of Victory Chapter No. 15.
- September 19 —Banquet of Frankford Chapter No. 12.
- September 20 —Birthday Party of Adah Chapter No. 5.
- September 21 —Attended viewing for Elizabeth Fisher.
- September 24 -
October 1 —General Grand Chapter Triennial Assembly in Cleveland, Ohio.
- October 2 —Banquet of Naomi Chapter No. 20.
- October 4 —Official Visit to Ruth Chapter No. 19.
- October 5 —Attended Banquet of Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons, Raymond Savage, at the Sheraton in Dover.
- October 6 —Official Visit to Naomi Chapter No. 20.
- October 9 —Banquet of Unity Chapter No. 16.
- October 10 —Banquet of Kent Chapter No. 11.
- October 13 —Official Visit to Frankford Chapter No. 12.
- October 16 —Banquet of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.
- October 17 —Banquet of Georgetown Chapter No. 9.

- October 19 —Official Visit and Birthday Party to Radiant Chapter No. 6.
- October 20 —Viewing for Donald Haines, husband of Star Point Electa of Laurel Chapter.
- October 21 —Official Visit to Sussex Chapter No. 7.
- October 22 —Banquet of Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- October 23 —Banquet of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.
- October 24 —Banquet of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- October 26 —Official Visit to Delaware Chapter No. 1.
- October 29-
November 8 —Hawaiian Vacation
- November 9 —Stated Meeting of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- November 10 —Official Visit and Birthday Party to St. John's Chapter No. 4.
- November 11 —Official Visit to Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- November 12 —Stated meeting at Mizpah Chapter No. 2 and Reception for General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Sister Eliza Crossland.
- November 13 —Banquet of Newark Chapter No. 10.
- November 14 —Banquet of Sussex Chapter No. 7.
- November 17 —Grand Visitation of Havre de Grace Chapter No. 27 in Havre de Grace, Md.
- November 19 —Official Visit to Georgetown Chapter No. 9.
- November 20 —Banquet of St. John's Chapter No. 4.
- November 23 —Official Visit to Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- November 27 —Banquet of Delaware Chapter No. 1.
- November 28 —Surprise Birthday Party for Worthy Grand Patron.
- November 30 —Grand Visitation of Chestertown Chapter No. 86 in Chestertown, Md.
- December 1 —Installation of Officers, Bethel No. 9, IOJD in Stanton.
- December 4 —Banquet of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.
- December 5 —Attended Church in body with Worthy Matron of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- December 5 —Christmas Party at Dragon Run Park, given by Sister Phyllis Howell, in honor of Eliza Crossland.
- December 9 —Installation of Officers, Bethel No. 10 in Frankford
- December 10 —Was notified of the death of Emily Crossland. Called Past Grands in lower Delaware.

- December 11 —Banquet of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.
- December 12 —Christmas Party for Grand Family given by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in Laurel Chapter room.
- December 13 —Attended viewing and Eastern Star services for Emily Crossland.
- December 14 —Laurel Chapter stated meeting and election of officers.
- December 18 thru
December 20 —Attended niece's wedding in White Plains, New York.
- December 20 —Installation of Officers, Bethel No. 3, in Newark
- December 22 —Christmas Party at Masonic Home given by Grand Family.
- December 28 —Stated meeting of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
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- January 3 —Installation of Officers at Adah Chapter No. 5.
- January 4 —Installation of Officers of Radiant Chapter No. 6.
- January 5 —Installation of Officers of Naomi Chapter No. 20.
- January 6 —Installation of Officers of Sussex Chapter No. 7.
- January 7 —Installation of Officers of Georgetown Chapter No. 9.
- January 11 —Installation of Officers of Laurel Chapter No. 18
- January 12 —Installation of Officers of St. John's Chapter No. 4.
- January 13 —Installation of Officers of Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- January 19 —Attended funeral for Hellon Goodyear.
- January 22 —Met with Sessions Chairman in her home.
- January 25 —Official Visitation of Bethel No. 3, in Newark.
- January 28 —Visited Grand Esther, Etta Marine, in hospital.
- January 28 —Installation of Officers of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.
- February 1 —Met Grand Secretary at bank to transfer Summer Benefit money from savings to checking.
- February 1 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 8, in New Castle.
- February 3 —Stated meeting Sussex Chapter No. 7, to present a Grand Representative Commission, to Barbara Shenton.
- February 8 —Stated meeting Unity Chapter No. 16, to present a Grand Representative Commission to Martha Little.
- February 10 —Birthday Party of Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- February 17 —Stated meeting and Initiation at Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

- February 19 —Met with Sister Phyllis Howell, Chairman and Sister Virginia Timmons, Co-Chairman of Summer Benefit in my home to discuss the disbursement of the Summer Benefit money.
- February 22 —Substituted as Star Point Ruth at Stated Meeting of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- February 24 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 10, in Frankford.
- February 25 —Birthday Party of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.
- February 26 —Potentate's Ball at Nur Temple.
- March 1 —Assisted Laurel Chapter to serve dinner to members of Hope Lodge No. 4 and the Grand Lodge Staff.
- March 2 —Regular meeting of Bethel No. 5, IOJD in Georgetown.
- March 4 —Spaghetti dinner sponsored by Bethel No. 11, in Wilmington.
- March 5 —Secretaries School of Instructions in Harrington.
- March 8 —Birthday Party of Delaware Chapter No. 1.
- March 10 —Attended funeral for William Freebery.
- March 10 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 6, IOJD, in Delmar.
- March 11 —Miss Job's Daughter Pageant pre-judging at the home of Pageant Chairman, Sister Janet Day.
- March 12 —Miss Job's Daughter Pageant.
- March 17 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 12, IOJD, in Milford.
- March 20 —"Knight Owls" fund raising dinner at Nur Temple.
- March 21 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 7, IOJD, in Dover.
- March 22 —Birthday Party of Unity Chapter No. 16.
- March 23 —Grand Visitation of Elkton Chapter No. 84 in Elkton, Md.
- March 26 —Past Grand Matrons' and Past Grand Patrons' dinner meeting in Harrington.
- March 28 —Luncheon meeting at Hotel duPont with Grand Trustees, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Hotel Management.
- March 28 —Birthday Party of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.
- March 30 —Eastern Star and Master Mason Night at Bethel No. 11 in Talleyville.
- March 31 —Annual banquet of the Grand Guardian Council, IOJD, in Wilmington.
- April 2 —Dinner and Grand Visitation of Port Deposit Chapter No. 78 in Rising Sun, Md.
- April 3 —Grand Chapter religious services at the Masonic Home.

- April 4 —Birthday Party of Ruth Chapter No. 19.
- April 5 —Meeting of 1977 Summer Benefit Committees at the home of Chairman, P.G.M., Sister Vada Lockerman.
- April 6 —Grand Visitation of Bethel No. 1, IOJD, in Claymont.
- April 7 —Birthday Party of Newark Chapter No. 10.
- April 12 —25th Birthday Party of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
- April 13 —Hope Lodge No. 4 Ladies Night.
- April 14 —Baker Printers, Denton, Maryland with Senior Grand Trustee and the Worthy Grand Patron.
- April 15 —Tall Cedars-Brandywine Forest "Bring Your Ladies Night" at Nur Temple.
- April 16 —Dinner meeting of Past Matron's and Past Patron's Association.
- April 19 —Attended stated meeting of Kennett Square Chapter No. 513 in Kennett Square, Pa.
- April 20 —Birthday Party of Kent Chapter No. 11.
- April 21 —Birthday Party of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

THE BLACK CUBE

The unjustified BLACK BALL continues to be of great concern. The sacred trust afforded us as members and the principles upon which we are founded, are abused when we allow ourselves to use the BLACK BALL as a weapon to even up a personal grudge, and nothing can cause more grief or heartaches. The growth, character and strength of our Order rests upon each of us. The next time you exercise your sacred privilege to Ballot, approach the Altar upon which rests the Open Holy Bible, search your heart, remember your Obligation, vote for the Good of the Order, and be at peace with God and Man.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

One of the most gratifying experiences of the year was our Official Visits to the Subordinate Chapters, where we found the Officers diligently striving for uniformity in the Ritualistic Work and to find that plans were initiated in many Chapters to increase attendance, to make the meetings more interesting and to promote better relations among the members. Love for the Order and loyalty to their Chapters was evident in many cases where Sisters and Brothers are repeating Stations. May God bless each of you for your devotion and grant you success and happiness in all endeavors as we strive together for the Good of the Order.

PARLIAMENTARIAN

I did not appoint a Parliamentarian. I approached several members whom I felt were knowledgeable, but all refused feeling they were unqualified. At present there are too many unanswered questions. Since the motion was adopted at our last Session that a Parliamentarian should be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron, I recommend that the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and/or the

Jurisprudence Committee formulate a set of guidelines, defining duties, and when and for how long does the Parliamentarian function, also should the appointment be a Past Grand.

APPRECIATION

We are at journey's end on our "Pathway To The Stars" and my heart is full of gratitude for having had this opportunity for service. To me it has been a happy year, a year that has left memories that cannot dim and has given me friends whose love I will always cherish.

Whatever has been accomplished has been attained through the cooperation of everyone and I sincerely hope my acts have been pleasing in the sight of this Grand Body. No one walks alone, and so it has been with me.

"Tis the touch of God's hand each day
In work, in truth and thoughtful way.
'Tis the good that passes from soul to soul
That helps us reach the longed for goal".

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Brother Jack, no title could be more fitting for you. Your faithfulness to duty, your patience and kindly cooperation has been one of the greatest contributing factors to the happiness I have known, as we shared these three years of service. It was just great having you and your wife Ruth travel with me and many thanks for giving me a home away from home. I shall never forget your devotion during the trying time my husband was in the hospital.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBER: Not every Worthy Grand Matron has the opportunity to share the honor of the East with General Grand Chapter Committee Members from two different Trienniums. Such has been my privilege this year to have Sister Edith Shinn on my right and as a faithful traveler through September. Now, Sister Eliza, you bring joy to us as you occupy this position and you bring honor to our Grand Jurisdiction in service to General Grand Chapter.

PAST GRAND MATRONS and PAST GRAND PATRONS, our Trail Blazers: Through the years the pathway constructed by you has been paved with fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love, and I sincerely thank you for your willingness to aid and advise, and to lend me encouragement, as I attempted to follow in your footsteps, while reaching for the Stars. With appreciation for your support at every meeting, I was always proud to extend to you the honors you so justly deserve.

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON and ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON: Sister Ethelene and Brother George, the dawn of a new year is at hand and soon our responsibilities will be yours. May you have the needed health and strength to guide you through the year and may your service bring you a full measure of happiness and success. The precious jewel of your friendship glows from our Crown of beauty.

GRAND SECRETARY: Sister Margaret, the word "thanks" seems so inadequate for all the assistance you have given me this year, but it comes from a heart filled with gratitude for your many acts of kindness and for being a traveling companion on many occasions.

GRAND TREASURER: Sister Betty, your ability and wise judgment have won for you the respect and love of our Grand Chapter. I sincerely thank you for the efficient guardianship of our funds and for your cooperation.

GRAND TRUSTEES: We are very fortunate to have such a capable, dedicated Board of Grand Trustees and we are most grateful to you for your deep concern for the Welfare and Prosperity of our Grand Chapter. It has been a pleasure working with you and having you travel with us this year.

GRAND CONDUCTRESS and ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS: Sister Betsy Ann and Phyllis, my association with you has been most happy and I sincerely thank you for your support and cooperation. As you travel to the Grand East, may your pathway be paved with health, happiness and success. I shall watch your progress with great anticipation and interest, knowing that you have the ability to accomplish what you desire.

GRAND LECTURER: Sister Cynthia, well done, faithful friend. The first step on your journey to the East was a busy one. Your willingness to be of assistance was always in evidence and the Chapters have profited from your able service. Words cannot express my heartfelt thanks for the many hours you spent in the performance of your duties and for all the times you traveled with us.

GRAND SENTINEL: Brother Warren, your many kindnesses during the year are very much appreciated and I especially want to thank you for chauffeuring the grand officers to an Installation on the night of a blizzard. May happiness and success be the fulfillment of every dream as you and Betsy Ann plan for your year in the Grand East.

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Sister Jean, your prayers, straight from the heart, have been an inspiration and source of strength to all of us as you invoked the blessings of our Heavenly Father upon our endeavors. My humble thanks to you for your devotion, loyalty and service.

TO MY GRAND MARSHAL: Sister Catherine, the greatest measure of my love and gratitude is yours for accepting your appointment. Some people make the world more special just by being in it. Its your kind of thoughtful way of bringing joy and lightening the way that makes you special and has endeared you to our membership. Thanks for beautiful memories.

GRAND ORGANIST: Sister Rena, thank you for sharing your wonderful musical talents with us. It has been a real joy having you serve as our Organist this year, for providing the beautiful background music at Installations and for the service at the Masonic Home. May the joy you bring to others through your musical ability be returned to you in great measure.

GRAND STAR POINTS: Sister Margaret, Lena, Etta, Phyllis, and Margaret, you are truly Fairest Among Thousands Altogether Lovely. You have been most faithful in your duties and your attendance at Official Visits and Birthday Parties was all that could be desired. Sister Peg, we are so happy to have you back with the Grand Family for the Sessions.

I will pray a little prayer, that all your years will be
Filled with days of happiness, like those you've given me.

GRAND WARDER: Sister Frann, my heartfelt gratitude to you for your loyalty and devotion to service, though it has not been an easy year for you. It has been a joy having you in our Grand family and I hope the year has brought you as much happiness as working with you has brought me.

DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS, our Jewels of Wisdom: No Worthy Grand Matron ever had a more devoted group of Deputies than you have been. You have given your best to your Chapter and to me and I

am more grateful than I can say, for such a rewarding year of service to our beloved Order. Your jewels of wisdom will shed their light from our Crown of Beauty.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES, our Star Rays: Your appointments gave us great joy and we sincerely hope the honor that is yours will bring you great satisfaction in your association and communication with other Grand jurisdictions, thereby strengthening our fraternal relationship.

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES: You have my undying gratitude for the great service you have rendered toward the success of this Grand Session. Your work is often without glory; yet it is of great importance, honor and trust. Your willingness to serve has never faltered, your trust has never wavered, no task has been too difficult. Our humble thanks to all of you.

SESSIONS COMMITTEE: Thank you Sisters Ellen and Flo for accepting Chairman and Co-Chairman for this important Committee. Through your kind thoughts and loving deeds, you and your committee have made my every dream for the "Pathway To The Stars" a reality. Our hearts are happy, our Crown is studded with memory gems of your devotion to service.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: The clasp of the hand and a warm "hello", extended in greeting, creates that welcome feeling. My heartfelt thanks to you Sister Edith for accepting Chairman and Brother Carl, Co-Chairman for our Hospitality Committee and for the responsibility of arranging for the comfort of our distinguished guests. The duties of committees are vital to the success of Grand Chapter. May you and your committee be blest for your efforts to promote good will and fraternal love among our members and guests.

TO GRAND PAGES AND ASSISTANT GRAND SENTINELS: Thank you for so willingly accepting your many varied duties. You will be kept busy but I hope your service will bring you much happiness and credit to your Chapter.

TO THE SIDELINERS: For a successful performance there must be an audience. I am extremely grateful for the inspiration of your presence on our travels and for the opportunity to meet and greet each of you at Officials and Birthday Parties.

TO MY HOME CHAPTER, LAUREL NO. 18, the best in the State, goes my special thanks. Your faith and confidence in me has been a constant source of inspiration. I am proud of being a member of Laurel Chapter and my happiness has been increased knowing that you were sharing each honor I received, for it was through your Love and Loyalty that I was privileged to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron.

TO FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 15: Surely no two Chapters have worked in closer harmony and with such cooperation. We have had perfect unity of purpose and understanding and I sincerely hope that the friendships we have enjoyed these many years will continue for many more. Sister Ruth, a special thanks to you, dear friend, for your many acts of kindness and for just being you.

TO MY HUSBAND, BILL; MY SON, BILL, JR. AND HIS WIFE BARBARA: How could I have had such a rewarding year without your help and understanding. You have been kind, considerate and generous, always putting my needs and desires ahead of your own. Bill and Barb, it was you who smoothed my path when the going was rough, then shared

our joys on the Hawaiian Vacation. God gave me you and I thank Him for keeping us a whole family. Bill you share with me all that has been and may be in the future. For the inspiration of your faith, your encouragement and love, I can only say—I love you.

CONCLUSION

Life can hold no greater gift than the love and loyalty of friends. As I write the final words of my report, many treasured memories rush through my mind, and my heart overflows with gratitude for having had the privilege of serving you as your Worthy Grand Matron.

With God beside me, I walked without fear
 Knowing His presence was ever near;
 And as I walked, I felt courage anew
 To face the task that was mine to do.
 Your friendship and love have meant so much,
 Every sunny smile and every hand's touch,
 So I leave my station with joy in my heart,
 And the knowledge that I have had a part
 In serving the Order I love and hold dear,
 Thus ends my record of a wonderful year.

With fraternal love,

Thirza P. Hall
 Worthy Grand Matron

A motion was made by Sister Thirza P. Hall, Worthy Grand Matron and seconded by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, that the Report of the Worthy Grand Matron be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Sister Helen Ennis reported 176 voting delegates had registered thus far.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called to recess at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

MONDAY AFTERNOON—1:30 P. M.

The afternoon session was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Good afternoon everyone. I know many of you attended our Grand Representatives' Luncheon. I really hope you had a nice get-together and everyone enjoyed our fellowship and hospitality and are now ready for the business of this afternoon's session. I do have a couple of requests. For tonight's Informal Opening I would like the section in the West reserved for our distinguished guests. Also, there will be five seats on the North and South sides, close to the East reserved for the Hospitality Committee.

Grand Marshal, it is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you escort to the Grand East, by way of the Labyrinth, Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington, and Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas B. Sweeny to formally open this afternoon session.

WELCOME BY SISTER BESSIE M. WARRINGTON, P.G.M.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, thank you for this honor and privilege of opening this, your Monday afternoon "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

To me you are very special folks and I love you very much. Your leadership and devotion to our beautiful Order has been an inspiration to all of us. Your beautiful smiles radiate sunshine to all. Through the wisdom and free ballot of the members of this Grand Chapter, you have been our guiding stars during the past year and your devotion to our cause has won our admiration.

Today we have come here to receive from you the deliberations of this Grand Chapter, new inspiration to enter upon the duties of a new year, new hope and new courage to go forth into the world so filled with the spirit of charity, truth and loving kindness, that all with whom we come in contact will know not only from our words but far more important, from our deeds, that "We have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

Thank you for giving me the honor and privilege of opening this Session with my "Pal" Brother Tom. I am very happy to have him at my side.

There's a long, long trail a-winding
As you can readily see
O'er hills and dales, by lakes and streams
Through the Garden of Fraternity.

It led to your homes and your Chapters
And many dear friends, old and new.
Now it leads to this Grand Chapter Session
To which I have the privilege of welcoming you.

Again, thank you for this honor.

WELCOME BY BROTHER THOMAS B. SWEENEY, P.G.P.:

To all a very cordial greeting.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, I want to thank you for affording me the honor and privilege of assisting Sister Bessie in opening this afternoon assembly of our "Pathway to the Stars" session.

Sister Thirza, my warmest congratulations on the completion of another Grand Chapter year. It has been a most successful and harmonious year; your sincerity and inexhaustible enthusiasm for the Order has won you many friends. Your untiring performance of duties cheerfully and willingly performed has given this Grand Chapter much to be proud.

Sister Thirza, we have enjoyed very much having you as our Worthy Grand Matron.

Brother Jack, we sincerely appreciate the service you have given our Grand Chapter this year; your willingness to perform your duties, your kindness and wonderful sense of humor has endeared you to the hearts of all. You have indeed been a perfect Worthy Grand Patron, and you should be exceedingly proud of your accomplishments.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, your year is fast drawing to a close, and may the experiences of your "Pathway to the Stars" session fill your heart so full of happiness that you will never forget your wonderful session.

I deeply appreciate being selected to take part in calling this session to order; may success crown your every effort, for a happy and successful Session.

Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Bess and Brother Tom, thank you from the bottom of a very grateful heart for opening this afternoon session of Grand Chapter. Sister Bess, you have been a dear friend all of my Eastern Star life, and a very devoted member of the Order. As a 50-Year Member, what could be more appropriate than to have you open this session when we will honor our 50-Year Members. Brother Tom, you were Worthy Grand Patron when I began my journey to the East, and you have always been an inspiration to me. Since your Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellen, is our Sessions Chairman, and a wonderful one, occupying the East with me, thank you for opening this Session with Sister Bess. May God bless you both.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Bess and Brother Tom, it is such a pleasure to have you with us. Thank you for so beautifully opening this afternoon session.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from recess to resume labor.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Good afternoon, and a warm welcome to the second session. As we deliberate over the business, may the good of the Order prevail in our thoughts and deeds and the joy of associating together be a blessing to our lives.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER ASSEMBLY

The privilege of attending the thirty-fifth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Convention Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, September 25 through 30th was an inspiration and a "time to treasure".

Fifty-five members from Delaware, 22 of whom were voting delegates, were in attendance, all proudly wearing the "Blue Hen" Grand Chapter badges.

Registration, rehearsals and many social activities filled the program for Saturday and Sunday with everyone enjoying Vesper Services, Sunday afternoon and a delightful "Its A Small World" reception on Sunday evening.

The informal opening of the Art of Living Centennial Assembly was an impressive sight to behold. The colorful decorations, the floor drills and formations, the music by the Mellotones Choir and the Cavalcade of Flags was a beautiful tribute to the theme "The American Triad".

Warm and gracious hospitality was extended to approximately 14,000 members in attendance from all over our Eastern Star world, at the Formal Opening, by Sister Marguerite Kennerdell, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother D. LaVerne Courtney, Most Worthy Grand Patron. We enjoyed their visits to Delaware Grand Chapter in 1975 and 1976 and were honored to serve them in many capacities during the Assembly, as members of the Mellotones Choir, Colonial Ladies, Centennial Knights, Ladies in Waiting, Assistants to the Right Worthy Grand Conductress, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, Worthy Grand Warder, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, as Grand Guards and I was most pleased to act as a Teller. We were so proud to have our own Sister

Edith Shinn, Past Grand Matron, a member of the Welfare Committee of General Grand Chapter, represented. Our 6 Grand Representatives in attendance, were kept quite busy exchanging souvenirs, promoting good relations and making new friends with Sisters and Brothers from other Grand Jurisdictions.

Harmony prevailed throughout the business sessions. The Committee reports were most interesting and legislation was conducted very smoothly.

As a fitting climax to successful accomplishments, the prayer solo, "His Name is Wonderful", was sung by our own Past Grand Patron, Brother Harry Moore.

The Philadelphia Mummer's String Marching Band entertained following the Centennial Harvest Banquet on Tuesday evening, honoring all members. Each person received a basket of fresh fruit.

The "Stars of Tomorrow" Banquet honoring members of the International Order of Job's Daughters, Rainbow for girls and DeMolay for boys, was a joy to attend. The entertainment provided by the Rhythmic Choir Assembly from Belfast, Maine and the Ohio Youth Choir was outstanding.

We were pleased when Past Grand Matron, Virginia M. Painter from Connecticut, was elected Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Past Grand Patron. Brother David J. Miller from Indiana, was elected Right Worthy Grand Sentinel. Thank you Sister Mabel for honoring Delaware by appointing our own Past Grand Matron, Sister Eliza Crossland as a member of the Charters Committee. Sister Eliza's joy knew no bounds when the Most Worshipful, Past Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, Brother Henry Snedeker, drove from Florida to escort Sister Eliza for introduction.

It was good to be headed home again. Though tired, we were happy, richer in knowledge and friendships made. The weather was bad, but we relaxed and let our bus driver do the work. He was a prince among men.

A special thank you to Past Grand Matron, Sister Ellen Gregg, for assuming the leadership of the Grand Chapter during my absence from the jurisdiction; to Sister Ruth Betty, for planning the bus trip, and for the \$50.00 you gave me for Estar!; to Sister Edith Shinn for making our banquet reservations; to Sister Margaret Wicks for providing us with our credentials and to Sister Eleanor Allione for looking in on Bill at the hospital while I was gone.

I am indeed grateful to my Grand Marshal, Sister Catherine Ruston, for accompanying me to the Assembly in the absence of my husband. I hope the trip was as rewarding to her as it was memorable for me.

Respectfully submitted,

Thirza P. Hall
Worthy Grand Matron

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. In the interest of printing cost, I recommend the Fraternal Correspondent eliminate, in her report, the description of the East of each Jurisdiction Grand Session.
2. An annual assessment of \$1.00 per member. Assessment notice to be provided by the Grand Secretary and sent out by the Subordinate Chapter Secretary with the Annual Dues Notice.

3. That the Contingent Fund for Sessions Chairman and Hospitality Chairman be increased.
4. Altar be draped for members of no lesser rank than Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron.
5. That the Constitution and By-laws Committee and/or the Jurisprudence Committee formulate a set of guidelines to be followed in the appointment of a Parliamentarian so the Worthy Grand Matron can comply with a motion adopted by this Grand Body on May 10, 1976.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

1977

- April 25 —Attended the Grand Sessions of Maryland in Baltimore. It was my honor to respond to the welcome for the visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons at the Formal Opening.
- April 26 --Substituted as Star Point Esther at Laurel Chapter Stated Meeting.
- April 27 --Attended the 49th Birthday Party of Frankford Chapter No. 12.
- April 29 --Was a guest at the Grand Bethel Family Dinner, held in Wilmington.
- May 1 —Attended the Grand Officers Dinner and Birthday Party for the Worthy Grand Matron at the Blue Coat Inn, in Dover.
- May 5 —Attended the 57th Birthday Party of Sussex Chapter No. 7. I received a donation of \$15.00 from the Worthy Matron, Sister Esther Melvin and the Worthy Patron, Brother William Bryant, which was turned over to the Grand Secretary.
- May 7 —Attended the Annual Banquet given by the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, honoring the Grand Officers at Nur Temple.
- May 8 —Attended a brunch, in Green Room, Hotel duPont, honoring distinguished guests.
- Accompanied some of the distinguished guests to Longwood Gardens.
- Attended Memorial Services at First and Central Presbyterian Church.
- Attended the reception honoring the distinguished guests, also the reception for the Grand Representatives.

With fraternal love,

THIRZA P. HALL
Worthy Grand Matron

A motion was made by Sister Thirza P. Hall, W.G.M. that the Report of the General Grand Chapter Assembly, all recommendations, and the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron be accepted in its entirety and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Sister Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee. Motion adopted.

OUR FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS

The following Fifty Year Members were invited to assemble in the West:

Delaware Chapter No. 1	Miss Edith M. Weyl
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	Mrs. Mildred J. Warburton*
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Mrs. Vesta Ellis Mrs. Louise Phillips Mrs. Bertha Welch Mr. Charles Welch
Newark Chapter No. 10	Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer
Kent Chapter No. 11	Mrs. Elizabeth Jane West Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers Mrs. Mattie N. Fleming
Unity Chapter No. 16	Mrs. Bertha F. Foord

*Indicates those present.

Brother Harry A. Moore, P.G.P. sang "The Family of God".

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Dear Sisters and Brother, Fifty Years ago each of you became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and made these few moments of our Grand Chapter possible. That you came here "of your own free choice" and have remained so, to assist in its growth and prosperity, is in itself a tribute to our beautiful Order. You are an inspiration to us and we are especially happy to welcome you here today. Our sincere congratulations and we wish for you continued blessings—"rich, abounding and eternal".

The sun be warm and kind to you,
The darkest night, some Star shine through
The dullest morn a radiance brew,
And when dusk comes—God's hand to you.

The Worthy Grand Patron also welcomed the 50-Year Members.

Sister Mildred Warburton was escorted to the Grand East and presented with a Life Member Certificate.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Just a short year ago, I was most grateful and honored to accept from you the highest office you can bestow upon a brother. I was aware that with privileges come many responsibilities. I have done my best and hope you have not been disappointed.

DEDICATION

To my dear wife, Ruth, Past Grand Matron, and to the members of my Chapter, Five Points No. 13, for the love, loyalty and support that has helped to pave my pathway to this honored office.

I thank you for giving me the honor of assisting a most gracious and efficient lady, our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza.

It has been my pleasure to visit all subordinate chapters, to socialize with the members, meeting old friends and making new ones.

I was happy to attend the school of instruction held by our Worthy Grand Matron in Dover.

It was my honor and privilege to attend all of the Official Visits at which time I received honorary memberships from 18 chapters. These are gifts that can't be bought or replaced. I will do my best to be worthy of the confidence you have placed in me. Thanks from the bottom of my heart for making me one of you.

It was indeed an honor to assist our Worthy Grand Matron in the installation of 8 chapters.

BANQUETS

Many thanks to all subordinate chapters for inviting me to be your guest at your banquet. Due to the Hawaiian trip, I was unable to attend Radiant #6 and Esther #17, and due to conflicting dates, was unable to attend Ruth #19. I do regret this very much.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Due to illness I was unable to attend the Birthday Party of Georgetown #9. I am thankful to our Heavenly Father I was privileged to attend all other chapters when they celebrated their Birthday. Many thanks to all subordinate chapters for the most gracious welcomes, gifts and all courtesies extended to me.

SPECIAL EVENTS

It was an honor to attend the lovely reception given our Worthy Grand Matron by her home Chapter, Laurel No. 18. I was also honored by my home Chapter, Five Points #13, with a most beautiful reception. You're a great gang and I love you all!

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Past Grand Patron, Brother Bill, Past Grand Matron, Sister Ruth, and I were privileged to attend the Grand Chapter Session of South Carolina. We had a marvelous visit with those folks. Their hospitality was superb and we enjoyed their business sessions. Thank you South Carolina for everything.

It was a pleasure to attend Port Deposit, Havre de Grace, Chestertown and Elkton chapters in Maryland when their Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Pauline and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Frank made their Official Visits. Our Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers joined us. It was also a happy occasion when we attended a reception for Brother Frank Talley given by his own Port Deposit Chapter. There were 35 from Delaware in attendance.

It was a privilege and an honor to be asked to have a part in the Triennial held in Cleveland, Ohio. The greatest honor of all was to carry our own State flag. I also had the privilege of serving as a Guard. It was a beautiful experience and one I shall never forget.

The Worthy Grand Matron and I were so very happy with the attendance at our picnic in July held at Sister Thirza and Brother Bill's beach home. We were pleased with the attendance for our Christmas Party held in the Laurel Chapter Room.

DeMOLAY & JOB'S DAUGHTERS

In June of last year we were happy to attend the installation of the State Master Councilor of DeMolay. It was a beautiful ceremony and we enjoyed it so much.

We also attended the closing session and installation of new officers of the Grand Guardian Council of Job's Daughters at which time I received an Honorary Membership. It has been an honor and a pleasure to attend several Bethels when the Grand Guardian Council Officers made their Official Visit and some of the Bethels on their Masonic and Eastern Star night. Many thanks for the most precious gifts of all—the honor of receiving Honorary Memberships in some of these Bethels. It was an added pleasure to be a guest of Miss Job's Daughters Pageant. It was a most inspiring evening.

APPRECIATION

Where does one find words to express appreciation to so many for so much. You all have helped to make it a wonderful year.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, it has been a privilege to share the Grand East with you. You have given freely of your time to perform the duties of your high office in a dignified and yet most friendly manner. Our beautiful Order cannot help but be better for your year of service. Sister Ruth and I will always treasure the memories of many happy associations with you and your Grand Husband, Brother Bill.

To the "best-ever" Grand Family, many thanks for everything you have done individually and collectively, to make this past year a most memorable and happy one for me. A special thanks for the beautiful surprise party you gave me on my birthday.

To the Past Grands, to whom this Grand Chapter owes so much, a grateful thanks for your friendships, advice and constructive criticism which has meant so much to me over the years. I hope I am worthy of a small place in your line.

A special thank you to the members of the various committees, the unsung heroes and heroines of our Order. The numerous details entrusted to your care were, as usual, handled well.

My sincere thanks to the members of my own home chapter, Five Points #13, whose continued interest and support have added much to this, one of the happiest years of my life. You are wonderful and I love you all.

To the sisters and brothers of all subordinate chapters, the real backbone of our Order, thanks for the privilege of serving as your Worthy Grand Patron. I have at all times tried to give my best to the duties of the position. You are the judges of how good that "best" has been.

Finally, to my devoted wife, your love, interest and support have contributed much to my year in the East. It has also been a joy to have you accompany me at all times.

CONTINGENT FUND

A report of my \$50.00 contingent fund has been filed with the Grand Trustees.

CONCLUSION

In a few short hours another Grand Chapter year will have become history. The dawn of a New Year lies just ahead. Whether our year has been one of success or failure is for you to judge. This year has given me many friends for which I am most grateful.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN B. BETTY

Worthy Grand Patron

A motion was made by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P., that the Report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary. Motion adopted.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

- April 19, 1977 —Attended regular meeting of Kennett Square Chapter, O.E.S., Kennett Square, Pennsylvania
- April 22, 1977 —Attended funeral of William J. Crosby, a member of St. John's Chapter #4, O.E.S.
- April 25, 1977 —Attended Formal Opening of Maryland Grand Chapter Session
- April 27, 1977 —Attended Birthday Party of Frankford Chapter #12, O.E.S.
- May 1, 1977 —Attended Grand Family Banquet at Blue Coat Inn, Dover, Delaware
- May 5, 1977 —Attended Birthday Party of Sussex Chapter #7, O.E.S.

JOHN B. BETTY

Worthy Grand Patron

A motion was made by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P., that the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

We, your Grand Trustees, have audited the books of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer and found them correct. Both sets of books were kept in an orderly and business-like manner for which we congratulate them.

Furniture and paraphernalia of the Grand Chapter:—

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| 2 Traveling Badges in possession of the presiding Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, also Grand Officers badges | |
| 1 Metal Gavel—in possession of Presiding Worthy Grand Matron | |
| 1 Steel Safe | 1 Steel Filing Cabinet |
| 3 Utility Cabinets | 7 Drawer File Cabinets |
| 1 Brief Case | 2 O.E.S. Seals of Delaware |
| 1 Typewriter | 1 Adding Machine |
| 1 Wooden Gavel | 1 Charter |
| 1 Altar Bible | 2 Small Bibles |
| Altar Drape | 1 American Flag |
| 1 Christian Flag | 1 State Flag |
| 1 O.E.S. Flag | Subordinate Chapter Supplies |
| 1 "307" Copier | 1 Typewriter Table |
| | 1 Tape Recorder |
| 2 Sets Bound Proceedings from the year 1922 to date. One set in possession of the Worthy Grand Matron and one set in the Grand Secretary's Office. | |

Photostatic Copy of Charter

- 1 New Past Grand Matron's Jewel used for a model
- 2 Past Grand Patron's Jewels. (John Frederick, C. Herbert Neutze)
These jewels are in the safe deposit box, plus Photostatic Copy of the Charter, Wilmington Trust Company, 10th and Market Sts., Wilmington, Delaware

The Grand Secretary has purchased a typewriter table, five card file cases and tape recorder this year; all were approved by the Worthy Grand Matron and Patron, also the three Grand Trustees.

It is well to note our Grand Secretary saves us considerable money in postage by delivering most of the necessary mail in person, for which we thank her.

Also at this time we would like to acknowledge the Brother in previous years and this year the Sister who has done all the copying of the budget which each voting member receives when registering; there has been

other copying needed this year also. This has taken time and effort on their part and has saved this Grand Chapter money by so doing. We thank them.

As Chairman of the Grand Trustees with the approval of the other two Grand Trustees, I visited Mr. Baker, the printer who has been printing our proceedings the last few years. The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza Hall and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John Betty joined me, to try to find a way to cut costs and condense our annual Proceedings. Our proceedings each year is growing in pages which makes the cost go up as our cost is based on the number of pages.

Mr. Baker told us by using the size print as in the back of this year's proceedings that has the Chapters and the names of the members, we could save one page out of every three.

This year, for instance, would have been 200 pages instead of 300 (roughly), a savings of around \$950.00. It is the same print that the Grand Lodge of Masons uses and is very readable.

He suggested also we could use the glossy paper as the Grand Lodge uses. This type paper is found in the front of this year's proceedings which is used for the pictures. This paper is much easier to work with, the printing stands out much better and a few cents cheaper per pound. It would be well if all chairmen of the various committees make their reports short and to the point to cut the number of pages which has to be printed.

No. 1 We recommend in the future that the printer use the smaller print and paper as described above and that he spaces the lines to his discretion. You are all aware of the financial struggle we have been going thru these past years. Luckily this year with the efforts of the Worthy Grand Matron with her two projects, which netted over \$3,300.00 we are in the black with about \$500.00 to the good. We feel this should not be the total responsibility of the Worthy Grand Matron each year to balance the budget as she has a busy year without this problem.

No. 2 Therefore, we recommend the Per Capita tax be increased \$1.00 a member per year.

Pauline P. Davis, Chairman
Jeanette H. Gutzke
J. Baptist Milano

A motion was made by Sister Pauline P. Davis, Grand Trustee, that this report be printed in its entirety and the recommendations complied with. Seconded by Sister Bessie M. Warrington, P.G.M. Motion adopted.

Sister Mary Bevis, P.G.M., stated that the recommendations needed a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote to pass. Since there was a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the voting delegates present, these recommendations will be complied with.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from labor to recess at 3 P. M., to reconvene at 8:00 P. M. Informal Opening will be at 6:30 P. M.

INFORMAL OPENING
MONDAY EVENING - 6:30 P. M.

The Informal Opening of the "Pathway to the Stars" Session was called to Order by Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M., Sessions Chairman.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen. How pleasant it is to have so many members and friends of Eastern Star attend this Informal Opening. As many of you know, this is the time when we welcome our civic leaders, fraternal leaders, non-members and friends. We thank each of you for being with us.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron is being escorted by the Hospitality Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Edith C. Galloway, and our Most Worthy Grand Patron, by the Co-Chairman of Hospitality, Past Grand Patron, Carl E. Olliver.

It is now my honor and pleasure to present to you the Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of the Providence on Ontario, Mrs. Mabel L. Mackereth and the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. William E. George, also Past Grand Patron of Arkansas.

Sister Mabel and Brother Bill, the First State welcomes you. As we Delawareans often say, "We're small, but mighty". We do hope you enjoy every minute you are with us and when your visit ends, we hope we have proven this with our hospitality and the outstanding reports of our projects.

Our own General Grand Chapter Committee Member is escorted by Pearl Austin and Gail Reilly.

It is an honor and pleasure to present Past Grand Matron, Miss Eliza L. Crossland, our own General Grand Chapter Committee Member.

Now, Mr. Claude Husted will introduce our Grand Officers and their Escorts.

Grand Sentinel, Bro. A. Warren Wheatley, escorted by Renee Young.

Grand Warder, Sis. Frann Hutchison, escorted by Edna Alfree

Grand Electa, Sis. Margaret Rugg, escorted by Hazel Rhodes.

Grand Martha, Sis. Phyllis Thomas, escorted by Gay Huston.

Grand Esther, Sis. Etta Marine, escorted by Mary Boltz.

Grand Ruth, Sis. Lena Lee, escorted by Bonnie Jester.

Grand Adah, Sis. Margaret Keith, escorted by Mary Ann Campbell.

Grand Organist, Sis. Rena Morgan, escorted by Doris Corrigan.

Grand Marshal, Sis. Catherine Ruston, escorted by Lyda Niblett

Grand Chaplain, Sis. Jean Thornett, escorted by Phyllis Carmean.

Grand Trustee, Sis. Pauline Davis, escorted by Geraldine Harmon.

Grand Trustee, Bro. J. Baptist Milano, escorted by Christine Cannon.

Grand Trustee, Sis. Jeanette Gutzke, escorted by Virginia Timmons.

Grand Trustee Emeritus, Bro. J. Nelson Abbott, escorted by Edna Alfree.

Grand Lecturer, Sis. Cynthis Lewis, escorted by Carole Noble.

Assoc. Grand Conductress, Sis. Phyllis Ann Stewart, escorted by Linda Good.

Grand Conductress, Sis. Betsy Ann Conner, escorted by Betty LaPorte.

Grand Treasurer, Sis. Betty Loeffel, escorted by Madalyn Seymour.

Grand Secretary, Sis. Margaret Wicks, escorted by Catherine Mason.

Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sis. May M. Warrington, escorted by Hazel Rhodes.

Associate Grand Patron, Bro. George Bogart, escorted by Margaret Mills.

Associate Grand Matron, Sis. Ethelene Krauss, escorted by Jean DeGraw.

Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. John Betty, escorted by his wife, Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Thirza Hall, escorted by her husband, William E. Hall, P.G.P., and her son, William E. Hall, Jr.

ENTRANCE OF THE FLAGS

The flags were carried by members of the Eastern Star and their escorts were members of Job's Daughters and DeMolay.

American Flag, Ralph E. Baker, Past Patron, escorted by Karen Palmer, Honored Queen of Bethel No. 3 and Frederick W. Dutton, Master Councilor, Gunning Bedford Chapter.

Canadian Flag, William T. Bryant, Worthy Patron, escorted by Allison Jill Mitchell, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 5 and Paul W. Townsend, Master Councilor, Wilmington Chapter.

Delaware State Flag, Owen Hopley, Worthy Patron, escorted by Debbie France, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 9 and Thomas W. Ferriola, Master Councilor, Newport Chapter.

Arkansas Flag, Sidney C. Hurley, Worthy Patron, escorted by Joy Oakley, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 7 and William E. DeGraffenreid, Master Councilor, Kent Chapter.

Christian Flag, Griffith Jordan, Worthy Patron, escorted by Mary Alice Massey, Honored Queen, Bethel No. 10 and Ray Ellis Edmanson, Past Master Councilor, Robert S. Gallaher Chapter.

Eastern Star Flag, E. Watson Day, Worthy Patron, escorted by Jean Townsend, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 12 and Jeffrey Wayne Kitchen, Past Master Councilor, Newport Chapter.

TRIBUTE TO "PATHWAY TO THE STARS" SESSION

Directed by Gloria Piergalline, P.M.

Accompanist, Adelaide Martin, P.G.M.

The Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Jr. Past Matrons, and Jr. Past Patrons formed a "Pathway" and "Stars" in their tribute to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The Worthy Matrons and Jr. Past Matrons were attired in different colored dresses to represent the five colors of our emblematic star.

