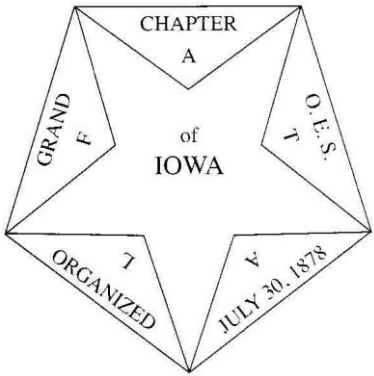
GRAND CHAPTER

OF IOWA



ORDER OF

THE EASTERN STAR

One Hundred Forty-Second
Annual Session
2019

JEAN KOSS
Worthy Grand Matron
2018-2019

I am a fourth generation Eastern Star member. When our daughter, Sylvia, was initiated, she became the fifth generation. I attended my first Star meeting at the age of 9 days. I was born January 12 and my father was installed as Worthy Patron that year. So, my mother sat at the back of the room holding her newborn daughter, me, for the installation meeting. I joined Eastern Star shortly after I turned 18. I was initiated at Polk City Chapter's inspection meeting and the District Instructor was Margaret Batschelet. At the age of 18, I wasn't really interested in Eastern Star, but it wasn't an option, when you turned 18 in my family, you joined Eastern Star. I am so happy I did and to my family, I am forever grateful you led me down the Star Trail.

I grew up on a farm outside of Polk City. I have lived in the Polk City area for all but 2 years of my life. Robert and I live on approximately 10 acres outside of town.

I grew up an Iowa State Fair "brat". My father, mother and sister all worked at the Iowa State Fair. During high school I worked there in the summers and went on to work there fulltime in the accounting office. I met Robert working for the state at the horse races held around the state in 1986. I moved with Robert to New Mexico where we lived until 1988. While we lived in Albuquerque, I worked at Compass Marketing. We returned to Iowa in 1988 and I then went to work at General Growth Companies. In 1991 I started work at Principal Financial Group in the Law Department and have been there ever since. I work with the Executive Vice President and General Counsel and it keeps me busy.

Robert and I have a daughter together, Sylvia and also his daughter, my stepdaughter, Heatherlee. Sylvia lives in Des Moines with her husband, Elliot. Heatherlee and her husband Rick live in Los Cruces, New Mexico. Their son, our grandson Logan, works and lives in Albuquerque.

I joined Star in March 1975 in Polk City Chapter. I have been several star points and Worthy Matron 14 times. My mother was secretary of our chapter for 64 years and my sister, Janice, is our current secretary. Over the years I have served Grand Chapter in a number of various positions and committees.

I was asked by Sister Beverly Reinert and Brother Charles Jackson to be in the M&M Grand Family in 2000. I served as their Grand Ruth. I was asked to take the DI Exam by Sister Danelle Essing and instructed from 2003 to 2018. I was elected as Associate Grand Conductress in October 2015 and going on to serve as Worthy Grand Matron in 2019.

I asked Bruce Thomas of Algona Chapter to join me on the Yellow Brick Road and our year with the 2019 Munchkins. Our project, The Forgotten Ones: Alzheimer's Caregivers was a very important project to both of us. The support of our Iowa membership was PHENOMENAL. We raised over $37,000 and gave away well over 150 sensory mats. Working with the University of Iowa, they are going to be doing workshops throughout the state to help our Caregivers in 2020. This would not have been possible without the love and support of our entire membership. THANK YOU TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU!

BRUCE THOMAS
Worthy Grand Patron
2018 - 2019

Bruce D Thomas was born on April 19, 1955 in Muscatine Iowa to Marvin and Margaret (Carman) Thomas. He spent his early years on a dairy farm near Letts, Iowa and later moved to the City of Letts where his parents operated a service station until their retirement.
Attending Louisa Muscatine High School, Bruce was active in class leadership and participated in 5 different sports. He was also active in his community and received his "Eagle" award in Boy Scouts in 1972. Upon graduation from Louisa Muscatine High School in 1973, Bruce attended Monmouth College in Monmouth, Illinois where he received an undergraduate degree in Business. While at Monmouth, he joined the Theta Chi fraternity as well as several other campus organizations. College life also presented an opportunity to continue his athletic career by participation in football and wrestling.

The year 1975 brought many changes. On August 2nd, Bruce married the love of his life, Sue Schaper. As hometown sweethearts, they had known each other for many years. The University of Iowa would be home for the next two years. Sue would work for the University in the data processing department and Bruce worked for the athletic department. In 1977, he graduated with honors with degrees in Business Education and Economics and was ready to move on to the next adventure.

With a degree in education, Bruce was hired by the Corwith Wesley School System to be a business educations instructor, coach of four sports, part time bus driver along with the normal assigned duties of a teacher. This was a fantastic three years of service.