SISTER GLORIA PIERGALLINE:

In checking definitions for the words that I just used
I found that, when I first looked, I really was confused.
Webster tells us that a **pathway** is a walk for people's feet
Through a garden or a forest or a park all nice and neat;
A trail—as through a wilderness—for a pathfinder to find
Or blaze or make a new one—just to help out all mankind.

Now a **star's** a heavenly body seen as a small fixed point of light
In the sky of course (we know that) and usually at night!
It can be a moon, or planet, or a meteor, so they say;
But obviously these things must all be very far away.

Yet a **pathway** is for walking, just for ordinary men!
Well, a **Pathway to the Stars** must be something else again.
Pathway—"A manner of conduct or procedure" (I'm so dense)
But wait a minute now! This is beginning to make sense
Yes, **Star** means "destiny or fortune", a goal for which to reach.
I knew it, I'm a genius! I'll go somewhere to teach.
The greatest star of all time was the Star of Bethlehem
Which led mankind to Jesus—changing the destiny of men.

So the **Pathway to the Stars** must be the way that we must go
To thank Him for His love and death for us so long ago.
Faithful, constant, loyal—all of these we have to be.
Let's not be like Peter or Judas who were lacking in these three.
With Martha's Faith and Trust in Him there's nothing we can't do.
No goal too far, no star too high, for He will see us through.

And **love** is the key to all things—Love for God and our fellowmen.
For love is an endless circle. This we discover again and again
Everyone must build his own pathway, if he would reach his star.
It takes a lifetime of service, but with faith you can go far.
So blaze your trail to glory (It might be kind of fun.)
And end up with The Master and hear Him say "Well done!"

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

It is a most rewarding pleasure to introduce one of our Estarl recipients and the son-in-law of one of my committee members, Mr. Raymond Hopkins III, who will give the invocation.

MR. RAYMOND HOPKINS:

Let us be in the Spirit of Prayer. Holy God, we are a gathered group of people from many parts of this Country and of other Countries. We thank You for this time of togetherness in this joint effort of Eastern Star. We know Your blessings to be many and we ask them to shower upon this group, but at the same time, we ask that our eyes not be opened to those things which are around us; those that may be less fortunate than us, and yet be able to still see them in all the life and love that surrounds us, continue in our work as we go forth in this life. We say these things through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

We regret that due to conflicting dates, our Governor, the Honorable Pierre S. duPont, IV, is unable to be with us. However, he will be represented by Mrs. Lydia R. Boyer, Secretary, Department of Administrative Services.

MRS. LYDIA R. BOYER:

Ladies and Gentlemen. It is indeed a great honor for me to have been asked by Governor duPont to represent him here this evening—the Delaware Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. An organization of such worthy tradition, such noble service—I am indeed humble to be able to represent our State Administration at this Session this evening. I hope that Governor duPont's message to all the citizens that he could look to you, to organizations of people who have served and that he and indeed his Administration can have an example in their service to the people of the State of Delaware.

I understand that we are all indeed honored to have the presence here this evening of two very distinguished guests, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mabel Mackereth, of Ontario, Canada, and the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. William E. George of Little Rock, Arkansas. Governor duPont, as a gesture of friendship to our distinguished guests from Canada and Arkansas asked that I extend to them an Honorary Citizenship of the State of Delaware. We hope that they will enjoy our hospitality; that their fine example will lead us further in service to others. Therefore, to Mrs. Mabel L. Mackereth, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, is and hereafter shall be declared an Honorary Citizen of the State of Delaware.

SISTER MABEL L. MACKERETH:

Thank you very, very much for this very nice courtesy. I do appreciate this courtesy very much and I will probably say more about it tomorrow when I speak to the Assembly. It was very nice of you to make this lovely presentation and I'm humble in my gratitude. I can assure you. I have said before many times, if you expect and don't receive, you're unhappy; but when you don't expect and you do receive, you're very happy—so I'm very happy. Thank you.

MRS. BOYER:

Mr. George, I hope that you indeed will also be honored to Honorary Citizenship in our State. Mr. William E. George, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Order of the Eastern Star, is and hereafter shall be declared an Honorary Citizen of the State of Delaware.

BROTHER WILLIAM E. GEORGE:

This is an unexpected pleasure and I'm grateful to you and the great State of Delaware for this courtesy. Thank you.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

We are pleased to have the Mayor of the City of Wilmington, the Honorable William T. McLaughlin, with us. We do thank him for taking time from his busy schedule to bring us greetings.

WILLIAM T. McLAUGHLIN:

As Mayor of the City of Wilmington, I, of course, want to welcome the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. I have been here before—I represented the Mayor on one occasion several years ago and it has always been a promise of mine that anytime anything had to do with this organization or the Shriners, because of their dedication to people all over America, I would not miss it. There's one little mistake I made. I was invited last Saturday a week ago to ride the elephant in the Shriner's Circus and I did pretty well. But after I was on top of it and the camera started to flash, I realized then that it was a heck of a place for a Democrat to be!

However, being Mrs. Mackereth and Mr. George are now Honorary Citizens of Delaware, I do have something for them also. Mrs. Mackereth, I would like to present you with this pin that is symbolic of the key to the City of Wilmington. I hope you will wear it in good health.

SISTER MACKERETH:

That is very, very nice of you. Once again, I'm happy!

MAYOR McLAUGHLIN:

Mr. George, this is a set of cuff links with the emblem of the City of Wilmington on them and symbolic also of the key to the City of Wilmington. I wish that you will wear them in good health also.

BROTHER GEORGE:

Thank you and I assure you I will wear them with pride in your city.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Eastern Star is proud of its heritage and of our fraternal leaders. Now it is my honor to present Most Worshipful Edward H. Pollock, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Delaware, A.F. & A.M.

EDWARD H. POLLOCK:

Distinguished and Honorable guests all, Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the Eastern Star. It certainly is a distinct pleasure to be invited to be with you this evening and on behalf of the 9,000 plus Masons in our great State of Delaware, I bring you fraternal greetings and our joyful wishes that your sessions be rewarding. Those who are here from other jurisdictions, other countries, we welcome you to the great "little" State of Delaware, our City of Wilmington, and our Hotel DuPont Gold Ballroom. We apologize for the weather—I certainly shall speak to the Grand Chaplain about that. If any of you know where I can get a Grand Chaplain, we may just have a new one! However, I do believe that the warm hospitality of the ladies of the Eastern Star of the State of Delaware will certainly overcome any deficiency in our weather.

I have on occasion, crossed paths with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and on each and every occasion it has been at our young ladies meetings—those of Job's Daughters. So I know you ladies who are sitting here and our Masons are 100% behind our young people, and we shall endeavor to keep it that way. I would like to leave just a word with you of the Eastern Star and those Masons who have come into Delaware from other jurisdictions—if you could see in your life to take 3 hours out of the 365 days of the year and visit our Job's Daughters or our Chapters of DeMolay—I don't think that's asking too much. They certainly don't need your monetary support. They need your physical support—you being there in person. When you come away from those meetings, you'll be most exhilarated yourself. You will be bursting with pride—I know I have, and I feel sure that you will.

I would like to leave you with this thought as you go to your various homes and it's in the form of ten 2-letter words—"If it is to be, it's up to me." God bless you, have a safe journey home and a fine Session. Thank you.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

The Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware has for many years assisted the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia, and the past several

years the Burns Institute through our annual Summer Benefit for Handicapped Children held at the Shrine Club. It is with pleasure I present the Illustrious Allan M. Wrang, Potentate of Nur Temple.

ALLAN M. WRANG:

Thank you for the acknowledgements and the introduction. You know, I got a certificate from the Governor once—not a certificate of Honorary Citizenship—it was one of Ordinary Citizenship and when I got a pair of cuff links from the Mayor of the City of Wilmington, they were to wear around both wrists.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Honored Guests, Brothers and Sisters all. It is a pleasure for me to be here this evening. I bring you greetings from all the Shriners of Delaware. As you know the Eastern Star holds a particularly soft spot in my heart because I have dedicated my life, I feel like I have dedicated my life, to the helping of the children in the Shrine hospitals and these ladies, young girls and boys, Job's and DeMolay, go along with us and help us 100%. And I want to thank them all for their contributions and their help. Thank you once again for inviting me here this evening.

The Worthy Grand Matron presented Mr. Wrang with a small check to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

The next person to bring remarks is Robert C. Nibblett, Past Grand Tall Cedar of Brandywine Forest No. 20 and Supreme Director and Chairman for the Tall Cedar Foundation, which most of us know is Muscular Dystrophy.

ROBERT C. NIBBLETT:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Mayor McLaughlin, Illustrious Potentate, Most Worshipful Grand Master, all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers all.

It is indeed an honor to address you again as a representative of the Tall Cedars. The Tall Cedars of North America set a new goal this year. We are trying to raise \$200,000 in 1977 to help beat the dreaded disease, Muscular Dystrophy. As Chairman of the Tall Cedar Foundation of North America, it is my job to try and reach this goal.

The Eastern Star has been raising money for crippled children for years and I am quite proud to be a member, not only because of what they did to help the Tall Cedars with M.D., but with all of their accomplishments. They all work very hard to raise this money and it shows in the things they do for crippled children. I don't know what all of their charities are this year, but I do know one and that is to help beat M.D. I must say I was speechless when they presented our Grand Tall Cedar with \$1,000 to help the M.D. Children. It is things like this that make my job a rewarding one. At this time, Worthy Grand Matron, I would like to present you with this certificate of contribution from the Supreme Forest. A token of our appreciation and my heartfelt thanks.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Our youth groups will now bring greetings.

May I present, Deborah Alford Doelze, Grand Bethel Honored Queen, International Order of Job's Daughters.

DEBORAH ALFORD DOELZE:

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Hall, Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Betty and members of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware. I would like to thank you for your invitation to attend this opening ceremony of your Annual Session. The Job's Daughters in Delaware have been very fortunate this year, as Mrs. Hall and Mr. Betty have traveled throughout the State visiting our Bethels. It is very important that these young girls are so impressed with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for they are indeed the future members of our Grand Bethel, our Bethel Guardian Councils and possibly future members of the Order of the Eastern Star. These young girls and young women are the lifeblood of our organizations, and it is good that they have come to know the friendly faces of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and also our terrific Worshipful Grand Master.

We thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of all the Job's Daughters in Delaware for their support and love. Thank you.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

I now present Eddie Tryon, Senior Councilor of DeMolay.

EDDIE TRYON:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and all Distinguished Guests. I bring you greetings from the Delaware State Association of DeMolay Chapters. It is indeed a privilege to be present at this 56th Annual Session, Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

I would like at this time to thank the Grand Chapter of Delaware and all the subordinate Chapters of Eastern Star for their never-ending support of DeMolay. It has been and still is greatly and deeply appreciated.

In closing, I would like to extend DeMolay's best wishes to the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, for a most joyful and productive session. Thank you.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Claude Husted, Superintendent of the Masonic Home will bring greetings on behalf of the Masonic Home of Delaware.

CLAUDE HUSTED:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished East, Honored Guests, Sisters and Brothers.

I deem it a high honor to be given the opportunity to briefly address this most distinguished assemblage. Thus I am afforded a chance to thank everyone of the Star for all the things they do for the Masonic Home and it's guests.

Speaking on behalf of The Board of Managers, my wife Betty and myself. . . . I offer a heartfelt "Thank you" for your love and generosity. . . . as expressed in your many parties, church services, gifts to the guests and providing furniture for the guest rooms.

Next a report on the Eastern Star Arts and Crafts program....since 1974 when it was launched by Past Grand Matron, Mildred Wooten, it has provided much needed therapy for many of our guests. Under the guidance of our program leader Mrs. Thelma Searles, the program remains one of the bright spots in our weekly routine. I also would like to thank the many volunteers who have given their time on Friday mornings to help with the program.

Finally, I'd like to extend an invitation for all of you to attend Grand Lodge Day, on Saturday, June 4th, at 2 P.M., on the grounds of the home at 4800 Lancaster Pike.

Again...thank you...and God bless all of you for your kindness and good works.

PRESENTATION OF THE ESTARL AWARDS

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, members and friends of this Grand Chapter.

For those who are not familiar with our Estarl Program, the word Estarl means Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership.

The Grand Chapter Estarl Committee, which I represent as the chairman, grants scholarship awards to students who are preparing for their life work in various fields of Religious Training including Ministers, Missionaries, Directors of Church Music, Directors of Religious Education and Directors of Youth Leadership.

The funds for these scholarships are received from the twenty subordinate chapters, from memorials and at times from projects of the Worthy Grand Matron.

This year, we have received an unusually large number of requests for scholarships. Four scholarships were awarded last summer after the close of the Grand Chapter. Tonight it is my pleasure to award 10 scholarships including three new ones. The scholarships that were approved on May 2, 1977, for the 1977-78 collegiate year are:

Raymond Hopkins—6th Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary	
Clayton Jacob Hunt—6th Award	\$500.00
Temple Theological Seminary	
Catherine McElroy—3rd Award	\$500.00
Union Theological Seminary	
Carolyn Swift—2nd Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary	
Linda Spicer—2nd Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary	
Mark Henrickson—2nd Award	\$500.00
Eastern Divinity School	
Ellis Carpenter—2nd Award	\$400.00
Asbury College	

NEW AWARDS

Richard May—1st Award \$500.00
Second year at Virginia Theological Seminary

William Stanley Downing—1st Award \$500.00
Entering Wesley Theological Seminary

Incidentally, awards were given in 1963 and 1964 to The Rev. Paul I. Downing, who is the father of William Downing.

Lynn Arnold—1st Award \$500.00
Entering Princeton Theological Seminary

Lynn Arnold hopes to become a Chaplain in the U. S. Navy.

The amount of the awards which I have just announced totals \$4900.

We are pleased to have Raymond Hopkins, Lynn Arnold, and William Stanley Downing with us this evening.

Worthy Grand Matron, I wish to thank you for the privilege of announcing these awards.

Ross M. Lanius

Chairman Estarl Committee

Sister Effie Marvonek sang "Pathway to the Stars".

REPORT OF THE 1976 SUMMER BENEFIT

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished guests, members and friends of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

It is with grateful hearts that my Co-Chairman, Sister Virginia Timmons, and I bring you the report of the 1976 Summer Benefit for Handicapped Children held on Saturday, June 26, 1976, at the Mosque of Nur Temple.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Board of Nur Temple for granting us free use of their building and facilities; to Brother and Noble Bob Nibblett, Past Grand Tall Cedar, for volunteering for house duty and giving so freely of his time; and to Noble Dave Cochran, Past Potentate, who so willingly fried 2500 pieces of chicken for our dinners, 1501 of which were served.

A special thank you is also due to Sister Marjorie and Brother Alex Chris, Chairman and Co-Chairman of the sandwich bar, and all who assisted them by donating time or food. Incidentally, all food and supplies used at the sandwich bar were donated. In addition, Brother Alex donated and cooked approximately 500 servings of pudding.

We held a committee meeting at Five Points Chapter after their reception for the Worthy Grand Patron, Jack Betty. A letter was then sent to each subordinate chapter requesting that the Worthy Matrons each have a bazaar table, that each chapter furnish a door prize, four waitresses for the dining room, the Worthy Patrons to assist Chairman Ralph Baker with the parking, and the Associate Patrons to assist Grand Sentinel, Warren Wheatley, with the clean-up. As always, everyone responded very willingly and capably.

The dining room ran very smoothly under the supervision of Sister Mildred Wootten; and my Co-Chairman, Sister Virginia Timmons, had the assistance of a really superb crew in the kitchen.

This year, the Worthy Grand Matron requested that Sister Virginia and I also serve as Chairman and Co-Chairman of the printed program for handicapped children. It, too, was very successful and we extend heartfelt thanks to all our co-workers. Although, I will not take the time to read them at this time, a list of the Chapter chairmen, as well as the results of each Chapter's efforts, are attached as part of this report and will be printed in the Proceedings.

My Sisters and Brothers, there are so many of you to whom we owe so much for the success of this Summer Benefit, and we are deeply grateful to all of you. May you feel repaid for your efforts when I tell you how the money was spent, for you have put love not into words but into deeds. God bless you all.

Profit from Summer Benefit	\$ 6,428.40
Profit from Printed Program	5,783.10
Interest from WSFS	470.82

Total Profit \$12,682.32

Disbursed as follows:

Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children (Philadelphia)	\$ 2,500.00
Shriners Hospital for Severely Burned Children (Boston)	2,000.00
Tall Cedars of Lebanon (Muscular Dystrophy)	1,000.00
Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia (Cardiac Research 11-49)	400.00
Gov. Bacon Health Center (Christmas Gifts for Children)	350.00
Camp Barnes (Camperships for Handicapped Children)	1,000.00
Kyle Weber (5 years old) Wilmington (Wheel Chair)	190.40
Danny Bowers (10 years old) New Castle (Wheel Chair)	311.20
Easter Seal Society (For Crippled Children)	50.00
National Multiple Sclerosis Society (Kent County Unit)	100.00
Spina Bifida Associaion of Delaware (Birth Defect)	400.00
Stephen Russell (15 years old) New Castle (Special Eye Lens)	79.50
Meadowood School—Stanton (Greenhouse and Ceramics Program) ..	175.00
Lake Forest South Elementary School—Harrington (Reading Books and Matching Cassettes)	600.00
Margaret Sterck School for Hearing Impaired—Newark (Trampoline)	695.00
Charles W. Bush School—Wilmington (Greenhouse and Vegetable Garden Supplies)	220.00
Audiology & Speech Program—Wilmington Medical Center (Childrens Hearing Aid and Training Program)	390.00
Delaware Diabetes Association (2 weeks Campership for Diabetic Child to Camp Firefly)	275.00
Delaware Association for the Blind (Record Player and Exercise Records for Sunnybrook Camp) ..	302.00
National Hemophilia Association (2 weeks Campership for Child) ..	160.00
John G. Leach School—New Castle (Supplies for a Photography Course)	350.00
Kenneth Lofland (16 years old) Stockley (Wheel Chair)	289.50
Amy Massey (5 months old) Laurel (Special Contact Lens)	400.00
Aaron Brown (10 years old) Symonds Gardens (Wheel Chair)	415.20
Cancer Research (Balance)	29.52
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We are sure you will all give to Sister Vada Lockerman, our 1977 General Chairman, your loving support. We wish her much success.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, you truly brought joy to our hearts when you appointed us to this rewarding committee.

With Fraternal Love,

Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M.
General Chairman

E. Virginia Timmons, P.M.
Co-Chairman

O.E.S. 1976 SUMMER BENEFIT

RECEIPTS

Tickets (1814 @ \$2.00 each)	\$ 3,628.00
Worthy Grand Matron's Project (Watch)	219.00
Chapter Bazaar Tables	2,864.73
Chapter Projects	681.80
Sandwich Bar	238.00
Chicken livers	30.50
Chicken	160.95
Pies	41.80
Rolls	16.00
Iced Tea	1.80
Lemons	6.75
Hot Dogs	3.00
Tea Bags	1.67
Sugar	2.00
Donations	7.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 7,903.00

EXPENDITURES

Chicken (1509 lbs. @ 47¢)	\$ 709.23
Fulton Paper	186.20
Scott Paper—Towels	28.00
Silverside Dairy (milk)	25.00
Eckerd's Drug (salt & peppers)	3.90
2 Dishwashers (@ \$20.00 each)	40.00
Huber Baking Co. (rolls)	78.77
Mrs. Smith's Pies	246.50
Cannon's (string beans)	64.00
Dave Cochran (cooking oil)	93.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,474.50

PROFIT

\$ 6,428.40

RECEIPTS FROM PRINTED PROGRAM	\$ 9,862.10
BAKER PRINTING	4,079.00
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PROFIT	5,783.10
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Interest from WSFS	\$12,211.50
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GROSS PROFIT	\$12,682.32

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Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M., Chairman
E. Virginia Timmons, P.M., Co-Chairman

SUBORDINATE CHAPTER CHAIRMEN

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1	Edith DeLacy
MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2	Margaret Wood
JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3	Florence Schroeder
ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4	Edward Willis
ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5	Charles Betts
RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6	Edward LaPorte
SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7	Robert Glime
CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8	Kathryn R. Crompton
GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9	Margarette Webb
NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10	Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M.
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FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12	Calvin Wahl
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NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20	Sheldon Edwards

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CHAPTER	ADS	BOOSTERS	DONATIONS	TOTAL
Delaware #1	\$ 223.00	\$ 151.00	\$ —	\$ 374.00
Mizpah #2	63.50	111.00	5.00	179.50
Julia M. Story #3	38.00	108.00	—	146.00
St. John's #4	326.50	232.00	—	558.50
Adah #5	160.00	58.00	—	218.00
Radiant #6	206.00	121.00	5.00	332.00
Sussex #7	267.00	70.00	—	337.00
Caesar Rodney #8	824.50	111.00	—	935.50
Georgetown #9	285.25	34.00	—	319.25
Newark #10	220.00	186.00	28.00	434.00
Kent #11	361.50	35.00	—	396.50
Frankford #12	175.00	79.00	—	254.00
Five Points #13	825.50	305.00	59.85	1,190.35
Brandywine #14	106.00	90.00	—	196.00
Victory #15	552.00	68.00	27.00	647.00
Unity #16	458.00	85.00	—	543.00

Esther #17	690.50	100.00	—	790.50
Laurel #18	655.00	123.00	245.00	1,023.00
Ruth #19	240.00	104.00	—	344.00
Naomi #20	148.00	75.00	—	223.00
Grand Chapter	421.00	—	—	421.00
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	\$7,246.25	\$2,246.00	\$ 369.85	\$9,862.10

Baker Printing Company 4,079.00

PROFIT \$5,783.10

BENEDICTION—MR. RAYMOND HOPKINS:

Father God, some of us are leaving and may Your peace be with us. Others are staying for this continued work of the Eastern Star and may Your blessing continue to be upon this organization. After reading of that giving of money, God you have truly blessed this organization and the giving which they do.

We give you praise and we give you thanks always for this giving of ourselves and of our money. Praise be to God. Amen.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Again, many thanks to all of you for being with us. This is the time we must ask all non-members to depart. The Formal Opening will be at 8:00 p.m. Will the Hospitality Committee please come forward and escort our distinguished guests.

FORMAL OPENING MONDAY EVENING 8:00 P.M.

The evening session was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Good evening, Sisters and Brothers! One of the highest privileges in life is to feel and know you are welcome. Many happy experiences come to those who travel from different parts of our country to help share in the beauties of sessions such as ours, and enjoy the fraternalism which we gain from such fine associations. We have come to that time in our session when we will receive and welcome our many distinguished guests.

Grand Marshal, it is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you escort to the Grand East, by way of the Labyrinth, Past Grand Matron, Sister Phyllis A. Howell and Past Grand Patron, Brother Harry A. Moore.

SISTER PHYLLIS A. HOWELL, P.G.M.:

Our Worthy Grand Matron has honored Brother Harry and I by inviting us to open this Monday Evening Session when we receive and welcome our distinguished Eastern Star guests.

We do welcome all of you to this 56th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware—the Pathway to the Stars Session. Welcome is a symbol of friendliness, hospitality, and above all, loving kindness, which is so sorely needed in this troubled world.

It is truly a dream come true to travel this "Pathway to the Stars" and find there our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel Mackereth, and our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William George, who honor us by their presence. We extend to them our abiding love.

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you have had a wonderful year. We congratulate you and rejoice with you that harmony and love prevail throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

Sister Thirza, it was indeed a joy to have had you as our Grand Conductress and a "Grand" one you really were. You were the Grand Chaplain and your dear husband, Bill, the Worthy Grand Patron when I was Worthy Matron of Caesar Rodney Chapter in 1958. I learned to love both of you that year, and the intervening years have only strengthened that love.

Brother Jack, you guarded the doors for our "Joy in the Heart" Session, and it was a further joy to see you advance to the station of Worthy Grand Patron. The light of our star shines brighter because of your devoted service.

I thank you so much for inviting me to share the Grand East again with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harry. Our loving wishes go to you for a happy and fruitful session. May God's richest blessings rest upon you, and may His love envelop your lives.

BROTHER HARRY A. MOORE, P.G.P.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, it is an extreme pleasure for me to welcome you from the Grand East this evening. You will always remember this night as a highlight to your "Pathway To The Stars" session, the night you welcomed all your distinguished guests who came to honor you with their presence. We are especially honored to have both the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron with us this evening.

Sister Thirza, I congratulate you on a wonderful year as Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter. You have been a most gracious, considerate and faithful Worthy Grand Matron and it has been a personal pleasure for me to know you. You served as Grand Conductress for Sister Phyllis and I during our "Joy In The Heart" session and as always your work was perfectly done. It seems such a short time ago that this Grand Body chose to elect the two of us the same afternoon to start on our journey to the Grand East.

Brother Jack, I also congratulate you on your wonderful year of devoted service as Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Chapter. You have been a faithful, diligent and tireless worker for this Order and I commend you for devotion to your duties. You served as Grand Sentinel for Sister Phyllis and I and it was our pleasure to have you as a member of our Grand Family.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you for the extreme privilege you extend to me this evening, that of helping to open this session and also that of sharing the Grand East once again with my very own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Phyllis. I wish you both the very best and may this "Pathway To The Stars" session be everything that you dreamed

and planned it to be. It will be a pleasure to welcome you both into the ranks of the Past Grands tomorrow evening and we thank Brother Bill and Sister Ruth for sharing you with us this year.

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, may God bless you both and I thank you so much.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Phyllis and Brother Harry, you have caused our hearts to overflow with joy by opening this formal "Pathway To The Stars" Grand Chapter Session. It was my privilege to serve as Grand Conductress for your "Joy In The Heart" Session and to travel with you as one of your "Roadrunners". You have, throughout your life, exemplified your motto "Jesus First, Others Second, Yourself Last" and have endeared yourselves to our membership. Thank you Brother Harry for sharing your musical talents with us, and thank you both for your special greetings to our distinguished guests.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Phyllis and Brother Harry, thank you for opening this formal session and for being in the East with us.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Good evening, Sisters and Brothers. We open wide our doors and extend a sincere welcome to all our distinguished guests. May you enjoy our fellowship and add to your circle of friendships at this "Pathway To The Stars" Session.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter called from recess to resume work.

TRIBUTE TO THE FLAGS

Our National Flag

As we pledge allegiance to our flag we are renewing our faith and pride in the ideals on which our nation was founded and has prospered.

Two hundred years ago, on June 14, 1777, the flag of the United States of America was born. The Continental Congress defined its symbolic colors: "White signifies Purity and Innocence; Red, Hardiness and Valor; Blue signifies Vigilance, Perseverance and Justice."

May we continue to honor this glorious flag by teaching our youth through example, to become honorable and patriotic citizens.

The Canadian Flag

We pay friendly tribute to the Canadian flag with its emblem of the Maple Leaf. May it forever be a shining example to all the nations of the world that two great nations with a common boundary can, with brotherly love, live in peaceful co-existence.

The Christian Flag

In paying reverent tribute to the Christian Flag we are acknowledging the teachings of the Man of Galilee whose principles we strive to emulate. All our flags are united through the use of a color or colors, but most importantly through our belief in a Supreme Being. So may it ever be.

Delaware Flag

To our beautiful Delaware Flag we pay proud homage. The date on the flag of December 7, 1787 recalls the historic actions of the brave men who were the first to ratify the Constitution and by so doing won for Delaware the position of the first star in our National Flag. The State Motto: "Liberty and Independence" should be an inspiration to all Delawareans to exercise their rights of freedom of choice and pursuit of happiness.

Eastern Star Flag

As we pay respect to our lovely Eastern Star Flag we are reaffirming our belief in the Christian teachings of our beautiful Order and renewing our Obligation to each other and to God. The emblem of the Holy Bible reminds us to live uprightly without offense toward God or man. May the Star of the East continue to lead us on our pathway to a fuller life of charity, truth and loving kindness.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the honor of paying tribute to the symbols and principles on which our Eastern Star, Our Faith, Our State and Nation were founded.

Catherine Ruston, Grand Marshal

WELCOME ADDRESS - SISTER VICKIE J. NICKLAS, Worthy Matron, Laurel Chapter No. 18

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It is indeed a great honor and a special privilege to be able to welcome you to the "Pathway to the Stars" session.

I would like to give a special welcome to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and the Most Worthy Grand Patron and to all of the distinguished guests who have traveled so many miles from different parts of our great country to be with us tonight.

When thinking of the Creed of our Worthy Grand Matron, "Thoughtfulness Promotes Happiness, Joyous Benevolence Builds", we cannot help but realize that this is the true foundation of our magnanimous Order. By the practice of this Creed we necessarily demonstrate our Watchwords of Love, Faith, Loyalty, Constancy and Fidelity. We demonstrate our Love for our sisters and brothers, our Faith in God, our Loyalty to our Order and its principles, our Constancy in the steadfast belief in our teachings and our Fidelity to all that is good and right.

So, at this session, may we all strive to demonstrate these time proven principles and if we do, we can reflect on this session and truly say:

You can't light a candle
To show others the way
Without feeling the warmth
Of that bright little ray

And you can't give a Rose
All fragrant with dew
Without part of its fragrance
Remaining with you

"Author Unknown"

RESPONSE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Sister Vickie, Worthy Matron of Laurel Chapter No. 18, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza has given me the honor of responding to your most warm and sincere greeting tonight.

As the doors to this new Grand Chapter Session swing wide to greet all who have come, we find the extended open hand very evident as it has been all year under the most capable and gracious leadership of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We came because we care about what deliberations are acted upon in these two days and are sharing the fellowship of renewed friendships with our out-of-state guests, along with the responsibility of another Grand Session.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing me to respond to this welcome greeting tonight, and I wish for you and Brother Jack a most harmonious "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

ETHELENE F. KRAUSS
Associate Grand Matron

COMMUNICATIONS:

Invitation to Sixth Installation of Grand Bethel Officers and Representatives of Delaware on Saturday evening, June 18, 1977, at 7:30 P.M., Newport Masonic Temple.

Regrets from the following to attend this Grand Session:

M. Josephine Ruhsam, RWAGC
Virginia M. Paynter, RWG Trustee
Ruth A. Jones, PMWGM
Robert L. Clark, PMWGP
Clara A. Reuter, PGM - Delaware
Archina Smith, PGM - D.C.
Jeanne A. Craft, PGM - D.C.
Edythe G. Hepner, PGM - D.C.
Minnie C. Naylor, PGM - D.C.
Robert and Doris Riley, PGM and PGP - D.C.
Annie Laurie and Lafayette Price, PGM and PGP - D.C.
Norman S. Brous, PGP - New Jersey
Emilie K. Keener, PGM - Pennsylvania
Sally J. Parker, PG Representative, Wyoming
Marion Julian, Grand Representative, New York

The Canadian Flag used in the Flag Ceremony this evening was given to Delaware by Worthy Grand Matron of Saskatchewan, Sister May Mann.

The Gavel used this evening to open this Session is that of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and was presented to her by the Most Worthy Grand Patron and has a diamond in it.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel L. Mackereth and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William E. George, were presented at the Altar.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William, this is the evening we have looked forward to—that of extending to you a most cordial welcome. We are so happy that your fraternal duties caused your paths to cross in the State of Delaware, so that you both could attend our “Pathway to the Stars” Session. We look to you with pride and are honored by your presence. May God watch over you and bless you with good health and may much happiness and success be yours throughout this Triennium, as you continue to serve our beautiful Order. We hope you will enjoy our Session.

Most Worthy Grand Matron:

As you know, the cold winds blow
 From up Old Canada Way
 But warmth and love you bring to us
 Upon this special day
 And I will always hope and pray
 As long as I am able
 For truth and love your whole life through
 We love you, Sister Mabel.

Most Worthy Grand Patron:

By George, I think its quite a thrill
 To have you here with Mabel
 To have you share this day with us
 And feast here at our table.

Our love can go on endlessly
 Pray God it always will
 For years I've learned to care and share
 With a guy named Brother Bill.

We do not spend an entire life
 In fields of scented clover
 But having Bill George here with us
 Our cup doth runneth over.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bill, I consider this one of the highlights of my year as Worthy Grand Patron to welcome you to our “Pathway to the Stars” session. We trust you will feel the warmth of friendship of all the members of the Eastern Star in Delaware. Brother Bill, I knew you were my kind of man when I met you in Arkansas a few years ago. Thank you both for honoring our small, but mighty, state of Delaware.

Brother Harry A. Moore, P.G.P., sang "Two Countries By The Sea" while the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron stood at the Altar. They were then escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors and presented with a gift.

Sisters Virginia M. Jones, Right Worthy Grand Secretary; Louise S. Dodge, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer; Helen Roquemore, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Lois J. Newman, Worthy Grand Esther, were presented at the Altar.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Welcome my friends. We know that you give so much time to your duties that we are genuinely happy and highly complimented by your presence. We sincerely hope you will enjoy your stay and take back with you many pleasant memories of the "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

They were also greeted by the Worthy Grand Patron, escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

Sister Eliza L. Crossland, P.G.M., Member of the Charters Committee of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, was presented at the Altar.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Eliza, it is my great privilege to be the first to welcome you from the Grand East in your own jurisdiction. We are happy that our Most Worthy Grand Matron chose you as one of her committee members, and rejoice in the honor that has come to you, and through you to Delaware. It was one of the highlights of my year to see you escorted and presented at General Grand Chapter. May you enjoy your appointment to the fullest.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Eliza, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, I hope the years you serve the General Grand Chapter will be rewarding ones filled with pleasant memories. We are grateful for your faithfulness to our own Grand Chapter.

Sister Effie Marvonek, P.M. sang "My God And I", after which Sister Eliza was escorted to the Grand East, accorded Grand Honors and presented with a token of Love and Esteem from the Grand Chapter of Delaware and the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

The following General Grand Chapter Committee Members were presented at the Altar: Sister Juanita P. Bush, Past Grand Matron of D.C., Member of Credentials Committee; Sister Pauline W. Baker, Past Grand Matron of Maryland, Member of Distribution Committee; Sister Ruth Cameron, Past Grand Matron of Tennessee, Chairman, Welfare Committee; Sister Viola E. Curry, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer of Maryland, Member of Estarl Committee; Sister Doris O. Hurley, Past Grand Matron of Virginia, Member of Ritual Committee; and Brother Vernon Pearson, Past Grand Patron of Georgia, Member of Credentials Committee.

WELCOME - ELIZA L. CROSSLAND, General Grand Chapter Charters Committee:

Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron they have given me the privilege of extending you a welcome to our "Pathway To the Stars" Session.

We are honored by your presence and it is an inspiration to have you with us. We extend to you our warmest fraternal love and shall hope that your stay with us may be happy and when you return to your homes may you have pleasant memories of your visit to Delaware.

I have had the privilege to visit some of your Grand Chapter Sessions, but I am looking forward to visiting more the next couple of years. It is a pleasure for me to be sharing the same experience and travel the same pathway of service for this triennial. There are many fruits that grow on the tree of life, but none so sweet as friendship.

I am sure that each of you join with me in thanking our Most Worthy Grand Matron and our Most Worthy Grand Patron for the honor they have bestowed upon us. Sister Mabel and Brother George. I thank you for this honor and am happy you are with us this Session and hope you enjoy your stay.

May you find in every handclasp a welcome loving and sincere. When you return home may He whose star we have seen in the East watch over you and grant to you health and happiness.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, I thank you again for this honor.

They were escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron of D.C., Sister Jean M. Coughlan; Worthy Grand Matron of Georgia, Sister Frances M. Todd; Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, Sister Joyce M. Cooper; Most Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey, Sister Evelyn A. MacKenzie; Worthy Grand Matron of West Virginia, Sister Wanda F. Tenney; Worthy Grand Patron of D.C., Brother Alton P. Gainer; Worthy Grand Patron of Pennsylvania, Brother Marshall C. Stevens, Jr.; and Most Worthy Grand Patron of New Jersey, Brother William J. Bain, were presented at the Altar.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

I am so happy that the Light of the star we follow has directed your footsteps to our "Pathway To The Stars" Session. There is a deep bond of friendship between us for we have dreamed the same dreams, shared the same joys and sorrows and have faced the same responsibilities, and we extend to you a loving welcome.

God fill your days with promise
 God grant you peace and cheer
 God richly bless your lives with faith
 To face each task, each day, all year.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

It is a pleasure to welcome you. May your year in the Grand East be as pleasant for you as this one has been for me. Thank you for coming to our Session.

They were escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware presented at the Altar were:

Sisters Mattie Pyle Horn, Bessie M. Warrington, Alice C. Abbott, Lillian Larrimore, Ruth M. Betty, Mary H. Bevis, Reta C. Wilkinson, Edith H. Shinn, Adelaide L. Martin, Margaret D. Tomlinson, S. Elizabeth Tull, Edith C. Galloway, Sylvia M. Knox, Eureka B. Schultheiss, Winifred H. Hulme, Ellen E. Gregg, Mildred A. Wootten, Phyllis A. Howell and Vada Lockerman.

Brothers Robert W. Larimore, Thomas C. Rodway, William E. Hall, Ross M. Lanus, Charles H. Schultheiss, Carl E. Olliver, Charles R. Sweeny, Thomas J. Berry, Harvey J. Bunting, Thomas B. Sweeny, Harry S. Bristow, Harry A. Moore, and Howard C. Hall.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

What an impressive picture you make encircling our Altar. Each of you has had an important part in building this Grand Chapter; giving many years of loyal, loving service and we appreciate your guidance, wise counsel and understanding. This night must recall many pleasant memories of your Grand Sessions as you stood where I am now standing. It's a real joy to welcome you to our Sessions.

Because of those who went before
Our path is very clear
I followed every little turn
And it has brought me here.
You've marked the way so very well
Your lives have been my guide
And I can face the future with
The Past Grands by my side.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

You are the ones who provide knowledge and wisdom through your experience of presiding in the Grand East. I have enjoyed my associations with all of you this year. God willing, when our session is over, may we be privileged to join your distinguished ranks. Welcome, Past Grands.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME TO PAST GRANDS - ADELAIDE L. MARTIN, P.G.M.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I wish to express our thanks for your welcome. I'm honored to have the privilege of speaking for your staunchest and most understanding supporters, the Past Grand Matrons. Each of us remembers the particular moment when we stood as you stand now welcoming the Past Grands of Delaware. We are grateful for the fraternal love and friendship extended to us this year. Your journey through the land of Fraternalism is almost over, and we are now waiting to welcome you into our World of Yesterday. Because you are both mates of Past Grands you may think it will be "just another one of those nights"; we are hoping to make it something special. May your Session continue to unfold with beauty and all hearts will be in harmony. Thank you Thirza and Jack.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME TO PAST GRANDS - HARVEY J. BUNTING, P.G.P.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers—Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I want to thank you for this honor and privilege to respond to your gracious words of welcome to the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons as we stand before you this evening. On behalf of each one of us, I want to congratulate you both on your year of service

to this Grand Jurisdiction and for the many lasting friends you have made in this jurisdiction and sister jurisdictions you have visited. We hope that as you traveled the "Pathway to the Stars", that all your hopes and expectations have been realized. Now that you have reached your galaxy of stars and your year's work about finished, we all say "Well Done True and Faithful Servants" and we are now ready to receive you in the ranks of "Past Grands". God bless you in all your future undertakings and again my thanks to you both for this pleasure.

All Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware were escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

The following Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions were presented at the Altar.

Sisters Gertrude A. Foreman, Past Grand Matron of D.C., Pauline A. Falk, Past Grand Matron of Maryland, Florence Hickman, Past Grand Matron, of D.C., Virginia Kemp, Past Grand Matron of D.C., Geraldine Molander, Past Grand Matron of Missouri, Anna A. Janney, Past Grand Matron of Maryland; Brothers John Buchanan, Past Grand Patron of D.C., Robert S. Moore, Past Grand Patron of D.C., Harold Bowers, Past Grand Patron of Maryland and Frank W. Talley, Past Grand Patron of Maryland.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Welcome is one of the sweetest words in any language. It is the keynote of hospitality and suggests an open door, friendly greetings and sincere handclasps. All of these, my friends, we extend to you and bid you a warm welcome. Sister Pauline and Brother Frank, I have fond memories of your beautiful Session and the gracious welcome you extended to me just two short weeks ago. You got to be "Past" before I did, but it won't be long now. Thank you all for coming.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

We open the gates of our love and friendship to you and trust you may enjoy our fraternal fellowship. May I say, greetings hearty and sincere, and a most cordial welcome will always await you here.

RESPONSE: PAULINE FALK, Past Grand Matron of Maryland:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, All Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, what a delightful privilege it is for me to respond to your words of welcome in behalf of the Past Grand Matrons! We thank you sincerely for your warm words of welcome and for the hospitality we are receiving from all your Sisters and Brothers. We are enjoying your "Pathway To The Stars" Session, the friendliness, and all courtesies extended to us. Our wish for you is that your dreams have come true, your plans realized, giving you pleasant memories of your beautiful Session. Sister Thirza and Brother John, we shared many nights together this past year serving the Order in the same capacity which has strengthened the friendship I have made with both of you and it is a cherished one. The Past Grand Matrons join with me in wishing you a happy and harmonious Session. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this honor.

RESPONSE: BROTHER FRANK TALLEY, Past Grand Patron of Maryland:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

I thank you for the honor of responding for the Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions to the cordial and gracious welcome extended to us. The many thoughtful courtesies that we have received, has caused us to glow with happiness. As you preside over your "Pathway To The Stars" Session, our wish for you is that it will be a happy, harmonious and fruitful one; and that you may find joy and satisfaction in presiding over the deliberations of this Grand Chapter Session.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, may your "Pathway to the Stars" Session be a forerunner of the beauty and happiness that will adorn your future lives and may they be filled with happy memories of this lovely Session.

Thank you again for your welcome and all courtesies.

REMARKS BY THE MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON, BROTHER WILLIAM E. GEORGE:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel, General Grand Chapter Officers, Sister Eliza Crossland and other General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons of other jurisdictions, Past Grands of Delaware and other jurisdictions, my Sisters and Brothers.

Words are not easy to find to describe our feelings at this particular time, but it is a real pleasure for we who are your guests here in Delaware to be a part of this Session, and especially since Sister Mabel, our Most Worthy Grand Matron is making her official visit to you and we are glad to spend some time with her because we have enjoyed her visits in other jurisdictions.