Heartland Mutual Insurance Association, Algona Iowa was the next stop in 1980. After 40 years with the same company, retirement looms before him. His many positions at Heartland Mutual included: Claims Adjuster, Field man, Underwriter, Vice President, and in 1996 become President and CEO of the company. During this time, in 1990, Sue and Bruce were blessed with a son, Kraig. While working full time, Bruce obtained his master's in business administration (MBA) from Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall Minnesota.

The Masonic traditions were present at an early age. As a nephew to Howard Miller (PGP) and Elsie Miller (PGM) the groundwork for service was provided as a guide to follow. Bruce's father was a 50-year member of Masons and his mother was a member of Eastern Star. His membership in the Masonic bodies began in 1980 in Prudence Lodge and soon after in Algona Chapter Order of the Eastern Star. He continues with membership in both organizations today. Bruce served as Master of Prudence Lodge in 1986 and has served as Worthy Patron approximately 20 times holding an office since his initiation. Blessed to have many friends among the Sisters and Brothers of OES, he was able to join Sue in her travels in 2013 with the Whispering Winds Grand Family and 2014 with the Candlelighters Grand Family. Coming as a huge surprise was his special appointment as "Eagle" to the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Robert Penoyer, during the 2015-2018 General Grand Session convening in Orlando Florida. The 2017-2018 Country Kids Grand family and finally the 2018-2019 Munchkin Grand Family completed his journey to the Grand East.

Other than work, Bruce's hobbies include golf and target shooting as well as attending movies. He feels the popcorn is always the best at the theater. He tries to live with the motto that Every Day Is A Great Day. Each day being filled with blessings. Psalms 118:24 and reads "Let us rejoice in the day the Lord has made and be glad in it" is not only his favorite scripture but a way of life.

Cynde Lemley
Chairman of the
Benevolence Committee
of the General Grand Chapter,
Past Grand Matron of Iowa

Paula Larsen
Member of the
Cancer Committee
of the General Grand Chapter,
Past Grand Matron of Iowa

Lynn Tague
General Chairman of the
Service Dogs Committee
of the General Grand Chapter,
Past Grand Matron of Iowa

Ann Robinson
Member of the
Service Dogs Committee
of the General Grand Chapter,
Past Grand Matron of Iowa

Mary Hicks
Campfire Friend to the
Most Worthy Grand Matron
of the General Grand Chapter

2018 – 2019 GRAND OFFICERS
"Munchkins"

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WORTHY GRAND PATRON ..... Bruce Thomas (Sue) (68)
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2706 270th Street, Greenfield 50849

ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON ..... Kenny Wogomon (Heather) (328)
P.O. Box 276, Treynor 51575

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ACTING GRAND TREASURER ..... Connie Chase, Grand Treasurer Emeritus (258)
15891 Juniper Trail, Birmingham 52535

GRAND CONDUCTRESS ..... Cheryl Payne (Russell) (494 & 486)
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ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS ..... Vicki Wallner (178)
3357 West Hayes Street, Davenport 52804

GRAND CHAPLAIN ..... Susan Jones (Jerry) (380)
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GRAND MARSHAL ..... Craig Bargfrede (Diane) (513)
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GRAND ORGANIST ..... Bob Danner (Mary) (32)
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GRAND ADAH ..... Sue McMain (284)
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GRAND RUTH ..... Judy Hill (67)
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GRAND ESTHER ..... Cyndie Strawn (Kent) (338)
4176 50th Avenue, Norwalk 50211

GRAND MARTHA ..... Rita Gerking (Richard) (502)
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GRAND ELECTA ..... Carol Nelson (Jack) (482 & 335)
25829 G. Avenue, Adel 50003

GRAND WARDER ..... Ron Hicks (Mary) (89)
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GRAND SENTINEL ..... John McCallum (JoAnn) (262 & 58)
P.O. Box 607, Nora Springs 50458

GRAND OFFICERS 2018-2019

Front Row (Left to Right): Vicki Wallner, Associate Grand Conductress, Beverly Smith, Grand Treasurer, Polly Miller, Associate Grand Matron, Jean Koss, Worthy Grand Matron, Bruce Thomas, Worthy Grand Patron, Kenny Wogomon, Associate Grand Patron, Nancy Ramthun, Grand Secretary, Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress.
Second Row (Left to Right) Susan Jones, Grand Chaplain, Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal, Bob Danner, Grand Organist, Sue McMain, Grand Adah, Judy Hill, Grand Ruth, Cyndie Strawn, Grand Esther, Rita Gerking, Grand Martha, Carol Nelson, Grand Electa, Ron Hicks, Grand Warder, John McCallum, Grand Sentinel.

DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS 2018-2019

Bottom Left to Right: Vicki Wallner, Associate Grand Conductress, Polly Miller, Associate Grand Matron, Jean Koss, Worthy Grand Matron, Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress,
Top Row Left to Right: Janice Alger, Sandy Meredith, Lori Rasmusson, Mary Reicks, Kelly Walker, Joan Waller.

SESSION

"Over the Rainbow" Session
October 24 - 27, 2019
Sheraton West Des Moines
1800 50th Street
West Des Moines, IA 50266

AIM
Make Every Day A Great Day

WATCHWORDS
Family, Friends, Faith, Flag, Freedom

TRAVEL EMBLEMS
Holy Bible, Gavel, Drape,
Sheaf, Crown & Scepter

COLORS
Red and Black

SYMBOLS
Cardinals and Eagles

FUN SYMBOLS
Jig Saw Puzzles, Snickers Candy Bars
Anything Related to the Wizard of Oz
Green Bay Packers

FLOWERS
Red Rose, Lilacs, Peonies, Tulips

HONOR STATIONS
Associate Patron, Secretary, Ruth, Esther

HONOR GROUPS
Pro-tems and Sideliners

TRIP
"Follow the Yellow Brick Road" Cruise
May 2 – May 11, 2019

SCRIPTURES

WGM: *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.* *Philippians 4:13*

WGP: *Let us rejoice in the day the Lord has made and be glad in it.* *Psalms 118:24*

2019 IOWA PROJECTS

SPECIAL PROJECT
The Forgotten Ones –
Alzheimer's Caregivers
Sale of Cardinal Pin
Sale of Decals
Golf Outing at Terrace Hills Golf Course
Sale of Baked Goods at Conferring of Degrees
Coin March at Official Visits
In May, June and July

ESTARL
Sale of Cross Pin
Sale of Nuts by Grand Officers at Receptions
Sale of Note Cards
Coin March at Official Visits in
February, March and April

YOUTH
(Rainbow, DeMolay, Jobs' Daughters)
Sale of Flag Pin
Activities with the Youth
Collection of Pop Tabs
Fill the Eagle's Nest
Collection of Box Tops for Schools in your area

TLC
Busy Quilts for Alzheimer's patients for the Boone and Barthell Home
Anything else a Chapter or Member has a tradition of and fun making

EASTERN STAR MASONIC HOME
Christmas Party
Fall Picnic
Sale of March Music and CD's
Coin March at Official Visits in
August, September and October
Busy Quilts for Alzheimer's Patients

BARTHELL OES HOME
Christmas Party
Spring Picnic and Plant Auction/Country Store
Sale of March Music and CD's
Coin March at Official Visits in
August, September and October
Busy Quilts for Alzheimer's Patients

GRAND CHAPTER
Pave-A-Memory Brick Proceeds
All Iowa Event

2019 GENERAL GRAND
CHAPTER PROJECTS
Service Dogs
Information and Awareness

SESSIONAL COMMITTEES

ARRANGEMENTS

Chairman:
Karen Wood, Indianola Chapter, Past Grand Adah
Members:
David Gnat, Ankeny New Hope Chapter, Ankeny & Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City, and Past Grand Marshal
Jamie Ross, South Gate Chapter, Des Moines
Loretta Coffman, Amber Star Chapter, Quick
Carroll Duysen, Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic, Past Grand Sentinel
Becky Woolery, Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer, Past Grand Esther
Dale Woolery, Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer

HOSTESS CHAPTERS

Polk City Chapter
Algona Chapter

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

PROGRAM COVER ART

Larry Niday, Knoxville Chapter

CHAPTER FURNITURE

Floor Cloth ..... Grand Chapter
Altar ..... Grand Chapter
Star Point Chairs ..... Grand Chapter
Star Point Pedestals ..... Grand Chapter
Officers Chairs ..... Grand Chapter
WGM/WGP Chairs ..... Kent and Cyndie Strawn
Signet ..... Grand Chapter

EMBLEMS

Baton ..... Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal
Baton Holder ..... David Gnat, PG Marshal
Drape ..... Polk City Chapter
Sword ..... Diane Bargfrede, Past Grand Matron
Veil ..... Sue McMain, Grand Adah
Sheaf ..... Jean Koss, Worthy Grand Matron
Crown & Scepter ..... Cyndie Strawn, Grand Esther
Broken Column ..... Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City
Cup ..... Carol Nelson, Grand Electa

GRAND CHAPTER SALES TABLE

Loretta Coffman, Amber Star Chapter, Quick and Council Bluffs Chapter
LaVon Brockman, Amber Star Chapter, Quick and Council Bluffs Chapter