My being here tonight is no accident, of course, because in 1974, Sister Thirza and Brother John came to Arkansas and plans were started for this meeting here tonight. Brother John was then your Grand Sentinel and we were proud to claim him as Delaware's Grand Representative to Arkansas.

We find it very difficult to express our appreciation to you for your courtesies on every occasion. We have been entertained at bounteous brunches, luncheons, receptions and dinners and we are grateful to you for your thoughtfulness but I don't know what we're going to do when we try to recuperate.

Yesterday was a delightful day in the lives of your guests. We were privileged to join with many of you as we visited the Longwood Gardens. The first time for some of us to be there and I don't think an atheist could go through that garden and say there is no God. The beauty of that Garden is indescribable and we are grateful to Sister Edith Galloway and her committee for your taking time to take some of us who had not been there out to visit the beautiful Gardens that you have here in Delaware (or Pennsylvania, I believe it is.)

Then last night, it was a privilege to join with you in the Memorial Service and Church Service. Sister Eliza Crossland had given me a beautiful boutonniere to wear tonight (I just know it was for tonight) but I wore it yesterday in memory of my Mother.

Brother Harry Moore, sang a song (he didn't know it at the time) but it is the favorite of your Most Worthy Grand Patron at this particular time, "The King is Coming" and we hope that we may be able to hear more of his singing and we especially enjoyed the music which he gave to us tonight as Sister Mabel and I were at the Altar. A beautiful tribute to Sister Mabel, our great Sister

Country across the border, as her Flag was presented tonight, too. Thank you for that tribute in song, for the presentation of the Flag of Canada and the presentation of my own Arkansas Flag.

We are particularly glad to be here with our General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members because not too often do our paths cross in this manner. You are a very important part of our Family and we are grateful to you for taking time to visit in Delaware with us. We know it is difficult at times for you to be at these places, but this is very inspiring to us.

We enjoyed the reports that we heard today of the work of Delaware and then tonight to hear your Welfare report was an extra thrill and I know that I share with the feeling of each of your guests when I say a great deal of effort and work has gone into what you did to make the contributions to the welfare of our people.

I'm grateful for the Honorary Membership that you bestowed upon us, for the Honorary Citizenship of Delaware (and I understand that we do have to pay taxes, Sister Mabel so they gave me the address that we send them to). Then the cuff links given to me by your City, will be a treasured memory of this trip, also.

We are particularly glad to see some visitors from areas that we have visited recently, especially from the District of Columbia. It's good to see you again; we enjoyed our visit with you just a few days ago and we hope, Sister Jean and Brother Alton, that you two will have a great year in the District.

The first lessons in Masonry deal with family relations, and the Order of the Eastern Star, even though it is not part of Masonry, plays a vital, vibrant and beautiful part in the Masonic Family. I believe that the teachings of this family would fill the needs of the world today.

I am naive enough to believe in the teachings of Freemasonry. I do believe in Brotherly love, relief, and truth. I think that there is a place in the world today for temperance, fortitude, prudence, justice, and certainly the world has a great need for faith, for hope and for charity.

At the beautiful Altar and at the points of the Eastern Star, we learn similar lessons. I have a great belief in these lessons. I learned at the station of Adah—fidelity to right. Ruth taught me obedience to honor and justice. Esther taught me fidelity to kindred and friends, and the faith of Martha I shall never forget, because that station was, and is an important part of living.

Certainly, the world has need today for the heroic endurance taught at the station of Electa. I know the beautiful lessons of Freemasonry. We know the beautiful lessons of the Eastern Star, but the world does not know... does not know how much it needs all of these beautiful teachings and the only way it will ever know, is by our precept, our example. A familiar poem, I think fits in here quite well—

Hold high the torch! You did not light its glow
 It was given you by other hands, you know.
 I think it started down its pathway bright,
 The day the Maker said, "Let there be light."
 And He once said, who hung on Calvary's tree,
 "Ye are the light of the world, go shine for me."

The responsibility falls to the Master Masons and members of the Eastern Star, to carry that torch which was lighted at our sacred Altar, so that the world may know of the goodness of our Institutions; so that the world may have a

lighted path. It is true, that if you hold your torch high enough to light the way of those who follow you, it will inevitably make your own pathway a little brighter. Let us live so that path we walk, will become a bit brighter for those who follow, let us go forward together.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, it has been a real joy to be a part of your Session at this particular time and I'm sorry that I have to plan to leave tomorrow and I'm grateful to our Most Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of speaking before she does.

Sisters and Brothers of Delaware and other jurisdictions, we are grateful to you for your support of us in our positions and to Delaware may I say that we will depart tomorrow morning for Virginia, regretfully, but with many fond memories of some of the greatest people in the Order of the Eastern Star.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were presented with gifts by Brother George as was Page Sister Christine Cannon.

The following Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions were presented and introduced in the West:

Sisters Maggie P. Kibbey, Grand Secretary of the District of Columbia; Lee H. Snapp, Grand Conductress, D.C.; Edith K. Tomford, Grand Marshal, D.C.; Lenore W. Phillips, Grand Warder, D.C.; Ina G. Sims, Grand Chaplain, D.C.; Mary Hogland, Grand Martha, D.C.; Doris Christian, Associate Grand Conductress of Georgia; Doris Ward, Grand Marshal, Georgia; Vera Mae Baker, Associate Grand Matron of Iowa; Juanita J. Bowers, Grand Conductress, Maryland; Florence K. McCubbin, Associate Grand Conductress of Maryland; Jean Crosby, Grand Ruth, Maryland; Adeline M. Gaehring, Grand Trustee of New Jersey; Frances L. Stephenson, Grand Ruth of Pennsylvania; Mary Lou Suckling, Grand Chaplain, Pennsylvania; Patricia L. Fitzgerald, Grand Adah, Pennsylvania; Helen M. Seldomridge, Grand Martha, Pennsylvania; Gertrude L. Miller, Grand Electa, Pennsylvania; Florence W. Butler, Grand Warder, Pennsylvania; Alice Brown, Grand Conductress of West Virginia; Joan Thomson, Associate Grand Matron, West Virginia; Marilyn Myers, Grand Chaplain, West Virginia; Janet I. Pyles, Grand Marshal of West Virginia and D. Louise Stotler, Grand Warder, West Virginia.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Welcome. In this year of service to each of your Grand Chapters, we are delighted that you found time to be with us at our Session. We sincerely hope you enjoy every minute of your stay and that your year is filled with much joy and happiness.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Welcome to Delaware. We are so glad you came. I hope your visit with us will leave such pleasant memories that you will want to come again.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a hand of welcome.

Sisters Pauline Davis, Jeanette Gutzke and Brother J. Baptist Milano, Grand Trustees of Delaware were introduced in the West.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

We extend our hand in a loving welcome to greet you to your Grand Chapter. Your responsibilities are great and sometimes go unnoticed but on our

"Pathway" this year we have shared many duties, pleasures and travels. Thank you for your support and for your untiring efforts in behalf of our Order. Please enjoy your Grand Sessions.

RESPONSE - SISTER PAULINE DAVIS, Grand Trustee:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, we thank you for your kind and gracious words of welcome.

It has been a privilege to work with you this year. In you we have always found willing ears to listen to our concerns and problems.

We have worked hard to live up to our responsibilities and we hope we have your approval along with this Grand Body.

We would like to commend you on the success of your two fund raising projects. You have turned over to our General Fund the sum of over \$3,300.00. This fund is the one which pays our bills. It has put us in the black for your year for which we thank you.

We wish this Grand Chapter Session will be filled with many happy memories. May God grant you both health, happiness and a most successful Session.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a hand of appreciation.

Grand Representatives to Delaware from other Grand Jurisdictions and Grand Representatives to other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions were introduced in the West as follows:

To Delaware from Arkansas	Sister Nellie Noble
California	Lora K. Hubbard
Connecticut	Genevieve Porter
Ontario, Canada	Jean P. Cole
New Brunswick, Canada	Amy Haggerty
District of Columbia	Delores E. Crupe
Georgia	Norma Conner
Idaho	Ruth Steel
Indiana	Mary Stanley
Maryland	Susan T. Baker
New Jersey	Florence E. Calcott
New York	Tracey S. Vanderlyn
North Carolina	Dorothy C. Brewer
Oklahoma	Mary A. Fasken
Rhode Island	Florence Carlile Payne
South Carolina	Athalia Laman
Washington	Gertrude Iris Pournarus
Wisconsin	Opal I. Papke
Wyoming	Irma F. Hill
Manitoba, Canada	Eva Pederson
Massachusetts	Dorothy Mueller
in New York from District of Columbia	Dorothy Moore
in Connecticut from District of Columbia	Dorothy M. Wightman
in Vermont from District of Columbia	Cornelia Bates
in Illinois from District of Columbia	Ruth K. Duncan
in West Virginia from Georgia	Joy Franklin

in Vermont from Maryland	Dorothy F. Harrington
in Puerto Rico from Maryland	Alice L. Kelser
in North Carolina from New Jersey	Polly B. Moser
in Washington from New Jersey	Barbara Ash
in Arkansas from New Jersey	Anna Marie Skolski
in Alberta from New Jersey	Elsie VanAllen
in West Virginia from New Jersey	Ann Louise Smith
in Indiana from Tennessee	Bonnie Hartman
in New York from West Virginia	Elaine King
in Illinois from Georgia	Brother Joe Todd

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Your presence here is an inspiration. You have traveled many miles to be with us at our "Pathway to the Stars" Session, and we hope you will enjoy our hospitality.

They say love makes the world go round
But what is even better
Love can go around the world
With a friendly thought and letter

Please take our love and best wishes back with you to your respective Grand Jurisdiction.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

You are uniting the Eastern Stars of your jurisdictions with those all over the world. We are so happy to have you. We do hope you enjoy your stay in Delaware.

WELCOME TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES BY SISTER SYLVIA M. KNOX, P.G.M., President of Grodel Assn.:

Grand Representatives of Delaware in other Jurisdictions and Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in other Jurisdictions, as President of the Grodel Association for 1977, I am delighted and honored to welcome you to this our "Pathway To The Stars" Session. You were honored when given a Commission to another Jurisdiction making you an Ambassador of Good Will.

Our wonderful State of Delaware is small in area, but the welcome and hospitality we extend to you are warm and sincere. The Reception last evening and the Luncheon today were planned in your honor. We are overjoyed by the large number who attended both affairs. When you return again, the same Delaware warm welcome awaits you.

Thank you for honoring us by your presence and travelling many miles to be with us.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, thank you for this courtesy.

RESPONSE BY SISTER LORA K. HUBBARD, Grand Representative of Delaware in California:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored Members, Grand Representatives, Sisters and Brothers. I bring greetings to this jurisdiction from my own Worthy Grand Matron Patricia Quibell, and Worthy Grand Patron,

Brother Gerald Cashion, of the Grand Chapter of California and best wishes for a happy and successful "Pathway to the Stars" Grand Chapter Session. Thank you Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, for the privilege of responding on behalf of the Grand Representatives to the most cordial welcome extended by Sister Sylvia M. Knox.

We are proud to have been selected to represent this beautiful Order and we bring to this Grand Session greetings from the many jurisdictions which we represent. It is our hope that we may strengthen the ties that bind us and enrich our lives by our contact with that ever reaching circle of friendship around the world.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this privilege.

The Grand Representatives were escorted to the Grand East by way of the Labyrinth and accorded Grand Honors.

Grand Representatives to other jurisdictions in Delaware introduced in the West were:

Arizona	Sisters Gloria Piergalline
British Columbia	Anne Richter
California	Margaret Rugg
Colorado	Dorothy Thomas
Connecticut	Dora Ford
District of Columbia	Mary Dilks
Florida	Lucille Willis
Georgia	Robert Sherwood
Idaho	Helen O'Neal
Illinois	Anne Krauss
Indiana ..	Shirley McShane
Kansas	Mildred Hurlock
Louisiana	Catherine Ruston
Maine	Betty Homan
Manitoba	Alex Chris
Maryland	Mary Hutchison
Massachusetts	Janet Day
Michigan	Lorraine Carver
Minnesota	Lyda Niblett
Missouri	Thelma Sisson
Montana	William Finkley
Nevada	Mary Beaston
New Brunswick	Phyllis Thomas
New Mexico	Judith Parrott
North Carolina	Eleanor Allione
North Dakota	Granville Lee
Ohio	Betty LaPorte
Oklahoma	Janet Womach
Ontario	Alverta Kandle
Oregon	Lucille Hopley
Pennsylvania	Emily Forestieri
Puerto Rico	Mary Kashishian
Quebec	Louise Bunting
Rhode Island	Joanne Keenan
Saskatchewan	Christine Cannon
South Carolina	Martha Little

South Dakota	Clayton Keith
Tennessee	Dorothy Russ
Vermont	Alverta Bowman
Virginia	Beulah Rodway
West Virginia	Iva Hall
Wisconsin	Mildred Carpenter
Wyoming	Geraldine Edwards

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

What a special privilege it is to welcome you, our Ambassadors of good will, to the "Pathway to the Stars" Session. The honor that has come to you is far reaching. It was my pleasure to recommend 26 Grand Representatives this year and I am proud of each and every one of you. May your Commissions bring you great happiness and many new friends.

As you correspond with a distant friend through words and gifts and such
 We know, they know you better, and love you very much.
 Two letters passing in the mail, with greetings to impart
 Are messages of mutual trust, that speed from heart to heart.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

I hope you are enjoying your appointments. As you travel you have the privilege of binding together more securely our Grand Jurisdiction in friendship and fraternal love and often make many true and lasting friendships.

RESPONSE: SISTER JUDITH PARROTT, Grand Representative in Delaware to New Mexico:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, all distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we thank you for your warm and gracious welcome. As Grand Representatives we have the privilege of being the Pen Pals and Ambassadors of our Grand Chapter to all Grand Chapters of our beautiful Order. We hope we have done this with dignity and honor.

We wish for you a very bright and shining "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack thank you so very much for the honor of responding for the Grand Representatives.

Sister Eloise Smith, Deputy Grand Lecturer of Port Deposit, Maryland and Sister Thelma W. Hansen, Worthy District Deputy of Woodbury, New Jersey were introduced in the West.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

It is a genuine pleasure to welcome you. Your presence reflects your devotion to a righteous purpose. We hope that the warmth of our hospitality adequately reflects our joy in having you share this evening with us. Thank you for coming.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Thank you for the time and instructions given to your respective Chapters. I hope you have gained satisfaction in your work, made new friends and have many happy memories. Thank you visiting deputies for being with us.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a glad hand of welcome. Deputy Grand Lecturers of Delaware introduced in the West were:

Delaware Chapter #1, Miriam D. Ziegler
 Mizpah Chapter #2, Effie Marvonek
 Julia M. Story Chapter #3, Katherine Devenney
 St. John's Chapter #4, Marion O. Milano
 Adah Chapter #5, Wanda Collins
 Radiant Chapter #6, Elzada H. Berry
 Sussex Chapter #7, Jacqueline Fooks
 Georgetown Chapter #9, Joyce Quillen
 Kent Chapter #11, Elizabeth C. Homan
 Frankford Chapter #12, Elizabeth Wharton
 Five Points Chapter #13, E. Virginia Timmons
 Brandywine Chapter #14, Hilda D. Livingstone
 Victory Chapter #15, Judith J. Parrott
 Unity Chapter #16, Doris M. Downs
 Esther Chapter #17, Edna C. Alfree
 Laurel Chapter #18, Janet C. Womach
 Ruth Chapter #19, Kathryn R. Hoey

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

What a beautiful picture you make in your red gowns. Your presence here tonight fills my heart with joy and I bid you a most sincere welcome. You are diamonds, in the rough, for you share in smoothing the pathway for uniform ritualistic performance in our Chapters. As my representatives your work has been exemplary and our crown glows with jewels of your devotion to service. I hope your year of service has brought you as much happiness as your loyalty and friendship has brought me.

They were also greeted by the Worthy Grand Patron.

RESPONSE BY SISTER HILDA D. LIVINGSTON, Deputy Grand Lecturer, Brandywine Chapter #14:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, it is with deep appreciation that I respond on behalf of the Deputy Grand Lecturers. We thank you for the cordial words of welcome and assure you it was our privilege to serve our respective Chapters under your leadership and we were always mindful of your high ideals and aspirations for our beloved Order.

The kind of Grand Session we wish for you
 Is one that is filled with dreams come true
 One that will warm, inspire and bless
 One that will give you both happiness.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for extending to me the honor of giving the response.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a hand of appreciation.

Sister May M. Warrington, Grand Secretary Emeritus and Brother J. Nelson Abbott, Grand Trustee Emeritus of the Grand Chapter of Delaware were introduced in the West.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister May and Brother Nelson, we appreciate your many years of faithful service to the Order and to our Grand Chapter and we are extremely happy to welcome you to our Grand Sessions.

It is nice to have you with us, our welcome is sincere
Enjoy yourselves, we beg of you, and come again next year.

RESPONSE BY BROTHER J. NELSON ABBOTT, Grand Trustee Emeritus:

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for the privilege of responding to your very gracious words of welcome. Sister May and I congratulate you on your wonderful year of service to our Order, and your "Pathway to the Stars" has been a guiding light to all of us. May your Grand Session fulfill all your expectations.

The Grand Officers Emeritus were escorted to the Grand East and given a warm hand of welcome.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the subordinate chapters introduced in the West were:

No. 1	Irma J. King	
No. 2	Elsie W. Kemery	Howard C. Hall, P.G.P.
No. 3	Carol Hall	Milton Johnson
No. 4	Helen Johnson	Thomas J. Berry, P.G.P.
No. 6		E. Watson Day, Jr.
No. 7	Esther Melvin	William J. Bryant
No. 8	Mary McMahan	Arnold E. McMahan
No. 10	Marjorie Homiller	Robert Homiller
No. 11	Carol G. Jordan	Griffith L. Jordan
No. 12	Agnes Hurley	Sidney C. Hurley
No. 13	Sandra Terranova	Owen Hopley
No. 14	Charlotte Outten	
No. 15	Joan K. Edwards	Eugene L. Edwards
No. 16	Minna H. Lodge	Harry A. Moore, P.G.P.
No. 18	Vickie Nicklas	J. Norman Nicklas
No. 19	Isabel E. Turley	Joseph Turley
No. 20	Patricia A. Dillon	Lonnie D. Dillon

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Welcome. We are so glad you are here. This is a moment I have looked forward to, that of welcoming you who have so graciously received us in your Chapters. I have watched your progress with pride, and wish you a year crowned with happiness and success. May this "Pathway to the Stars" Session occupy a special place in your book of memories.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

You welcomed us so cordially to your Chapters. Welcome to your own Grand Chapter. Enjoy every minute of it. Make new friends and renew old friendships. I'm looking forward to seeing you taking part in the active legislation. Thank you for being with us.

RESPONSE BY ISABEL E. TURLEY, Worthy Matron, Ruth Chapter No. 19:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of the Worthy Matrons of 1977, it gives me great pleasure to respond to your most gracious words of welcome.

You both have truly proved worthy of your high office. You have shown how much you "Care" by your love and devotion to our Order and you have been an inspiration to all of us. As you visited our Chapters, your "Open Hand" of friendship was extended to everyone, and we the Matrons of 1977 are certainly privileged to have been able to "Share" a small part of your Grand year.

May your "Pathway to the Stars" session be both successful and rewarding, and be all that you have hoped for. May peace and harmony prevail throughout, and when it comes to a close may the memories be a joy forever.

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, I sincerely thank you for the honor you have given me in allowing me to respond.

RESPONSE BY BROTHER ROBERT A. HOMILLER, Worthy Patron, Newark Chapter No. 10:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Jack, it is indeed a pleasure to respond on behalf of the Worthy Patrons of 1977 to your warm gracious words of welcome.

We have enjoyed those moments this year when our paths have met and hope that your "Pathway to the Stars" has been all you dreamed it would be and more.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, please accept my personal "Thank You" for extending to me the honor of giving this response.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a glad hand of welcome.

Junior Past Matrons and Junior Past Patrons introduced in the West were:

No. 1	Edith E. DeLacy	Alex Chris
No. 2	Mary E. Franks	
No. 3	Iva C. Hall	Ross M. Lanius, P.G.P.
No. 4	Anne P. Richter	Lewis Hutchison
No. 8	Mary Beaston	Joseph Allione
No. 9	Eleanor R. Lenhart	Harvey J. Bunting, P.G.P.
No. 10	Mary Ann Campbell	
No. 11		Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
No. 13	Joann Keenan	
No. 14	Margaret Bogart	Walter Mills
No. 15	Lois B. Faircloth	Clifford W. Faircloth
No. 16	Martha L. Little	
No. 17	Dora W. Ford	
No. 18	Pearl Austin	
No. 19	Faith P. Benson	
No. 20	Esther C. Carre	Victor J. Carre

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

A loving welcome to you our "Happy Sprites and Merry Knights". The memory of your gracious welcomes, the hospitality, loving kindness and joyous fellowship we enjoyed when we visited in your Chapters are like precious jewels in our crown of beauty. My heart always swelled with pride whenever you were introduced on our travels. It's your kind of thoughtfulness that has made our year of service together, a pathway of happiness for me. May something special set today apart and fill your heart with lasting warmth and friendships.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

You welcomed us so cordially to your Chapters last year, now we have the chance to welcome each of you. We appreciate the good work that you did and the promotion of our projects. Thanks for being with us.

RESPONSE BY SISTER LOIS FAIRCLOTH, Jr. Past Matron, Victory Chapter No. 15:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of the Junior Past Matrons I would like to thank you for your most gracious words of welcome.

We were pleased to have been a part of your year and to have served as your "Happy Sprites". The visits you made in each of our Chapters and the friendship and inspirational messages you brought to us has made this past year a truly memorable one.

Thank you for giving me the honor and pleasure of responding for the Junior Past Matrons.

We wish for you a Session filled with the joy of shared friendship and love.

May God be with you and guide you as you preside over your "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

RESPONSE BY BROTHER LEWIS HUTCHISON, Jr. Past Patron, St. John's Chapter No. 4:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of the Junior Past Patrons, I would like to thank you for the many things that you have done for us and for your visits to our Chapters. Your smiles and kind words, no doubt, made us feel more relaxed and at ease. The Order of Eastern Star, here in Delaware, is stronger and better today, because you Sister Thirza and you Brother Jack have passed through the Grand East. We wish for you a most successful Grand Session, much happiness, and good health for the future. I would like to thank you for permitting me to make this response.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a loving hand.

Grand Chapter Committee Members introduced were:

Sisters Mary H. Bevis, Jurisprudence; Phyllis A. Howell, Jurisprudence; E. Virginia Timmons, Summer Benefit; Ellen E. Gregg, Sessions; Flo E. Rust, Sessions; Ruth C. Layton, Sessions; Virginia E. Hambright, Sessions; Sylvia M. Knox, Grand Representatives Luncheon; Elisabeth D. Tomlinson, Grand Repre-

representatives Luncheon; Edith E. DeLacy, Unfinished Business; Mildred A. Wootten, Summer Benefit; Helen Ennis, Credentials; Helen Berger, Cancer Research; Euretta B. Schultheiss, Constitution and By-Laws; Elizabeth Tull, Constitution and By-Laws; Esther Melvin, Registration; Leah Cameron, Sessions; Hilda Downward, Sessions; Mildred Hurlock, Sessions; Phyllis Saxton, Sessions; LaVon Smith, Sessions; Frann Hutchison, Summer Benefit, Printed Program; Edith C. Galloway, Hospitality; Edith H. Shinn, Hospitality; Adelaide L. Martin, Hospitality; Vada L. Lockerman, Summer Benefit; Brothers Joseph Allione, Sessions, Paraphernalia; Fred Thornett, Sessions, Paraphernalia; William Finkley, Chapters Under Charter & Dispensation; Granville Lee, Red Cross; J. Norman Nicklas, Sessions; Norman Tull, Nominations; Charles Schultheiss, Estarl; Harry A. Moore, Hospitality; Thomas C. Rodway, Hospitality; Carl H. Rust, Sessions, Paraphernalia; Ross M. Lanius, Estarl; Harvey J. Bunting, Jurisprudence; Howard C. Hall, Masonic Home Church Service.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

From a grateful heart, comes a loving welcome to you. You are the unsung heroines and heroes of our Order, who work long and hard, not for just a day, but in many cases, all year to bring our Sessions to a fruitful close. Your wholehearted support of the purpose for which your Committees were appointed will always be remembered with grateful appreciation, and we sincerely thank you for all you have done to make our "Pathway to the Stars" Session a crowning success and, to me, a joy forever.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

You are the ones that keep the machinery of the Grand Chapter rolling. We appreciate your help and assistance. Thank you for jobs well done.

RESPONSE: E. VIRGINIA TIMMONS, Co-Chairman of Summer Benefit and Printed Program:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, it is an honor to have the privilege to respond to your most gracious welcome in this "Pathway To The Stars" Session. On behalf of all your Grand Chapter Committee Members, I want to thank you for giving us the honor of serving you and this Grand Chapter. Because you trusted us to help we have done our best to live up to your trust and have tried to perform our duties in a manner of your approval. This year has been a joy to each of us as we have shared your watchwords, "Love, Faith, Loyalty, Constancy and Fidelity."

"May skies ahead for you be bright
 May life for you be fair
 May God uphold you in His love,
 This is our wish and prayer."

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a hand of appreciation.

Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters introduced in the West were:

Delaware Chapter No. 1	Janet M. Day
Radiant Chapter No. 6	Anne E. Krauss
Kent Chapter No. 11	Beulah H. Rodway
Five Points Chapter No. 13	Shirley G. MacDonald
Unity Chapter No. 16	Ruth J. Bryan
Laurel Chapter No. 18	Marilyn M. Cooper
Naomi Chapter No. 20	Henrietta R. McKelvey

WELCOME TO SECRETARIES BY GRAND SECRETARY, SISTER
MARGARET L. WICKS:

Good evening, my co-workers.

Again we have two new Secretaries, Marjorie Jennings from Caesar Rodney Chapter #8 and Catherine Ruston from Laurel Chapter #18.

I was very sorry only half of you were able to attend my meeting in March. I, for one, thought it was quite productive and informative. If any of you ever want to come to my home to talk over the work you are most welcome. Just give me a call so we can make a date.

It has been my pleasure working with each of you and your friendships have meant so much to me.

Once again it is my pleasure to welcome Sister Virginia M. Jones, our Right Worthy Grand Secretary and Sister Maggie Kibbey, Grand Secretary of the District of Columbia. I am also happy to welcome my former pal, Sister Florence McCubbin, Past Grand Secretary of Maryland and now their Associate Grand Conductress. Congratulations on your way to the Grand East.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing me to welcome the Secretaries of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware and our visiting Grand Secretaries.

RESPONSE TO GRAND SECRETARY'S WELCOME TO SECRETARIES OF
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS, RUTH J. BRYAN, Secretary, Unity Chapter No.
16:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Sister Margaret, on behalf of the secretaries of the Subordinate Chapters, I feel very honored to respond to your welcome. Thank you. We go back in Grand Chapter History a few years - Worthy Matrons the same year, Secretaries for several years, Grand Officers the same year and now one of your hard working secretaries again.

Thank you, Sister Thirza and Brother Jack for asking me.

The Secretaries were escorted to the Grand East and given a glad hand of welcome.

The Grand Pages introduced in the West were:

Catherine Mason
Doris Corrigan
Hazel Rhodes
Christine Cannon
Betty LaPorte
Mary Boltz
Gay Huston
Renee Young
Mary Ann Campbell
Bonnie Jester
E. Virginia Timmons

Carol Noble
Gail Reilly
Margaret Mills
Geraldine Harmon
Linda Good
Edna Alfree
Pearl Austin
Madalyn Seymour
Jean DeGraw
Phyllis Carmean
Lyda Niblett

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

"Grand Pages" you make a lovely picture in your beautiful gowns, but the radiance of your smiles and your willingness to serve as messengers for the "Pathway to the Stars" Session, glows like the facets of a precious gem. The visual picture of the corridor you form, through which the Grand Officers are escorted to the East, will always remain a cherished memory. Thank you from the bottom of my heart and a warm, warm welcome to your Grand Session.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Everyone can see that you are beautiful. We do appreciate so much the important part you are taking in this Grand Chapter Session. Thank you so much.

RESPONSE - PEARL AUSTIN

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers, it is indeed a pleasure to respond on behalf of the Pages to your gracious words of welcome.

We, the Grand Pages, would like to extend our appreciation for being invited to serve and be of assistance to the Grand Officers and each and every one here.

I am sure one of our fondest memories will be that we were a Grand Page in this 1977 "Pathway to the Stars" Session, and I hope that we have pleased you.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, please accept my personal thank you for extending to me the honor of giving this response.

May God's blessings be with you both, now and always.

They were escorted to the Grand East and given a hand of welcome.

Sister Anne E. Krauss, Grand Guardian and Brother Leonard J. Campbell, Associate Grand Guardian of the Grand Guardian Council of Delaware, International Order of Job's Daughters, were introduced in the West.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Anne, Brother Leonard, it's a real joy to welcome you to your Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. We are so proud of the work you are doing with Job's Daughters. Many times you greeted me when we visited the Bethels and when we attended many of the social functions. Our visits were rewarding experiences that made deep and lasting impressions of the ideals and principles our girls are practicing. The number of Honor Certificates I received are priceless treasures for they were presented with "Jobie" love. Our sincere thanks for the part your girls played in our Informal Opening, and again welcome.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

It has been a pleasure to have shared some of your meetings with you. Guiding our youth is most important and you are doing a beautiful job. God bless you always.

RESPONSE - MRS. ANNE E. KRAUSS, Grand Guardian of Delaware, I.O.J.D.; Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It is a great pleasure and a privilege to respond to your most sincere and gracious welcome on behalf of our thirteen Bethels and the Grand Guardian Council of Job's Daughters.

We have really enjoyed your interest and words of encouragement you have given our Bethels as you have traveled with us this past year and appreciate your expression of love to our Daughters.

We would like to thank you and all the Subordinate Chapters who have visited our Bethels and a special thanks to those Chapters inviting our Daughters to exemplify their work.

Our daughters and the Grand Guardian Council wish you both a most happy and harmonious session.

They were escorted to the Grand East.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Anne, on behalf of the Grand Chapter and with "Star" love, I present you with this check for the Grand Guardian Council, I.O.J.D., and we wish for you a harmonious Council Session in July.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Let us now pause a moment in remembrance of those who have been called to their eternal home. "Beyond life's golden sunset lies a city bright and fair, In the land of God's tomorrow and our loved ones await us there; 'Tis a place of wondrous beauty where they know not grief or fears - And where God Himself, in tenderness, shall wipe away all tears; So rejoice today in knowing that our loved ones have found peace - In the land of God's tomorrow where His blessings never cease."

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, assisted by the Grand Chaplain, you will drape our Altar in memory of our deceased members.

Sister Effie Marvonek sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere".

IN MEMORIAM

There's a beautiful journey awaiting us all,
 An adventure that's brave and free
 On a ship that sails swiftly and surely along
 To a harbor our eyes cannot see...
 There...our loved ones enjoy only peace and content,
 There...soft winds bring the balmiest weather
 And those who've sailed on wait for those left behind.
 Knowing someday we'll all be together!

GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE Thirza P. Hall, W.G.M.
 Joseph C. Galloway, Jr., P.G.P. January 31, 1976
 Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary Emeritus Sept. 19, 1976

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER John B. Betty, W.G.P.
 Mildred K. Schanbacher, P.M.W.G.M. ... March 19, 1976

- DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1 Irma J. King, W.M.
 E. Watson Day, W.P.
 Elizabeth E. Beacom March 4, 1976
 Florence E. Young September 28, 1976
 M. Naomi Brown October 10, 1976
 Emma Sue Strickler October 25, 1976
- MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2 Elsie W. Kemery, W.M.
 George J. Seymour, W.P.
 Katherine M. Brittingham May 16, 1976
 Alice Work June 22, 1976
 Mary E. Patterson November 11, 1976
 Jay G. Patterson November 11, 1976
 Emily B. Crossland, P.M. December 10, 1976
- JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3 Carol L. Hall, W.M.
 Howard C. Hall, W.P.
 Bessie Burger October 14, 1976
 Clara T. Lane October 21, 1976
- ST JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4 Helen Johnson, W.M.
 Milton Johnson, W.P.
 Mary Klund February 13, 1976
 Elsie Sweeny, P.M. February 17, 1976
 Agnes Law March 28, 1976
 Elizabeth Fisher G.S.E. September 19, 1976
- ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5 Mona M. Maitha, W.M.
 Joseph Maitha, P.P.
 Ellen Journey August 8, 1976
 Martha Calloway January 25, 1976
 Sue Esham Unknown
- RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6 Mary King, W.M.
 Thomas Berry, W.P.
 Perry M. Gwaltney September 28, 1976
 Esther Harvey February 18, 1976
 Louise Pusey, P.M. May 2, 1976
 Bertha Wheatley August 9, 1976
- SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7 Esther Melvin, W.M.
 William J. Bryant, W.P.
 DeLane Chipman April 6, 1976
- CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8 Mary McMahan, W.M.
 Arnold E. McMahan, W.P.
 Hazel Van Pelt January 5, 1976
 Cora Edwards March 6, 1976
 Ann Gordon April, 1976
 Alvin Miles, P.P. March 30, 1976
 Charles Wade, P.P. February 24, 1976
 Norma Eisenbray July 8, 1976
 Viola Travis November 23, 1976
- GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9 Rena Morgan, Gr. Org.
 Warren Wheatley, Gr. Sentinel
 Helen Calhoun, P.M. July 30, 1976

- NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10 Marjorie Homiller, W.M.
 Robert Homiller, W.P.
 Irene R. Mote October 14, 1976
 Mildred Temple November 10, 1976
 Roy E. Francisco December 1, 1976
 Wallace M. Johnson December 2, 1976
- KENT CHAPTER NO. 11 Carol G. Jorden, W.M.
 Griffith L. Jordan, W.P.
 Bessie W. Scott March 2, 1976
 Virginia C. Morrow March 12, 1976
 Reba P. Hitch July 22, 1976
 Earl K. Williams, P.P. October 21, 1976
- FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12 Agnes Hurley, W.M.
 Sidney Hurley, W.P.
 Helen Grice April 21, 1976
 Irene Watson, P.M. June 30, 1976
 Viola Burton, P.M. September 26, 1976
- FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13 Sandra Terranova, W.M.
 Owen Hopley, W.P.
 E. Alverta Szagun March 18, 1976
 Rose E. Ellis May 7, 1976
 Edith M. Work, P.M. May 9, 1976
 Edwin L. Genn June 18, 1976
 John B. Sidwell November 10, 1976
 Agatha F. Faulkner November 12, 1976
- BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14 Charlotte Outten, W.M.
 Walter Mills, P.P.
 Alice C. Frederick, P.M. March 8, 1976
 Mary B. Brodie December 29, 1976
- VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15 Joan Edwards, W.M.
 Eugene Edwards, W.P.
 Elizabeth Defibaugh January 10, 1976
 Joseph Cassey September 24, 1976
 Erma M. Kirby November 17, 1976
 Daniel H. Hall November 22, 1976
 Myrtle M. Anderson, P.M. November 30, 1976
 Annabelle Irons December 30, 1976
- UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16 Minna Lodge, W.M.
 Harry A. Moore, W.P.
 Ira D. Townsend March 19, 1976
 Harry T. Wilson August 3, 1976
 Charles R. McElwee November 23, 1976
- ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17 Margaret Douglas, W.M.
 Milton Douglas, W.P.
 Eva J. Krantz February 4, 1976
- LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18 Vickie Nicklas, W.M.
 J. Norman Nicklas, W.P.
 Vessie Penuel February 11, 1976
 Ethel Oldfield July 1, 1976
 Mabel Lowe August 25, 1976

RUTH CHAPTER NO. 19 Isabel E. Turley, W.M.
 Joseph C. Galloway, Jr., P.G.P. Joseph H. Turley, W.P.
 Thomas W. Southby January 31, 1976
 Merritt J. DeGraw, Sr. May 1, 1976
 May 12, 1976

NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20 Patricia A. Dillon, W.M.
 Lonnie Dillon, W.P.
 No deaths. Flowers in thankfulness.

"The King Is Coming" Harry A. Moore, P.G.P.
 Dedicated to Rev. Thorn, former pastor, who contributed so
 much to our Memorial Services in the past before his very
 untimely death.

Benediction Reverend Robert W. Guspafson
 Recessional Mr. Lee Dettra, Organist

USHERS

Clifford W. Faircloth
 Fred Thornett

William Finkley
 Roy Davis

NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

Mary Weik
 E. Jean Thornett

Effie Marvonek
 Henry Snedeker

Marilyn Cooper

The Grand Chaplain attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called to recess at 11:40
 p.m. to reconvene Tuesday morning at 9:30 A. M.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

May 10, 1977
 9:30 a.m.

The Grand Session was called to order on Tuesday morning, May 10 at 9:30
 a.m. by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Since you are looking so bright-eyed this morning, I just know you all
 enjoyed a good night's rest. Also, many of us attended the breakfast this
 morning with our distinguished guests. Good food and good fellowship were
 enjoyed by all.

Grand Marshal, it is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you escort
 to the Grand East, by way of the Labyrinth, Past Grand Matron, Sister Lillian
 M. Larrimore and Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas C. Rodway, to formally
 open this morning session.

WELCOME BY SISTER LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE, P.G.M.:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for the
 courtesy you have accorded me in calling to order this morning's session.

I wish to congratulate you both on your year of service to our Order.

Your "Pathway to the Stars" has grown wider and longer, due to your
 tireless efforts in spreading sunshine and harmony along our Eastern Star
 Pathway. I'm sure your session will be filled with many fond memories.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, you have kept the principles of our Order along your "Pathway to the Stars". Your friendliness and the sunshine of your ever present smile has meant much to all of us.

Worthy Grand Matron, I feel I must say a few words to your Grand Marshal, Sister Catherine Ruston, my fraternal sister and my very own sister. The family has been very proud of you, Sister Catherine, this year, and we feel you have been a super Grand Marshal.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, when the mantle of authority is handed to another this evening, there is a place waiting for you in our circle of the Past Grands. I'm sure that Brother Bill Hall and Sister Ruth Betty will be the first ones to welcome you.

WELCOME BY THOMAS C. RODWAY, P.G.P.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, I thank you for this privilege and honor of assisting Sister Lillian in opening this morning Session "Pathway to the Stars". Sister Lillian you were Associate Conductress on my Grand Staff.

Sister Thirza, you were Conductress of Laurel Chapter U.D. I have watched you as you progressed to the Grand East. I now want to congratulate you on your efficient, gracious ways and many fine accomplishments.

I have had a very friendly association with you and Brother Bill by having a part in instituting Laurel Chapter. That makes you two my Fraternal Daughter and Fraternal Son.

Brother Jack, I have not known you so long, but have come to admire you for your friendly manner. I have known Sister Ruth twice as long as I have known the Worthy Grand Matron. I feel very close to you two as I selected Sister Ruth to be Worthy Grand Lecturer and Sister Irma LeCompte, my own Worthy Grand Matron, approved her. It is like one big family.

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, I want to congratulate you both on a fine year and may God bless and bestow you both with good health.

Last but not least, now we will be happy to welcome you into the Past Grands Association.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Lil and Brother Tom, thank you for opening this Tuesday Morning Session.

Sister Lil, I shall never forget how impressed I was when you made your Official Visit to Laurel Chapter when I was Worthy Matron and Sister Catherine (our Grand Marshal) was Associate Matron. Little did I dream then that one day I would stand here welcoming you to the Grand Chapter. I know Sister Catherine was extremely proud to escort you to the Grand East. Brother Tom, the sun shines on us today because you, the father of my Chapter, have opened this Session with my Worthy Grand Matron. You both hold a special place in my heart and my sincere thanks to each of you.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Lil and Brother Tom, I have enjoyed so much having you open this morning's session. Thank you for a most gracious greeting.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Chaplain led us in prayer.

Opening Ode - "Just A Closer Walk With Thee."

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from recess to resume work.

The Worthy Grand Matron reminded all that Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons are not permitted to carry Proxies.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Hello everyone. With smiles on our faces and love in our hearts, we bid you a good, good morning, and hope you are all ready to proceed with the business of the day.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

Cards were sent to all Past Grands who were unable to attend the 1976 Session.

Fifty-Year Membership Certificates were presented on Monday, May 10, 1976.

Honorary Membership Certificates were presented to all guests who were presented at the Altar, unless previously received.

All bills were paid.

Christmas cards, Officers lists and Programs were mailed.

Memorials were received from other Grand Jurisdictions announcing the deaths of 48 Past Grand Matrons and 29 Past Grand Patrons, the Associate Grand Patron of Vermont and Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mildred V. Schanbacher.

Our Grand Chapter was saddened at the deaths of Past Grand Patron, Brother Joseph C. Galloway and Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher.

Our Subordinate Chapters had a loss of 45 members in 1976.

Fifteen Grand Representative Certificates were issued and twenty-six received.

Six "A" and Fourteen "B" Certificates were given to Sister Cynthia Lewis.

The amounts for Summer Benefit, Estarl, Cancer, Temple Fund, V. A. Hospital and Masonic Home Arts and Crafts will be reported in detail by the Chairmen of those Committees.

I was privileged to attend the Grand Sessions of Pennsylvania and Maryland and the General Grand Triennium in Cleveland. I also attended a number of Official Visits in Maryland and a reception for the past Grand Representative from New York to Delaware.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET L. WICKS
Grand Secretary

My Contingent Fund has been given to the Grand Trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance in Checking account April 30, 1976 \$10,322.66

RECEIPTS

Per Capita	\$ 6,203.75	
Initiation Fees	47.50	
Registration	592.00	
Credentials	538.00	
Past Grands Dinner	588.00	
Surety Bond	102.50	
Receipt Books	155.75	
Bibles	381.60	
Rituals	292.65	
Supplies	784.77	
General Grand Chapter Books & Amendments	153.50	
Proceedings	74.00	
Dispensations	28.00	
Instruction Books	36.00	
Constitution & Laws	35.00	
Estarl:		
Transferred from savings for awards	1,600.00	
Contributions	2,106.97	
Returned check John McCormick Jacobs	750.00	
Cancer	2,129.50	
Temple Fund	97.75	
Masonic Home Arts and Crafts	617.14	
V. A. Hospital Hobby Fund	700.11	
Cardiac Research 11-49 (Heart Foundation)	815.00	
Emerald Stamps	645.51	
Shriners Hospital Unit No. 2		
Memory William J. Crosby (May & Paul Warrington) .	10.00	
Refund from Summer Benefit	1,000.00	
Pink & Blue Slips	15.00	
Blue Hen Pins	5.25	
Diabetes Association		
Memory Bertha C. Wheatley (Radiant Chap. #6.) ...	25.00	
Red Cross (Caesar Rodney Chap. #8)	10.00	
Fund Raisers		
Knight Owl's Rosat Beef Dinner	2,675.03	
Jewelry sold at dinner	54.80	
Television	1,900.00	
Refund postage stamps	24.25	25,193.88
Total Receipts		<u>\$35,516.54</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

CONTINGENT FUNDS:

Thirza P. Hall	\$ 150.00
John B. Betty	50.00
Cynthia Lewis	75.00
Margaret L. Wicks	250.00
Harry S. Bristow, Jr. (V. A. Hospital)	10.00

Janet M. Day (Storage)	125.00	
Ellen E. Gregg (Sessions)	250.00	
Edith C. Galloway (Hospitality)	100.00	
Vada L. Lockerman (Advance for Summer Benefit)	1,000.00	\$ 2,010.00

SALARIES:

Margaret L. Wicks	400.00	
Elizabeth K. Loeffel	50.00	
Janet M. Day	75.00	525.00

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Delaware Lung Association	25.00	
Christmas Seals	25.00	
Grand Chapter of Ontario (Roger Mackereth Memorial--Diabetes Assn.)	25.00	
DeMolay Annual Conclave	25.00	
Grand Guardian Council of Del. I.O.J.D.	25.00	
Cardiac Research 11-49	415.00	540.00

NECROLOGY:

Lee Dettra (Organist)	25.00	
Milford Chronicle (Programs)	27.00	
Jacqueline Collier (Supplies)	8.44	
Thelma Johnson (Styrofoam Bible & Flowers)	24.75	85.19

ESTARL:

W.S.F.S. (Check returned by John M. Jacobs)	750.00	
W.S.F.S. (Repayment to savings account)	6,000.00	
1976-77 Awards (4 @ \$400.00 each)	1,600.00	8,350.00

V. A. HOBBY FUND:

Memorial for Past Grands	100.00	
Summer Carnival	25.00	
Received from Subordinate Chapters	700.11	825.11

MASONIC HOME ARTS & CRAFTS:

617.14

HOTEL DUPONT:

Vada L. Lockerman (3 Nights)	90.00	
Howard C. Hall (3 Nights)	102.00	
Margaret L. Wicks (3 Nights)	93.60	
Marguerite L. Kennerdell (3 Nights)	127.20	
Gold Ball Room (2 Days)	900.00	
Labor	35.00	
Electricians	75.00	
Ice Water	30.00	
Past Grands Dinner	739.75	2,192.55

LUNCHES:

Levin R. Lowe	\$ 4.25	
Emily Forestieri	3.42	
Helen Ennis	3.85	\$ 11.52

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER:

Estarl Certificates	28.76	
Multi-Ring Binders	97.39	
Crowns & Scepters	152.45	
Sheaf of Barley	20.50	
Grand Treasurer's Receipt Books	12.90	
Honorary Membership Certificates	32.00	
Bibles	389.89	
Petitions for Degrees	8.09	
Demits	8.24	
Receipt Books	142.40	
Grand Representatives Commissions	13.40	
Visitors Registers	128.93	
Treasurers Cash Books	136.80	
Ritual Amendments	30.75	
Secretaries Cash Books	117.64	
Heart Foundations (For Credit)	400.00	
Amendments for Multi-Ring Binders	88.93	
Estarl	2,106.97	
Cancer	2,129.05	
Temple Fund	97.75	6,142.84

PRINTING:

C. L. STORY CO.

Grand Officers Lists	280.00	
Estarl Letterheads	25.00	
Letterheads (Ethelene Krauss, Margaret L. Wicks) .	67.00	
Stamped Envelopes	234.50	
Memorials Elizabeth M. Fisher	49.00	
Christmas Cards	100.00	
Grand Representatives Commission Requests	25.00	
Grand Chapter Invitations	53.00	
Dinner Cards	16.00	
Sessions Programs	750.00	
Open End Envelopes	27.50	

JOSEPH SMALL ASSOCIATES

Estarl Applications	31.75	
Estarl Motion	7.69	

BAKER PRINTING CO.

Proceedings	3,174.78	4,841.18
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ADDITIONAL POSTAGE:

3¢ Stamps	3.24	
Mailing Officers Lists	14.61	
Mailing Memorials	14.30	
Mailing Christmas Cards	41.60	
Mailing Invitations for Session	26.03	
Mailing Programs	89.16	188.94

GIFTS:

Eliza L. Crossland	\$ 25.00	
Mabel L. Mackereth	25.00	
William E. George	25.00	\$ 75.00

KNIGHT OWLS FUND RAISER:**ROAST BEEF DINNER**

Rent—Nur Temple	300.00	
Scott Paper	19.31	
Fulton Paper	22.75	
Lemons & Detergent	1.97	
San-Del Pickle & Relish	24.20	
Clean-up Men	26.00	
Dave Cochran	935.60	1,329.83

MISCELLANEOUS:

Howard H. Way (Typewriter)	275.00	
Young & Revel (Typewriter Table)	64.00	
(3x5 Card Files)	78.75	
Basco, Inc. (Tape Recorder)	41.97	
Franklin Stamp & Rubber Co. (Repairing seals)	27.00	
Guest book for Registration	5.00	
Wm. Lehmborg (Broken Column)	76.00	
(Charter Drapes)	73.62	
(Altar Drape)	58.87	
Rowland & Cannon	60.00	
Wilmington Trust Co. (Box Rent)	10.00	
Ellen E. Gregg (Visitor & delegate Badges)	66.31	
Chappell Jewelers (Engraving Jewels)	35.00	
Insurance & Financial Services (Surety Bond)	110.00	
Blue Hen Pins	54.00	
Thirza P. Hall—Triennium expenses	138.79	
Victory Chapter (Overpayment on initiation fees) ...	1.00	
Red Cross (Caesar Rodney Chapter #8)	10.00	
Delaware Diabetes Assn. (Memory Bertha C. Wheatley)	25.00	
Shriners Hospital Unit #2		
(May Warrington—Memory Wm. J. Crosby)	10.00	1,220.31
Total Disbursements		<u>\$28,954.61</u>
Check Book Balance as of April 30, 1977		6,561.93

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance April 30, 1976	\$13,460.08
Interest	735.80
	<u>\$14,195.88</u>

SUMMER BENEFIT CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance April 30, 1976	\$	1.00
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RECEIPTS:

Money deposited June 26, 1976	\$ 7,706.25	
Ticket Money (Additional)	90.00	
Table Money (Additional)	43.50	
Contributions	15.67	
St. John's Chapter #4 (Afghan)	55.25	
Printed Program		
Boosters	4.00	
Ads	175.00	
Transferred from Summer Benefit Savings a/c	11,304.92	19,394.59
		<u>\$19,395.59</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Expenses 6/26/77	\$ 482.27	
Refund for advance from regular checking account ..	1,000.00	
Transferred to WSFS Savings account	5,230.00	
Contributions listed in Summer Benefit Report	12,682.32	19,394.59
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Balance April 30, 1977		\$ 1.00

SUMMER BENEFIT SAVINGS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS:

Deposited		\$14,914.10
Interest		470.82
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		\$15,384.92

DISBURSEMENTS:

Baker Printing Co.	\$ 4,079.00	
Transferred to checking account	11,304.92	15,383.92
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		\$ 1.00

ESTARL SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance in Savings Account April 30, 1976		\$ 3,777.20
Contributions 1976	\$ 2,475.84	
Repayment from regular account	6,000.00	
Returned check John M. Jacobs	750.00	
Interest	550.94	9,776.78
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		\$13,553.98

DISBURSEMENTS

4 Awards @ \$400.00 each		1,600.00
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Balance April 30, 1977		\$11,953.98

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, seconded by Sister Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee that the Report of the Grand Secretary be accepted and printed in the Proceedings in its entirety. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The following is a report of my official transactions for the Grand Chapter year ending April 30, 1977.

Balance on hand April 30, 1976		\$10,322.66
Received from the Grand Secretary:		
May 12, 1976	\$ 1,134.50	
May 24, 1976	155.50	
June 10, 1976	150.40	
July 9, 1976	354.44	
July 26, 1976	1,733.72	
August 30, 1976	1,025.30	
October 2, 1976	313.51	

November 12, 1976	1,910.31
December 2, 1976	1,625.18
January 26, 1977	3,494.50
February 19, 1977	3,553.11
March 10, 1977	503.23
March 21, 1977	2,664.43
March 25, 1977	584.15
April 4, 1977	1,698.00
April 11, 1977	2,254.74
April 18, 1977	757.32
April 29, 1977	531.54
Returned check	750.00
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	\$25,193.88
Total Receipts	\$35,516.54
Disbursements May 1, 1976 - April 30, 1977	28,954.61
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Balance April 30, 1977	\$ 6,561.93
Bank Balance April 30, 1977	\$12,068.41
Outstanding Checks:	
#3650	\$ 25.00
#3652	25.00
#3653	25.00
#3654	25.00
#3655	213.54
#3656	357.20
#3657	2,106.97
#3658	2,129.05
#3659	97.75
#3660	415.00
#3661	10.00
#3662	25.00
#3663	10.00
#3664	41.97
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	\$ 5,506.48
Actual Balance April 30, 1977	\$ 6,561.93

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The following is a report of my official transactions of the Summer Benefit checking account for the year ending April 30, 1977.

Balance on hand April 30, 1976	\$ 1.00
Received from Grand Secretary:	
June 26, 1976	\$ 7,706.25
July 7, 1976	10.67
July 16, 1976	53.00
August 4, 1976	6.00
October 3, 1976	83.50

October 18, 1976	66.00	
November 23, 1976	109.00	
December 3, 1976	55.25	
February 1, 1977	11,304.92	
		<u>\$19,394.59</u>
Total Receipts		\$19,395.59
Total Disbursements May, 1976-April 30, 1977		<u>19,394.59</u>
Balance April 30, 1977		\$ 1.00
Bank Statement April 30, 1977		\$ 1,545.72
Outstanding checks:		
#268	\$ 1,000.00	
#270	100.00	
#285	415.20	
#286	29.52	
		<u>\$ 1,544.72</u>
Actual Balance April 30, 1977		\$ 1.00

Respectfully,

ELIZABETH K. LOEFFEL,
Grand Treasurer

A motion was made by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer, seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., that report of the Grand Treasurer, having been approved by the Grand Trustees be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

PROPOSAL OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES—SISTER PAULINE DAVIS, Sr. Trustee:

First, I would like to say, I understand some members cannot understand why I did not send a letter direct to each Chapter. I was trying to reach the voting delegates of the Grand Chapter and not confuse the non-voting members.

Every Worthy Matron and Deputy Grand Lecturer of each Chapter was sent a copy.

I asked the Grand Secretary to give me the present names and addresses of the Worthy Matrons to be sure I had them correct, which she did. I had my return address on the envelopes, none were returned to me so I presumed each had received their copy. If you didn't I'm sorry.

Now on to the business at hand. I will first read you the letter I sent out, then for those of you that your Worthy Matron did not contact I will try to fill in for her so you will be able to understand all the details.

2302 Riddle Ave. Apt. 303
Wilmington, Dela. 19806

Dear Eastern Star Member,

The Grand Trustees were invited by Mr. James E. Allinger, Resident Manager to the Hotel for a meeting and lunch to discuss some business proposals for the Grand Chapter. We in turn invited the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Thirza Hall and Worthy Grand Patron Brother John Betty to join us. We met Monday March 28th, 1977.

I am sending a copy of the outcome of this meeting to each Past Grand Matron and Patron, and Grand Officers in advance to inform you of the proposals made by the Hotel DuPont. I will also send a copy to each Worthy Matron and request her to inform their own voting delegates. Deputy Grand Lecturers also received a copy.

I believe the letters will speak for themselves. We have three dates, all three dates at the February prices and these dates are:

4th Monday & Tuesday of June
2nd Monday & Tuesday of Sept.
4th Monday & Tuesday of March

We are speaking of the year 1979.

It would be well for us to study and consider this wisely as it would be beneficial at this time and in the future. I'm sure you are all aware of the struggle we are having with our finances.

When a decision is made by the Grand Chapter in May, I will be in readiness to make a recommendation if needed.

Fraternally yours,

PAULINE P. DAVIS
Chairman Grand Trustees

April 3, 1977

LETTER #1

cc: H. V. Ayres
R. R. Hall
B. Mayer

Hotel Division

March 28, 1977

MRS. EARL GUTZKE
MR. J. BAPTIST MILANO
MRS. ROBERT W. DAVIS

MRS. THIRZA HALL
MR. JOHN BETTY

**MEETING MINUTES OF GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE, ORDER
OF EASTERN STAR AND STAFF OF HOTEL DUPONT**

Purpose: To present to the Board of Trustees of O.E.S. a proposal by the staff of Hotel duPont to change the annual session from the month of May to another month.

Review: The month of May has been the annual session for many years. The Hotel duPont has had the pleasure of serving O.E.S. and looks forward to doing so for many years to come.

It is recognized that this proposal is being presented for the purpose of communicating to the above persons so they may in turn present it to all O.E.S. members. If the meeting time is changed to another month, it would be accomplished in 1978 not 1977.

May of each year is historically the Hotel's busiest month and each year many O.E.S. members have not been able to reserve a room during the Session because the Hotel is full. Each year, there are scheduling changes concerning available set up time the day before and some years setting up has been done at inconvenient hours.

In short, the demand for Hotel space in the month of May has at times caused something less than "personalized" service which the Hotel believes is a basic standard of operation.

In addition to being able to give improved service, the following price advantages are being offered O.E.S. if the annual session were held at the times suggested below.

Financial Comparisons

	1977 MAY	1978 FEBRUARY	4th. Mon. & Tues. March 4th. Mon. & Tues. June 2nd. Mon. & Tues. Sept. July or Aug.	1978 July or Aug.
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Guest Room Rates

Single	\$26.00 - \$28.00	\$24.50	— \$ 3.50 daily	\$23.00
Double (one person) ..	\$32.50	\$27.50	— 5.00 daily	\$25.00
Twin (one person) ...	\$33.50	\$29.50	— 4.00 daily	\$27.00
Double (two persons) .	\$38.50	\$31.50	— 7.00 daily	\$30.00
Twin (two persons) ...	\$39.50	\$33.50	— 6.00 daily	\$32.00
Triple	\$52.00	\$45.50	— 6.50 daily	\$41.00
Suite	\$92.00	\$70.00	— 22.00 daily	\$66.00
Extra Person	\$ 6.00	\$ 5.00	— 1.00 daily	\$ 3.00

Average Number of Rooms Used - 85 rooms per night

Average Savings for February - \$5.00/room x 85 rooms = \$1,275.00

Average Savings for July or August - \$7.50/room x 85 rooms = \$1,914.00

Banquet Charge	May	February	July or August
Ballroom Rental (2 days)	\$500/day	\$400/day	\$350/day
Electrician	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	No Charge
Early Labor	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	No Charge
Private Dining Room Rentals (2nd Floor)	\$125.00	\$125.00	No Charge

February Savings - \$200.00 + \$1,275.00 = \$1,475.00

July or August Savings - \$550.00 + \$1,914.00 = \$2,464.00

Summary: While the past years have been a wonderful relationship between O.E.S. and Hotel duPont, it is felt that an even better one can be achieved because of less crowding and more rooms being available in February, July or August. The financial advantage, we hope, would be welcomed. The suggested change is also beneficial to the Hotel as the business takes on a more even flow and hopes O.E.S. will consider its acceptance.

Please contact Robert Hall, Sales Manager, Bernd Mayer, Banquet Manager, or James Allinger, Resident Manager for any further questions or clarification.

Sincerely,

James E. Allinger
Resident Manager

JEA/jms

Sat nite Banquet — **No Charge for Room** (Gold Ballroom)
Mr. Mayer said they could accommodate 500 people.

LETTER # TWO

cc: H. V. Ayres
R. R. Hall
B. Mayer

Hotel Division
March 30, 1977

MRS EARL GUTZKE
MR. J. BAPTIST MILANO
MRS. ROBERT W. DAVIS

MRS. THIRZA HALL
MR. JOHN BETTY

REVIEW OF MARCH 28, 1977 MEETING

It was a pleasure meeting everyone and getting to know the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, a lot better.

Thank you for taking time to listen to the Hotel's proposal and for the consideration you are giving it.

To highlight our meeting on March 28, 1977, the following was considered:

1. O.E.S. to consider changing the annual session from the month of May to another month.
2. Any change in the annual session dates cannot take place until 1979. If the change is accomplished in 1979, the Hotel is prepared to offer the same dollar savings compared to regular rates for 1979 as outlined in the March 28, 1977 meeting.
3. February, July and August were suggested in the initial proposal. However, alternate times of (1) 4th week in March, (2) 4th week in June and (3) 2nd week in September were added. It was our understanding that the 2nd week in September looked like the most favorable date because of the timing problems in March and the proximity of the annual fund raising campaign in June.
4. Mr. J. Baptist Milano will report back to the Hotel staff the action agreed upon since he will be chairman of the Grand Trustees at that time.
5. Alternate dates were discussed for the annual session in 1979. The Hotel has tentatively reserved the Gold Ballroom for the Saturday preceding the 2nd Monday in September for 1979 and 1980. Saturday, June 23, prior to the fourth Monday in June has also been tentatively set aside. There is an existing conflict with the Saturday before the fourth Monday in March (March 24, 1977) and we do not have this date protected.
6. If July or August dates are under consideration of the Membership, we would be pleased to review availabilities.

Hopefully, everything has been included for your meeting. If anything has been omitted, please contact me.

The staff of the Hotel looks forward to many years of serving the Order of the Eastern Star and will be awaiting your reply.

Sincerely,

James E. Allinger
Resident Manager

JEA/jms

After much discussion, a motion was made by Sister Miriam D. Ziegler, P.M., seconded by Sister Joanne Keenan, P.M. that we try for the March date. Motion adopted.

SESSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Worthy Grand Matron, my first words of "Thanks" must go to you for appointing me chairman and Sister Flo, co-chairman of your "Pathway to the Stars" session. We trust you and Brother Jack are pleased with the beauty of this room. You really gave us a wonderful committee, and with their full cooperation, it has been a pleasure. Again, "Thanks a million" for giving us a great committee to work with.

The Sessions Committee met at the home of the co-chairman, Sister Flo, on October 19, 1976. There were 21 present. We planned our work and assignments were made. Everyone was most cooperative and willing to do whatever they could. After the meeting we enjoyed a very delicious buffet.

It's hard to say "Thanks" to each individual but I must mention the following:

- Bro. Perc Gardiner - the beautiful backdrop in the East
- Bro. Sheldon Edwards - the cloud and crown and scepter in the West and his wife, Geri, for the Worthy Grand Matron's owl.
- Bro. Henry Lutton - the flower baskets and Watchwords at the Star Point stations
- Bro. Harvey Bunting - the welcome signs, posters and the Worthy Grand Patron's greenhouse
- Sisters Hilda Downward, Ruth Layton, Mildred Hurlock, Joan Moore and Leah Cameron - the Foyer decorations honoring Queen Esther
- Our moving crew was the greatest - Brothers Fred Thornett, Norman Nicklas, Henry Lutton, Charles O'Neal and Joseph Allione

Special thanks to Sister Lilia Heinel for making the red, heart-shaped pillows and to Sister Flo and Brother Carl for making the crowns and scepters that are sitting on them. Also, to Brother Carl for making the Grand Pages reserved signs for their chairs.

Sister Gloria Piergalline, your music for the Informal Opening was lovely as always. Many thanks for the music and to Sister Effie Marvonek for the solo. Sister Gloria, you will never know how happy you made me when you said "yes" when I asked you to take complete charge of the "Tribute". It was just beautiful. Thanks so very much and also to Sister Adelaide for accompanying her at the organ.

We met with the Grand Pages on February 10, 1977 in Five Points Banquet Room. They accepted the material and pattern we had chosen and each was responsible for having their gown made. Their jewelry is a gift from the Grand Officer they are serving and their silver evening bags from the Grand Committee. We are proud of the Pages. They have been most cooperative and we think they look lovely.

My co-chairman, Sister Flo has been at my side all the time. In fact, Brother Carl cut out 650 felt stars and Sister Flo sewed on the sequins for your sessions badges. She is a wonderful person to work with and this has been quite an experience for us, with just enough problems to make it all worthwhile.

Grand Secretary, will you please write the following notes of thanks:

Wilmington Piano - use of the organ

Edith Galloway - loan of rose arbor

Five Points Chapter No. 13 - use of rug, furniture, paraphernalia, etc. and insuring same, including the organ

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, it has been a privilege and a great pleasure for this entire committee to plan this important part of your session. If we have pleased you then we feel greatly rewarded.

Sister Thirza, we hope you like your "Owl" and "Snoopy". From the description I got from Brother Bill, I'm sure Snoopy is lacking many colors in his coat but we tried.

Brother Jack, I know the "Greenhouse" looks familiar and we hope you like it. On the other hand, did we have to remind you of work!

The report of my contingent fund has been filed with the Grand Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN E. GREGG, Chairman

FLO E. RUST, Co-chairman

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, that the Report of the Sessions Committee be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, Grand Trustee. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER—1976-1977

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

I want to express my sincere appreciation to this Grand Body for electing me to serve as its Grand Lecturer this year. It has really been a grand experience to meet so many wonderful people and to learn so much about the work of our Order. At first it seemed like such a mountain of things to do in just one year, but with everyone's cooperation, I hope I have accomplished what you expected.

Although the year has been a busy one filled with studying, to better exemplify the work, giving Proficiency Examinations and visiting all the Chapters in the State, it has been most gratifying to me to see so much interest displayed by the members toward the Eastern Star. My one wish is that I have performed these duties to the satisfaction of all those who have put their confidence in me.

On May 14, 1976, I met with the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza to go over the work for the School of Instruction which was held in the meeting room of Victory Chapter No. 15 on May 15. The work was exemplified by the Grand Officers and Sister Thirza discussed her hopes and desires for the year.

I was happy that I could attend nineteen Official Visits—Esther Chapter No. 11 being the only one I missed due to the Worthy Grand Matron's request that I attend Kent Chapter No. 11 for balloting on that night to fill in for their Deputy Grand Lecturer while she was away. I was present at sixteen Birthday Parties, several Installations and was Installing Marshal in my own Chapter, Frankford No. 12; eleven Initiations and several banquets. I substituted for the Deputy Grand Lecturers in six Chapters, visited Chapters in Maryland and attended the General Grand Chapter Sessions in Cleveland.

A report of my Contingent Fund has been filed with the Grand Trustees.

One of the most satisfying duties that the Grand Lecturer has to perform is giving Proficiency Examinations. I have thoroughly enjoyed the fellowship with all the nice people I worked with and hope we have made lasting friendships.

I have examined and issued Class "A" Certificates to the following:

Faith Benson, Ruth Chapter No. 19, November 23, 1976
 Agnes Hurley, Frankford Chapter No. 12, February 27, 1977
 Margaret Keith, Newark Chapter No. 10, March 4, 1977
 Thelma Sisson, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, April 13, 1977
 Claire Supernaw, Frankford Chapter No. 12, April 14, 1977
 Lucille Rickards, Frankford Chapter No. 12, April 15, 1977
 Viola Jackson, Frankford Chapter No. 12, April 15, 1977

I examined Nancy Heintzelman, Ruth Chapter No. 19, in Test Oath, Opening and Closing and Landmarks for an "A" Certificate.

I have examined in Worthy Matron's work and issued Class "B" Certificates to:

Phyllis Morganstern, Five Points Chapters No. 13, October 23, 1976
 Alice Hoeflinger, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, October 23, 1976
 Nancy Heintzelman, Ruth Chapter No. 19, October 23, 1976
 Claire Supernaw, Frankford Chapter No. 12, November 20, 1976
 Pauline McPhee, Victory Chapter No. 15, November 20, 1976
 Judy Harrison, Georgetown Chapter No. 9, December 9, 1976
 Joy Hopkins, Unity Chapter No. 16, December 9, 1976
 Joanne Baker, Brandywine Chapter No. 14, December 31, 1976
 Jean DeGraw, Ruth Chapter No. 19, March 8, 1977
 Phyllis Carmean, Naomi Chapter No. 20, April 15, 1977
 Margaret Mills, Brandywine Chapter No. 14, April 15, 1977

I have examined in Worthy Patron's work and issued "B" Certificates to:

Lonnie Dillon, Naomi Chapter No. 20, December 31, 1976
 George McPhee, Victory Chapter No. 15, March 19, 1977
 Thomas Morganstern, Five Points Chapter No. 13, March 20, 1977

I have examined the following in Conductress work:

Margaret Mills, Brandywine Chapter No. 14, July 21, 1976
 Phyllis Carmean, Naomi Chapter No. 20, July 22, 1976
 Jean DeGraw, Ruth Chapter No. 19, October 23, 1976
 Carol E. Noble, Frankford Chapter No. 12, November 3, 1976
 Betty Stahl, St. John's Chapter No. 4, November 24, 1976
 Mary Boltz, Sussex Chapter No. 7, December 4, 1976
 Linda Good, Unity Chapter No. 16, December 9, 1976
 Gail Reilly, Five Points Chapter No. 13, December 31, 1976
 Catherine Mason, Delaware Chapter No. 1, January 23, 1977
 Renee Young, Georgetown Chapter No. 9, February 4, 1977
 Gay Huston, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, February 5, 1977
 Geraldine Harmon, Victory Chapter No. 15, February 22, 1977
 Doris Corrigan, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, March 28, 1977
 Edna Esham, Georgetown Chapter No. 9, April 13, 1977

Only one Associate Patron has not taken his examination and his name will be given to my successor.

My sincerest thanks goes to the members of Five Points Chapter No. 13 for the use of their Chapter room and to their Deputy, Sister Virginia Timmons, who helped me so much when the weather didn't cooperate; and also to Frankford Chapter No. 12 for the use of their room many times for the purpose of giving examinations. To all the Deputy Grand Lecturers I must extend a heartfelt appreciation for all the help and assistance they gave me and to their officers. I cannot forget to include a special thank you to my travelling companions who saw to it that I did not travel alone.

To our Grand Secretary, Sister Margaret, many thanks for all your kindness to me and your cooperation in preparing the Certificates and delivering them to me.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been such a pleasure to travel with you along your "Pathway To The Stars". You have been so gracious and kind to everyone and I found that you were never too busy to help me with any problem and to answer my many questions. Both of you have made this year one to be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,

CYNTHIA LEWIS
 Grand Lecturer

A motion was made by Sister Phyllis Ann Stewart, Associate Grand Conductress, seconded by Sister Alice C. Abbott, P.G.M., that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT REPORT

Come, take our hand as we start on an imaginary tour thru the most enchanting years where all Pathways lead to the brightest shining Star - Our Order of the Eastern Star.

Every Pathway has a beginning and ours starts in the year 1850 when Dr. Rob Morris had the foresight to start the clearing. Our history tells us we are the oldest and largest fraternal organization in the world, to which both men and women belong, with over fourteen thousand chapters and three million members.

A branch of our Pathway shows us that we are governed by four sovereign bodies: the General Grand Chapter, the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland and the Independent Grand Chapters of New York and New Jersey.

The General Grand Chapter was organized in 1876 in Indiana. It convenes triennially and has jurisdiction over the Grand Chapters in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, and eighty Subordinate Chapters in Alaska, Hawaii and other countries around the world. The Thirty-Sixth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter will be held in Toronto, Ontario from October 21-25, 1979.

Our Pathway shows a corridor adorned from the most simple to the most elaborate of settings, each describing the theme of the Session. They are held in Temples, Civic Centers, Hotel Ballrooms, Auditoriums, Gymnasiums and last from one to five days.

Although our Pathway has many branches or footpaths, the main Pathway shows all Grand and Subordinate Chapters displaying their country's flag, the Holy Bible on each Altar and all meetings open and close in prayer.

Another footpath off our main Pathway shows the many charitable organizations and worthwhile projects which are supported by our Order with thousands of dollars contributed. Primary ones are: Cancer Research, Homes for the Elderly and for Children, Children and Veteran's Hospitals and many, many more, too numerous to mention. The rays of our Star shine brightly along the Pathway where our ESTARL recipients dwell. Their dedication to a life of religious leadership is worthy of our assistance and each year the awards seem to increase. The remaining pathways do seem brighter as our young people turn to Job's Daughters and to DeMolay, also worthy of our continual support.

We are greatly concerned with shadows on one pathway - the decline in membership. Just fourteen on the proceedings giving reports showed an increase. This is truly a great concern to all. Let us here in Delaware strive to show a gain this year.

Our Pathway of Grand Representatives shines brightly with all the letters, telephone calls and visits between Jurisdictions. Delaware was represented in fourteen sister Grand Jurisdictions. May this Pathway continue to glow and grow.

Our last side Pathway is overflowing with Sister Grand Jurisdictions and Fraternal Correspondents - to them we extend greetings and fraternal love.

All these side pathways join the straight wide Pathway to the Brightest Star - Our One Order - Order of the Eastern Star.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron for giving us the opportunity of strolling on an enchanting tour with Sister Margaret Wicks, Grand Secretary, as our tour guide and supplier of materials.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS ANN STEWART
Associate Grand Conductress

BETSY ANN CONNER
Grand Conductress

ETHELENE F. KRAUSS
Associate Grand Matron

A detailed report of all Grand Jurisdictions is included in my report but will not be read here, due to time element.

ALABAMA

"MELODY OF 'B'" SESSION

Seventy-sixth Annual Grand Session was held in Birmingham, Alabama, October 17-20, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Ruth Allison
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Horace O. Burdette

Projects and Charities: Cancer, ESTARL, International Temple Fund, and Heart Fund.

295 Chapters	31,489 Members	87 Gain
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Seventy-seventh Annual Session will be held in Montgomery, Alabama, October 17-19, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Elsie W. Cockrell
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Joseph F. Wood

ARIZONA

"BELLS OF FREEDOM" SESSION

Seventy-sixth Annual Session was held in Adams Hotel, Phoenix, Arizona, March 25-27, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Betty H. Harkleroad (Mrs. Lee)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Arthur M. Daniels

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research, ESTARL and Heart Fund.

60 Chapters	12,468 Members	14 Gain
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Seventy-seventh Annual Session will be held in Westward Ho Motel, Phoenix, Arizona, March 24-26, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Hilda Rubel (Mrs. George)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wayne Little

ARKANSAS

"OUR HERITAGE BENEATH THE SHADOW OF HIS STAR" SESSION

One Hundredth Annual Session was held in Little Rock Convention Center, Little Rock, Arkansas, December 3-5, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Ida Glass (Mrs. James E.)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Truman Floyd Williams

Projects and Charities: International Temple Fund, ESTARL and Cancer.

214 Chapters	24,695 Members	38 Gain
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One Hundred First Annual Session will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas, December 1-3, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Wilma Springs
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - O. W. "Bill" Diederich

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON**"HARBOUR" SESSION**

Sixty-fifth Annual Session was held in Vancouver, B.C., May 31, June 1 and 2, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Donna M. Galpin
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wm. R. Thomas

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research and International Temple Fund.

90 Chapters 11,357 Members 87 Loss

Sixty-sixth Annual Session will be held in Vancouver, B.C., May 31, June 1 and 2, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Barbara Schellenberg
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - J. Frederick Fisher

CALIFORNIA**"THE HEART OF AMERICA" SESSION**

One Hundred Third Annual Session was held in Anaheim, California, October 24-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Donna M. Smith
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Stanley M. Love

Projects and Charities: J. Clifford Lee Cancer Fund

530 Chapters 134,786 Members 1,476 Loss

One Hundred Fourth Annual Session will be held in Sacramento, California, October 17-20, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Patricia B. Quibell
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Gerald P. Cashion

COLORADO**"GARDEN OF SUNSHINE" SESSION**

Eighty-third Annual Session was held in Colorado Consistory, Denver, September 17-20, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Dorothy J. Selders (Mrs. Sam)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Stewart R. Couper

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research, International Temple Fund

134 Chapters 31,131 Members 412 Loss
 45 Chapters showed a gain

Eighty-fourth Annual Session will be held in Colorado Springs, September 15-18, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Bernice E. Nickson (Mrs. George)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - J. Harold Brown

CONNECTICUT**"BROKEN COLUMNS" SESSION**

One Hundred Second Annual Session was held at Hartford Hilton, Hartford, Connecticut, April 22-24, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Marion M. Andersen

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - George E. Larsson

Projects and Charities: ESTARL

89 Chapters	18,857 Members	880 Loss
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One Hundred Third Annual Session will be held in Assembly Hall, Civic Center, Hartford, Connecticut, April 21-23, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Harriet L. Moore

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert M. Hess

FLORIDA**"REFLECTIONS OF BEAUTY" SESSION**

Seventy-first Annual Session was held in Curtis Hixon Convention Center, Tampa, Florida, April 6-9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Norma Cope (Mrs. Forrest)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Carl R. Bowen

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, International Temple Fund, and Cancer Relief.

259 Chapters	47,219 Members	442 Gain
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Seventy-second Annual Session will be held in St. Petersburg, Florida, April 5-8, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mamie Horton (Mrs. Cleave)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Aubrey Dykes

Delawarean Attending: Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.

GEORGIA**"DIAMOND JUBILEE" AND "RAYS OF LOVE AND MEMORIES" SESSION**

Seventy-fifth Annual Session was held in Atlanta, Georgia, June 7-9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Agnes N. Ray

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - David J. Roberts

Projects and Charities: Cancer Aid, ESTARL & ESTARL Phase II, and International Temple Fund.

280 Chapters	33,035 Members	426 Gain
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Seventy-sixth Annual Session will be held in Macon, Georgia, June 13-15, 1977

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Frances Todd (Mrs. Joseph)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Kirby D. Ward

Delawareans Attending:
Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M.
Marjorie Chris, Grand Representative

IDAHO**"HERITAGE AND HORIZONS" SESSION**

Seventy-fourth Annual Session was held in the Elks Temple, Lewistown, Idaho, June 7-9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Darlene Schiers
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - George W. Clark

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research and International Temple Fund.

78 Chapters 11,260 Members 214 Loss

Seventy-fifth Annual Session will be held in Pocatello, Idaho, June 13-15, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Virginia Peters
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - George Strange

INDIANA**"CATHEDRAL BELL" SESSION**

One Hundred Second Annual Session was held at the Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 26-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Jerry Walker
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Dwight V. Singer, Jr.

Projects and Charities: ESTARL

476 Chapters 116,562 Members 2,511 Loss

One Hundred Third Session will be held in Indianapolis, April 25-27, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Sally Woodward
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert B. Olson

IOWA**"FOREST OF COMMUNICATIONS" SESSION**

Ninety-eighth Annual Session was held in Davenport, Iowa, October 28-30, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Dorothy Eastland Messinger (Mrs. Paul)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - F. Gilbert Mote

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, International Temple Fund, and Cancer Research.

390 Chapters 60,239 Members 1,169 Loss

Ninety-ninth Annual Session will be held in Waterloo, Iowa, October 26-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Lucille Gremmels (Mrs. LaVerne)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - John E. Thompson

KANSAS**"CENTENNIAL" SESSION**

One Hundredth Annual Session was held in Topeka, Kansas, April 26-29, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Jeanette Huet
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Walter C. Smith

Projects and Charities: ESTARL

342 Chapters	68,551 Members	1,426 Loss
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Four Chapters consolidated this year.

One Hundred First Session will be held in Topeka, Kansas, April 26-28, 1977.

KENTUCKY**"THE CHIMES OF LOVE" SESSION**

Seventy-fourth Annual Session was held in Louisville, Kentucky, October 24-27, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Ermaline Ford (Mrs. Clay)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Omar Marshall

Projects and Charities: Cancer and ESTARL

296 Chapters	44,499 Members	137 Gain
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Seventy-fifth Annual Session will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, October 23-26, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Helen J. Berry
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Paul R. Daniels

MAINE**"SPIRIT OF '76" SESSION**

Eighty-fourth Annual Session was held in Augusta, Maine, May 17-19, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Frances M. Smith
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wesley G. Woodman

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research & Education, and International Temple Fund.

164 Chapters	28,385 Members	451 Loss
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Eighty-fifth Annual Session will be held in Augusta on Third Tuesday in May, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Ruby L. Burrill
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Richard L. Howard

MANITOBA, CANADA**"GEMS OF NATURE" SESSION**

Fifty-fourth Annual Session was held at the International Inn, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, May 31, June 1 and 2, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Miss Edith M. Shackell
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Ross C. Oatway

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research and ESTARL

54 Chapters 5,289 Members 24 Loss

Fifty-fifth Annual Session will be held in the International Inn, Winnepeg, Canada, May 29-31, and June 1, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Esther G. Wilding (Mrs. S. N.)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Norman K. Giller

Delawarean Attending: Edith C. Galloway, P.G.M.

MARYLAND

"SHOWERS OF FRIENDSHIP" SESSION

Seventy-eighth Annual Session was held in Baltimore, Maryland, April 25-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Rita B. Clauss
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Andrew J. Larkins

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research, ESTARL, ESTARL Phase II, Heart Fund, and International Temple Fund.

108 Chapters 24,488 Members 60 Loss

Seventy-ninth Annual Session will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, April 24-27, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Pauline Falk
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Frank W. Talley

Delawareans Attending: Edith Shinn, P.G.M. - General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Welfare, Vada Lockerman, W.G.M., Howard Hall, W.G.P., Thirza Hall, A.G.M., John B. Betty, A.G.P., Margaret Wicks, Gr. Secretary, Ethelene Krauss, Gr. Cond., Ruth Betty, P.G.M., Adelaide Martin, P.G.M., Eliza Crossland, P.G.M., Mary Hutchison, Grand Representative, Iva Hall, Gr. Chap., Hilda Downward, Act. Gr. Marshal, Frances Nowakowski, Gr. Org., and Lorraine Carver, Gr. Electa.

MICHIGAN

"SYMPHONY OF SERVICE" SESSION

One Hundred Ninth Annual Session was held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 14-16, 1975. (Oldest Grand Jurisdiction in the World - 1867)

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Marjorie Barton
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert H. Hayes

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

441 Chapters 90,895 Members 4,520 Loss

One Hundred Tenth Annual Session will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 13-15, 1976

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Beatrice M. Dole
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Clarence Johnson

Delawareans Attending: Phyllis Howell, P.G.M., Harry Moore, P.G.P.,
 Lorraine Carver, Gr. Electa, Editha Hinchliffe, Gr. Representative,
 James W. Hinchliffe, P.P.

MINNESOTA

"MELODY OF LOVE" SESSION

Ninety-eighth Annual Session was held in the Municipal Auditorium,
 Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 12-14, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Harriet K. Skinner
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Dean A. Borchardt

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and ESTARL Phase II

234 Chapters	40,011 Members	773 Loss
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Five Chapters surrendered Charter through consolidation.

Ninety-ninth Annual Session will be held in the Mayo Civic Auditorium in
 Rochester, May 11-13, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Florence M. Rickert
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Tom Bosworth

MISSISSIPPI

"THE DAUGHTERS HAPPINESS" SESSION

Seventieth Annual Session was held in Jackson, Mississippi, April 11-14,
 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Gladys Shows (Mrs. Wilson)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Dr. E. F. Simmons

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, International Temple Fund, and Cancer
 Research.

226 Chapters	24,021 Members	68 Gain
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Seventy-first Annual Session will be held in Jackson, Mississippi, April 18-
 20, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Rosalie Warren (Mrs. Donnell)
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wayne Nanney

MISSOURI

"CHALLENGE OF OUR YEARS" SESSION

One Hundred First Annual Session was held in the Municipal Auditorium,
 Kansas City, Missouri, October 20-22, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Viola Lowry
 WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wilbert Beauchamp

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research and Heart Fund.

491 Chapters	75,707 Members	1,060 Loss
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A Chapter was constituted this year.

A Chapter was instituted this year.

Nine Chapters consolidated this year.

One Hundred Second Annual Session will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, October 11-13, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Lorraine Whitaker

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Oscar Schmelig

MONTANA

"STAIRWAY OF STARS" SESSION

Eighty-seventh Annual Session was held in Great Falls, Montana, June 17-19, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Edna Snyder

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Henry Doty

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, ESTARL Phase II and Cancer Research.

114 Chapters	19,984 Members	437 Loss
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Eighty-eighth Annual Session will be held in Kalispell, Montana, June 16-18, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Retta M. Powell (Mrs. Charles)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Leo Thomas

NEBRASKA

"SOUND OF MUSIC" SESSION

One Hundred First Annual Session was held in Pershing Municipal Auditorium, Lincoln, Nebraska, May 11-13, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Beverly Perkins Mulford

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Donald I. Coad

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, ESTARL Phase II and Cancer Research.

228 Chapters	36,487 Members	785 Loss
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One Hundred Second Annual Session will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska, May 3-5, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Virginia Jones (Mrs. David)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Dr. Robert Boss

NEW HAMPSHIRE

"WE WALK BY FAITH" SESSION

Eighty-sixth Annual Session was held at Bedford, New Hampshire, September 9, 11, and 12, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Elisabeth S. White

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - George A. McKeagney

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer Research

64 Chapters	11,047 Members	222 Loss
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Eighty-seventh Annual Session will be held in Bedford, N.H., September 8-10, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Ruth B. Hamilton (Mrs. Lee)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert F. Hefler

Delawarean Attending: Mary Weik, Grand Representative

NEW JERSEY

"ALOHA - LOVE" SESSION

One Hundred Sixth Annual Session was held in Atlantic City, N.J., May 18-20, 1976.

MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Rose T. Dorsheimer
MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Llewellyn H. Campbell, Jr.

Projects and Charities: Eastern Star Charity Foundation, Most Worthy Grand Matron's Jewelry Project, and State Schools for the Retarded.

194 Chapters	46,703 Members	1,094 Loss
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One Hundred Seventh Annual Session will be held in Atlantic City, N.J., May 24-26, 1977.

MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Evelyn A. MacKenzie
(Mrs. C. Albert)
MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON - William J. Bain

Delawareans Attending: Thirza Hall, W.G.M., John Betty, W.G.P., Ruth Betty, P.G.M., William Hall, P.G.P., Eleanor Allione, Gr. Representative, Norma Armstrong, Gr. Representative and Gladys Kennedy, Gr. Representative.

NEW YORK

MOTTO: USA - UNITED SERVICE ACHIEVES

One Hundred First Annual Session was held in New York, N.Y., October 5-8, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - M.W. Marion G. Kapko, Grand Matron
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - M.W. James R. Huntington, Grand Patron

Projects and Charities: Eastern Star State Home & Infirmary, Emergency Relief & General Welfare Fund, and Educational Assistance Fund.

680 Chapters	103,046 Members	1,873 Loss
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One Hundred Eighth Annual Session will be held beginning October 11, 1977, Syracuse, New York.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - M.W. Wilma A. Monroe, Grand Matron
(Mrs. Lloyd)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - M.W. Sidney E. Friar, Grand Patron

NORTH CAROLINA

"SYMPHONY OF ROSES" SESSION

Seventy-first Annual Session was held in the Royal Villa Motel, Greensboro, N.C., June 7-9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Rebecca Ferree Brown
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Earl Cecil Warren

Projects and Charities: ESTARL

283 Chapters

27,405 Members

366 Gain

Seventy-second Annual Session will be held in Raleigh, North Carolina, the 2nd Tuesday of June, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Emma Lou Holt Johnson

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - G. Thomas Bullard, Jr.

Delawareans Attending: Eleanor Allione and Joseph Allione

NORTH DAKOTA

"CHIMING BELL AND GUIDING LIGHT" SESSION

Eighty-second Annual Session was held in Williston High School Gymnasium, Williston, North Dakota, June 7-9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Janet M. Culpepper

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - R. Earl Green

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

90 Chapters

8,020 Members

148 Loss

Eighty-third Annual Session will be held in Bismark, N.D., June 8-10, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Clara O. Wendt

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Wesley I. Spillum

NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

"THE CROWN OF HARMONY" SESSION

Twenty-ninth Annual Session was held in Hotel Nova Scotian, Halifax, Nova Scotia, July 15-17, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Jessie Levy

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Kenneth Henderson

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer Education & Research

Session had to be postponed a few days due to the visit of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were guests at the State Dinner in honor of Her Majesty and His Royal Highness.

62 Chapters

5,138 Members

34 Loss

Thirtieth Annual Session will be held in Westville, Nova Scotia, July 5-7, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Helen Connors

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - William Anderson

OHIO

"DAWN OF LIGHT" SESSION

Eighty-sixth Annual Session was held in the Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio, October 28-30, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Elizabeth Whitehouse (Mrs. John)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Raymond E. Belfrage

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer Research

551 Chapters

167,446 Members

1,751 Loss

Eighty-seventh Annual Session will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 26-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Jean Woodruff (Mrs. Russell)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Dr. Howard I. Shull

Delawareans Attending: Vada Lockerman, W.G.M., Betsy Ann Conner, Assoc. Gr. Cond., and Betty LaPort, Gr. Representative to Ohio.

OKLAHOMA

"CIRCLE OF FRIENDSHIP" SESSION

Sixty-seventh Annual Session was held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Guthrie, Oklahoma, October 20-23, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Mayme Ann Adams

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - John Marshall

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and International Temple Fund

329 Chapters

43,458 Members

672 Loss

Sixty-eighth Annual Session will be held at the Scottish Rite Temple, Guthrie, Oklahoma, October 17-21, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Lola Lane

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Harley Kirkman

ONTARIO

"DIAMOND JUBILEE - FORGET-ME-NOT" SESSION

Sixtieth Annual Session was held in Toronto, Ontario Royal York Hotel, September 17-19, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Sheila Anderson

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Howard Noble

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer United Research Effort

275 Chapters

34,875 Members

533 Loss

Sixty-first Annual Session will be in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, September 1-3, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Betty Yull

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Hector Little

OREGON

"HARVEST OF FRIENDSHIP" SESSION

Eighty-sixth Annual Session was held in Memorial Coliseum, Portland, Oregon, June 16-18, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Marjorie Wilson

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Richard Skiles

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, International Temple Fund, and Cancer.

162 Chapters

31,231 Members

588 Loss

Eighty-seventh Annual Session will be held in Memorial Coliseum, Portland, Oregon, June 21-23, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Dorothy Parrish

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Charles C. Dodd

PENNSYLVANIA

"HEART AND FLOWERS" SESSION

Eighty-second Annual Session was held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 22-24, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Nancy J. Acker

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Joseph Williams

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

457 Chapters

105,408 Members

1,874 Loss

Four Chapters surrendered their Charters.

Eighty-third Annual Session will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 27-30, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Joyce M. Cooper

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Marshall C. Stevens

Delawareans Attending: Edith Shinn, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Ethelene Krauss, Assoc. Gr. Matron, Margaret Wicks, Gr. Secretary, Faith Benson, and Nancy Heintzelman.

QUEBEC

"THE GUIDING LIGHT" SESSION

Fifty-third Annual Session was held in Sherbrooke, Quebec, October 8-10, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - E. Marjorie Baker

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - W. Alex Morris

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer Research

38 Chapters

2,665 Members

77 Loss

Fifty-fourth Annual Session will be held at the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Quebec, October 13-15, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Miss Hazel Alexander

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Tom Williamson

RHODE ISLAND

"GOLDEN RULE" SESSION

Eightieth Annual Session was held at the Masonic Temple, E. Providence, Rhode Island, October 11, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Devara Poll

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Howard C. Potter

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Extensive Cancer and International Temple Fund.

26 Chapters

6,250 Members

158 Loss

Eighty-first Annual Session will be held at Lincoln Sr. High School, Lincoln, Rhode Island, October 9, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Jerane Chapman
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Stewart A. Davis

SASKATCHEWAN

"THE REALM OF TIME" SESSION

Sixtieth Annual Session was held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, April 26-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Dorothy Allan
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Win Welch

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

95 Chapters

8,088 Members

295 Gain

Sixty-first Annual Session will be held in Regina, Saskatchewan, April 25-27, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Margaret Taylor
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Leslie Haaland

SOUTH CAROLINA

"THE TRIANGLE" SESSION - Harmony Grace Sincerity

Sixty-ninth Annual Session was held in Greenville, S.C., June 21-23, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Jewel McKunkin (Mrs. Sam)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Russell Clemmer

Projects and Charities: ESTARL, Cancer Research and International Temple Fund.

199 Chapters

19,158 Members

554 Gain

Seventieth Annual Session will be held in the Wade Hampton Hotel, Columbia, S.C., June 20-22, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Irma H. Perry (Mrs. James D.)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert T. Cudd

Delawareans Attending: Thirza P. Hall, W.G.M., John B. Betty, W.G.P.,
William Hall, P.G.P., Ruth Betty, P.G.M.

SOUTH DAKOTA

"ANCHORS OF STARDOM" SESSION

Eighty-seventh Annual Session was held in Sioux Falls, S.D., October 7-9, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Edith Rowe
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Lester Kopplin

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research, ESTARL, International Temple Fund

122 Chapters 14,268 Members 42 Gain

Eighty-eighth Annual Session will be held in Rapid City, October 12-14, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Laura Radeke

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Albert Stoddard

TENNESSEE

"DOWN MEMORY LANE" SESSION DIAMOND JUBILEE

Seventy-fifth Annual Session was held in Knoxville, Tenn., April 27-28, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Valine Ferguson

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Jennings Shearin

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research

275 Chapters 47,901 Members 372 Gain

Seventy-sixth Annual Session will be held in Nashville, April 26-27, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Rachel E. Watson

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Tom White

TEXAS

"ROADS TO REMEMBER" SESSION

Ninety-third Annual Session was held in the Texas Convention Center, Dallas, Texas, October 6-9, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Patricia Major Neinast (Mrs. Richard)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - (Pro-Tem) Rev. Mr. O. D. Christian

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research, ESTARL and International Temple Fund.

761 Chapters 119,566 Members 416 Loss

Ninety-fourth Annual Session will be held in Convention Center, Fort Worth, Texas, October 5-8, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Doris Esterling (Mrs. John Bassett)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Rev. O. D. Christian

VERMONT

"SNOWFLAKE" SESSION

One Hundred Fourth Annual Session was held in Killington, Vermont, June 2 & 3, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Donna M. Norton

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Clarence J. Button

Projects and Charities: ESTARL

84 Chapters

9,704 Members

167 Loss

One Hundred Fifth Annual Session will be held at Killington, Vermont, June 8th, 1977. (First Wednesday following the first Tuesday in June).

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Arlene Lobdell
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Bruce H. Cram

VIRGINIA

"AMERICAN HERITAGE" SESSION

Seventy-second Annual Session was held at Richmond Coliseum, Richmond, Virginia, May 11-13, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Margaret H. Carter
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Thomas W. Dodge

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

186 Chapters

28,633 Members

108 Gain

Seventy-third Annual Session will be held in Richmond, Hotel John Marshall, the Second Tuesday of May 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Marion N. Sheffield
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Clifford C. Grotz, Jr.

WASHINGTON

"REFLECTIONS OF OUR HERITAGE" SESSION

Eighty-eighth Annual Session was held in Seattle, Washington, June 24-26, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Eunice Gaston
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - George Danielson

Projects and Charities: Cancer Research, ESTARL, ESTARL Phase II and International Temple Fund.

235 Chapters

45,844 Members

942 Loss

Eighty-ninth Annual Session will be held in Tacoma, Washington, June 23-25, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Gloria Radtke (Mrs. Henry)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Andy Haapala

WEST VIRGINIA

"THE MUSICAL STAR" SESSION

Seventy-first Annual Session was held at the Charlestown Civic Center, Charlestown, West Virginia, October 3-5, 1974.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Mary Jo Sharp
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - John F. Meadows

Projects and Charities: Star Memorial Cancer Fund, ESTARL and International Temple Fund.

134 Chapters

33,214 Members

143 Gain

Seventy-second Annual Session will be held in Charlestown, West Virginia, October 2-4, 1975.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Virginia Rouse (Mrs. Carl)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - O. Edwin Ferrell

Delawareans Attending: Harry S. Bristow, P.G.P. and Mary Bristow.

WISCONSIN

"AMERICAN WAY" SESSION

Eighty-fifth Annual Session was held in the Civic Auditorium in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 18-20, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. June B. VanMatre
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Norman I. Johnson

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer

236 Chapters	41,661 Members	1,614 Loss
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Eighty-sixth Annual Session will be held in Madison, Wisconsin, May 17-19, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Miss Patricia V. Damon
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Robert W. Davison

WYOMING

"PATHWAYS OF LIGHT" SESSION

Seventy-ninth Annual Session was held at Casper, Wyoming in the Thunderbird Gym at the Casper College, August 12-14, 1976.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Louise K. Soward
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - W. E. Robinson

Projects and Charities: ESTARL and Cancer Research

47 Chapters	9,996 Members	88 Loss
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Eightieth Annual Session will be held in Jackson, Wyoming, August 11-13, 1977.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - Mrs. Daryl L. Dutcher
WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Samuel E. Peterson

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, that the Report of the Fraternal Correspondent be accepted and printed in the Proceedings in its entirety. Seconded by Brother George D. Bogart, Associate Grand Patron. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.:

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron. We congratulate her for her untiring efforts and earnest zeal with which she has conducted the affairs of this Grand Chapter.

In conjunction with the Constitution and By-Laws Committee we approve amendments to the By-Laws of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

We approve Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction Requested and Granted.

We approve all Special Dispensations Granted.

We approve all Irregularities listed.

We approve all Answers to Questions.

RECOMMENDATIONS

No. 1. In the interest of printing cost, I recommend the Fraternal Correspondent eliminate, in her report, the description of the East of each Jurisdiction's Grand Session.

We approve recommendation No. 1.

No. 2. An Annual Assessment of \$1.00 per member. Assessment notice to be provided by the Grand Secretary and sent out by the Subordinate Chapter Secretary with the annual dues notice.

We do not disapprove, however this recommendation conflicts with 1973 Constitution, page 6, Article III. Powers and Prerogatives of the Grand Chapter, Section 1. Beginning with third sentence—"It has the power to grant charters, etc.," (read from Constitution). Due to the fact that Revenues of the Grand Chapter are involved, we refer this recommendation to The Board of Grand Trustees, also to The Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Sisters & Brothers, action of this Grand Chapter yesterday on Recommendation of Grand Trustees took care of No. 2 Recommendation.

No. 3. That the contingent fund for Session Chairman and Hospitality Chairman be increased.

We approve Recommendation No. 3, and since it also involves Revenues of the Grand Chapter have referred this to the Board of Grand Trustees.

No. 4. Altar be draped for members of no lesser rank than Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron.

Your Committee does not disapprove this recommendation, however refer you to 1966 Proceedings, page 46, Supplementary Report of the Worthy Grand Matron—"I recommend: If a Grand Officer dies during term of Office, a memoriam card shall be prepared by the Grand Secretary and sent to each Subordinate Chapter and to other Grand Jurisdictions, since these Officers represent our Grand Jurisdiction, that the Altar in each Subordinate Chapter be draped for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of said memoriam."

The above recommendation was approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and the voting delegates in 1966. Therefore it became a ruling or regulation in this Grand Jurisdiction. As your Jurisprudence Committee, we believe the voting delegates should vote on this recommendation, and if adopted by a two-thirds vote, it will then supersede the 1966 ruling.

No. 5. That the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and/or the Jurisprudence Committee formulate a set of guidelines to be followed in the appointment of a Parliamentarian so the Worthy Grand Matron can comply with a motion adopted by this Grand Body on May 10, 1976.

We realize that it is difficult to find someone in this Grand Jurisdiction who feels qualified for this position. A Parliamentarian should be familiar with Robert's Rules of Order, and well versed in rules and procedure of Parliamentary law. We believe that any member of our Order so qualified should be eligible for appointment by the Worthy Grand Matron-elect to serve during her term of Office.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY J. BUNTING
PHYLLIS A. HOWELL
MARY H. BEVIS, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Mary H. Bevis, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister Betty K. Loeffel, Grand Treasurer, that the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee be accepted and printed in the Proceedings and that the recommendations be brought up *seri atum*. Motion adopted.

**REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The Jurisprudence Committee approves the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY BUNTING
PHYLLIS HOWELL
MARY BEVIS, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Janet M. Day, P.M. and seconded by Sister Dolores Varell, P.M. and adopted that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

**REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON
THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.:

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of The Worthy Grand Patron. We commend him for his faithfulness at all times, and the congenial spirit exemplified in fulfilling the duties of his Office.

We approve his report in entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY J. BUNTING
PHYLLIS A. HOWELL
MARY H. BEVIS, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer and seconded by Sister Gloria Piergalline, P.M. that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

To The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.:

The Jurisprudence Committee also approves the supplemental report of The Worthy Grand Patron.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY J. BUNTING
PHYLLIS A. HOWELL
MARY H. BEVIS, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Marion O. Milano, P.M., seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M. that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of Eastern Star:

We, the undersigned committee, report that the recommendation that the Associate Grand Matron be taken off of the Fraternal Correspondence Report and it be given to the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress with the Grand Conductress as Chairman, was not approved and was referred to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

BARBARA C. A. ROUSE
ELEANOR O'DAY
EDITH DeLACY, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Edith E. DeLacy that this report be taken up later when the question of the Fraternal Correspondence Report came up again. Motion adopted.

Recommendation #4 of the Worthy Grand Matron:

Altar be draped for members of no lesser rank than Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron. A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary and seconded by Brother Charles R. Sweeny, P.G.P., that we leave the ruling as was passed by the Jurisprudence Committee in 1966. Motion adopted.

FINAL REPORT EMERALD STAMP PROGRAM

Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M.

TURNED IN AND REPORTED IN 1975-76 PROCEEDINGS ...	\$2,000.00
BALANCE FROM HOSPITALITY FUND (TAKEN FROM EMERALD STAMP PROGRAM—turned in to Margaret Wicks by Vada Lockerman 10/15/76	151.60
BALANCE FROM BANK ACCOUNT—turned in to Margaret Wicks by Phyllis Howell 10/18/76	489.41
TOTAL FROM EMERALD STAMP PROGRAM	\$2,641.01

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS A. HOWELL, P.G.M.
Chairman
Emerald Stamp Program

A motion was made by Sister Phyllis A. Howell, P.G.M., seconded by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P. that this report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Chapter Nos. & Names	No. Members	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Died	Demitted	Suspended
Delaware No. 1	197	4	—	—	4	4	2
Mizpah No. 2	155	2	—	2	6	5	—
Julia M. Story No. 3	96	3	—	1	2	—	2
St. John's No. 4	169	4	1	—	4	—	—
Adah No. 5	134	3	—	—	4	—	1
Radiant No. 6	130	1	1	1	4	—	—
Sussex No. 7	185	4	—	—	1	1	7
Caesar Rodney No. 8	217	6	—	—	8	2	—
Georgetown No. 9	171	—	—	1	1	—	9
Newark No. 10	189	9	—	—	4	1	2
Kent No. 11	147	4	—	1	4	4	2
Frankford No. 12	224	4	—	3	3	1	5
Five Points No. 13	439	11	1	2	6	—	—
Brandywine No. 14	151	—	1	—	2	—	7
Victory No. 15	224	11	—	2	6	5	1
Unity No. 16	210	10	—	1	3	—	11
Esther No. 17	73	2	—	—	1	1	2
Laurel No. 18	109	—	—	3	3	—	—
Ruth No. 19	156	5	—	—	3	—	1
Naomi No. 20	169	10	—	1	—	3	9
TOTALS	3,545	93	4	18	69	27	64

Gained by Initiation	93	Lost by Death	69
Gained by Reinstatement	4	Lost by Demit	27
Gained by Affiliation	18	Lost by Suspension	64
Total Gained	115	Total Lost	160

Membership December 31, 1975	3,590
Membership December 31, 1976	3,545

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A motion was made by Sister Janet M. Day, P.M. and seconded by Sister Lena Lee, Grand Ruth, that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The committee of Grievances and Appeals is happy to report that harmony has prevailed throughout this Grand Jurisdiction this Year, 1976-1977, and no action was required by this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA JOHNSON,
FREDERICK BOWMAN,
JOSEPHINE MOORE, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer and seconded by Sister E. Virginia Timmons, P.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

Our Memorial Service was held on May 8, 1977 in the First and Central Presbyterian Church, in memory of our Sisters and Brothers who were called to their resting place during the year 1976.

The Reverend Robert W. Guspafson delivered the message, Mary Weik gave a tribute to our departed and Jean Thornett, Grand Chaplain led us in prayer. The song "Sunrise Tomorrow" was sung by Effie Marvonek.

The organist played "Just a Closer Walk with Thee", while the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the subordinate chapters placed red and white carnations into a blue star background with the Crown and Scepter mounted in the center. The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons formed the Crown and Scepter. Brother Harry Moore, P.G.P., sang "The King is Coming" in memory of Rev. Thomas Thorne, after which the benediction was given by the Rev. Guspafson.

There were 66 deaths and 79 letters were sent to next of kin.

Bills for programs, flowers and supplies will be turned in to the Grand Secretary for payment.

As in the past, I recommend that Mr. Lee Dettra, Organist of the First & Central Presbyterian Church, receive remuneration of Twenty-Five Dollars. I will send a letter to the Rev. Guspafson for his assistance and for the use of the church.

Thank you very much to the Committee, for their willingness to do whatever was asked of them, and to the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, who helped with their participation and kindness. For the beautiful voices of Bro. Harry and Sister Effie, thank you.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we thank you for the privilege of serving as your Necrology Committee this year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARILYN M. COOPER, Chairman
MARY WEIK, Co-Chairman
EFFIE MARVONEK
JEAN THORNETT
HENRY SNEDEKER

A motion was made by Sister Kathryn Hoey, P.M. and seconded by Sister Madalyn Seymour, P.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT ON REGISTRATION

A partial report was made on registration with 26 states represented, 143 members and 63 members from Delaware chapters (non-voting delegates).

REPORT OF THE ESTARL COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of this Grand Chapter:

This is a complete report of the Estarl Committee.

After the close of the Grand Chapter in May, 1976, we received four new applications for Estarl Scholarships. They were approved and granted to the following for the collegiate year 1976-1977.

Ellis Carpenter	\$400.00
Asbury College	
Mark Henrickson	\$400.00
Trinity College	
Robert McCullough	\$400.00
University of Delaware	
Jackie LeRoy Spicer	\$400.00
Tennessee Temple Schools	

The subordinate chapters donated \$2,100.00 to this fund, a detailed report will be found in the Secretary's Report.

On May 2, 1977, the Grand Chapter Estarl Committee reviewed the applications for scholarships and granted the following number for the 1977-78 collegiate year.

Raymond Hopkins	6th Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary		
Clayton Jacob Hunt	6th Award	\$500.00
Temple Theological Seminary		
Catherine McElroy	3rd Award	\$500.00
Union Theological Seminary		
Carolyn Swift	2nd Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary		
Linda Spicer	2nd Award	\$500.00
Wesley Theological Seminary		
Mark Henrickson	2nd Award	\$500.00
Entering Eastern Divinity School		
Ellis Carpenter	2nd Award	\$400.00
Asbury College		

NEW APPLICANTS

Richard May	1st Award	\$500.00
2nd year Virginia Theological Seminary		

William S. Downing 1st Award \$500.00
Entering Wesley Theological Seminary

Lynn Arnold 1st Award \$500.00
Entering Princeton Theological Seminary

John Vallentine who received two awards is now leaving
seminary and entering the business world as an accountant.

The total of these awards made last night is \$4,900.00.

This is the largest number of scholarship awards, as well as the largest
number of new applicants that we have ever received.

The total number awards were 14 and 6 of these were from new applicants.
In order to continue making awards such as these, the amount of giving will
have to be increased, otherwise there will have to be a further curtailment in the
number of awards and the amount given for each scholarship.

As shown last night, many of you have a personal interest and relationship
to those who received awards and I am sure this will create further interest in
our Estarl Program.

I do not like to bore you with figures, however, over the last 14 years we
gave on an average 7 awards, and in 7 of these years the awards were higher
than our income. Likewise, in 7 years the awards were lower than our income.

In the last 14 years the amount of income to the Estarl Fund exceeded the
awards given by \$1400.00.

The average award this year was \$464.00 compared to \$568.00 in 1976.

In order to promote a further interest in the Chapter, a friend of this
Committee has donated \$100.00 for Estarl to the subordinate chapter which has
the highest amount of giving, per member, in 1978.

The Grand Chapter Estarl Committee on May 2, formulated the Rules and
Regulations for this Committee. The rules are essentially those which we have
been following, with a few minor revisions.

Worthy Grand Matron, it was a pleasure to serve on this committee.

RUTH M. BETTY
CHARLES H. SCHULTHEISS
REV. JOHN ED JONES
CELIA GREEN
ROSS M. LANIUS, Chairman

ESTARL

CHAPTER DONATIONS

DELAWARE CHAPTER #1	\$ 160.50	
MIZPAH CHAPTER #2	125.00	
JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER #3	100.00	
ADAH CHAPTER #5	25.00	
SUSSEX CHAPTER #7	100.00	
GEORGETOWN CHAPTER #9	55.00	
FIVE POINTS CHAPTER #13	297.05	
BRANDYWINE CHAPTER #14	54.00	
VICTORY CHAPTER #15	228.00	
UNITY CHAPTER #16	85.00	
ESTHER CHAPTER #17	65.00	
LAUREL CHAPTER #18	83.42	
NAOMI CHAPTER #20	76.00	\$1,453.97

MEMORIALS

DELAWARE CHAPTER #1	
Memory Florence Young	10.00
KENT CHAPTER #11	
Memory Douglas Morgan	10.00
Memory Elizabeth Jester	10.00
FIVE POINTS CHAPTER #13	
Memory Agatha Faulkner	173.00
RUTH CHAPTER #19	
Memory M. J. DeGraw	15.00
MEMORY ELIZABETH M. FISHER	
St. John's Chapter #4	25.00
Five Points Chapter #13	25.00
Edith Shinn	10.00
May M. Warrington	10.00
Margaret L. Wicks	10.00
CAROL BARNETT	
Memory Marjorie Heald	25.00
SARA BRICKER	
Memory Florence Hanby	5.00
MEMORY EMILY B. CROSSLAND	
Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	50.00
Kent Chapter #11	10.00
C. N. Altick	10.00
Eliza L. Crossland	10.00
Mona C. Garbutt	5.00
Adelaide L. Martin	10.00
Roy S. Moore, Jr.	10.00
Mary E. Nelson	10.00
Edith H. Shinn	10.00
Phyllis A. Stewart	10.00
Nora H. Walters	10.00
Anne P. Richter	10.00
Margaret L. Wicks	10.00
Eunice Hall	10.00
Ross M. Lanus	5.00
Mary E. B. McCloskey	5.00
Elizabeth K. Loeffel	10.00
Madalyn Seymour	10.00
Olga S. Tosh	5.00
Florence & Grace Nelson	10.00
Elsie Kemery	10.00
Ladies Auxiliary of Eden Degree Staff Assn.	10.00
Margaret Wood	10.00
Neighbors	25.00
BUS TRIP TO CLEVELAND	\$ 603.00
TRANSFERRED FROM WSFS FOR AWARDS	50.00
RETURNED CHECK JOHN McCORMICK JACOBS ...	1,600.00
	750.00
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	\$4,456.97

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF GRAND CHAPTER ESTARL COMMITTEE

PURPOSE:

To grant awards to students who are preparing for their life work in various fields of religious service including Ministers, Missionaries, Directors of Church Music, Directors of Religious Education and Directors of Youth Leadership.

MEETINGS:

The chairman will call meetings to discuss applications for Estarl Scholarship Awards or other vital subjects concerning Estarl. The Committee will also encourage Chapters to participate more in the Estarl program, particularly in the realm of giving.

AWARDS:

New applicants for Estarl scholarship awards will fill out the application blank completely and send the full information to the Chairman of the Grand Chapter Committee. The Estarl Chairman of the sponsoring Chapter and the Worthy Matron of that Chapter will advise their chapter at a regular stated meeting that they have approved of an application for an Estarl Scholarship.

The applicant must be a resident of the Grand Jurisdiction before an award is considered.

Applicants for renewal of their scholarship should apply to the Chairman, sending a transcript of their latest grades.

Awards will be made on the basis of academic record, citizenship, financial need and type of religious work that they plan to pursue.

Awards will be given to those attending Seminary and those attending college in their Junior and Senior year. An Estarl recipient will not receive more than two awards while in College and not more than three awards while in Seminary.

No awards will be given after the student has received his Masters Degree in Theology.

Qualified students in College will be eligible to receive awards not exceeding \$300 per collegiate year and students in Seminary will receive awards not exceeding \$500 per collegiate year.

Awards are to be made in the form of a certificate presented to the student. The student is free to select the accredited school of his choice. A check in the amount of the award is sent to the school for use of that particular student while he is pursuing his studies in preparation for full time religious service. The money is to be issued as needed for books and tuition.

No application received after May 1 will be considered for this Grand Chapter Year.

REVISIONS:

Any changes in these rules and regulations will be by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter.

Approved by the Grand Chapter Estarl Committee on May 2, 1977.

RUTH M. BETTY
CHARLES H. SCHULTHEISS
REV. JOHN EDWARD JONES
ROSS M. LANIUS, Chairman

A motion was made by Brother Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P. and seconded by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P. that the report of the ESTARL Committee be accepted in its entirety and that the Rules and Regulations be accepted with the exception of the paragraph entitled Committee which should be deleted and the word "not" be added to paragraph 2 preceding the word "exceeding" in line 2 and would read "receive awards not exceeding \$300 per collegiate year and students in", etc.

Motion adopted.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called to recess at 11:25 a.m. to reconvene at 1:00 p.m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 p.m.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN:

Welcome to a busy and very important session. This afternoon we will be voting on legislation which will govern this Grand Jurisdiction. We will also elect its future leaders. Please give much thought to both items of business.

For this evening's session, the seats in the North and South, beginning with the Grand Conductresses stations, will be reserved for the officers and members of Ruth and Brandywine Chapters.

Grand Marshal, it is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you escort to the Grand East, by way of the Labyrinth, Past Grand Matron, Sister Mildred A. Wootten and Past Grand Patron, Brother Harry S. Bristow to formally open this afternoon session.

WELCOME - SISTER MILDRED A. WOOTTEN, P.G.M.:

Sisters and Brothers, through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron we are privileged to call this Tuesday afternoon session to order and to bid you a good afternoon.

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, Grand Officers I am most happy to welcome you to your "Pathway To The Stars" sessions. I am sure one of the happiest years in your Eastern Star life is drawing to a close and we will welcome you both in the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons group.

Having traveled this path before you, I am aware of the many hours you have spent serving our Grand Chapter and we are grateful for the devoted service you have given to us.

We are proud of our beautiful Order. May each of us exemplify in our life the Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love so urgently needed in this troubled world. Help us all through this Grand Chapter session to decide everything by Thy will and to test everything by Thy presence that we may come to the close of this session without mistakes and without regrets.

My sincere thanks for the privilege of having a part in your Grand Session.

WELCOME - HARRY S. BRISTOW, JR., P.G.P.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, it has been a pleasure to know you both and to watch your progress to the Grand East. You have graciously portrayed your watchwords of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love. My greatest regret this year has been that between hospital and health I was prevented from being with you throughout the State, but my thoughts and good wishes have been following both of you in your travels.

I thank you both for the opportunity of opening this Tuesday afternoon Session of the "Pathway to the Stars" Session. It gives me a special pleasure to be sharing the Grand East with my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mildred. This afternoon the North and South of Delaware are both represented in the Grand East.

Congratulations on a job well done. As this Session draws to a close, we know you will both have pleasant memories.

Congratulations again and may God bless you both and watch over you.

Thank you.

The W.G.M. and W.G.P. were escorted to the Grand East.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Mildred and Brother Harry, thank you for those warm and sincere words of welcome. I was so pleased when you accepted our invitation to open this Afternoon Session, for I enjoyed being a member of your Grand Family, traveling with you, and just being permitted to call you friend.

Your Harbor Lights Session has served as a beacon on our pathway to the stars. Brother Harry, we thank God for giving you the health and strength to be with us. We thank you most sincerely for the fine work you do at the Veterans Hospital. Thank you both again for opening this important session of Grand Chapter.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Mildred and Brother Harry, thanks for your friendship and for a most cordial greeting. May God bless you always.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from recess to resume labor.

Sister Helen Johnson, W.M. of St. John's Chapter No. 4 was introduced in the West as a Fifty Year Member, escorted to the Grand East and welcomed by both the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and presented with her Certificate of 50-years membership.

REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

We, your Constitution and By-Laws Committee, approve the amendments to the By-Laws of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

ARTICLE VIII, Section 16, reads:

"The Organist shall receive for her services the sum equalling the regular annual dues of the Chapter".

Renumbered Section 18, (Amended to read):

"The Organist shall receive for her services the sum of Twenty-five (25) Dollars per year."

ARTICLE XI, Section 1 - Relief (Now reads):

"The Worthy Matron shall appoint three members of the Chapter as a Committee on Relief whose duty shall be to investigate all applications for relief made to the Chapter and report the circumstances of the case at the first meeting after receiving notice of the application. If the case is one of pressing necessity, the Worthy Matron may on the report of the Committee, draw an order upon the Treasurer for an amount not exceeding Twenty-five (25) Dollars and the order so drawn shall be sufficient voucher to the Treasurer to pay the same".

ARTICLE XI, Section 1 - Relief (Amended to read):

"The Worthy Matron shall appoint three members of the Chapter as a Committee on Relief whose duty shall be to investigate all applications for relief made to the Chapter and report the circumstances of the case at the first meeting after receiving notice of the application. If the case is one of pressing necessity, the Worthy Matron may on the report of the Committee, draw an order upon the Treasurer for an amount not exceeding One Hundred (100) Dollars and the order so drawn shall be sufficient voucher to the Treasurer to pay the same.

It has been brought to the attention of this Committee that the "Green" Book of Instruction is still being used contrary to the recommendation which was approved by both Jurisprudence and Constitution and By-Laws Committees and adopted by this Grand Body at our 1975 Session. This practice MUST be discontinued immediately.

RE: Fraternal Correspondent

Page 19 Associate Grand Matron Section 3 (1)

Second Paragraph: "The Associate Grand Matron, who according to our Constitution and By-Laws, automatically becomes Fraternal Correspondent, etc."

Be deleted

Page 27 Other Grand Officers Section 10

Change to Read Other Grand Officers Section 11

Add Above: Grand Conductress

Section 10: The Grand Conductress shall be the Fraternal Correspondent, assisted by the Associate Grand Conductress, review the proceedings of the other Grand Jurisdictions and report to this Grand Chapter.

A motion was made by Brother Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P. and seconded by Brother Clayton Keith, P.P. that this amendment be accepted. Motion adopted. Since this is the Second Reading, this amendment is effective now.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Change

ARTICLE V. Meetings Section 1.

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter shall be held in the city of Wilmington, or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in Delaware on the **second Monday in May** at 10 A.M. for two consecutive days. The programs of this Grand Chapter shall be in the hands of the members three weeks before Grand Chapter. If satisfactory accommodations are not available, Worthy Grand Matron may select any time within a week prior to, or following the above-mentioned date.

CHANGED TO READ:

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS Section 1.

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter shall be held in the city of Wilmington, or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in Delaware on the **Fourth Monday in March** at **9 A.M.** for two consecutive days. The programs of this Grand Chapter shall be in the hands of the members three weeks before Grand Chapter. If satisfactory accommodations are not available, Worthy Grand Matron may select any time within a week prior to, or following the above-mentioned date.

A motion was made by William Hall, P.G.P. that this amendment be adopted. Seconded by Sister Miriam D. Ziegler, P.M. Motion adopted. Since this is the First Reading, it will be brought up again next year.

SECOND READING

ARTICLE II SECTION II, Page 40 Printing Committee

Reads: Printing Committee: To open bids for proceedings with Board of Grand Trustees and to proofread galleys of proceedings with Grand Secretary.

Change to Read: Printing Committee: To open bids for proceedings with Board of Grand Trustees and make a report listing the bid and choice made by the joint committee and report to this Grand Chapter. The Committee will proofread galleys of proceedings with Grand Secretary.

A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M. that this amendment be accepted as the Second Reading. Motion adopted.

ADD TO OUR BY-LAWS

All contributions for Special Accounts and programs shall be used for designated account only.

A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Elizabeth Tull, P.G.M. that this amendment be accepted. Motion adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend the following change:

ARTICLE IX Grand Secretary, Page 23 (13)

Reads: That the Grand Secretary send to each Chapter a copy of all legislation enacted at the Grand Chapter Session immediately after its close.

Changed to Read: That the Grand Secretary send to each Chapter, Jurisprudence Committee and Constitution and By-Laws Committee copies of all legislation enacted at the Grand Chapter Session not later than the 10th of June. So that each Chapter can receive it and have it read in open Chapter before the close of the Chapter for the summer.

A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister Edith H. Shinn, P.G.M., that this amendment be accepted as the First Reading. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. KEMPSTON, P.G.P.
S. ELIZABETH TULL, P.G.M.
EURETTA B. SCHULTHEISS, P.G.M.
Chairperson

A motion was made by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer and seconded by Sister Virginia Timmons, P.M., that the report of the Constitution and Laws Committee be accepted. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Brother Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P. and seconded by Brother William Hall that the time on Page 38 for the Credentials Committee be changed from 9 a.m. to 8 a.m. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Brother Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P. and seconded by Sister Janet Nibblett, P.M. that the time on Page 39 for the Registration Committee be changed from 9 a.m. to 8 a.m. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Sister Joan Edwards, Worthy Matron of Victory Chapter No. 15 and seconded by Sister Lena Lee, Past Matron of Kent Chapter No. 11 that the report concerning Kent and Victory Chapters becoming open jurisdictions, be accepted and acted upon. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Patron presided for Election of Officers and appointed Brothers William Hall, P.G.P. and Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P. as Judges and Sisters Agnes Hurley, Edith DeLacy, Phyllis Saxton and Esther Melvin as Tellers.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The container for receiving nominations was closed at 10 a.m. this day after which it was unlocked and the following nominations found therein, for:

Worthy Grand Matron	Ethelene F. Krauss
Worthy Grand Patron	George D. Bogart
Associate Grand Matron	Betsy Ann Conner
Associate Grand Patron	A. Warren Wheatley
Grand Secretary	Margaret L. Wicks
Grand Treasurer	Elizabeth K. Loeffel
Grand Conductress	Phyllis Stewart
Associate Grand Conductress	Cynthia Lewis
Grand Trustee	No Nomination
Grand Lecturer	Iva C. Hall
	Helen Berger
	Jacqueline Collier
	Henrietta McKelvey
Grand Sentinel	E. Watson Day
	Clayton Keith
	Robert Sherwood

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN H. TULL, Chairman
 ELEANOR R. LENHART
 FAITH P. BENSON

A motion was made by Brother Norman H. Tull, P.P. and seconded by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary that the report be accepted. Motion adopted.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Delegates:	249
Number of Subordinate Chapters represented	20
GRAND OFFICERS	18
GRAND TRUSTEES	3
GRAND LECTURER	1
GRAND OFFICERS EMERITUS	2
PAST GRAND MATRONS	19
PAST GRAND PATRONS	9
PAST MATRONS	126
PAST PATRONS	26
WORTHY MATRONS	17
WORTHY PATRONS	15
ASSOCIATE MATRONS	9
ASSOCIATE PATRONS	4
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	249
PROXIES FOR WORTHY MATRONS	2
PROXIES FOR WORTHY PATRONS	4
Cash received from registration of delegates	\$498.00

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN F. ENNIS
 EVELYN T. MELTON
 MILDRED C. CARPENTER

Unanimous ballots were cast by the Grand Secretary for the following Grand Officers to serve this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year:

Ethelene Krauss, Worthy Grand Matron
 George Bogart, Worthy Grand Patron
 Betsy Ann Conner, Associate Grand Matron
 A. Warren Wheatley, Associate Grand Patron
 Elizabeth Loeffel, Grand Treasurer
 Phyllis Ann Stewart, Grand Conductress
 Cynthia Lewis, Associate Grand Conductress

Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer cast a unanimous ballot for Sister Margaret L. Wicks to serve this Grand Chapter as Grand Secretary for the ensuing year.

Sister Jacqueline Collier was elected Grand Lecturer; Brother E. Watson Day, Grand Sentinel and Sister Virginia Timmons, Grand Trustee.

PRINTING COMMITTEE

Officers' lists were mailed shortly after Grand Session.

A Memorial was printed and mailed for Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary Emeritus.

Programs for the Pathway to the Stars Session were mailed or delivered, to all voting delegates. Invitations were sent to all Honorary Members.

The Proceedings were delayed because of illness of several employees of the printer.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE LOCKERMAN
 BETTY LaPORTE
 MARGARET L. WICKS, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary and seconded by Sister Helen Berger, P.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT ON CANCER RESEARCH

Helen Berger, P.M. - Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

It was a pleasure and an honor to be chosen to serve as Chairman for your Cancer Research Program. A letter was sent to each Subordinate Chapter requesting their report, and it goes as follows:

Delaware Chapter No. 1	\$ 135.00
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	50.00
Adah Chapter No. 5	25.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7	25.00
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	21.00
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	25.00
Newark Chapter No. 10	25.00
Frankford Chapter No. 12	10.00
Five Points Chapter No. 13	25.00

Brandywine Chapter No. 14	25.00
Victory Chapter No. 15	25.00
Unity Chapter No. 16	15.00
Esther Chapter No. 17	55.00
Laurel Chapter No. 18	164.05
Naomi Chapter No. 20	85.00

\$ 710.05

Memorials:

Five Points #13 - memory of Rhoda Cordey	\$ 10.00
Julia M. Story #3 - memory of Bessie Berger	10.00
Radiant #6 - memory of Louise Pusey	25.00
Mary King - memory of Louise Pusey	25.00
St. John's #4 - memory of Elizabeth Fisher	25.00
Newark #10 - memory of Irene Mote	25.00
- memory of Martha Malcolm	25.00
Delaware #1 - memory of Emma Sue Strickler	10.00
Kent #11 - Tom & Beulah Rodway	
- memory of Helen Rodway Goodyear	10.00
- memory of Walter Derickson	15.00
Mizpah #2 - Effie & Paul Marvonek - memory of Emily Crossland	15.00
Neighbors - memory of Emily Crossland	20.00
Ed Fine Olds - memory of William Freebery	15.00
Edith Shinn - memory of William Freebery	10.00
Margaret Wicks - memory of William Freebery	5.00
Henrietta McKelvey - memory of Joseph C. Galloway	10.00
Edith Shinn - memory of William J. Crosby	10.00
Margaret L. Wicks - memory of William J. Crosby	5.00

\$ 270.00

In Lieu of Flowers

Margaret Bogart - Official Visit	15.00
Lois & Clifford Faircloth - Official Visit	10.00
Isabel & Joseph Turley - Official Visit	10.00
Marjorie & Robert Homiller - Birthday party	25.00
Carol & Griffith Jordan - Birthday party	10.00
Caesar Rodney #8 - Helen Berger - memory of Bernard Berger ...	100.00

\$ 170.00

Contributions

Hawaiian Trip	\$ 540.00
Worthy Grand Matron's Official Visits	350.00
Jack Thomas, Painting Contractor	25.00
Sociables - 1963	14.00
Golden Corps of '64	15.00
Grand Family Flower Fund (Frann Hutchison)	
(Etta Marine)	30.00
Lorraine Carver - Strawberry Jewelry	5.00

\$ 979.00

TOTAL

\$2,129.05

I would like to say to our Grand Secretary, Sister Margaret Wicks, that you are a loyal and faithful sister to our Order. I want to thank you for your assistance which made my report so much easier to give.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I just know you are as happy with this report as I am. Thank you.

“May your heart be filled with thankfulness
And your home with joy and peace
A house is not a home
Without love and health”

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN BERGER, Chairman
Cancer Research 1976-77

A motion was made by Sister Janet M. Day, P.M. and seconded by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., that the report of the Cancer Research Committee be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

INTERNATIONAL EASTERN STAR TEMPLE FUND REPORT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron it is my pleasure to report that all Eastern Star Chapters of Delaware are 100% in the International Temple Fund.