HONORARY PAGES

Robert Koss
Pam Bruns
Sue Thomas
Heather Wogomon

PAGES FOR GRAND CHAPTER 2019

Janice Halverson, Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron:	Janice Halverson, Polk City Chapter Karen Kerper, Polk City Chapter
Worthy Grand Patron:	Jerry Jones, PGP, Toledo Chapter, Tama Phil Corwin, PGP, Silver Creek Chapter, LeClaire
Associate Grand Matron:	Roberta Carpenter, Greenfield Chapter Kathleen Lett, Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic
Associate Grand Patron:	Steve Palmquist, Waverly Chapter Keith Carpenter, Greenfield Chapter
Grand Secretary:	Marjorie Frisbee, Liberty Chapter, Marne Joan Jones, Davenport Chapter & Unionville Chapter, MO
Acting Grand Treasurer:	Linda Messer, Wayland Chapter & Brighton Chapter, Washington Julie Johnston, Ollie Chapter
Grand Conductress:	Betty Clark, Pleasant Chapter, Pleasantville Lisa Hauser, Council Bluffs Chapter
Associate Grand Conductress:	Lark Randall, Silver Creek Chapter, LeClaire Mary Ann Francois, Davenport Chapter
Grand Chaplain:	Deb Jones, Highland Chapter, Siam & Ophir Chapter, Osceola Terri Murphy, Highland Chapter, Siam
Grand Marshal:	Jeanne Davis, Wayland Chapter & Brighton Chapter, Washington Diane King, Oelwein Chapter
Grand Organist:	Vivian Pitlo, Bellevue Chapter Sandy Anderson, Marion Chapter
Grand Adah:	Jonnetta Theisen, Minnehaha Chapter, Colesburg Lois Chopard, Altoona Chapter
Grand Ruth:	Sheila Kiehne, Coinette Chapter, Reinbeck & Cedar Falls Chapter Jane Beeman, Lady Washington Rhinehart Chap., Adel
Grand Esther:	Sandra Hochtel, Indianola Chapter Pam Helgeson, Indianola Chapter
Grand Martha:	Barb Wood, Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City Sue Berry, Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City
Grand Electa:	Kay Werts, Winterset Chapter Virginia Armstrong, Linden Chapter, Panora & North Star Chapter, NV
Grand Warder:	Sandra Petrie, Southgate Chapter, Des Moines Elaine Stuckey, Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill
Grand Sentinel:	Luke Reicks, New Hampton Chapter Janice Krambeer, Decorah Chapter
Board of Custodians:	Anna Boecker, Toledo Chapter, Tama
Presenting Committee:	Chris Brown, Signet Chapter, Carroll Pam Spratte, Marion Chapter

ASSISTANT GRAND SENTINELS

Ron Hofer, Clinton Chapter
Harlan LeClere, Marion Chapter & Cedar Chapter, Cedar Rapids
Jim Spratte, Marion Chapter & Malta Chapter, Cedar Rapids

TELLERS

Chairman of Tellers:
Carl Yoder, Past Grand Patron

Loretta Coffman ..... Amber Star Chapter, Quick
Mary Danner ..... Electa Chapter, Muscatine
Terri Grover ..... Cedar Falls Chapter
Sharon Guffey-Lewis ..... Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic & Liberty Chapter, Marne
Mary Hicks ..... Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill & Altoona Chapter
Larry and Nancy Niday ..... Knoxville Chapter
Ronda Sturms ..... Centerville Chapter & Tri Star Chapter, Eddyville
Diane Taplin ..... Clinton Chapter
Joan Walke ..... Pearl Chapter, Guttenberg & Minnehaha Chapter, Colesburg
Mary Jane Young ..... PGM, Davenport Chapter & Clinton Chapter

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
*** Appointed by Sister Jean and Brother Bruce**

Alabama, Mary Lou Mann
*Alberta, Alex Strong
Arizona, Mark Hatcher
*Arkansas, Norma Hughett
*Australia, Robert Koss
British Columbia/Yukon, Daninne Gnat
*California, Bruce Stolba
*Colorado, Becky Barkley
*Connecticut, Becky Nolte
*Delaware, Chris Brown
District of Columbia, Vera Varner
Florida, Alvin Elmore
*Georgia, Pat Burch
Idaho, Mary Jane Young
*Illinois, Marie Elmore
Indiana, Ray E. Rardin
Kansas, Terry Frisbie
Kentucky, Barbara Matheny
*Louisiana, Janice Megel
Maine, Lois Chopard
*Manitoba, Beverly Dudziak
Maryland, Reba Reed
*Massachusetts, Charles Rodrigues
Michigan, Janet Schupback
Minnesota, Sandy Anderson
Mississippi, Fran Robinson
Missouri, Diana Buresh
*Montana, Jim Smith
*Nebraska, Sue Thomas
*Nevada, Charlotte Deitrich
*New Brunswick, Deb Jones
New Hampshire, Terri Grover
*New Jersey, Thelma Donaldson
*New Mexico, Wanda Koch
New York, Janice Halverson
North Carolina, Janice Crowe
*North Dakota, Sandy Hoover
Nova Scotia & PEI, Lorraine Sindelar
*Ohio, Janelle Hammarstedt
*Oklahoma, Rick Hegland
*Ontario, Donald Drennan
Oregon, Aaron Connor
*Pennsylvania, Tom Cannon
*Puerto Rico, Wade Sheeler
*Quebec, Jennifer Smith
*Rhode Island, Pam Spratte
*Saskatchewan, Nancy Niday
*South Carolina, Charity Stone
South Dakota, Debra Hahn
Tennessee, Tom Raulerson
*Texas, Leanne Wait
*Utah, Jane Beeman
Vermont, Peg Christensen
Virginia, Cindy Beatty
Washington, Carolyn Anderson
*West Virginia, Jan Wilson
Wisconsin, Linda Lyons

FORMAL OPENING
OCTOBER 25, 2019
Friday Afternoon - 1:15 P.M.

PRELUDE: Sandy Anderson, Grand Representative of Minnesota, Past Grand Organist

INVITATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

OPENING WELCOME
Danelle Essing, Past Grand Matron
Richard Wehde, Past Grand Patron

DANELLE ESSING: Sisters and Brothers, good afternoon! Welcome to each of you to the 142nd "Over the Rainbow" Session of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, Order of the Eastern Star. This year we have flitted with the cardinals and soared with the eagles—and perhaps dodged a few flying monkeys—all the while enjoying an amazing "bird's eye view" of our beautiful State of Iowa. From the Loess Hills to Effigy Mounds; from the Grotto to Snake Alley, over rolling plains, sometimes overflowing rivers and now golden cornfields, our travels have taken us far and near.

That bird's eye view has been a great way to enjoy Eastern Star activities, too. It's been exciting to observe Official visits and fun events, sewing days, tours, trips and Degrees by Grand Officers. And just as for those bluebirds from our Closing March song as they fly over the rainbow, our view has been every bit as inspiring and beautiful.

And what about that other perspective—looking at things from the worm's eye view? This perspective shows us something much different. A much closer view reveals membership loss, the decline in volunteerism, a lack of resources. These are just some of the serious issues faced by many of our subordinate Chapters.

We come together at this annual event, encouraged by the bird's eye view and wanting to share what is beautiful, while we address the troubling issues from the worm's eye view. Here we will share what is best about Iowa Eastern Star through our ceremonies and fellowship, while we strive to find solutions to the issues through our business and legislation. It is important work, and we need every one of you here to do your part to help us prepare for the future of our Grand Chapter.

So, to our Iowa members—it is time to go to work! To our out-of-state guests, your presence here is a blessing that enriches us all with the gift of your friendship. To our Munchkin Grand Officers and Family, we thank you and congratulate you for the outstanding way in which you have represented our state and we support you now as you fulfill your responsibilities at this Session. To Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, I thank you for the honor of Opening your Friday afternoon session and for allowing me to share this moment with some of our 2003 Highlander Grand Family. It was very special to enjoy Sister Sandy Anderson's prelude and we look forward to Brother Bill Thompson offering prayer. And it is with pleasure that I invite my own 2003 Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Richard Wehde, to bring greetings.

RICHARD WEHDE: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers, welcome to the opening session of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, Order of the Eastern Star.

Thank you, Sister Jean and Brother Bruce for asking Sister Danelle, my (WGM) and me to open your Friday afternoon "Over the Rainbow" session. Sister Jean, I remember your very first school in 2003 at the Humboldt Chapters' School of Instruction, which was also an official visit. Quite a start for a rookie District Instructor. To add to our nerves, your M & M Grand Family made a surprise visit to observe one of their own.

Brother Bruce, we have not known each other very long, but our first time meeting you and your camera was at Buena Vista's Fun Day where you took a shot of my 75th John Deere birthday cake. It has been a pleasure watching you come up through the ranks.

Your Munchkin family has traveled many miles on the "Yellow Brick Road" including the Wine Country Cruise and have represented Iowa Eastern Star very well. You have provided the membership with many opportunities to participate in the many projects to support your special project "The Forgotten Ones – Alzheimers Caregivers". Thank you for your support of ESTARL which is close to my heart. One of the more fun projects was the "Fidget pads" which I personally attended three sewing days as a designer, not a sewer and have seen the benefits of the pads. You definitely achieved your aim. "Make every day a great day".

INVOCATION
Bill Thompson
Past Grand Chaplain

O God and Father of all mankind, on this special Friday afternoon let us remember your presence with us now as we thank you for all the blessings you have freely bestowed upon all of us through this past year, for health and strength, for the many enjoyments in our daily lives, and the love you have revealed to us in countless ways.

As we embark upon this special session, we commend to your merciful care, Oh Lord, all who are in distress, especially the sick in body and mind. Give them calmness in their affliction, comfort and sustain them with the understanding of your love. Throw out from them feelings of anxiety and fear and grant them the blessing of health both now and always.

We are especially thankful for the opportunity to share with our sisters, brothers, and friends during this splendid "Over the Rainbow" Session of Iowa Grand Chapter.