I wish to thank the secretaries for their cooperation.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron for the honor of serving on this committee.

Faternally,

THELMA SISSON, P.M.

A motion was made by Sister Thelma Sisson, P.M., that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Seconded by Sister Eleanor Allione, P.M. Motion adopted.

REPORT ON JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters & Brothers:

We, your Committee are happy to make the following report on Job's Daughters:

There are 13 Bethels in the State with a membership of 474 girls from ages 11 years to 20 years as of Dec. 31, 1976. All Bethels are financially good. Two Bethels do not have a complete corps of Officers but are still functioning well and use substitute officers from other Bethels when they are having initiation or Official Visits.

The Bethels have been very successful in their “ways & means” with Smorgasbord dinners, buffet dinners, and regular dinners being their larger projects. They also have fruit cake sales at Xmas, Xmas bazaars, spring bazaars, garage sales, and sell candy and have cake walks and bake sales.

Many members of the Eastern Star have been attending the dinners and have learned that you need to come early to be sure of plenty of good food. Thanks so much for your support.

The girls have exemplified their work for Masonic Lodges and Eastern Star, and the Honored Queens, Senior Princesses, Junior Princesses of all 13 Bethels and the Grand Bethel Honored Queen, Grand Bethel Senior Princess and Grand Bethel Junior Princess, exemplified the Closing Cross for Grand Lodge Day on June 12, 1976 at the Masonic Home.

The Miss Job's Daughters Pageant was held at the Consistory on March 12, 1977 with 39 contestants. Miss Marcia Sklut, Honored Queen of Bethel #8, New Castle, was crowned Miss Job's Daughter for 1977-78, Miss Debbie France of Bethel #9, Stanton, was named Miss Congeniality. Miss Job's Daughter will attend the Supreme Sessions which will be held August 7-14, 1977 at Hershey, Penna., with all expenses paid from the Pageant. She will also represent Delaware at the Pageants of Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia and Pennsylvania this fall, and the Grand Visitations of the Grand Guardian and Associate Grand Guardian plus many other Social Functions of Job's Daughters and DeMolay.

The girls do quite a bit of charitable work, The Alfred I. Institute has changed the visiting age to 16 years of age and thus our members from 11 years through 15 years are unable to participate; so, the Bethels have had to make monthly trips to Mary Campbell Center, Bacon Health Center, Cherokee Nursing Home, and have adopted grandparents at the Masonic Home and visit with them and take them small gifts and sometimes bring them to Bethel meetings, fill baskets for needy families at Easter and Christmas, donate toys for summer Camp for Alfred I. Institute, addressed 2000 envelopes for Leukemia and bagged candy for Diabetic Association.

All members of the Eastern Star and all Masonic members are invited to attend all meetings of Job's Daughters at any time. If you have not attended a meeting in the past, please try to do so this coming year. We hope you will be pleased with the work that our Bethels and their Councils are doing.

Several of our Honored Queens and Past Honored Queens took part in the Informal Opening of this Grand Session and on last Saturday evening at Nur Temple, members of Bethel #13 were in charge of the soft drinks at the Grand Chapter Banquet.

We would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Thirza Hall, Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. John Betty, for their support this past year. They have visited with all the Bethels during their term and have attended many social functions. Thanks so much.

Fraternally,

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB, Chairman
BETTY LLOYD
NANCY BURBAGE

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary that the Report on Job's Daughters be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Seconded by Sister Mary Ann Campbell, P.M. Motion adopted.

WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The following is a report of the activities for relief by our subordinate Chapters for the past year.

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

No calls for welfare this year.

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2

Clothing to a needy family.

\$10 - Salvation Army at Christmas.

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3

\$100 to a needy family.

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

No calls for welfare this year.

ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5

No report.

RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6

Clothing donated to Goodwill in amount of \$312.

Clothing and other articles donated to Hospital for Mentally Retarded in amount of \$325.

SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7

Donated 37 lbs. of used postage stamps.

Boxes of clothing donated to Curiosity Shop.

Christmas gifts given to Stockley (Hospital for Mentally Retarded.)

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8

No report.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

\$10 to Chapter in Aberdeen, Maryland, where paraphernalia was burned.

5 CARE packages.

NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10

No report.

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11

\$25 to needy family.

Cancelled stamps to Shepherd's, Inc., Union Grove, Wisconsin - value \$50.

400 Betty Crocker coupons sent to Shepherd's.

Clothing donated by ten members to Salvation Army.

Household items and clothing given by 20 members to their churches for needy families.

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12

12 baskets to shut-ins for Thanksgiving.

Clothing to needy families.

Transportation for handicapped to doctor.

Donation to cancer victim to go to hospital in Texas for treatment.
Household goods to fire victims.
Books and crafts to Children's ward at Nanticoke Hospital.

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13

\$100 - Brandywine Social Club for retarded young adults.
100 - Volunteer services.
125 - Assistance to members.
20 - Wheel chair rental.

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14

\$25 - Governor Bacon Health Center.
25 - Salvation Army.

VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15

Food for Thanksgiving baskets for needy families.
Food and clothing for Christmas baskets for needy families.
Five packages of cancelled stamps and Betty Crocker coupons to Shepherd's, Inc., Union Grove, Wisconsin (to obtain items for retarded children who are guests at the home.)

UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16

\$10 - Hospital for Mentally Retarded at Stockley.
25 - Rehoboth School Nurse Welfare Fund.
25 - Lewes School Welfare Fund.

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17

No reply.

LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18

Clothing valued at \$20 given to fire victim.
Clothing valued at \$50 given to needy family.
\$10 donated to child whose brain was damaged in accident.

RUTH CHAPTER NO. 19

\$50 - needy family.
50 - Claymont Christmas Fund for needy.
67 - Bibles for Veterans Hospital (in lieu of Christmas exchange gifts.)
25 - Summer Benefit Aid

NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20

Food baskets to three needy families.
Clothing collected for one family.
Gave furniture to young couple in need.
Gave money to family of cancer patient to help with bills.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY V. McSHANE, Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Alberta Bowman, P.M., seconded by Brother Elmer Harris, P.P. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

RED CROSS REPORT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, My Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it is an honor and my pleasure to be with you during this Grand Chapter Session, and be able to give the Red Cross Report for this Grand Chapter year as follows:

- Delaware No. 1800 Volunteer hours were given at Riverside Hospital.
- Mizpah No. 250 Hours were given for Red Cross work.
- Julia M. Story No. 3No Report was received.
- St. John's No. 41 Member worked 54 hours at John G. Leach School.
- Adah No. 5Sister Marie Betts worked 300 hours at Deers Head Hospital, Sister Sara Mitchell worked 150 hours.
- Radiant No. 6No Report was received.
- Sussex No. 7No Report for this year.
- Caesar Rodney No. 8An annual donation was given of \$10,00, Sister Harriet M. Hitchens has been a volunteer for the past 3 years, this year she worked at John G. Leach School for 260 hours, Sister Rebecca Fols has worked 12 years as a volunteer, this year she worked 156 hours at John G. Leach School.
- Georgetown No. 9450 Hours of Ambulance service was given, a Nurse Chairman of Area 8, and several members donated.
- Newark No. 10One member donated 500 hours to the Red Cross.
- Kent No. 11120 Hours were volunteered by members. 80 hours, members furnished transportation twice a month to the Laboratory, another day was furnished to the Hospital for treatment twice a month, and 10 hours were donated to delivery "Meals on Wheels" to the Disabled and Elderly.
- Frankford No. 12No Report this year.
- Five Points No. 13No Report of Red Cross Committee for the last few years.
- Brandywine No. 143 Pints of Blood was donated.
- Victory No. 15No Report for this year.

Unity No. 16	.....	No Report for this year.
Esther No. 17	.....	No Report was received.
Laurel No. 18	.....	8 Hours Ambulance Service, 25 Injections, 3 Volunteer hours in the hospital and many members donated directly to the Red Cross.
Ruth No. 19	.....	No Red Cross Report or Chairman.
Naomi No. 20	.....	\$10.00 was donated.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Thank you for letting me be a part of your "Pathway to the Stars" Session and to serve as your Red Cross Chairman for this year.

I wish for both of you much health and happiness in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,

GRANVILLE D. LEE
Red Cross Chairman

A motion was made by Brother Granville Lee, P.P., and seconded by Brother Gene Edwards, W.P. that the Red Cross Report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF MASONIC HOME SERVICE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Members of this Grand Chapter:

Religious services were held at the Masonic Home on Sunday, April 3, 1977, sponsored by our Grand Chapter.

The Rev. Samuel H. Tryens, minister of Siloam Methodist Church at Booth's Corner, Delaware County, Penna. gave a timely message on "Palm Sunday", this being Palm Sunday.

The soloist was Mr. Glenn Rodgers, the organist and minister of music at Concord Presbyterian Church. His solo was the ever thoughtful "The Holy City".

Letters were sent out to all Subordinate Chapters inviting the members and their families to attend this service.

It was a pleasure to arrange this service for the guests at the Masonic Home and my sincere thanks to the Grand Officers who assisted in the service.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD C. HALL, Chairman
Masonic Home Church Service

A motion was made by Brother Howard C. Hall, P.G.P. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion was seconded by Sister Carol Hall, W.M. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF MASONIC HOME CHRISTMAS PARTY

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

The Grand Officers were happy to give their annual Christmas party for the guests at the Masonic Home on December 22, 1976.

Sister Mildred Bryan and her talented dance students, for the forty-third year, presented a most enjoyable Christmas program. Our sincere thanks to them for caring enough to share their talents with others - the true spirit of Christmas!

Each guest was given a Christmas gift, card and favor, and refreshments were served by the Grand Family.

I should like to thank Brother Claude Husted for his warm hospitality and regret that, due to illness, Sister Betty could not be present.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for appointing me Grand Marshal in your "Pathway to the Stars" year, so that I could have a part in spreading Christmas Cheer.

CATHERINE RUSTON,
Grand Marshal

A motion was made by Sister Catherine Rustin, Grand Marshal, seconded by Sister Flo Rust, P.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF MASONIC HOME ARTS AND CRAFTS

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Again it gives me great pleasure to report on the progress of the Masonic Home Arts and Crafts program. I'm happy to report that all Chapters responded to the Worthy Grand Matron's request.

Again thanks to Georgetown Chapter No. 9. They have contributed \$5.00 each month. Mrs. Stewart of Georgetown Chapter and her husband still visit with the guests.

The amount contributed from the Chapters, Campout and Grand Officers was \$617.14.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to thank you for the money from the Campout and from the Grand Family.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, I would like to thank you for selecting me to serve as Chairman of the Arts and Crafts program at the Masonic Home this year. I wish for both of you a very harmonious "Pathway To The Stars" session.

Fraternally submitted,

MILDRED A. WOOTTEN,
Past Grand Matron
Chairman

MASONIC HOME ARTS AND CRAFTS

Official Visits:

Delaware #1	\$ 25.00
Mizpah #2	25.00
Julia M. Story #3	25.00
St. John's #4	25.00
Adah #5	25.00
Radiant #6	25.00
Sussex #7	20.00
Caesar Rodney #8	25.00
Georgetown #9	24.25
Newark #10	25.00
Kent #11	20.25
Frankford #12	25.00
Five Points #13	30.00
Brandywine #14	25.00
Victory #15	25.00
Unity #16	29.35
Esther #17	25.00
Laurel #18	36.29
Ruth #19	25.00
Naomi #20	25.00
Georgetown #9 \$5.00 monthly	60.00
O.E.S. Campout	29.00
Grand Officers	18.00

\$617.14

Financial Status of O.E.S. Masonic Home Arts and Crafts Program April 30, 1976 - April 30, 1977

4/30/76 Cash on hand	\$ 744.46	
5/14/76 Check O.E.S.	45.00	
7/ 1/76 Check O.E.S.	144.60	
11/23/76 Check O.E.S.	259.00	
4/30/77 Check O.E.S.	213.45	
	<u>\$1,406.60</u>	
A and C sales for year	270.64	
	<u>\$1,677.24</u>	\$1,677.24
Disbursements:		
Program helper	\$ 621.00	
Supplies	151.17	
	<u>\$ 772.17</u>	<u>772.17</u>
Cash on hand as of April 30, 1977		\$ 905.07

Fraternally submitted,

CLAUDE A. HUSTED
Superintendent of the Masonic Home of
Delaware, Inc.

A motion was made by Sister Mildred A. Wootten, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, Grand Trustee that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON - SISTER MABEL MACKERETH:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware and other guests:

First I would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for this courtesy and I wouldn't have missed being in your jurisdiction for anything!

I have been your Most Worthy Grand Matron 222 days. Thank you for allowing me to be your Most Worthy Grand Matron. When I was elected, some of your Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware voted for me and that's why I say "Thank You." We, in Canada, and I are so very grateful and I am so very humble for this honor. When you elected me, you elected the very, very first NATIVE born to ever hold this office. Did you know that?

Since Saturday night over at the Mosque at the Banquet when I asked that everyone call me Mabel, everyone has been and that's the way it should be. I have often heard people say and I agree, that it's not who you are but what you are that counts. This title is mine, you gave it to me, and as I said before, I'm humble and grateful.

I have so very many thank yous. Your Worthy Grand Matron has been so very gracious, your Worthy Grand Patron and right on down the line. Right? Edith Galloway - she is so very, very precious - right from the minute she met me at the airport. Thank you Edith and your Hospitality Committee for all you have done for me. Thank you very, very much.

I am very happy with my choice of a Committee Member, Sister Eliza Crossland. You have been so gracious and I have enjoyed being with you each time our paths have met.

Thank you again for all your kindnesses and I do hope many will be able to attend the Triennium in Toronto in 1979.

A motion was made and adopted that Kent and Sussex Chapters become an open jurisdiction.

REPORT OF THE VETERANS HOSPITAL COMMITTEE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Chapter Members:

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve on the Veterans Administration Hospital Committee for the period from May 1976 to May 1977. We thank the Eastern Star Members and Chapters of Delaware for their material and financial support. Their cooperation has made the light of our Star shine brightly into these unfortunate lives. In order to serve the patients and help relieve their tensions, we visit each one every week giving them hobby items to work on completely free of any charge. It is the generous contributions of each Chapter that makes this possible.

ORGANIZATION: Our organization continues to operate efficiently and properly. Rose Wright (13) is doing a splendid job as your Deputy Representative. Circumstances (as illnesses and also changes in hospital personnel) have placed an added burden on Rose and we can all be proud of her and the excellent, devoted job she is doing to keep everything running smoothly

week by week. She has been ably assisted by Lila Heinel (13) who is also doing a wonderful job. The support, devotion and cooperation of all members of our team have been simply grand and each one is to be congratulated for their fine devotion and service to this very worthy cause. We serve all the patients regularly without exception and as completely as we can. These patients really appreciate the work of the Eastern Star and it helps relieve their many hours of boredom and suffering. Our reward has been the smiles and welcome by the patients as the cry of "Here comes the Eastern Star Hobby Cart" echoes throughout the hospital. Lila Heinel (13) serves on the Hobby cart and also supervises the Lap Robe and Slipper program. All items are distributed completely free of charge to all the patients. Our bingo and special parties have been controlled by Hilda Downward (4) until March when she resigned this position due to pressures of her business. At that time, this phase was taken over by her assistant, Virginia Harris (13) who is continuing this good work. All members of our group are trained in their duties. The following are especially trained as supervisors on the Hobby Cart: Rose Wright (13), Lila Heinel (13), Virginia Harris (13), and Helen Johnson (4). Our regular workers also include Gail Reilly (13), Elmer Harris (13), Delores Hamilton (13), and Ann Burkhard (13). The Chairman continues to have a general supervision over all the affairs of the programs, controls finances, does purchasing and maintains public relations with the Hospital authorities, suppliers, individuals and Chapters.

CONTINGENCY FUND: The \$10.00 we received for this was not used personally, but was put in the Hobby Fund and used for patients.

PURCHASING: By personal contacts we were able to secure items to advantage. We again give sincere thanks to the "Help Hospitalized Veterans" program in California for the many free items we received and distributed to the patients. The many material contributions we have received from individual Eastern Star members has been appreciated. We have been able to secure some supplies at a discount of 40 percent to 80 percent on volume orders.

SPECIAL SERVICE V.A.H.: It became apparent that shaving supplies were desperately needed by the Wards for the nurses to groom the patients. On September 13, 1976 we purchased these supplies for every ward. The cost was \$6.30 (retail value of \$19.00).

PATIENTS CARNIVAL: We participated in the Carnival for the patients on July 22, 1976 at the hospital. Our booth was attractively decorated and the game was "shooting down" stuffed animal targets. Rose Wright was in charge. We entertained 63 patients, distributing 63 prizes for a total retail value of \$126.00. The Grand Chapter gives us \$25.00 to cover our costs. The difference was made up by donations and discounts.

BINGO PARTIES: Four Chapters gave a total of 5 bingo parties at the Hospital entertaining 223 patients. A total of 122 hours was served in the Hospital by 61 Eastern Star members. This does not include the hours spent outside the hospital in preparation. All prizes and refreshments were donated by the Chapters involved. Delaware Chapter #1, Radiant #6, and Five Points #13 each held one Bingo Party and Naomi Chapter #20 held two parties. Many thanks to all who participated.

PARTICIPATION: There were 77 members participating in the program representing 5 Chapters. Nine members from three Chapters served on the Hobby Cart. The Lap Robe team had 4 members from 2 Chapters. The Slipper team had 2 members from 1 Chapter. We thank the O.E.S. members for their long hours of devoted service preparing for the Hobby Cart, Bingo Parties, and other projects.

Many items were donated by members of various Chapters. We give a special heartfelt thanks to Five Points Chapter for their fine support and also for the fact that seven of our nine Hobby Cart workers come from their Chapter.

FINANCIAL REPORT: (Detailed report attached)

Summary as follows:

Opening Balance April 30, 1976	\$ 97.71
Check for \$316.18 received May 1, 1976 - covering contributions for the period, but received too late for use.	316.18
Total Receipts for the year	477.91
Total Money available	\$891.80
Disbursements 5/1/76 - 5/1/77	864.98
Balance in Delaware Trust Co. April 30, 1977	26.82

(Refer to complete final financial details at the end of this report).

HOBBY CART: We visited all the patients in the hospital each Wednesday distributing 6,277 items free of charge to the patients. These had a retail value of \$11,586.31. We served 3,679 patients and contacted 1,756 others who did not take anything for a total of 5,435 patient contacts. We visited with various patients and rendered other special services to them as required. Again we supplied items for the patients to the Speech Therapist.

LAP ROBES: We received and distributed during this period 98 lap robes each of which represents many hours of devoted service. Lila Heinel (13) is in charge of this part of our program. Naomi Chapter #20 - 58 robes and Five Points #13 - 40 robes.

SLIPPERS: There were 11 pairs of slippers received and distributed. Delaware Chapter #1 - 9 pairs and Five Points #13 - 2 pairs.

REMARKS: This year we survived great obstacles. There was sickness among our members. Prices rose to ridiculous figures. At times hospital population was lower than usual. Extreme weather conditions curtailed our activities sometimes. The support and cooperation of the Eastern Star members and Chapters and the devoted service of our team helped us to surmount all difficulties.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY S. BRISTOW, JR.
Past Grand Patron
Chairman O.E.S.-V.A.H. Committee

DETAILED REPORT OF FINANCIAL REPORT OF V.A.H.-O.E.S. FUND

Balance in Delaware Trust April 30, 1976	\$ 97.71
Plus check received May 1, 1976	316.18
Total	\$ 413.89

Receipts - May 1, 1976 to May 3, 1977:

Grand Chapter (1)	135.00
Grand Family - Special Donation (2)	18.00
Delaware Chapter #1	25.00
Mizpah Chapter #2	25.00
Julia M. Story Chapter #3 (3)	15.00

St. John's Chapter #4	25.00
Adah Chapter #5	12.25
Sussex Chapter #7	20.35
Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	25.00
Georgetown Chapter #9 (4)	78.75
Newark Chapter #10	25.00
Kent Chapter #11	25.00
Frankford Chapter #12	25.00
Five Points Chapter #13 (5)	145.00
Brandywine Chapter #14	25.00
Victory Chapter #15	26.56
Unity Chapter #16	28.08
Esther Chapter #17	25.00
Laurel Chapter #18	26.12
Ruth Chapter #19	25.00
Naomi Chapter #20 (6)	80.00
Total Receipts - 5/1/76 to 5/3/77 Incl.	835.11
Total Money available	\$1,249.00

(1) \$100.00 in memory of Past Grands deceased Plus \$25.00 for Carnival Special expenses plus \$10.00 for Contingencies of Committee. This contingency has been used entirely in operation of the Hobby Cart Program.

(2) Grand Family - Special donation.

(3) \$5.00 per month.

(4) Cheer Cup Birthday Party \$18.75 plus \$5.00 per month.

(5) Cheer Cup Birthday Party \$25.00 plus \$10.00 per month.

(6) Cheer Cup Birthday Party \$25.00 plus \$5.00 per month.

NOTE: All others without footnote references are from the Birthday Parties.

NOTE: Check for \$357.20 received May 3, 1977 was included in receipts because it covered contributions for the period - Actual closing balance April 30, 1977 was \$26.82.

NOTE: Our V.A.H. - O.E.S. Fund Account is carried in the Delaware Trust Co. and all disbursements are made by check.

DISBURSEMENTS

Caldwells Pharmacy	\$ 28.25
Thrift Drug	81.16
Woolworths	14.34
Cash Purchases	9.56
Haverbecks	2.37
Almarts	247.78
Vets Canteen Service	6.30
Delaware Candy and Tobacco Service	393.29
Kiddie World	30.90
Dess Discount	13.08

Eckerds	29.16
Hobby House	3.79
Gaylords	5.00
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Total Disbursements	\$ 864.98
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Balance as of May 3, 1977	384.02
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Balance in the Delaware Trust Co. as of May 3, 1977	\$ 384.02
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A motion was made by Brother Harry S. Bristow, P.G.P. and seconded by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings in its entirety along with the attached schedules. Motion adopted.

GRODEL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL LUNCHEON REPORT

The Grodel Association was very honored by having our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel L. Mackereth, our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William E. George, our own General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Sister Eliza L. Crossland, and the Right Worthy Grand Esther, Sister Lois Newman attend adding dignity and honor by their presence.

We were very pleased by the large number of Grodel members and visitors who attended. Grand Representatives of 3 Provinces of Canada, and 18 States, making a total of 21 Jurisdictions represented. Each out-of-State Grand Representative was given a tray containing a small jar of jelly and one of peanut butter with several packages of assorted crackers, a ceramic Blue Hen, and a Complimentary ticket to the Luncheon from the Grodel Association.

My sincere thanks to the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen Gregg for having the Canadian Flag taken to the DuBarry Room where the National Anthems of the United States and Canada were sung; to my co-chairman, Sister Elisabeth Tomlinson for her support and help, to the Committee for their many hours of work and to the members for their cooperation. My Financial Report will be given at our next annual meeting of the Grodel Association.

Worthy Grand Matron, and Worthy Grand Patron it was an honor to serve as chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA M. KNOX, Chairman
ELISABETH TOMLINSON,
Co-Chairman

RECOMMENDATION

At the 1976 Annual meeting of the GRODEL ASSOCIATION, a motion was made, seconded, and approved that the President of the GRODEL ASSOCIATION appoint the Chairman of the Annual Luncheon instead of having the Worthy Grand Matron do it.

A motion was made by Sister Sylvia Knox, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Edith C. Galloway, P.G.M. that the Recommendation be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Sister Sylvia Knox, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Katherine Devenney, P.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF T.V. PROJECT

From Ticket Donations	\$2,376.00
Interest on Savings Account	16.16
Two donations totaling \$7.84	7.84
Total	2,400.00
Cost of T.V. set	500.00
Net profit (Turned in to Grand Secretary)	1,900.00

The committee wishes to thank everyone who helped make this project a great success.

Respectfully submitted,

All Deputy Grand Lecturers
 RUTH M. BETTY - Co-Chairman
 WILLIAM E. HALL - Chairman

A motion was made by Brother William E. Hall, P.G.P., seconded by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

The following Budget was read and approved, with changes as noted.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1977-78

CONTINGENT FUNDS

Worthy Grand Matron	\$ 150.00—\$225.00	
Worthy Grand Patron	50.00— 75.00	
Grand Secretary	250.00	
Grand Lecturer	75.00— 112.50	
V.A. Hospital	10.00	
Hospitality	100.00— 150.00	
Sessions	250.00— 375.00	
Storage	125.00	\$1,010.00

SALARIES

Grand Secretary	400.00	
Grand Treasurer	50.00	
Assistant to Grand Secretary	75.00	525.00

HOTEL DUPONT

Gold Ball Room (2 days)	1,000.00	
Worthy Grand Matron (Room-3 nights)	90.00	
Worthy Grand Patron (Room-3 nights)	90.00	
Grand Secretary (Room-3 nights)	90.00	
Electrician, labor, ice water, etc.	150.00	1,420.00

JEWELS

Worthy Grand Matron	375.00	
Worthy Grand Patron	225.00	600.00

NECROLOGY		150.00
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PRINTING

Proceedings, Programs, Stationery, Christmas Cards Memorials, etc.		4,500.00
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MISCELLANEOUS

Surety Bond for Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer	7.50	
C. P. A.	75.00	
Safe Deposit Box	10.00	
Postage	300.00	392.50

MEMORIALS

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons ..		100.00
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HOBBY FUND

Summer Carnival	25.00	25.00
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CONTRIBUTIONS

Delaware T.B. & Health Society	\$ 25.00	
March of Dimes	25.00	
Masonic Home Day	10.00	
ESTARL-Memory Past Grands	25.00	
Job's Daughters Pageant	25.00	
DeMolay Conclave	25.00	
4% Cost of living		\$ 135.00
Approximate expenses for 1977-78		354.00
		\$9,211.50

Schedule of Approximate Income

Per Capita @ \$1.75 per member	6,200.00	
Initiations	51.00	
Registrations @ \$2.00 per member	200.00	
Credentials @ \$2.00 per member	560.00	
Dispensations	22.00	
Sale of proceedings	74.00	
		\$7,107.00
		Deficit \$2,104.50

JEANETTE H. GUTZKE
J. BAPTIST MILANO
PAULINE P. DAVIS, Chairman

A motion was made by Brother William E. Hall, P.G.P., seconded by Sister Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee that the Contingent Funds of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Lecturer, Hospitality Committee and Sessions be increased 50%. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, Grand Trustee, seconded by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, that Sister Pauline Davis be made Grand Trustee Emeritus for her 21 years of service to this Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

We are so grateful to you for your many years of faithful service to the Order, especially for the 21 years you have served this Grand Chapter so well on the Board of Grand Trustees. You have always shown a deep interest in our

internal affairs and every effort you have made to maintain and improve the economic stability of our Grand Chapter is greatly appreciated. Despite the fact that you have retired from your present duties, we trust you will continue to visit just as often as possible.

Sister Pauline, we have been friends since 1955 when we served as Gleaners in Sister Ruth's Grand Family and our association this year has been a real joy.

On behalf of our Grand Family, we want you to have this token of our love and esteem.

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The following is a report of the Roast Beef Dinner held by the Knight Owls on March 20, 1977 for the benefit of the General Fund at the Shrine Club on the DuPont Highway.

Receipts

Receipts from the Dinner	\$2,664.43
Donation from Phyllis Ann Stewart (Profit from Jewelry)	54.80
Donation from a Past Grand Matron and a Past Grand Patron	10.60
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	\$2,729.83

Disbursements

Rent for Shrine Club	300.00
Payment to Clean Up Men	26.00
Food and Miscellaneous	1,003.83
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	1,329.83

Total Profit	<hr/>
	\$1,400.00

All bills for the above listed expenses are on file in the Grand Secretary's Office should anyone care to read them.

You should all be very proud of this report for without the cooperation and help of all of you, none of this would have been possible. Our sincerest thanks.

A special thank you goes to Past Matron Sister Euretta Schultheiss for the handbill posters and for the very large bulletin board used outside on the lawn which brought in quite a few transients for dinner. Also to Dave Cochrane who purchased all the food and who was so very helpful in the kitchen.

Every one of you should be very pleased with the profits from a one day venture.

Sincerely & fraternally,

PEARL AUSTIN, P.M.

RALPH BAKER, P.P.

ELIZA CROSSLAND, P.G.M.,

Co-Chairman

EDITH SHINN, P.G.M., Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Edith H. Shinn, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Eurette B. Schultheiss, P.G.M. that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER HEART JEWELRY REPORT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

Last September when you, Worthy Grand Matron, asked me if I would take care of the sale of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's heart jewelry for our state of Delaware, I was extremely happy to accept. I tried very hard to visit each of our twenty subordinate chapters at one of their regular stated meetings but, when I started the sales in January it was either bad weather or the shortage of jewelry that held me back. However, I did attend fourteen of our Chapters and my heart is truly overwhelmed with joy at the response in which the sales went. To each of you my Sisters and Brothers, I thank you so very much for your purchases. The jewelry is beautifully designed and I think that all of you are enjoying it and giving it for gifts.

I am very pleased to submit the following:

On December 5, 1976, I received from the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza Hall, 12 pieces of jewelry valued at \$19.50 and \$93.00 cash of which \$55.00 was operating cash due to be repaid to her at a later date.

During the months of January through April, I purchased 774 pieces of jewelry for \$699.00 and sold 540 pieces for a profit of \$489.50. On March 25, 1977, \$400.00 was forwarded to the Grand Chapter and \$55.00 to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, leaving a balance of 246 pieces of jewelry and \$109.00 cash with an outstanding debt of \$192.00.

I am very happy to inform you that the Worthy Grand Matron-elect, Sister Ethelene, has asked me to continue with the sales through her year. For your general information, I would like to say that in the near future I will be adding charms and chains to the current line being sold.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you very much for allowing me to serve you and our Order in this manner, it has been a privilege for me.

Respectfully submitted,

VADA L. LOCKERMAN. P.G.M.

A motion was made by Sister Vada L. Lockerman, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Phyllis A. Stewart, Associate Grand Conductress, that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

CAMPING WEEKEND

AUGUST 13-15, 1976

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

It was my pleasure to host your Summer campout at Steamboat Landing, near Lewes, De., along with my co-host Bro. Dick Lloyd of Adah #5 and our wives, Margaret and Betty.

Pot-luck supper was held on Saturday night, after which a social time was enjoyed by all. We were sorry our Worthy Grand Matron's husband, Bro. William Hall, P.G.P., was in the hospital and could not attend. We thank Sister Thirza for being with us when we know her "heart" was in Wilmington.

Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Jack Betty and his wife, Sister Ruth, P.G.M. came along for Pot-luck and then returned on Sunday morning for our Church Service. Bro. Ebe Pope, a member of Easton Chapter No. 65, Easton, Md. led our Service. Thank you Bro. Ebe, for your special efforts.

We appreciate the attendance Saturday night of the non-campers. Hope they enjoyed themselves as much as we did having them with us.

A collection was taken at our Church Service, and \$29.00 was turned over to our Grand Secretary that morning for Masonic Home Arts and Crafts.

We thank you, Sister Thirza and Bro. Jack for this opportunity to serve you and hope that you enjoyed yourselves.

Sincerely and fraternally,

CLAYTON H. KEITH
RICHARD E. LLOYD

A motion was made by Brother Clayton Keith, P.P., seconded by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P., that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter to recess at 4:00 p.m. to reconvene at 7 p.m. this evening.

TUESDAY EVENING 7:00 P.M.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ellen E. Gregg, P.G.M.

SISTER ELLEN E. GREGG:

Sisters and Brothers, this evening brings to a close an inspiring and harmonious year and session. As we turn toward a new year, with high anticipation of many accomplishments, we wish our new Corps of Grand Officers pleasure and success in their many endeavors.

Grand Marshal, it is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you escort to the Grand East, by way of the Labyrinth, our Jr. Past Grand Matron, Sister Vada L. Lockerman and our Jr. Past Grand Patron, Brother Howard C. Hall to formally open this evening session.

WELCOME BY SISTER VADA L. LOCKERMAN, P.G.M.

Good evening, Sisters and Brothers, what a delightful privilege it is again for me to stand beside my Worthy Grand Patron and before you to bid you a warm and cordial welcome.

We have had a wonderful couple of days together and have experienced the thrill of friend meeting friend. To you, our Sisters and Brothers, who are visiting with us from other Grand Jurisdictions, a special welcome. I sincerely hope that your memories will be happy ones and that you will want to meet with us again next year.

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter this Grand Chapter room.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, in a couple of hours you will have completed your journey on your "Pathway to the Stars" and I just hope that your stars will shine as brightly upon you as you have made them shine on us this past year. You have been gracious, understanding and have always displayed a cheery smile. Your friendly manner has endeared you both to us and we are deeply indebted for the year of service you have given.

Congratulations on the manner in which you have conducted this Grand Session and although you are about to finish your term as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you have not reached the end of your path, for, just beyond is a further stretch of path along which you will travel as you continue your record of service.

I trust, Sister Thirza and Brother Jack, that all the ideals you have sponsored and the friendships you have made will be yours. As the evening draws to a closing, may it be with happiness in your hearts and satisfaction for a year's work well done.

To you Sister Ethelene and Brother George, I express my every good wish for success in the year that lies ahead for you and your Grand Officers.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for allowing me the privilege of opening the final evening of your "Pathway to the Stars" Session.

WELCOME BY BROTHER HOWARD C. HALL, P.G.P.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack:

This indeed is a real joy to be permitted to assist my own Worthy Grand Matron in calling to order this evening session, the very last of your "Pathway to the Stars" Sessions, and bring to you fraternal greetings and extend a most sincere and hearty welcome.

Sister Thirza, I wish to congratulate you on your many accomplishments this year. Tho' your year was beset with trials, your love and devotion overcame all and the memories of this year will always remain with you.

Brother Jack, we are proud of you and appreciate the faith and service you have given to our beautiful Order. You are honored in this Grand Jurisdiction for your unselfish devotion and dedication.

To both of you, we enjoyed having you in our Grand Family, may health and happiness follow you the remainder of your lives and may God's richest blessings abide with you always.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Vada and Brother Pete, now my dream is complete, that you have opened the closing Session of our "Pathway to the Stars" Grand Chapter Session. Just one short year ago, tonight, you presided over your final "Emerald" Session, then relinquished your responsibilities to me. It has been a real privilege to follow in your footsteps, for you both are the epitome of our watchwords - Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love. My sincere thanks to both of you for all the support and encouragement you have given us along the way. And now in just a little while, will you let me join you in the line of Past Grands, to walk beside you in friendship, always?

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Sister Vada and Brother Pete, your words of welcome mean much to me along with your love and friendliness. May all your years be filled with God's blessings and much happiness.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter from recess to resume labor.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Good evening, my friends. We are so happy that you could be with us this evening. Happiness grows out of harmonious relationships with others, based upon the attitude of good will, tolerance, understanding and love. Tonight we extend our hand in friendship and fellowship that we may join together in our efforts to care and share in the promotion of the welfare and prosperity of our Order.

Sister Dorothy H. Streaker, Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, and Brother J. Thomas Middleton, Worthy Grand Patron of Maryland, were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and accorded Grand Honors.

Sister Lois R. Thomas, P.G.M. from Maryland and Sister Edith E. Care, P.G.M. from Pennsylvania were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and accorded Grand Honors.

Sister Ruth Dubec, Associate Grand Conductress from Pennsylvania; Sister Marjorie M. Mutt, Worthy District Deputy #5 of New Jersey; Sister Leona F. Vincent, Grand Marshal, Maryland; Sister Catherine S. Wacker, Grand Adah, Maryland; Sister Dorothy Devilbiss, Grand Ruth, Maryland; Sister Katherine O. Crisafulli, Grand Chaplain, Maryland and Brother Harry R. Yauger, Grand Sentinel, Maryland were introduced in the West, welcomed, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Sister Betty Yauger, Grand Representative in Maryland to North Dakota and Sister Ella A. Rambo, Grand Representative in Pennsylvania to New Mexico were introduced in the West, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Sister Mona J. Wood, Worthy Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 536 of Thornton, Pennsylvania and Sister M. Elizabeth Mitchell, Worthy Matron of Penn Chapter No. 16 of Chester, Pennsylvania were introduced in the West, welcomed, escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

Bro. J. BAPTIST MILANO presented a DeMOLAY 50 year pin to WORTHY GRAND PATRON JOHN B. BETTY

BAP:

Bro. Jack, on a couple occasions an event in your life was closely followed by a **similar** event in mine. One was life itself—I was born five days after your birth. Another was DeMolay—I was initiated into Wilmington Chapter four months after you joined. What I wanted to do now is to present to you a Certificate which I received from International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay stating that you have been a member for 50 years. You may frame it or place it in your book of memories. I, also, want to present your 50 year pin which you may wear for the world to see. Congratulations!

Sisters and Brothers, I announce, for the first time in public, that at the Session of I.S.C., last month, Bro. Jack was elected to receive the Active

DeMolay Legion of Honor, which is the highest honor a Senior DeMolay may be awarded. An open Investiture will take place at a date to be set by the Executive Officer in Delaware. All are invited. Congratulations again, Jack.

HOSPITALITY REPORT - 1977

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

I find this report a little hard to know where to begin - for my one and only thought from the beginning was just to make all our guests welcome and to be glad they came our way.

So I'll start with the planning - which started quite some time ago, but nothing was done until approval was received from the committee members.

On April 17th I had all members of the committee and their spouses to my home for dinner, followed by a meeting, where I presented my plans. I am grateful to all of them as they accepted my thoughts and ideas.

The joy in receiving all the notes and letters from our prospective guests was unbounding, I felt as tho' I knew each one personally, their notes were so friendly. Reservations were made at the Hotel DuPont as soon as I received their request and a letter was sent immediately confirming what reservations had been made - I also enclosed a list of all social events giving dates, time, cost and closing reservation dates. Many, after receiving this list, wrote and changed the date of their arrival so that they could attend more of our social functions.

As I received final date and arrival time - I then wrote each counterpart in Delaware informing them of their Grand Representative's intent to be here.

I am most happy to report that 78 reservations were made for hotel accommodations. Many other letters were received of guests just coming in for our Monday evening informal opening.

We were pleased to welcome guests from: Arkansas - California - Connecticut - District of Columbia - Georgia - Idaho - Indiana - Manitoba - Maryland - Massachusetts - Missouri - New Brunswick - New York - North Carolina - Oklahoma - Ontario - Pennsylvania - Rhode Island - South Carolina - Washington - Wisconsin - Wyoming. What a great joy each guest has been - thus making my task a good deal easier. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron have been such a delight and such a pleasure to serve.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel arrived on Friday, May 6th and I met her plane in Philadelphia, was so sorry our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, could not go along. At the same time we met Ruth Steele - Grand Representative of Idaho to Delaware.

Each and every guest was met upon their arrival either by plane or bus. Those driving were given directions to the hotel. My deepest thanks to those who assisted in this task: Gladys and Clair Fetterolf for taking care of our guests from the State of Washington - Iris and Connie Pournarus - since our Grand Representative, Doris Wahl was unable to do so. Due to a slight mix-up our guests were dropped off in Wilmington and Gladys and Clair were waiting for them at Clemente's Bus Terminal but all ended well, I am deeply grateful to you Gladys and Clair. Also to Joann Keenan for meeting her Grand Representative, Florence Payne from Rhode Island to Delaware, at the bus terminal and taking her to the banquet. To Iva and Pete Hall for going to the airport to meet our guests from Wisconsin - Opal and Arthur Papke and for taking them back to

the airport this afternoon - many, many thanks. To Alex Chris for meeting his Grand Representative, Eva Pedersen from Manitoba to Delaware and to Alex and Marge for taking such good care of her. To Gerry and Sheldon Edwards for meeting her Grand Representative - Erma Hill from Wyoming to Delaware at the airport and taking care of her during our session. All our other guests drove to Delaware. My deepest thanks to each Grand Representative in Delaware who took care of their counterpart - it was indeed a tremendous relief and help and I was especially pleased knowing you both were getting to know one another which is what this is all about.

Gifts were purchased - 27 - for all our distinguished guests and 75 door signs were made and put on the doors of our guests and Grand Officers. Many thanks to Millie and Charles Sweeny, Pat De Bonaventura and Hazel Rhodes for putting these signs on the doors - We hope we did not awaken you as it was in the wee small hours when many were put on. We have a cute story to tell about this but time, not space, will not permit. You may ask Hazel and Pat about the story. Thanks again to you "Hall Runners" for a perfect job well done.

Each distinguished guest was a guest at the banquet - Grand Representatives Luncheon and breakfast, and each guest was given a gift - a white mug decorated in blue and personalized with their last initial in blue and filled with hard candy wrapped in red cellophane thus making the colors - red, white and blue.

My thanks to Brother Bill Hall for the hospitality badges all my committee and I have been wearing.

Thanks to the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association, the Grand Chapter of Delaware and a bonus from the Hawaiian Trip for their monetary gifts. These were more than appreciated.

With a heart full of love and gratitude to two of the most wonderful people, Millie and Charles Sweeny for their most welcome help. Millie for all the mints, cookies, and cheese balls for our hospitality room and for all the cooking of meals, keeping my house clean and the laundry while I made our little Betsy Ross dolls, I could never have made it without you. Charles - Thanks for your poor cramped and sticky fingers - cutting stars and pathways for our door signs and helping me to glue on the sequin roses and trees and silver stars. You both know how I feel and what this has meant to me. Thanks a million.

On Saturday each guest who had arrived in Delaware was escorted to the banquet and we were delighted to have 20 guests with us at our hospitality table.

Sunday morning we had a brunch in the Green Room of the Hotel DuPont. There were nineteen of us and it was enjoyed by all. After brunch about 4 cars were driven to Longwood Gardens - the day was a delightful one just made for us I'm sure.

Brother Bill George certainly did enjoy all the flowers and beautiful scenery both at the Gardens and the drive along the way. Dinner in the Cafeteria-Grill on Sunday evening was enjoyed by 257 guests and members. Thank you Alex Chris for such wonderful arrangements. I am grateful to you and the manager of the Cafeteria-Grill. After Church on Sunday evening a reception was held in my suite for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron - many guests attended and showed their hospitality to our distinguished guests. On Monday at noon all of our guests were present at the Godel Luncheon and we were delighted with all the arrangements made by Sister Sylvia Knox.