We are very grateful for the competent leadership demonstrated by our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jean, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bruce, throughout this rewarding and productive year.

Our Iowa leaders are indeed fortunate to have the aid of their superior group of Grand Officers and Companions. Our "Munchkins" have all furnished guidance and support to the many local chapters for the achievement of the numerous projects and events selected. We ask your enduring blessings on all of them as they conduct their relevant duties during this special "Over the Rainbow" Session.

We are absolutely inspired by the kindness, dedication, and commitment by the members of the various subordinate chapters for the success of their numerous undertakings and enthusiastically look forward to hearing about their efforts and results.

As this distinctive session progresses may it be fruitful and enjoyable and when we must close and bid farewell to one another may we go forth from this place renewed in spirit with greater appreciation of the merits of our beautiful and cherished institution.

May the God of love direct all our days in His peace and grant us the gifts of His blessing; may He deliver us from all adversity and establish in our minds the tranquility of His peace both now and for evermore. Amen.

PAGES ENTER THE CHAPTER ROOM

FORMAL OPENING: Called to order by Brother Bruce Thomas, Worthy Grand Patron

OPENING MARCH: Grand Officers

RITUALISTIC OPENING CEREMONY

OPENING ODE: *"Love Lifted Me"*

FLAG TRIBUTE: *"This is My Country"*

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good afternoon. We welcome each of you to this 142nd, Over the Rainbow, Grand Chapter Session. We hope you will enjoy not only the session, but also your stay here in West Des Moines. Sister Danelle and Brother Richard, thank you for opening this Session. It is only appropriate for you to open our Grand Chapter Session. After all, you started me on this path when you appointed me District Instructor. I remember very distinctly, my very first school I instructed was an official visit! Yikes! Sister Sandy and Brother Bill, thank you for your music and your prayer. It is very special to have the Highlanders here with us today.

You will notice that Bruce and I will be imparting you all with a few words of wisdom throughout Grand Chapter and also, from time-to-time, some useless bits of information. So here we go: "*Happiness comes when you're too busy to be miserable."*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sisters and Brothers, good afternoon. Our year of service to you is coming to an end and we are glad you are here to celebrate with us. Sister Danelle and Brother Richard, thank you for opening this session. Your support thru the years has truly been a treasure. Sister Sandy, your music continues to inspire us with your talent and Brother Bill, your prayer is sure to guide us the next few days. Thank you to you all. We are excited to get this party started. Many thanks go to all who have had a special part in the 142nd Over the Rainbow, Grand Chapter Session. As we reflect on this past year, we are thankful to have served with many Grand Families. Many will have a part in this Grand Session, and each has taught us to be grateful for every opportunity. Each of you have been a blessing to us on this journey.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We will have the reading of the minutes of the 2018 Grand Chapter Session.

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron, I move to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2018 Grand Chapter session, in as much, as they have been printed in the 2018 Proceedings, and made available to the chapters.

MOTION CARRIED

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron, I move that all visiting General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members and Special Appointments, Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, not previously honored, be elected to Honorary Membership in our Grand Jurisdiction.

MOTION CARRIED

GRAND SECRETARY: Worthy Grand Matron, I move that all Board and Committee reports given at this Grand Chapter Session be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMAL PRESENTING

PRESENTATION OF HOSTESS CHAPTERS

SISTERS:
Karen Kerper — Worthy Matron, Polk City Chapter,
Kaylene Kiewiet — State Project Chairman and Worthy Matron, Algona Chapter

BROTHERS:
John Whitaker — Vice President, Board of Grand Trustees
Worthy Patron, Polk City Chapter
Bill Howie — Eastern Star Educational Board
Worthy Patron, Algona Chapter

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you so much for the work you have done all year long and the welcomes you have expressed to everyone here at this Grand Chapter Session. *If you want to find out how rich you are, count all the things you have that money can't buy.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thanks to you and our chapter members for the support and encouragement. Your contributions to our year have been priceless. We could not have done this without you. Words are not enough to thank you for your patience, contributions and support. We appreciate you helping us host our members during the session.

WELCOME FROM HOSTESS CHAPTERS
Karen Kerper
Worthy Matron, Polk City Chapter

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers. It is with pleasure that Polk City Chapter and Algona Chapter extend to you a warm welcome in your attending the 142nd Grand Chapter of Iowa "Over the Rainbow" Session.

If you need assistance, of any kind, please let us know and we will be happy to help or find someone who can.

As we have travelled the Yellow Brick Road this year, we have made many friends, and may these three days be a perfect culmination to a perfect year.

So, let us all "Make Every Day a Great Day" and have a great Grand Chapter Session.