Our Hospitality Room was open to all Distinguished Guests only when Grand Chapter was not in session and many, many of our guests came and spent time with us and we certainly did get to know many of them quite well and were so pleased to be able to spend this time with them.

Our Tuesday Morning Breakfast - Our American Heritage Breakfast - honoring our Distinguished Guests was attended by about 140 and it was so nice to have 11 Distinguished Guests at our Speakers Table. Little Betsy Ross dolls were our table decorations and depicted our theme. A doll was given to each of our Distinguished Guests that desired one. What a joy it was planning this breakfast for these our wonderful guests.

We were saddened by the departure of many of our guests this morning - going on to Virginia Grand Chapter but were so grateful for the time they spent with us. To my committee members - many thanks for all your assistance - I am truly grateful - there was nothing that I requested that you were not willing to do, especially the escorting of our Distinguished Guests at the Informal Opening on Monday evening.

I tried to personally say good-bye to all our guests as they were leaving this morning with many promises of future visits to Delaware. Each one has been such a joy and so many new friends have been made - which is exactly what I personally need.

Sister Thirza and Brother Jack - many thanks for the opportunity of serving as your Hospitality Chairman - what a thrill to meet all these lovely guests - at times very hard work but the success and friendships made - made all of it worthwhile. We hope we have pleased you and that you will feel that all our guests have enjoyed our hospitality and will return many more times to Delaware.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel, oh what a thrill and joy it has been being able to be with you and serve you. We wish you could return to Delaware again but know of your busy schedule and know this is impossible but maybe someday when you are a Past Most Worthy Grand Matron you will come and visit with us. Thank you for putting us on your schedule early in your three years of service - now maybe we can see you somewhere along the way. Thanks again for being here with us. There is so much more I could and want to say but time is precious I know so again may I say to each and every one of you my deepest gratitude and thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

All My Committee and Me
EDITH C. GALLOWAY, P.G.M.
Hospitality Chairman

A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, seconded by Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer that the Hospitality Report be accepted and printed in its entirety in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

Sister Lorraine Carver, Sessions Nurse, P.M., reported that Sister Lyda Niblett had fallen and broken her elbow.

A motion was made by Brother Robert Marshall, P.G.P., seconded by Sister Miriam D. Ziegler, P.M., that we purchase a new Delaware Flag for the next triennium. Motion adopted.

Sister Adelaide L. Martin, P.G.M., made a motion that greetings be sent to all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who are unable to attend this Grand Chapter Session. Motion adopted. It was seconded by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, Grand Trustee.

Sister Betty Loeffel, Grand Treasurer, made a motion, seconded by Sister Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee, that all bills incurred by this Grand Chapter be paid. Motion adopted.

REGISTRATION

26 Visiting States—143 + 37 = 180
 63 Delaware
 32
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 93

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY FORESTIERI, Chairman
 ESTHER MELVIN
 LEVIN A. LOWE

PARTIAL REPORT ON REGISTRATION 5-10-77

South Carolina	2	Arkansas	4
Washington State	2	Massachusetts	2
Ontario	4	Pennsylvania	19 + 14
Georgia	11	Washington, D.C.	18
California	2	Ohio	2
Indiana	2	New Jersey	3 + 18
Maryland	15 + 20	Iowa	3
Rhode Island	2	Virginia	3
Idaho	2	Tennessee	4
Connecticut	3	Missouri	4
Oklahoma	3	West Virginia	10
Wisconsin	2		
New York	3		
North Carolina	2		
New Brunswick	2		
Delaware	63 + 32 = 93		

Sister Betty Tomlinson, P.M., Chairman of Printed Program for the Summer Benefit, would be most happy to accept any boosters, etc. for the Program Booklet, but this is the deadline.

The Grand Marshal presented gifts to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron from their officers, committee chairmen, deputy grand lecturers, officers emeritus.

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress assisted by the Grand Chaplain, undraped the Altar. Sister Effie Marvonek sang "Precious Lord".

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Sister Edith Galloway, as Chairman of Hospitality, you and your Committee have exemplified our motto that thoughtfulness promotes happiness and joyous benevolence builds. You gave many hours of your time and labor to make our guests welcome, comfortable and happy. We are sure that the golden chain of friendship has been lengthened because of the Delaware hospitality.

Sister Ellen and Sister Flo, when I beheld the beauty of this room, my dream of our Session began to unfold like the petals of a rose. Now, that dream has become full-blown because of all the love and devotion you and your Sessions Committee put into the preparations. Like the fragrance of the rose, the precious memories of this Session will linger forever.

My heartfelt thanks to you and your Committee for helping to make this Session such a success.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S FAREWELL:

To end one year is to begin another. It is now time for me to say thank you and farewell. I conclude this year as I began it with humility and a prayer in my heart that the sacred trust which was placed in my hands a year ago has been faithfully tended. I have served to the best of my ability and with a grateful heart. Should I be judged, I hope I may be remembered for the good I may have done rather than the mistakes I made. I will not say farewell, because I am not leaving, just stepping aside to permit the succession and progression that carries the assurance of growth and prosperity. Thank you for giving me a wonderful year.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S FAREWELL:

Just one short year ago, with humble heart, I accepted this highest and most honored office, and I promised to do my best; I have tried. It has been a pleasure to work with our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Thirza, and I have appreciated the many courtesies extended to me by all Grand Officers, Subordinate Chapters and Members of the Order. I can only say "thank you" from the bottom of my heart.

To Sister Ethelene and Brother George, I wish for you the very best for a year of Success, Happiness and Prosperity for our Order.

Sister Winifred Hulme, P.G.M. and Brother Robert Marshall, P.G.P. were invited to preside as the Grand Officers retired. All the Grand Officers carried Sceptres and formed an Honor Guard as the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron passed through.

Assisting Sister Winifred and Brother Bob in the installation of new Officers were Sister Eliza L. Crossland, P.G.M., Installing Chapiain; Sister Edith H. Shinn, P.G.M., Installing Marshal; Sister Adelaide L. Martin, P.G.M., Installing Organist, Sister Sylvia M. Knox, P.G.M., Installing Warder; and Brother Harvey J. Bunting, P.G.P., Installing Sentinel.

The Grand Marshal escorted the Grand Officers for 1977-1978 into the Grand Chapter Room for Installation.

Worthy Grand Matron	Ethelene F. Krauss
Worthy Grand Patron	George D. Bogart
Associate Grand Matron	Betsy Ann Conner
Associate Grand Patron	A. Warren Wheatley
Grand Secretary	Margaret L. Wicks
Grand Treasurer	Elizabeth K. Loeffel
Grand Conductress	Phyllis Ann Stewart
Associate Grand Conductress	Cynthia Lewis
Grand Lecturer	Jacqueline Collier
Grand Chaplain	Margaret Bogart
Grand Marshal	Beverly A. Wittenberg
Grand Organist	Mary Ann Campbell

Grand Adah	Faith P. Benson
Grand Ruth	Esther C. Carre
Grand Esther	Lois B. Faircloth
Grand Martha	Eleanor R. Lenhart
Grand Electa	Joann Keenan
Grand Warder	Edith E. DeLacy
Grand Sentinel	E. Watson Day
Grand Trustee	E. Virginia Timmons

Sister Effie Marvonek sang "I'll Walk with His Hand in Mine" while Sister Ethelene was escorted to the Grand East by her husband, Robert, and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" when Brother George was escorted to the East.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

WORTHY GRAND MATRON - ETHELENE F. KRAUSS:

My Sisters and Brothers - As we embark on a new Grand Chapter year, let us pause first to ask the Blessing of our Heavenly Father to grant us with good health, traveling mercies and the wisdom to lead this great Order of ours. We know not what is before us and no great achievements do I expect to attain; however, I will strive to do my best at all times and represent the Grand Chapter of Delaware with all the dignity and sincerity it so deserves.

With a grateful heart and sincere appreciation, I acknowledge first, my husband, Bob, whose Masonic heritage made it possible to petition the Order and to my family who have been my pillar upon whom I lean heavily - my Chapter, Ruth No. 19, who accepted me as a charter member and has truly supported me throughout all my endeavors and to this Grand Chapter who saw fit to elect me into this high office. God bless you all, and I pray that you may never be disappointed in electing me to this high office.

Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Thirza and Junior Past Grand Patron, Brother Jack, may I be the first to address you with your new title and to congratulate you on a beautiful "Pathway to the Stars" Session. You have reached the end of your Pathway and our Star shines much brighter under the most efficient and devoted year that you have just served. I have enjoyed working with you both this year and wish for you continued good health and happiness and that you will start along your Pathway and join us as you are truly one of our many blessings.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - Brother George, from the first day you were elected into the Grand Family, you have been a most cooperative and helpful partner. Any request I made of you, you were right there to assist. I know you will serve our Order well and to Peg, your wife and our Grand Chaplain, my sincere thanks for all your assistance. To Brandywine Chapter No. 14 - my thanks to you for everything and for the loan of Brother George.

INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS - Each of you were chosen for a special reason. Sister Bicky and Brother Bob - Sister Bicky, we are both from the same Chapter, and I served as Grand Marshal for you and Brother Bob. It was a beautiful year and your enthusiasm was my inspiration. I thank you both for a beautiful installation tonight.

Sister Eliza - Our friendship goes a way back - you were my Sunday School teacher in my early life and now you have become a true sister and a steady traveling companion up and down this state (and outside at times), and I am

delighted that you are our General Grand Chapter Committee Member while I serve as Worthy Grand Matron. I shall look for you on my right at all times - both in Chapter rooms and traveling in the car!

Sister Edith - You, too, are from my home-town of Claymont and also from my Worthy Grand Patron's Chapter. Your work is always outstanding and tonight is no exception. Thanks, so much.

Sister Adelaide - Oh, to be gifted with such talent! You played when I was installed as Worthy Matron in 1965 and it seemed appropriate that you play tonight. You also helped play a very important part in my Eastern Star life - your inspiration, words of encouragement and support have truly been appreciated. You, also gave me my "B" certificate and I was almost as nervous then as I am now.

Sister Sylvia - Never did I think when you gave me my "A" certificate that I would ever be standing here tonight. Thanks so much for playing an important part in my Eastern life and serving as our installing Warder tonight.

Brother Harvey - Our friendship stems back to 1965 when we served our respective Chapters - you as Worthy Patron of Georgetown No. 9 and I as Worthy Matron of Ruth No. 19. Our group of "Live '65's" are still active and it seemed most fitting that you should have a part in our installation this evening. Thanks so much.

Sister Effie - Our little Song Bird - you have a beautiful God-given talent and are most generous in sharing it with us whenever asked. Yes, "I'll Walk with His Hand in Mine" and the music and words will echo in my heart this year. You have been a true friend and I have enjoyed your company on many occasions.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel - Nothing thrilled me more than when I received your letter and you said you had delayed your leaving so you could be here tonight for our installation. I thank you so much and this I shall count as another of my many blessings.

Distinguished Guests from Other Jurisdictions, Visitors and All - I am delighted to see so many here from our neighboring states. Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to be here tonight. Congratulations and Best Wishes to the new Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Dorothy Streaker and Brother Tom Middleton from Maryland. We were very pleased to witness your installation just a couple weeks ago - and to Sister Lois Thomas and other Maryland Grand Officers, I'm delighted to have you with us this evening.

My friends from Pennsylvania - you said you would be here and I am so pleased to see you. I have enjoyed my many visits "North of the Border" and truly thank you all for coming tonight.

To "Our Own" - thanks so much for being here and making our Installation complete.

Will the Members of Ruth Chapter please rise? I am so pleased to see so many of you here tonight. Without your loyal support and encouragement, I could not have achieved this high honor which has been bestowed upon me - any honor I receive, I share with you. Every Worthy Grand Matron acknowledges that she is glad that her Chapter is behind her. Well, I can't honestly say that - because my Chapter is one step ahead of me all the way. The Bible

on the Altar was presented to me at our last meeting and it will travel with us on all Official Visits. If it had not been for the help of several of the members, I am sure, I would not have been ready for tonight - to them, my most sincere thanks.

Two other people I would be very remiss if I did not acknowledge - my very own brother, Brother Clifford Faircloth, Past Patron of Victory Chapter No. 15 and his wife, Lois, our Grand Esther. I served as Grand Esther in 1966 67 for Sister Margaret Tomlinson also from Victory Chapter, and this was the first station Lois held in her Chapter. I would also like to acknowledge my sister-in-law, Anna E. Krauss, Grand Guardian, I.O.J.D.

To the Grand Officers, both elected and appointed - To those elected, my most sincere congratulations and best wishes. To the appointed - our chosen ones - thank you so much for accepting and may you enjoy this year as much as we know we will enjoy having you. You all will be our "Heavenly Angels" and one of our many blessings.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons - we depend on you for support, valuable assistance and wisdom. You have been along this trail before and know many of the rewards and pitfalls. Your experience is most treasured and you are our "Heavenly Saints".

To our Deputy Grand Lecturers - you will be introduced later, but I do thank you each and every one for accepting. You will be our "Doves of Peace".

Grand Representatives - You play an important link in our Order - you are our "Sky Writers". I hope that you all get to visit your Grand Jurisdiction during your term of office.

Our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons will be our Sun Rays and Moon Beams - since they shine so brightly - night or day.

Without our sideliners we are few - so you are our "Heavenly Chorus" - We Need You!

Chairmen and Committee Members - thank you so much for each of the important jobs you have accepted. You are truly our "Multitude of Blessings".

Past Matrons and Past Patrons - you glisten brightly even after your term of office and so willing to "do"; therefore, you are our "Dew Drops".

Sister Eliza - Last but not least - you are our "Evening Star".

Our Sessions will be known as "Showers of Blessings".

Our Colors: Blue of the Sky
White of the Clouds
Silver of the Silver Lining

Our Scripture: Psalm 118:24
This is the day which the Lord hath made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Watchwords: PPS - Prayer, Peace and Sincerity

Emblem: The Open Holy Bible

Symbol: The Dove

Our Daily Guide: "Today is God's gift to us
What we do with it is our gift to Him."

Hymns: Showers of Blessings
 Back of the Clouds
 What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Dedication: To my mother, Rebecca Fairecloth, my other mother, Margaret Krauss, Brother George's mother, Edna T. Bogart and to all mothers who make our first impressions in life permanent.

Flower: Pink and White Carnations

Honored Stations: All appointed stations and especially Marshal, a station I enjoyed so much.

We request your continued support of General Grand Chapter projects - ESTARL, Cancer Research and Education and International Temple Fund - may we continue to be 100% in Delaware.

Grand Chapter Special Projects are: Summer Benefit for the Handicapped Children, Masonic Home Arts and Crafts, Veterans Hospital Hobby Cart and continuing with "Cancer Research" as our Special Project.

We are sponsoring a seven day cruise to Nassau and Bermuda on October 29th thru November 5th, 1977 and a ten day vacation to Hawaii with a stopover in San Francisco on return trip starting February 28th, 1978. Proceeds to be used for Grand Chapter and Grand Chapter Projects.

My Sisters and Brothers, each day that is given to us should be treasured and counted as a Blessing - may we always be kind, loving and sincere - start and end each day with a prayer and may each of you keep peace in your hearts.

It is my pleasure to introduce your WORTHY GRAND PATRON, Brother George.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

WORTHY GRAND PATRON - GEORGE D. BOGART:

Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, my Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Chapter and Visitors:

This is one day I will never forget. Being elected and now Installed in the highest Office a Brother may hold in this Grand Chapter. For this I thank you from the bottom of a very humble heart. As Masons, we are taught to look to the Grand Architect of the Universe before entering upon any great or important undertaking. This I have done, and I pray that He will guide me in all my duties in the year which lies ahead.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ethelene, I want to congratulate you on being installed as the leader of this Grand Chapter. At last your trip to the Grand East is completed. I know it is one that you have learned much and made many friends, both here and in other States. I guess there were a few detours, but by these we gain knowledge. I am very happy and consider it an honor to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron. I pray that God will bless you with good health and guidance in all your undertakings and travels. I promise my full cooperation and support in whatever lies ahead on this road through the Grand East. I would like to thank you for your friendship and hospitality in the past two years, as we have worked together to form, what we think, is a very fine Grand Family.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mabel, I am very happy that you have taken time from your very full schedule to spend a few days with us in Delaware, and very honored that you stayed to see Sis. Ethelene and our

Grand Family installed. We hope you have had an enjoyable time, and that you leave here with many pleasant memories. May the Lord bless you and watch over you in your many duties and travels.

Installing Officers: Thank you for a most impressive Installation. Each of you have a special meaning to me. P.G.M. Sister Bicky, P.G.P. Brother Bob, I was one of your Cascades and the second one of this group to attain this high Station. G.G.C.C.M. Sister Eliza, it was from you that I took my cue during Introductions on my first visit to another Chapter in my first year as Worthy Patron, and I am looking forward to sharing the East with you as we travel up and down the state. P.G.M. Sister Edith, as you stood by my side at the Altar as I received my charge, I was reminded of our work: A friend in whom I trusted walked beside me. P.G.M. Sister Adelaide, you know how much I appreciate your music. Thank you very much, P.G.M. Sister Sylvia and P.G.P. Brother Harvey, I was on your Sessions Committee and served as an Assistant Sentinel at your Grand Sessions. Thank you all again for everything.

Jr. P.G.M. and Jr. P.G.P. Sister Thirza and Brother John, better known as Jack, it was a pleasure to be a member of your Grand Family (The Night Owls), and to travel with you throughout the State and at other times when possible. I know you both have many pleasant memories of your year, and may God bless you with good health, so you may continue to travel and keep them warm.

P.G.M.'s and P.G.P.'s, the backbone of our Grand Chapter, it is to you we look for advice and guidance. I have been one with many questions, and I thank you for, and appreciate the advice thus freely given.

I would at this time, like to congratulate the newly Elected Officers, and thank the Appointed Officers for accepting their Stations and to welcome you into this Grand Family. I feel, that when duty calls, you will all be there to fill your Stations with dignity. One of you holds a very special place in my heart (Gr. Chaplain please rise). Sister Peg as we met with wheels on our shoes, we have rolled many miles throughout the States, and even overseas. We were miles apart when our sons came into this world, a time we could not share. However you were able to attend my Retirement Parade when I retired from Military Service. Tonight is as much yours as mine, as I assume the duties of Worthy Grand Patron. It is said that men do not express the feelings they hold deep down in their hearts often enough, more so as time flies by, so thank you for everything. As we start rolling down this new Grand Chapter Road, I ask our Heavenly Father for guidance, health, and safe travel for each of us.

To my own Chapter, Brandywine #14, (members please rise) a special thanks. This is also your night. I sincerely thank you for receiving me into your Chapter, and then giving me the opportunity to serve as Worthy Patron. I hold many pleasant memories as we have worked together, and if this year passes half as fast as the last two, I will return full time before I know it.

To the members of Ruth Chapter #19, fate works in many different ways. It was your Chapter that I first visited in my first year as Worthy Patron. As I recall, you were having a DeMolay Chapter do the "Mothers Talk". It is my honor to serve in the Grand East with the second Worthy Grand Matron from your Chapter, a young Chapter which has had many serve in this Grand Chapter. Thank you so much for everything, most of all for Sister Ethelene.

Sis. Effie, God blessed you with a wonderful voice. Thank you so very much for singing one of my favorite Hymns as I stood West of the Altar, What A Friend We Have In Jesus.

In closing, I look out over this large group of Sisters and Brothers, who we call the sideliners. You are just as important to this Order as its Officers, for without you, we would not be needed. We have often heard it said that you get no more out than you put into anything. A Brother I met in Baltimore recently put it this way: The organization is like the corner Bank. Put nothing in, and you will get the same thing out.

Again, I thank you one and all for everything, and for your kind attention.

You have just heard my longest speech of the year.

Brother William E. Hall presented the Past Grand Matron's jewel to Sister Thirza. This jewel had belonged to Sister Edna Gifford, P.G.M.

SISTER THIRZA:

I want to thank the members of Grand Chapter for giving me the opportunity to earn the privilege of wearing this beautiful jewel, and thank the Grand Trustees for permitting my husband to present it. This jewel originally belonged to our beloved Past Grand Matron, Sister Edna Gifford, and I am honored. I accept it with humility, will wear it with pride, and trust that no act of mine will ever mar its luster. Thank you.

Sister Vera Ellis presented P.G.P. Brother Joseph Ellis' jewel to Brother Jack and it was pinned on him by his wife, Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M. This jewel had belonged also to Brother Henry Miller previously.

Junior Past Grand Matron presented the traveling jewel and seal to Worthy Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron presented the travelling jewel, seal, gavel and key to the Ballot Box to the Worthy Grand Patron.

The Grand Marshal, Sister Beverly Wittenberg, presented a gift to both the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron from the Grand Officers, Grand Trustees and Deputy Grand Lecturers.

Gifts and Ceremonies were presented to the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron from their respective Chapters, Ruth Chapter No. 19 and Brandywine Chapter No. 14 by their Worthy Matrons.

Sister Judith Parrott and Sister Eleanor Allione gave gifts from the Rambling Roses of 1972 and Joy Belles and Beaus of 1974. Sister Marjorie and Brother Bob Homiller presented gifts from the 1977 Sun Rays and Moon Beams. Brother Harvey Bunting presented the Worthy Grand Matron a gift from the Live 65's.

The following Deputy Grand Lecturers were introduced in the West:

Delaware Chapter #1	.....	Miriam D. Ziegler
Mizpah Chapter #2	.....	Effie Marvonek
Julia M. Story #3	.....	Iva C. Hall
St. John's Chapter #4	.....	Mary P. Hutchison
Adah Chapter #5	.....	Wanda Collins
Radiant Chapter #6	.....	Elzada H. Berry
Sussex Chapter #7	.....	Jacqueline Fooks
Caesar Rodney Chapter #8	.....	Thelma Sisson
Georgetown Chapter #9	.....	Joyce Quillen
Newark Chapter #10	.....	Margaret S. Keith
Kent Chapter #11	.....	Louise S. Emory
Frankford Chapter #12	.....	Elizabeth Wharton

Five Points Chapter #13	Lucille M. Hopley
Brandywine Chapter #14	Hilda Livingstone
Victory Chapter #15	Judith J. Parrott
Unity Chapter #16	Doris M. Downs
Esther Chapter #17	Frann Hutchison
Laurel Chapter #18	Janet C. Womach
Ruth Chapter #19	Kathryn R. Hoey
Naomi Chapter #20	Mary E. Bristow

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

Deputy Grand Lecturers - "Our Doves of Peace" - you do look beautiful in your light blue dresses. I thank each and every one of you most sincerely for your acceptance to serve your respective Chapters this year. Your task is an important one. I know you will face the challenge with utmost efficiency and in a dignified manner. Sister Lucille of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Brother George and I sincerely appreciate your accepting at the last minute (about 4:00 this afternoon to be exact) to fill the vacancy left by Sister Virginia Timmons, who was elected Grand Trustee.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Deputy Grand Lecturers, our Doves of Peace, I welcome you to our Grand Family and hope that you have a very enjoyable year. To you who have held this Office before, thank you for accepting for another year. To those newly appointed, if you have half the faith in yourself that the Worthy Grand Matron and I have in you, you will make problems all seem small. Thank you all for accepting this very important Office and may your year be a memorable one.

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MULTI-STATE FRIENDSHIP NIGHT: Lois M. Schiff, Chairman
 April 15, 1978
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Busses will be chartered again this year. Please contact our Grand Warder Sister Edith DeLacy for reservations. We have a bus scheduled for Pennsylvania Grand Sessions in Philadelphia on Monday, June 27th, 1977. I do hope as many Grand Officers that can, will go. Any others that are interested are welcome, too.

For our General Fund this year, we have two beautiful hand-hooked rugs - one Masonic and the other an Eastern Star, which you will hear about at our Official Visits.

There will be a reception in the Social Hall at the Church across the street following the close of Grand Chapter. Everyone is welcome. I would appreciate it if the Grand Officers and the Deputy Grand Lecturers would go promptly and form the receiving line. As the hour is late. I'm sure some will not want to tarry long.

I would like to share this with you in closing:

Today - Tomorrow and always
 God bless you with His love
 And in His goodness shower you
 With graces from above —
 May He be part of all you do
 And hear your every prayer
 Today - Tomorrow and always
 God keep you in His care.

Other dates to remember - May 12, Caesar Rodney Chapter #8 Birthday Party; May 14 at 10:30, Dover, School of Instruction for Grand Officers, etc.; May 21 - Reception; May 23, Victory Chapter #15, Birthday Party; May 24, Delaware Chapter #1, Official Visit.

The Grand Chaplain offered a prayer.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S. duly closed at 10:50 p.m. to reconvene in May, 1978.



THIRZA P. HALL
 Worthy Grand Matron

JOHN B. BETTY
 Worthy Grand Patron

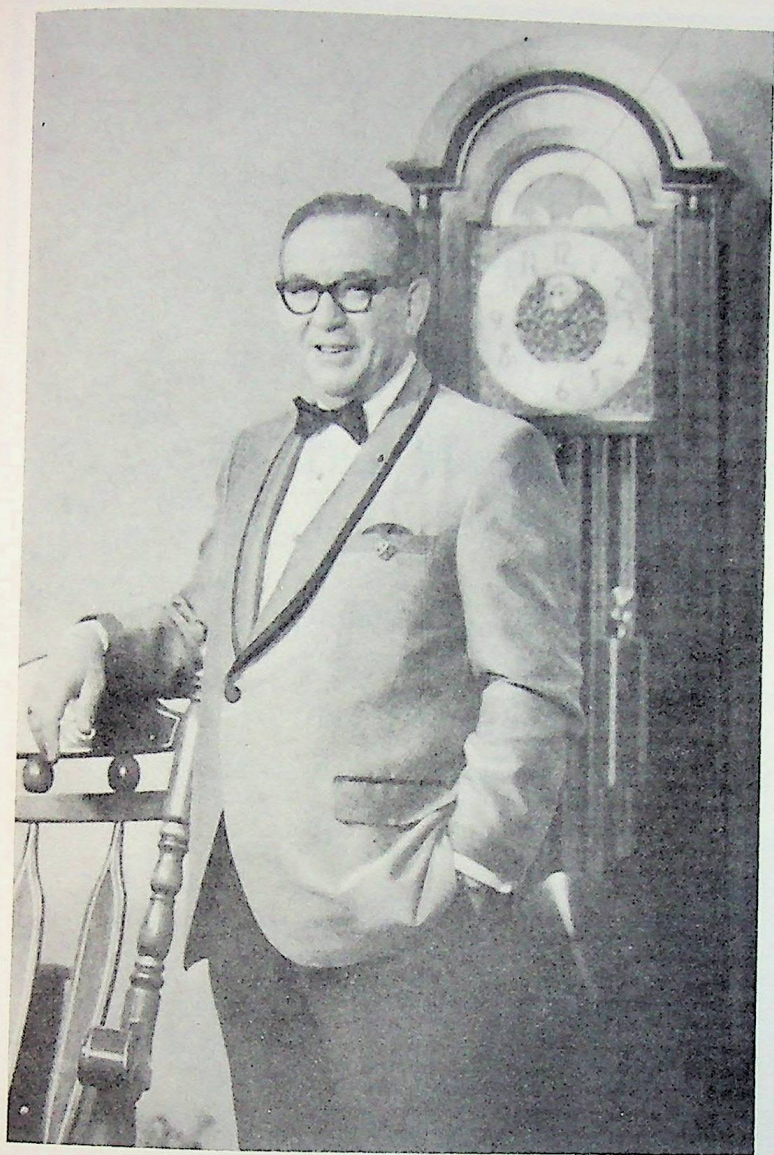
Attest: MARGARET L. WICKS
 Grand Secretary



ELIZABETH M. FISHER

GRAND SECRETARY EMERITUS

Entered into rest September 19, 1976



JOSEPH C. GALLOWAY, JR.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON

1970-1971

Entered into rest January 31, 1976

IN MEMORIAM

This Page is Dedicated

To The Memory

of the

HONORED DEAD

of

THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Who have entered into rest

*God calls our loved ones, but we lose not wholly
What He has given.*

*They live on earth in thought and deed as truly
As in His heaven.*

This Page is Dedicated to

The Memory of

OUR BELOVED DEAD

of the

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*Into the field the Reaper came,
Calling these lovely flowers by name;
Each bowed its head in submissive grace
And naught of jear bore they a trace.
Jesus the Christ hath shown the way
And they have followed, steadfastly.*

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter March 10, 1914

Date of Charter April 18, 1914

Meets in Hillcrest United Methodist Church, Marsh Road & Hillcrest Ave.,
Wilmington, Del. 19809

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 ***Demitted
- ***James K. Shinn, Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5
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 Mrs. Odell Guy, Demitted from Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under General Grand Charter Feb. 5, 1918
 Date of Charter April 18, 1918
 Meets in Lombardy Elementary School, Foulk Road, Wilmington, Del. 19803

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Rev. John Edward Jones demitted from Kent Chapter #11.

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter March 11, 1918

Date of Charter July 22, 1918

Meets in Carrcroft School, 503 Crest Ave., Wilmington 19803

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 E. Everett Ragan
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 *William L. Meenan
 **William L. Nixon
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ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter November 18, 1918

Date of Charter March 28, 1919

Meets in Hughes Fellowship Hall, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Stanton 19804

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RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6

Meets First and Third Tuesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Oct. 29, 1919

Date of Charter Jan. 17, 1920

Meets in Hillcrest United Methodist Church, Marsh Road & Hillcrest Ave.
 Wilmington, Del. 19809

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SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7—SEAFORD

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter April 21, 1920
 Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920
 Meets at 7 N. Pine St., Ext., Seaford 19973

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John Shenton, R. R. 1, Box 474, Bridgeville, Del. 19933	Asso. Patron
Mrs. Bea M. Lankford, 117 N. Conwell St., Seaford, Del. 19973	Secretary

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- **Mrs. Fannie D. Stein
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Mrs. S. Elizabeth Tull, P.G.M.	Norman H. Tull
Mrs. Eunice M. Marshall	Robert T. Marshall, P.G.P.
Mrs. Grace Glime	Robert Glime
Mrs. Rosa T. Burton	Robert Gilbert
Mrs. Beatrice M. Lankford	Norman M. West
Mrs. Esther Dunkel	William J. Bryant
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Mrs. Anna Mae Marvel	Robert Glime
Mrs. Barbara Shenton	John Shenton

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8—NEW CASTLE

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter May 7, 1920

Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920

Meets in Masonic Temple, 408 Delaware St., New Castle 19720

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 *Howard L. Wilhelm
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GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9—GEORGETOWN

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware June 19, 1923

Date of Charter April 26, 1924

Meets in Dr. Thomas C. Mulligan Memorial Hall, Grace Methodist Church,
S. King & Market Sts., Georgetown 19947

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 *Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
 *John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
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 Herbert Von Goerres
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NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10—NEWARK

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 23, 1925
 Date of Charter Dec. 5, 1925
 Meets in Masonic Temple, Delaware Avenue, Newark 19711

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 Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer
 Mrs. Anna R. Slack
 Mrs. Lettie P. McMullen
 Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss
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 Mrs. Alice C. Abbott, P.G.M.
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 *Mrs. Martha C. Davis
 *Mrs. Elizabeth Beswick Spencer
 Mrs. Elizabeth D. Correll
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 Mrs. Catherine R. Gibbs
 Mrs. Mary P. Swan
 *Mrs. Dorothy R. Dihel
 Mrs. Alma F. Long
 Mrs. Sarah B. Howell
 Miss M. Ella Steele
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 Mrs. Eleanor Tyler Poley
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 Mrs. Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M.
 ***Mrs. Jacqueline D. Johnson
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 *Charles J. Krapf
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 *T. Raymond McMullen
 ***Leslie T. Truitt
 ***Leslie T. Truitt
 *W. Harman Money
 *T. Raymond McMullen
 ***Leslie T. Truitt
 J. Nelson Abbott
 ***Leslie T. Truitt
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 *Jacob A. Correll
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 *Wilmer E. Pusey
 **Samuel L. Diehl, Jr.
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KENT CHAPTER NO. 11—HARRINGTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 17, 1926

Date of Charter April 15, 1927

Meets in Century Club Bldg., Dorman Street, Harrington 19952

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Mrs. Mary H. Dolby	***Jacob C. Messner
*Mrs. Helen F. Taylor	*Sidney B. Dolby
*Mrs. Hester F. Reed	*Sidney B. Dolby
Mrs. Blanche T. Keys	*Sidney B. Dolby
Mrs. Marie L. Roberts, P.G.M.	Dr. Russell J. Emory
Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers	Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Sallie E. Satterfield	Dr. Russell J. Emory
***Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson	Dr. Russell J. Emory
Mrs. F. Ruth Sapp	Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Helen B. Legar	Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Alice N. Martin	***Archie A. Feagan
*Mrs. Kate W. Boyer	***Archie A. Feagan
Mrs. Louise S. Emory	Dr. Russell J. Emory
*Mrs. Pearl B. Morris	*W. Clifford Raughley
Mrs. Henrietta Williams	***Archie A. Feagan
Mrs. Emma S. Vinyard	***Archie A. Feagan
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*Mrs. Mae T. Ford	Archie C. Ford
*Mrs. Edna M. Williams	*Earl K. Williams
***Mrs. Isabelle W. Sylvester	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Mildred Snowberger	*W. Clifford Raughley
*Mrs. Lillian H. Wheeler	Archie C. Ford
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Mrs. Blanche B. Williams	*Howard D. Williams
***Miss M. Catherine Downing	***Fulton J. Downing
Mrs. Edith Harcum	*W. Clifford Raughley
Mrs. Mary F. Sipple	Howard L. Sipple
Mrs. Florence Q. Harmon	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.

Mrs. Jeanette V. G. Legates	Russell K. Legates
*Mrs. Pearl W. Prettyman	***John H. Walls
Mrs. Jessie M. Calloway	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Violet C. Bliss	Russell K. Legates
**Mrs. Ruth L. Bradley	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Marie Currey	C. Ray Scarborough
Mrs. Rose H. Coffman	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Joan R. Field	C. Ray Scarborough
***Mrs. Nadine Fleischauer	***William J. Fleischauer
Mrs. Maxine Crouch	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
***Mrs. Nadine Fleischauer	***William J. Fleischauer
Mrs. Betty Lou Huffman	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Frances McCarthy	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. LaVon Smith	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Miss Leona Dickrager	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Homan	***Rev. John Edward Jones
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Homan	***Rev. John Edward Jones
Mrs. Lena M. Lee	Granville D. Lee
Mrs. Louise S. Emory	Thomas C. Rodway, P.G.P.

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12—MILLVILLE

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jan. 25, 1928
 Date of Charter Apr. 21, 1928
 Meets in Masonic Temple, Millville 19667

OFFICERS

Mrs. Agnes Hurley, Dagsboro, Del. 19939	Worthy Matron
Sidney Hurley, Dagsboro, Del. 19939	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Claire P. Supernaw, Ocean View, Del. 19970	Asso. Matron
Robert B. Supernaw, Jr., Ocean View, Del. 19970	Asso. Patron
Mrs. Grace F. Molnar, P. O. Box 131, Frankford, Del. 19945	Secretary

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 Mrs. Helen C. West, P.G.M.
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 **Mrs. Martha P. Bunting
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 Mrs. Florence Bunting McGee
 Mrs. Ruth W. Branford
 *Mrs. Hilda B. Jones
 Mrs. Pearl W. McCabe
 *Mrs. Maude L. Mitchell
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 *Mrs. Edith P. Pennewell
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 ***Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell
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 *Mrs. Ethel D. Derrickson
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 Mrs. Irene Watson
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 *William B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
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 *William B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 *William B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 *William B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 *Harley R. Burbage
 *John B. Williams
 *Harley R. Burbage
 *Albert Derrickson
 George W. Mitchell
 **Robert Derrickson
 *Frank Johnson
 *John B. Williams
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*Mrs. Mary Cobb	Ebe C. Quillen
*Mrs. Viola Burton	*Albert Derrickson
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Mrs. Louise B. Wilgus	*Frank Johnson
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Mrs. Elizabeth Wharton	George A. Wharton
Mrs. Evelyn Bunting	*James Flood
Mrs. Cynthia Lewis	*Tilghman Johnson
Mrs. Patricia W. Pepper	Ebe C. Quillen
Mrs. Jean Turner	*Tilghman Johnson
Mrs. Lucille Richards	Oliver J. Foskey
Mrs. Edna Murray	Arthur R. Kempston, P.G.P.
Mrs. Mattie Powell	Ebe C. Quillen
Mrs. Grace Murray	Arthur R. Kempston, P.G.P.
Mrs. Jeanette Hudson	Oliver J. Foskey
Mrs. Viola Jackson	Paul Jackson
Mrs. Irene Hocker	Ebe C. Quillen
Mrs. Ruby Evans	Jesse Murray
Mrs. Eleanor Cordrey	Robert B. Supernaw, Jr.
Mrs. Mildred Carpenter	Sidney C. Hurley
Mrs. Dorris Wahl	Arthur R. Kempston, P.G.P.