RESPONSE TO THE HOSTESS CHAPTERS

Polly Miller, Associate Grand Matron and District Instructor

On behalf of the distinguished guest, visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions and our Iowa members, thank you for your warm and generous welcome to this "Over the Rainbow" session. We have looked forward to this grand session with much excitement and I'm sure Sister Jean and Brother Bruce appreciate your hard work to make their vision come to life. This does not happen overnight, and your efforts have made for a beautiful setting for our enjoyment.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce best wishes for this 142nd session of Grand Chapter – may it be the fulfillment of your special dreams for this conclusion of your trip down the "Yellow Brick Road".

SOLOIST: Danelle Essing, Past Grand Matron *"Can You Feel the Love"*
ACCOMPANIST: Bob Danner, Grand Organist, Past Grand Organist

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Danelle, I have always admired your voice. Thank you for sharing your talent with us here today.

PRESENTATION OF THE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Chairman: Karen Wood, Indianola Chapter, Past Grand Adah
Members: David Gnat, Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City,
Ankeny New Hope Chapter, Ankeny, Past Grand Marshal
Jamie Ross, South Gate Chapter, Des Moines
Carroll Duysen, Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic, Past Grand Sentinel
Becky Woolery, Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer, Past Grand Esther
Dale Woolery, Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you so much for all the work you have done to make this Grand Chapter Session work. A new venue is always a challenge (to put it mildly!) and I appreciate everything you've done. You are an amazing bunch. *The world could use a good worry wart remover.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Your creativity and hard work is on display for all to enjoy. Your vision in working with a few ideas has transformed this into something truly amazing. Thank you for everything you have done to make this session a success. This is fantastic.

PRESENTATION OF THE "MUNCHKINS" GRAND COMPANIONS OF 2019

Robert Koss, Grand Representative of Australia
Sue Thomas, Grand Representative of Nebraska, Past Grand Esther

Michael Miller	Diane Bargfrede, PGM	Dorothy Masters, PGM
Pam Bruns	Mary Danner	Richard Gerking
Heather Wogomon	Jean Mauch	Jack Nelson
Tim Ramthun	Sandy Raab	Mary Hicks
Russell Payne	Sandy Patterson	JoAnn McCallum
Jerry Jones	Kent Strawn	

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Wow, wow, wow! What an awesome (sorry Diane, I am borrowing your word) group! I have enjoyed getting to know each of you better and will treasure your friendship for the years to come. You traveled the Yellow Brick Road for

Eastern Star this year. You represented Iowa Grand Chapter with such grace! I am proud to call you my children. You are the best. *Early to bed and early to rise will pretty much shut down both the Farkle and "You-know-what on your neighbor" game.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: To our Munchkin Grand Companions – Sister Jean and I have often commented on your efforts to make this a very successful year. You have helped us to spread our message to those in Iowa as well as other jurisdictions. Your contributions, support and sacrifices of your time and resources have made you a very special group. We have shared much. We are humbled to have had this opportunity to call you our children. The memories will last forever. Thanks for everything.

SOLOIST: Kenny Wogomon, Associate Grand Patron, Past "Grand Marshal "*The Rose:*

PRESENTATION OF 50-YEAR MEMBERS
91 Sisters and Brothers Presented

TRIBUTE TO 50-YEAR MEMBERS
Rita Gerking, Grand Martha

Milestones are important in everyone's life, particularly when they reflect pleasant accomplishments or work well-done. 50 years ago, you took that important step of membership within the Order of the eastern Star. We are now pleased to recognize your years of service and pay them tribute tonight.

REFLECTIONS OF A 50-YEAR MEMBER

You've had some unforgettable experiences in your Eastern Star work; and some serious lessons of life which the Star Points related on that night of your Initiation 50 or more years ago.

ADAH: Remember my story of a daughter's Fidelity to her Father? It is a lesson which is as timely today as it was when it happened centuries ago. The lessons of life are ageless, and their meaning just as significant now as it was when Jephthah made his rather reckless vow to the Lord; and his daughter, Adah, considering it to be her duty, fulfilled the vow her Father had taken. The unselfish sacrifice of her own life exemplified the teaching of Jesus centuries later when he stated, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13

RUTH: Remember my story of a widow's constant devotion to duty? The great Biblical love story of a pagan girl, Ruth, who married into another way of life – lost her husband, and yet remained with her Mother-in-law even when Naomi returned to her own land. She assisted in the care of Naomi, and because of her unselfish attitude and constant devotion, she became a part of the house and lineage of David, with direct descendancy to Jesus, the Christ.

ESTHER: Remember my story of a wife who stood with firm Loyalty in the face of death? No one would ever expect the wife of a King to speak out to save her people, when her national identity as a Jew had been kept a secret from her husband, the King. Those were days before women were considered much more than dutiful servants of their husbands; and expressing their opinion, much less making a statement of loyalty to convictions, was not an acceptable practice of that time. The story of Esther has become a classic, teaching mercy with justice, and loyalty to family and kindred.