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13—NEWPORT

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Feb. 6, 1930
 Date of Charter May 21, 1930
 Meets in Masonic Hall, 108 E. Market St., Newport 19804

OFFICERS

Mrs. Sandra Terranova, 259 Birch Ave., Wilm., Del. 19805	Worthy Matron
Owen Hopley, Jr., 901-8 Cedar Tree Lane, Claymont, Del. 19703	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Phyllis Morganstern, 23 S. Woodward Ave., Wilm., Del. 19805	Asso. Matron
Thomas Morganstern, 23 S. Woodward Ave., Wilm., Del. 19805	Asso. Patron
Mrs. Shirley MacDonald, 3826 Nancy Ave., Wilm., Del.	Secretary

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*Mrs. Ellen G. Duncan
Mrs. Marian M. Haislett
***Mrs. Mae P. Smith
*Mrs. Josephine Wright
*Mrs. Edith M. Work
*Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, P.G.M.
Mrs. Martha D. Mackey
***Mrs. Mildred K. Grubb
*Mrs. Maybelle K. Vansant
Mrs. Emma W. Thompson
Mrs. Sue R. Baldwin
*Mrs. Frances A. Huber
***Mrs. Bessie S. Norris
***Mrs. Bessie S. Norris
Mrs. Sadie C. Conly
Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb
Mrs. Lorraine C. Putzier
Mrs. Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M.
Mrs. May Payne Warrington

PAST PATRONS

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Lester B. Haislett
***George R. Walker
**Frederick K. Smith
*Harry D. Maxwell
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Stevenson A. Hellen
*George D. Baldwin
*Harold L. Emory
*Theodore H. Work, Jr.
Lee E. Nichols
Stevenson A. Hellen
*Raymond K. Grubb
*W. Pierce Laws
*J. Paul Fleming
*Raymond W. Smith
*Richard A. Welsh

Mrs. Alberta Warren	*Russell W. Chidester
Mrs. Nancy L. Morton	*Vernon Morton
***Mrs. Wilma Pitts	**James W. Nunnery
Mrs. Alice Calder	Jimmy Calder
Mrs. Dorothy Russ	Ralph L. Russ
Mrs. Phyllis M. Saxton	John J. Saxton
Mrs. Catherine Cassey	*Joseph Cassey
***Mrs. Janet Brown	*Harry Decker
Miss Elisabeth Tomlinson	Frank Furr
Mrs. Jacqueline W. Collier	James A. McWilliams, Jr.
Mrs. Judith Parrott	George A. Parrott
Mrs. Annabelle E. Lutton	Henry Y. Lutton
Mrs. Salena K. Sherwood	Robert L. Sherwood
Mrs. Mary W. Weik	Edward J. Hall
Mrs. Lois B. Faircloth	Clifford W. Faircloth

UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16—LEWES

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware March 20, 1946
 Date of Charter Oct. 29, 1946
 Meets in Epworth Methodist Church, 22-24 Baltimore Ave., Rehoboth 19971

OFFICERS

Mrs. Minna H. Lodge, 346 Savannah Road, Lewes, Del. 19958 ... Worthy Matron
 Harry A. Moore, R. D. 1, Mill Pond Acres, Lewes, Del. 19958 ... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Joy H. Hopkins, R. D. 1, Box E129, Lewes, Del. 19958 ... Asso. Matron
 Ernest F. Hopkins, R. D. 1, Box E129, Lewes, Del. 19958 ... Asso. Patron
 Mrs. Ruth J. Bryan, 119 Washington Ave., Lewes, Del. 19958 ... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

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 *Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore
 Mrs. Ruth H. Roberts
 Mrs. Goldia M. Palmer
 Mrs. Claire L. Andress
 *Mrs. Mabel E. Guthrie
 Mrs. Ruth J. Bryan
 Mrs. Helen T. Joseph
 Mrs. Jane D. Brittingham
 Mrs. Margaret E. Russell
 Mrs. Grace J. Hall
 *Mrs. Marguerite L. Yarnall
 *Mrs. Elizabeth Greene
 *Miss Sarah M. Tikiob
 *Mrs. Dorothy L. Collins
 Mrs. Arzie M. Powell
 Mrs. Susan E. Volk
 Mrs. Doris M. Downs
 Mrs. Barbara W. Ewing
 Mrs. Jane Bell Wilson
 Mrs. Nancy J. Burbage
 Mrs. Signa M. Souder
 Mrs. Martha E. Pratt
 Mrs. Meta Mae Harper
 Mrs. Joan L. Moore
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 Rupert O. Hall
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 Charles R. Powell
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 William J. Downs
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 John W. Souder
 Archilaus A. Pratt
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 Harry A. Moore, P.G.P.
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 John W. Souder

Mrs. Celia S. Green
Mrs. Louise V. Hanby
Mrs. Martha L. Little

George Green
William J. Downs
George Green

Mrs. Marion H. Wright, demitted from Radiant Chapter No. 6

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17—MIDDLETOWN

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sept. 27, 1950
Date of Charter May 2, 1951

Meets in Forest Presbyterian Church, W. Main Street, Middletown 19709

OFFICERS

Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas, 707 S. Broad St., Middletown, Del. 19709	Worthy Matron
Milton Douglas, 707 S. Broad St., Middletown, Del. 19709	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Frann Hutchison, 14 Carla Road, Newark, Del. 19702	Asso. Matron
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Barnes, 30 N. Delaware St., Smyrna, Del. 19977	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall
*Mrs. Florence Mannering
Mrs. Grace Cochran
**Mrs. Patricia Mears
Mrs. Edith Labour
Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds
**Mrs. Mabel C. Guessford
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Barnes
Mrs. Helen Baker
Mrs. Melita Knotts
Mrs. Edna S. Riffin
Mrs. Mary V. Truitt
Mrs. Evelyn Holland
Mrs. Edith B. Chas
Mrs. Dorothy A. Englert
Mrs. Kathryn Chas
Mrs. Edna Alfree
Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas
Mrs. Margaret C. Douglas
Mrs. Mary V. Truitt
*Mrs. Helen M. Keskemety
*Mrs. Dora C. Biddle
Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse
Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse
Mrs. Frann Hutchison
Mrs. Dora W. Ford

PAST PATRONS

*Oscar G. Biddle
*Samuel Carpenter
Winfield I. Cochran
**Groome Mears
*C. Martin Mitchell
*Howard L. Donovan
**John W. Guessford
**John W. Guessford
James R. Truitt, P.G.P.
*Howard L. Donovan
George I. Schrader
James R. Truitt, P.G.P.
Elton Holland
Joseph A. Chas
Dr. Fred A. Englert
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James R. Truitt, P.G.P.
Milton C. Douglas
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James R. Truitt, P.G.P.
Joseph A. Chas
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Milton C. Douglas
John Wilson

LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18—LAUREL

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 4, 1952
Date of Charter Jan. 18, 1953
Meets in Masonic Bldg., 6th St., Laurel 19956

OFFICERS

Mrs. Vickie Nicklas, 131 Bethel Road, Laurel, Del. 19956	Worthy Matron
J. Norman Nicklas, 131 Bethel Road, Laurel, Del. 19956	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Isabel Phillips, R. D. 3, Box 61, Laurel, Del. 19956	Asso. Matron
Ralph Baker, P.O. Box 445, Laurel, Del. 19956	Asso. Patron
Mrs. Catherine Ruston, 217 W. 6th St., Laurel, Del. 19956	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Minnie S. Kytte
 *Mrs. Mary E. Woerner
 Mrs. Thirza Hall, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Catherine Ruston
 Mrs. Marilyn M. Cooper
 *Mrs. Frances Tulloch
 Mrs. Ruth Pollitt
 Mrs. Pearl E. Johnson
 Mrs. Anna Brittingham
 Mrs. Isabel Phillips
 *Mrs. Pauline White
 Mrs. Janet C. Womach
 Mrs. Etta Marine
 Mrs. Marie Orendorff
 Mrs. Glenna S. Phillips
 Mrs. Lillian H. Wooten
 Mrs. Nancy McMasters
 Mrs. Gail Henderson
 Mrs. Jo Anne Bailey
 Mrs. Hazel Baker
 Mrs. Sylvia Johnson
 Mrs. Pearl Austin
 Mrs. Lyda Niblett
 Mrs. Pearl Austin

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 William E. Hall, P.G.P.
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 **Albert E. Quillen
 *E. Pratt Ingersoll
 Lawrence Tulloch
 Walter W. Pollitt
 **James W. Flood
 **James W. Flood
 Raymond Orendorff
 William E. Hall, P.G.P.
 *William Womach
 Raymond Orendorff
 Raymond Orendorff
 *William Womach
 Walter W. Pollitt
 Walter W. Pollitt
 Glenn Lowe
 Edwin Bailey
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Baker
 Calvin Jones
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Baker

RUTH CHAPTER NO. 19—CLAYMONT

Meets First and Third Mondays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware March 30, 1960
 Date of Charter January 16, 1961
 Meets in Maple Lane Elementary School, Claymont 19703

OFFICERS

Mrs. Isabel E. Turley, 2612 Bittersweet Drive, Wilm., Del. 19810 .. Worthy Matron
 Joseph Turley, 2612 Bittersweet Drive, Wilm., Del. 19810 .. Worthy Patron
 Miss Nancy Heintzelman, 8 Cathedral Ave., Claymont, Del. 19703 .. Asso. Matron
 Richard W. Benson, 1025 Tweedbrook Road, Wilm., Del. 19810 .. Asso. Patron
 Mrs. Helen A. Oliver, 56 Osage Road, Claymont, Del. 19703 .. Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Ruth Russell
 Mrs. Mamie L. Nazarian
 Mrs. Helen Oliver
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 Mrs. Louise M. Hilderbrand
 Mrs. Ethelene F. Krauss
 Mrs. Lois M. Schiff
 Mrs. Kathryn R. Hoey
 Mrs. Marion C. Crossland
 Mrs. Doris H. Latta
 Mrs. Beverly A. Wittenberg
 Mrs. Kathleen D. Hall
 Mrs. Melba L. Minshall
 Mrs. Editha Hinchliffe
 Mrs. Lorraine W. Carver
 Mrs. Shirley Flickinger McShane
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 ***George G. Patterson
 *Joseph C. Galloway, Jr., P.G.P.
 *James G. Moore
 ***Albert H. Westerside
 Wilmer H. Reburn
 *Elmer K. Roush
 John R. Crossland III
 John R. Crossland III
 Paul L. Walbridge
 Ralph P. Hall
 William Minshall
 James W. Hinchliffe
 Frank W. Carver
 John R. Crossland III
 Richard W. Benson

NAOMI CHAPTER NO. 20--MARSHALLTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P.M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sept. 27, 1961

Date of Charter June, 20, 1962

Meets in St. James Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 2106 St. James Church Road,
Mill Creek Hundred, Wilmington, Del. 19808

OFFICERS

Mrs. Patricia A. Dillon, 2714 N. Robino Drive, Wilm., Del. 19808 .. Worthy Matron
 Lonnie D. Dillon, 2714 N. Robino Drive, Wilm., Del. 19808 .. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. June H. Enright, 45 Vansant Road, Newark, Del. 19711 .. Asso. Matron
 William E. James, 44 Aronimink Drive, Newark, Del. 19711 .. Asso. Patron
 Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey, 517 McCabe Ave., Wilm., Del. 19802 .. Secretary

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 Mrs. Eleanor J. Huber
 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Bundick
 Mrs. Dee W. Hook
 Mrs. Rebecca S. Welsh
 Mrs. Hannah E. Hackett
 Mrs. Mary E. Bristow
 Mrs. Joan M. Hontz
 Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey
 Mrs. Geraldine C. Edwards
 Mrs. Mary C. Ziegler
 Mrs. Dorothy P. James
 Mrs. Doris K. Simmons
 Mrs. Alverta C. Bowman
 Mrs. Esther C. Carre

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 Harry S. Bristow, Jr., P.G.P.
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 *Elias D. Hontz
 Vernon F. Huber
 Harry S. Bristow, Jr., P.G.P.
 *Elias D. Hontz
 Stanley McKelvey
 Sheldon L. Edwards
 Garvie W. Greer
 William E. James
 Preston L. Simmons
 Frederick D. Bowman
 Victor J. Carre

Mrs. Jacqueline E. Kyle, Demitted from Five Points Chapter No. 13
 Gordon E. Kyle, Demitted from Five Points Chapter No. 13

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1921-22—MRS. JULIA M. STORY*
 HARRY F. NEWLIN*

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1923-24—MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY*
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1924-25—MRS. CORINNE W. TIMMONS, Methodist Manor House,
 Seaford, Delaware 19973
 WILLIAM H. REDMILE*

1925-26—MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN*
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1926-27—MRS. ELIZABETH LEACH*
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1927-28—MRS. ROSE E. NEWLIN*
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1928-29—MRS. JEAN H. CAUFMAN*
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- 1929-30—MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, 437 W. Durham St., Phila., Pa. 19119
ROBERT S. GALLAHER*
- 1930-31—MRS. IRMA BAKER BARR*
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- 1931-32—MRS. MARY M. CLOWER*
FRANK L. HOWARD
- 1932-33—MRS. ANNA BELLE SAUTER*
GROVER C. MacNAMEE*
- 1933-34—MRS. IRENE BAUER*
C. HERBERT NEUTZE*
- 1934-35—MRS. M. ETTA KEYS*
DR. JAY W. MILLER*
- 1935-36—MRS. BESSIE M. WARRINGTON, 222 Delaware Ave.,
Harrington, Delaware 19952
VICTOR J. CARMINE*
- 1936-37—MRS. BERTHA M. SMITH*
JAMES DUNCAN*
- 1937-38—MRS. SARAH E. RIGGIN*
JOHN FREDERICK*
- 1938-39—MRS. MARTHA W. KRAPF*
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- 1939-40—MISS CARRIE L. GEMMILL*
FRANK L. HARRA*
- 1940-41—MRS. JANE C. ZEBLEY*
WILLIAM BROWN DERRICKSON*
- 1941-42—MRS. BERTHA S. WELCH, 410 Main St., Bridgeville, Del. 19933
ROBERT M. ROGERS, 100 Hayden Ave., Wilmington, Del. 19804
- 1942-43—MRS. MYRTLE C. NESBITT*
FREDERICK STOUT**
- 1943-44—MRS. CLARA A. REUTER, National Lutheran Home,
18th & Douglas Sts., N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20018
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, 131 Landers Lane, Swanwyck,
New Castle, Del. 19720
- 1944-45—MRS. ELIZABETH E. PIERCE*
CHESTON R. McCORMICK*
- 1945-46—MRS. HELEN C. WEST, Box 10, Dagsboro, Del. 19939
CHARLES V. CLEAVER, 5101 W. Platt St., Tampa, Fla. 33609
- 1946-47—MRS. ALICE C. ABBOTT, 189 Browning Ave., Elizabeth, N.J. 07208
PERCY C. COTTY*
- 1947-48—MRS. SARAH S. MacNAMEE*
HORACE K. FULMER*
- 1948-49—MRS. MARIE L. ROBERTS, 300 Weiner Ave.,
Harrington, Delaware 19925
HARLAN L. CLOUD*
- 1949-50—MRS. DORA E. FITZGERALD*
J. ALBERT KUMPEL*

- 1950-51—MRS. EDNA L. GIFFORD*
FREDERICK H. WARRINGTON*
- 1951-52—MRS. IRMA O. LeCOMPTE, R. D. 2, Box 161E, Lewes, Del. 19958
THOMAS C. RODWAY, 711 E. Loockerman St., Dover, Del. 19901
- 1952-53—MRS. MARIAN J. SIMPSON*
HENRY T. MILLER*
- 1953-54—MRS. ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER*
I. KENDALL GIBBS, P. O. Box 522, Dover, Del. 19901
- 1954-55—MRS. LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE, 131 Landers Lane, Swanwyck,
New Castle, Delaware 19720
GEORGE H. OSTENDARP*
- 1955-56—MRS. RUTH M. BETTY, 2300 Riddle Ave., Apt. 205,
Wilmington, Delaware 19806
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- 1956-57—MRS. MARY H. BEVIS, 301 Hickman St., Rehoboth, Del. 19971
WILLIAM F. NUTTER, 81 University Ave., Wilmington Manor
Gardens, New Castle, Delaware 19720
- 1957-58—MRS. SARAH HOFFMAN, 900 Rosedale Ave.,
Wilmington, Delaware 19809
JOHN CONLEY*
- 1958-59—MRS. MILDRED H. MINNER*
WILLIAM E. HALL, 169 Delaware Ave., Laurel, Del. 19956
- 1959-60—MISS ELIZA L. CROSSLAND, 200 Claymont Garden Apts.,
Claymont, Delaware 19703
JOSEPH H. ELLIS*
- 1960-61—MRS. RETA C. WILKINSON, 509 East St., Delmar, Del. 19940
ROSS M. LANIUS, 6 Beekman Road, Wilmington, Del. 19809
- 1961-62—MRS. KATHERINE P. MARSHALL*
DR. CHARLES H. SCHULTHEISS, 403 Capitol Trail,
Newark, Delaware 19711
- 1962-63—MISS EDITH H. SHINN, 900B Peachtree Road, Claymont, Del. 19703
CARL E. OLLIVER, 1942 Burgandy Lane, Rivergreen,
S. Port St. Lucie, Florida 33452
- 1963-64—MRS. BESSIE E. MILES, 4 Second Ave.,
Midvale, New Castle, Del. 19720
ARTHUR R. KEMPSTON, Ocean View, Del. 19970
- 1964-65—MRS. EDNA E. JOHNSON*
C. DAVID WIBERG, 31 Mariposa, Spanish Lakes,
S. Port St. Lucie, Florida 33452
- 1965-66—MRS. ADELAIDE L. MARTIN, 608 Euclid Ave.,
Wilmington, Del. 19809
CHARLES R. SWEENEY, 173 Capt. John Smith Loop,
Old Bridge Park,
N. Ft. Myers, Fla. 33900
- 1966-67—MRS. MARGARET D. TOMLINSON, 543 S. State St.,
Dover, Del. 19901
JAMES R. TRUITT, 17 E. Clark St., Milford, Del. 19963
- 1967-68—MRS. S. ELIZABETH TULL, R. D. 3, Box 346, Seaford, Del. 19973
THOMAS J. BERRY, 113 Waverly Road, Wilmington, Del. 19803

- 1968-69—MRS. EDITH C. GALLOWAY, 1105 Linda Road,
Darley Woods, Wilmington, Del. 19810
RALPH E. NICHOLS*
- 1969-70—MRS. SYLVIA M. KNOX, 1900 Gheen Road,
Montclare, Wilmington, Delaware 19808
HARVEY J. BUNTING, P.O. Box 6, Harbeson, Delaware 19951
- 1970-71—MRS. EURETTA B. SCHULTHEISS, 403 Capitol Trail,
Newark, Delaware 19711
JOSEPH C. GALLOWAY, JR.*
- 1971-72—MRS. WINIFRED H. HULME, 705 Severn Road,
Tavistock, Wilmington, Delaware 19803
ROBERT T. MARSHALL, 806 West Ivy Drive,
Seaford, Delaware 19973
- 1972-73—MRS. ELLEN E. GREGG, 412 Maryann Drive, Middleboro Manor,
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ALBERTA: Mrs. Anna Mae Marvel	Dec. 31, 1977
ARIZONA: Mrs. Gloria Piergalline	Feb. 1, 1978
ARKANSAS: Mrs. Alice Paulson*	Apr. 1, 1979
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Miss Anne P. Richter	Dec. 31, 1978
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Margaret M. Rugg	Dec. 31, 1979
COLORADO: Mrs. Dorothy Thomas	Oct. 10, 1978
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Dora W. Ford	Dec. 31, 1979

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Mary G. Dilks	Dec. 31, 1979
FLORIDA: Mrs. Lucille Willis	Dec. 31, 1978
GEORGIA: Robert Sherwood	Dec. 31, 1979
IDAHO: Mrs. Helen O'Neal	Dec. 31, 1977
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Anna E. Krauss	Dec. 31, 1978
INDIANA: Mrs. Shirley McShane	Jan. 1, 1978
IOWA: Mrs. Kathleen Hall	Apr. 1, 1979
KANSAS: Mrs. Mildred Hurlock	Jan. 1, 1978
KENTUCKY: Charles Betts	Dec. 31, 1978
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Catherine D. Ruston	May 1, 1979
MAINE: Mrs. Elizabeth C. Homan	Mar. 1, 1979
MANITOBA: Alexander Chris	Dec. 31, 1979
MARYLAND: Mrs. Mary Hutchison	May 15, 1978
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Janet M. Day	Dec. 31, 1979
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Lorraine Carver	Jan. 1, 1978
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Lyda Niblett	Dec. 31, 1977
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Margarette A. Webb	Dec. 31, 1978
MISSOURI: Mrs. Thelma Sisson	Dec. 31, 1978
MONTANA: William Finkley	Dec. 31, 1978
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Barbara C. A. Rouse	Oct. 1, 1977
NEVADA: Mrs. Mary Beaston	Dec. 31, 1979
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Phyllis A. Thomas	Dec. 31, 1977
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Mary W. Weik	Dec. 31, 1978
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Barbara Shenton	Jan. 1, 1979
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Judith Parrott	Jan. 1, 1978
NEW YORK: Mrs. H. Jean Cottman	Mar. 15, 1979
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Eleanor Allione	Jan. 1, 1978
NORTH DAKOTA: Granville D. Lee	Jan. 1, 1978
NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Louise V. Hanby	Dec. 31, 1977
OHIO: Mrs. Betty LaPorte	Jan. 1, 1979
OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Janet C. Womach	Dec. 31, 1978
ONTARIO: Mrs. Alverta W. Kandle	Dec. 31, 1978
OREGON: Mrs. Lucille M. Hopley	Dec. 31, 1978
PENNSYLVANIA: Miss Henrietta R. McKelvey	July 15, 1980
PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Mary Kashishian	Jan. 1, 1979
QUEBEC: Mrs. Louise Bunting	Dec. 31, 1979
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Joanne Keenan	Dec. 31, 1979
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Christine Cannon	Dec. 31, 1977
SCOTLAND: Mrs. Jeanette Taylor	Dec. 31, 1978
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Martha L. Little	Feb. 1, 1980
SOUTH DAKOTA: Clayton H. Keith	Dec. 31, 1978
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Dorothy Russ	Mar. 1, 1978
TEXAS: Mrs. Marjorie Jennings	Feb. 26, 1978
UTAH: Mrs. Stephanie Getz	Dec. 31, 1978
VERMONT: Mrs. Alverta Bowman	Dec. 31, 1977
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Beulah H. Rodway	Dec. 31, 1978
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Dorris Wahl	Dec. 31, 1978
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WISCONSIN: Mrs. Mildred Carpenter	Dec. 31, 1977
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BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Ethel Shockey	Dec. 31, 1977
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Lora Hubbard	Dec. 31, 1979

COLORADO: Mrs. Harriet Curtis	Dec. 31, 1978
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Genevieve Porter	Dec. 31, 1977
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Delores E. Crupi	Dec. 31, 1979
FLORIDA: Mrs. Marilu Baker	Dec. 31, 1977
GEORGIA: Mrs. Norma Conner	Dec. 31, 1979
IDAHO: Mrs. Ruth Steele	Dec. 31, 1977
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Dolly La Brec	Dec. 31, 1979
INDIANA: Mrs. Mary Stanley	Dec. 31, 1977
IOWA: Mrs. Arlene Owens	Dec. 31, 1978
KANSAS: Mrs. Alma Fuller	Dec. 31, 1978
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Lillie May Price	Dec. 31, 1979
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Aline Lewis	Dec. 31, 1977
MAINE: Mrs. Marie E. Wood	Dec. 31, 1978
MANITOBA: Mrs. Eva Pederson	Dec. 31, 1978
MARYLAND: Miss Susan Baker	Dec. 31, 1978
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Dorothy A. Mueller	Dec. 31, 1978
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Leona Conner	Dec. 31, 1977
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Eva Seim	Dec. 31, 1977
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Mozelle Stone	Dec. 31, 1978
MISSOURI: Miss Audrey Alsop	Dec. 31, 1977
MONTANA: Mrs. Gudrun Udem	Dec. 31, 1978
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Dee Fries	Dec. 31, 1977
NEVADA: Mrs. Ruth Ann Sidford	Dec. 31, 1979
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Amy Haggerty	Dec. 31, 1977
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Rosie C. Howe	Dec. 31, 1978
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Florence Calcott	Dec. 31, 1977
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Winifred Blakely	Dec. 31, 1979
NEW YORK: Mrs. Tracey S. Vanderlyn	Dec. 31, 1979
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Dorothy C. Brewer	Dec. 31, 1977
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Alice Baird	Dec. 31, 1979
NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Edna Mac Vicar	Dec. 31, 1979
OHIO: Mrs. Sybil Hadley	Dec. 31, 1977
OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Mary Fasken	Dec. 31, 1977
ONTARIO: Mrs. Jean Cole	Dec. 31, 1978
OREGON: Mrs. Beverly Woolman	Dec. 31, 1979
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PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Conchita Zegarra	Dec. 31, 1979
QUEBEC: Mrs. Elizabeth Stark	Dec. 31, 1978
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Florence C. Payne	Dec. 31, 1978
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Wanda May	Dec. 31, 1979
SCOTLAND: Mrs. Isabelle McCulloch*	Dec. 31, 1977
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Athalea Laman	Dec. 31, 1979
SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Ethel Faulstick	Dec. 31, 1977
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Iuela Lee	Dec. 31, 1978
TEXAS: Mrs. Flo Sullivan	Dec. 31, 1979
UTAH: Mrs. Marie Caron	Dec. 31, 1978
VERMONT: Mrs. Rachel S. Fuller	Dec. 31, 1978
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Frances F. Spears	Dec. 31, 1977
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Gertrude Pournarus	Dec. 31, 1978
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Gloria Bonar	Dec. 31, 1978
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Opal Papke	Dec. 31, 1978
WYOMING: Mrs. Erma Hill	Dec. 31, 1978

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- ALBERTA: Mrs. Irene McDougall, 1731 7th Ave, N.W., Calgary T2N-025—
June
- ARIZONA: Mrs. Hazel H. Hickox, 2017 Rennoc Stravenue, Tuscon 85719—
Mar.

- ARKANSAS: Mrs. Chrissie L. Raymondo, 1301 Greenwood Ave., Hot Springs 71901—Nov.
- BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON: Mrs. Alice Brooke, 3854 W. 38th Ave., Vancouver V6N-2Y4—Oct.
- CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Gladys M. Johnson, 720 Flood Bldg., San Francisco 94102—Oct.
- COLORADO: Mrs. Dorothy L. Stern, 7200 E. Harvard, Denver 80224—Sept.
- CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Eleanor G. Nickel, 1200 Boston Post Road, Room 7, Guilford 06437—April
- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Maggie Kibbey, Masonic Temple, 801 13th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005—May
- FLORIDA: Mrs. Lucille Taunton, P. O. Box 428, Freeport 32439—April
- GEORGIA: Mrs. Ruth J. Hester, Box 6070, Macon 31208—June
- IDAHO: Mrs. Georgie F. Steisel, 2621 Woodlawn Ave., Boise 83702—June
- ILLINOIS: Mrs. Dorothy P. Boyer, 32 W. Randolph St., Room 1320, Chicago 60601—Oct.
- INDIANA: Mrs. Inez G. Stott, P. O. Box 86, Franklin 46131—April
- IOWA: Mrs. Naomi Jenkins, 308 Masonic Temple Bldg., 1011 Locust St., Des Moines 50309—Oct.
- KANSAS: Mrs. Carolyn B. Rexroth, 1109 Topeka Blvd., Topeka 66612—April
- KENTUCKY: Mrs. Margaret J. Minkler, 700 Lincoln Federal Bldg., 600 S. 4th St., Louisville 40202—Oct.
- LOUISIANA: Mrs. Ona MacLafferty, P.O. 2707, Monroe 71207—Mar.
- MAINE: Mrs. Agnes H. Swett, P.O. Box 1, Berwick, 03901—May
- MANITOBA: Mrs. Earlene Morrison, 52-525 Cathcart St., Winnipeg R3R-0S6—June
- MARYLAND: Mrs. Phyllis M. Letsch, 2401 St. Paul St., Baltimore 21218—Apr.
- MASSACHUSETTS: Miss Mary F. McGoldrick, Room 1128, 80 Boylston St., Boston 12116—May
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- MINNESOTA: Mrs. Grace A. Clingman, 3938 Meadowbrook Rd., Minneapolis 55426—May
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- MISSOURI: Mrs. Adele C. Duerr, 3681 Lindell Blvd., Masonic Temple, St. Louis 63108—Oct.
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- NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Eva M. Hartung, 235 Main St., Orange 07050—May
- NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Alma K. Marlowe, 500 S. Ave. B, Portales 88130—Oct.
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- NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Emma Lou Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 69, Morrisville 27560—June
- NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Frankie E. Ragaz, Box 736, Mayville 58257—June
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- OHIO: Mrs. Bertha D. Huffman, 410 Eastern Ave., New Lexington 43764—Oct.
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- ONTARIO: Mrs. Mary Smith, Lutterworth Pines Drive, R. R. 1, Minden K0M-2K0—Oct.
- OREGON: Mrs. Mollie Dot Lippert, 1119 S. W. Park Ave., Portland 97205—June
- PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Mildred G. Helwig, 420 Clay St., Jeannette 15644—June
- PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Matilda Fournier, GPO Box 2154, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936—May
- QUEBEC: Mrs. Irene M. McCormack, 69 Pardo Ave., Apt. 210, Pointe Claire H9R-3H4—Oct.
- RHODE ISLAND: Miss Marjorie H. Self, 114 Rutherglen Ave., Providence 02907—Oct.
- SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Ethyle E. Hirsch, 3141 11th St., W., Saskatoon S7M-1K1—May
- SCOTLAND: Mrs. Mary F. Shirkie, 121 W. Regent St., Glasgow G2-25D—Mar.-Oct.
- SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Zoie M. Padgett, Box 647, Hampton 29924—June
- SOUTH DAKOTA: Jane Hensley, Box 74, Aberdeen 57401—Oct.
- TENNESSEE: Mrs. Carolyn Lasater, 315 Division Ave., Jackson 38301—April
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- VERMONT: Mrs. Rachel H. Jarvis, Box 546, Essex Junction 05452—June
- VIRGINIA: Mrs. Elaine Baker, P. O. Box 6633, Richmond 23230—May
- WASHINGTON: Miss Dorothy Holmquist, 406 Grosvenor House, 500 Wall St., Seattle 98121—Oct.
- WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Beulah Maxwell, Box 1488, Clarksburg 26301—Oct.
- WISCONSIN: Mrs. Daisy C. Woods, 1112 N. Water St., Milwaukee 53202—May
- WYOMING: Mrs. Alice Elaine Blatt, 1260 Linda Vista, Casper 82601—Oct.

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**LEGISLATION ACTED UPON AT GRAND CHAPTER
MAY 1977**

Recommendations of the Grand Trustees

1. We recommend in the future that the Printer use the smaller print and paper as described and that he spaces the lines to his discretion. You are all aware of the financial struggle we have been going thru these past years. Luckily this year with the efforts of the Worthy Grand Matron with her two projects, which netted over \$3,300.00, we are in the black with about \$500.00 to the good. We feel this should not be the total responsibility of the Worthy Grand Matron each year to balance the budget as she has a busy year without this problem.
2. We recommend, the Per Capita tax be increased \$1.00 a member per year.

These recommendations were passed with a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the voting delegates present.

Proposal by the Grand Trustees

To change the annual session from the month of May to one of the following:

- 4th Monday and Tuesday of June
- 2nd Monday and Tuesday of September
- 4th Monday and Tuesday of March

all of the year 1979.

A motion was made by Sister Miriam D. Ziegler, P.M., seconded by Sister Joanne Keenan, P.M., that we meet on the 4th Monday and Tuesday of March in 1979. Motion adopted for the FIRST READING.

Report of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Changes in By-Laws of Five Points Chapter No. 13: Article VIII, Section 16 to read and be renumbered Section 18: "The organist shall receive for her services the sum of Twenty-five (25) Dollars per year".

Article XI, Section 1 - Relief to read: "The Worthy Matron shall appoint three members of the Chapter as a Committee on Relief whose duty shall be to investigate all applications for relief made to the Chapter and report the circumstances of the case at the first meeting after receiving notice of the application. If the case is one of pressing necessity, the Worthy Matron may on the report of the Committee, draw an order upon the Treasurer for an amount not exceeding One Hundred (100) Dollars and the order so drawn shall be sufficient voucher to the Treasurer to pay the same.

It was brought to the attention of this Committee that the Green Book of Instructions is still being used contrary to the recommendation which "was approved by both the Constitution and By-Laws and Jurisprudence Committees and adopted by this Grand Body at our 1975 Grand Session."

This practice must be discontinued immediately.

Fraternal Correspondent, Page 19, it reads "Associate Grand Matron. Section 3. (1) Paragraph 2, The Associate Grand Matron, who according to our Constitution and By-Laws, automatically becomes Fraternal Correspondent," and so forth. The second paragraph is to be deleted. On Page 27 - Other Grand Officers. Section 10. Change to read: Other Grand Officers. Section 11 and above this Grand

Conductress. Section 10. The Grand Conductress shall be the Fraternal Correspondent assisted by the Associate Grand Conductress in reviewing the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions and reporting this to this Grand Chapter. **SECOND READING. A motion was made by Brother Charles Schultheiss, P.G.P., seconded by Brother Clayton Keith, P.P., that this change be complied with. Motion adopted.**

Article II, Section II, Page 40. Printing Committee: To open bids for proceedings with Board of Grand Trustees and make a report listing the bid and choice made by the joint committee and report to this Grand Chapter. The Committee will proofread galleys of proceedings with Grand Secretary. **SECOND READING. A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister Ruth M. Betty, P.G.M. Motion adopted.**

ADDITION TO BY-LAWS

All contributions for Special Accounts and programs shall be used for designated accounts only. **SECOND READING. A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister S. Elizabeth Tull, P.G.M. Motion adopted.**

Article IX. Grand Secretary, Page 23 (13): That the Grand Secretary send to each Chapter, Jurisprudence Committee and Constitution and By-Laws Committee copies of all legislation enacted at the Grand Chapter Session not later than the 10th of June. So as each Chapter can receive it and have it read in open Chapter before the close of the Chapter for the summer. **FIRST READING. A motion was made by Sister Euretta B. Schultheiss, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Edith H. Shinn, P.G.M. Motion adopted.**

Article V. Meetings. Section 1. Change to read: The Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington, or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in Delaware on the fourth Monday in March at 9 A.M. and so forth. **FIRST READING. A motion was made by Brother William E. Hall, P.G.P., seconded by Sister Miriam D. Ziegler, P.M. Motion adopted.**

Recommendation from Kent Chapter No. 11 and Victory Chapter No. 15: It has been brought to our attention that the boundary line between Kent Chapter No. 11 and Victory Chapter No. 15 is not clearly defined. Our recommendation is to make Kent and Victory Chapters an open jurisdiction. Signed by Carol Jordan, Worthy Matron of Kent Chapter No. 11 and Joan Edwards, Worthy Matron of Victory Chapter No. 15. **A motion was made by Sister Joan Edwards, W.M. and seconded by Sister Lena Lee, P.M. Motion adopted.**

Page 38, Article II - Duties of Committees and Grand Representatives. Section 1. Credentials. Change in paragraph time to 8:00 A.M. **FIRST READING. A motion was made by Brother Charles H. Schultheiss, P.G.P., seconded by Brother William E. Hall, P.G.P. Motion adopted.**

Page 39. Section 8. Duties of the Registration Committee. Change time to 8:00 A.M. **FIRST READING. A motion was made by Brother Charles H. Schultheiss, P.G.P., seconded by Sister Janet Nibblett, P.M. Motion adopted.**

Report of the Jurisprudence Committee on the Report of the Worthy Grand Matron.

Amendments to the By-Laws of Five Points Chapter No. 13 - **Approved.**
 Waivers of Territorial Jurisdiction requested and granted - **Approved.**
 Special Dispensations Granted - **Approved.**
 Irregularities - **Approved.**

1. Reverent Attitude given instead of Salutation Sign when Balloting.
2. Leaving Chapter room during meeting without given sign.
3. Checks for Dispensations made payable to Worthy Grand Matron instead of Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.
4. Crossing between the Altar and East while Bible is open.
5. Warder giving raps after Bible is closed.
6. Sword not wrapped at Adah's Station.
7. Sentinel entered Chapter room - failed to give sign - entered Labyrinth and balloted upon petition, without waiting to be addressed by the Worthy Matron.
8. Secretaries sending cash when requesting a Dispensation.
9. Improper stationery used when requesting a Special Dispensation.
10. Ritual Work being written.
11. Improper handling of the Ballot Box.
12. Officers being prompted by other than Deputy Grand Lecturer.

Decisions - **Approved.**

1. An 83 year old member holding a demit, asked if it is permissible to have a Star engraved on the headstone, marking her cemetery lot. I know of no official ruling prohibiting such action. I advised that although the Sister is not considered a member anywhere, she was a member in good standing when she demitted, and since a demit has no time limit, I felt that to permit the engraving would be an act of kindness, and would bring her much satisfaction.
2. Communication was received from _____ Chapter before the regular installation date that the elected Conductress had stated that she could not accept that office for personal reasons, but was willing to remain as Associate Conductress if the Chapter so desired. The elected Associate Conductress was willing to accept the Conductress Station. Could I declare these two stations vacant so that another election could be held? After personal interview with each of the Officers involved and talking with Chapter members, for the Good of the Order, I was pleased to declare the Office of Conductress and Associate Conductress vacant and issued a Special Dispensation to hold an election to fill the vacancies.
3. Three Chapters elected their Conductress from the floor. I was pleased to grant permission for them to be installed on the regular date and to grant an extension of 30 days from date of installation in which to complete their proficiency examination.
4. Because of recent surgery, two of our Officers will be unable to fill their stations on the night of our Birthday Party. Both would like to attend that evening as sideliners. Would you grant permission for them to do so? I advised that if these two officers are **physically unable** to assume their stations on the night of the Birthday Party, they may sit on the sidelines.

Questions and Answers - **Approved.**

1. Can an elected or appointed Officer in Grand Chapter hold an elective or appointive office in a Subordinate Chapter? **Answer:** Yes. There is no law that prohibits an elected or appointed Grand Officer from serving as an elected or appointed officer, at the same time, in the Subordinate Chapter.
2. A former member of the Order, who received the degrees as the wife of a Master Mason, was suspended for non-payment of dues; became a widow and later remarried a non-Mason. Is she eligible for re-instatement - the purpose being to obtain a demit to affiliate with another Chapter? **Answer:** Yes. She is eligible for re-instatement, by paying 2 years back dues and current years dues. Her present marital status has no effect on her eligibility for membership since she had the proper Masonic relationship when she received the degrees.
3. I am interested in using an unusual closing ceremony during my year as Worthy Matron. It involves the five Star Point Officers giving their signs while an appropriate song is being sung after the Chapter has been declared closed. Is this permissible? **Answer:** Yes. You may use the closing ceremony described above. However, since portions of the Secret Work will be used, the door to the Chapter room must remain closed until the ceremony has been completed.
4. A Sister holding a demit from another Grand Jurisdiction, now a resident of Delaware, wishes to affiliate with our Chapter. Does the Brother named on the investigating committee have to check the Masonic relationship? **Answer:** Yes. The Masonic relationship of this Sister, who received the degrees in New Jersey, must conform to the Membership requirements per Ritual, page 161, to be eligible for affiliation in Delaware.
5. Our Worthy Matron would like to use the Reverent Attitude in her closing march. Is this permissible? **Answer:** Yes. This is not a secret sign.
6. Is it permissible to have the Scripture verses that appear in the fine print of our Ritual, following each Star Point lecture, printed in my Chapter programs? **Answer:** No. Although the Scripture verses are taken from the Bible, the verses are contained in the lectures and as part of the Ritual are copyrighted. I refer you to page 165 in the "Ritual and Secret Work" which positively prohibits the reproduction of any part of the Ritual.
7. May the Worthy Matron recite the Scripture verses at the invitation of the Worthy Patron, after each Star Point lecture during the Labyrinth march in the ceremony of Initiation? **Answer:** Ritual states Worthy Patron or Associate Patron recites the verses.
8. Our Associate Patron has not yet completed his proficiency examination. Can he preside in the East for balloting in the absence of the Worthy Patron? **Answer:** Yes. Your Associate Patron, by law, has 90 days from the date of Installation in which to complete his examination. He has been regularly installed and as the Associate Patron it is his duty to perform all the duties of the Worthy Patron, in the absence of that Officer.
9. Two of our members want to withdraw from the Chapter for a while. How can this be done? **Answer:** By demit. The request for the demit must be issued in writing. If the member is clear on the books the demit is granted. I would suggest that they be encouraged to remain active. They may need us and we certainly need them.

10. A demit is good for one year only. Wouldn't they have to rejoin within the year? **Answer:** There is no time limit on a demit, but demitted members can visit a Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction one year only.
11. Our Constitution states that a demit having been granted by the Chapter cannot be reconsidered. Does this mean that members cannot be considered for membership again in the Chapter from which they demit? **Answer:** No. When once a demit has been granted by the Chapter, to be reconsidered, a petition for affiliation must be presented accompanied with the demit.
12. Can a sister holding a demit petition for affiliation if she is divorced and her present husband is not affiliated with a Blue Lodge? **Answer:** Yes. At the time she received the degrees she had the proper Masonic affiliation.
13. What is the proper method of voting on a petition for re-instatement? **Answer:** By majority vote by secret written ballot. I refer you to last paragraph, Section 30, top page 51, in Constitution and By-Laws, also 1975 Proceedings, No. 7, Page 128.
14. A former member of _____ Chapter was granted a demit - now wishes to again become active. Is she re-instated or affiliated? **Answer:** Affiliated. With a demit you petition for Affiliation.
15. If a former member, suspended for non-payment of dues, petitions for re-instatement, does she sign the By-Laws? **Answer:** No.
16. In the absence of the Worthy Patron of _____ Chapter may a Past Patron preside during the ceremony of initiation even though the Associate Patron is present? **Answer:** Yes, at the request of the presiding officer. I refer you the last paragraph on page 34 in the Book of Instructions.
17. If an applicant for the degrees is rejected in a Subordinate Chapter in Kent or Sussex County, does the Secretary of each Chapter in these two counties have to be notified? **Answer:** No. These two counties are not open jurisdictions.
18. _____ Chapter has a candidate for initiation who, because of arthritis, cannot kneel at the Altar. Can she stand to receive the Obligation or do we have to postpone the initiation? **Answer:** A candidate who cannot kneel may stand or be seated at the Altar and hold the Bible in the regular manner and take the Obligation.

Recommendations

1. In the interest of printing cost, I recommend the Fraternal Correspondent eliminate in her report, the description of the East of each Jurisdiction Grand Session. **Approved by Jurisprudence Committee.**
2. An Annual Assessment of \$1.00 per member. Assessment notice to be provided by the Grand Secretary and sent out by the Subordinate Chapter Secretary with the annual dues notice. **Action of the Grand Chapter earlier on Recommendation of the Grand Trustees took care of this recommendation.**
3. That the contingent fund for Sessions Chairman and Hospitality Chairman be increased. **Approved by Jurisprudence Committee and since it also involves Revenues of the Grand Chapter referred it to the Board of Grand Trustees.**
4. Altar be draped for members of no lesser rank than Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron. **Committee on Jurisprudence does not disapprove this recommendation, however refer you to 1967 Proceedings, Page 46,**

Supplementary Report of the Worthy Grand Matron - "I recommend: If a Grand Officer dies during term of Office, a memoriam card shall be prepared by the Grand Secretary and sent to each subordinate Chapter and to the other Grand Jurisdictions, and since these officers represent our Grand Jurisdiction, that the Altar in each subordinate Chapter be draped for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of said memoriam." The above recommendation was approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and the voting delegates in 1966. Therefore, it became a ruling or regulation in this Grand Jurisdiction. As your Jurisprudence Committee, we believe the voting delegates should vote on this recommendation, and if adopted by a two-thirds vote, it will then supersede the 1966 ruling. A motion was made by Sister Margaret L. Wicks, Grand Secretary, seconded by Brother Charles R. Sweeny, P.G.P., that we leave the ruling as was passed by the Jurisprudence Committee in 1966. Motion adopted.

5. That the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and/or the Jurisprudence Committee formulate a set of guidelines to be followed in the appointment of Parliamentarian so the Worthy Grand Matron can comply with a motion adopted by this Grand Body on May 10, 1976. **Jurisprudence Committee** - We realize that it is difficult to find someone in this Grand Jurisdiction who feels qualified for this position. A Parliamentarian should be familiar with Robert's Rules of Order, and well versed in rules and procedure of Parliamentary law. We believe that any member of our Order so qualified should be eligible for appointment by the Worthy Grand Matron elect to serve during her term of office.

Recommendation of Estarl Committee. The following were accepted as **Guidelines** for Grand Chapter Estarl Committee.

PURPOSE:

To grant awards to students who are preparing for their life work in various fields of religious service including Ministers, Missionaries, Directors of Church Music, Directors of Religious Education and Directors of Youth Leadership.

MEETINGS:

The chairman will call meetings to discuss applications for Estarl Scholarship Awards or other vital subjects concerning Estarl. The Committee will also encourage Chapters to participate more in the Estarl program, particularly in the realm of giving.

AWARDS:

New applicants for Estarl scholarship awards will fill out the application blank completely and send the full information to the Chairman of the Grand Chapter Committee. The Estarl chairman of the sponsoring Chapter and the Worthy Matron of that Chapter will advise their Chapter at a regular stated meeting that they have approved of an application for an Estarl Scholarship.

The applicant must be a resident of the Grand Jurisdiction before an award is considered.

Applicants for renewal of their scholarship should apply to the Chairman, sending a transcript of their latest grades.

Awards will be made on the basis of academic record, citizenship, financial need and type of religious work that they plan to pursue.

Awards will be given to those attending Seminary and those attending college in their Junior and Senior year. An Estarl recipient will not receive more than two awards while in College and not more than three awards while in Seminary.

No awards will be given after the student has received his Masters Degree in Theology.

Qualified students in College will be eligible to receive awards not exceeding \$300 per collegiate year and students in Seminary will receive awards not exceeding \$500 per collegiate year.

Awards are to be made in the form of a certificate presented to the student. The student is free to select the accredited school of his choice. A check in the amount of the award is sent to the school for use of that particular student while he is pursuing his studies in preparation for full time religious service. The money is to be issued as needed for books and tuition.

No application received after May 1 will be considered for this Grand Chapter Year.

REVISIONS:

Any changes in these rules and regulations will be by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter.

Approved by the Grand Chapter Estarl Committee on May 2, 1977

Ruth M. Betty
Charles H. Schultheiss
Rev. John Edward Jones
Ross M. Lanius, Chairman

A motion was made by Brother Charles H. Schultheiss, P.G.P., seconded by Brother John B. Betty, W.G.P. Motion adopted.

Recommendation by the Grodel Association At the 1976 Annual Meeting of the Grodel Association, a motion was made, seconded, and approved that the President of the Grodel Association appoint the Chairman of the Annual Luncheon instead of having the Worthy Grand Matron do it. **A motion was made by Sister Sylvia M. Knox, P.G.M. and seconded by Sister Edith C. Galloway, P.G.M. Motion adopted.**

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