MARTHA: Remember my story of a sister who believed with steadfast Faith in the hope of immortal life as exemplified in the teachings of Christ? Martha set an example for countless thousands who have read and heard her story, to believe the words of the Son of God, and daily live these precepts. Her expressed belief in immortality has helped others who have taught the truth of the word of God.

ELECTA: Remember my story of a mother who chose the Cross of Christ in the selfless sacrifice of love toward one's fellowmen? The cause of early Christendom could have been lost, were it not for martyrs such as Electa, who chose the Cross rather than denying the Lord they worshipped. Hospitality toward others, charity, and benevolence typified their lives and the service they gladly gave in the name of Christ.

All are examples of Christian character you have needed in everyday living

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: "Congratulations on being 50 plus year members! Such a legacy of service! We are honored to have each and every one of you here with us at Grand Chapter.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: *Heads up – Growing older is mandatory. Growing up is optional.*

TRIBUTE TO THE
2004 CRYSTAL ANNIVERSARY GRAND FAMILY

Written by: Sue McMain, Grand Adah

Sister Sara Ann and Brother Ray, only two teachers and an "Apple Dumpling Gang" could preside over the "Apples, Chalk Dust and Memories" grand session in 2004. Your theme was to "sow seeds of friendship" and you did it as you traveled our state.

The 17 School Marms taught the schools of instruction, much to your satisfaction. Receptions for the grand officers were held throughout the year. A special joint reception was held for all the Elected and Appointed General Grand Chapter personnel in July. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Pat Rasmussen was in attendance.

You honored the stations of Ruth, Chaplain and Martha with the membership as the honor group, as each of them was needed. You had a special Ruth Award given to chapter members who were outstanding in their chapter and their communities. Your symbols were the oak tree, gold finch, red country schoolhouse, apples and Iowa with fun symbols of Raggedy Ann and Andy and frogs (Fully Rely on God). These were seen often as you traveled the state. Music was also a big part of your year as you were "Music Makers" in the 1997 grand family. Your mottos were "I hope you dance" and "Life is a song, sing it!"

The golf tournament was successful. You "Took a Bite out of Cancer" with a check for $56,190.26 presented to Dr. Sue O'Dorisio of the University of Iowa Hospitals, who was working to eliminate childhood cancer. The youth also benefited from your "Kans for Kids" project and port-a-cath pillows were made and distributed in your Sew for Love project.

The grand family conferred the degrees six times throughout the year, initiating 10 new members including, two granddaughters and 1 daughter of the Worthy Grand Patron. You had an Initiatory Exchange with Nebraska Grand Officers.

Your aim was "to live, love, laugh and enjoy life as God has given us this wonderful privilege." Along this train of thought I will close with this poem that was one of your goals.

As I live each day, may I do my part, to make a difference and touch one heart.
Each & every day it is my goal, to bring smiles and laughter into your soul.

Congratulations, Sister Sara Ann and Brother Ray and the "Apple Dumpling Gang" for the wonderful year you had and all you continue to do for our Order.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Sister Ann and Brother Ray for being here today. We honor your Apple Dumpling Gang Grand Family on 15 years of continued service. Just a note, the podium we are using in the East is on loan to us from Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic. The podium was made by Everett Britson in memory of Brother Jim Boyd who was your Grand Sentinel. *Sometimes you find your very best friend is right in your own Grand Family.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: "It seems fitting that the two of you are with us as we honor your 15th year of continued service. Each of you and those of your Grand Family are examples of the standards to follow as we serve. Thank you for all you do as you continue serve our Order.

PRESENTATION OF THE
2004 CRYSTAL ANNIVERSARY GRAND FAMILY

"APPLES, CHALK DUST, AND MEMORIES"

Sara Ann Robinson ..... Worthy Grand Matron
Ray E. Rardin, ... Worthy Grand Patron
JoAnn Bergeson ..... Associate Grand Matron
Randall R. Essing ..... Associate Grand Patron
Nancy L. Niday ..... Grand Secretary
Janelle Hammarstedt ..... Grand Treasurer
Diane R. Bargfrede ..... Grand Conductress
*Connie Coulter ..... Associate Grand Conductress
Russell Hibben ..... Grand Chaplain
*Byron Knupp ..... Grand Marshal
E. Florence Taets ..... Grand Organist
Tammi Lambson ..... Grand Adah
Barbara J. Matheny ..... Grand Ruth
Ivanna Smith ..... Grand Esther
Susan McCarty ..... Grand Martha
Marcia Barrett ..... Grand Electa
*Edna Posten ..... Grand Warder
*James Boyd ..... Grand Sentinel
(*deceased)

REMARKS
Sara Ann Robinson
Member of the Service Dogs Committee of the GGC
Past Grand Matron
Ray E. Rardin
Past Grand Patron

ANN ROBINSON: Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, what a delight to be introduced as the Crystal Grand Family.

There is an old cliché, “time flies when you are having fun”! I must have been having the time of my life. It seems like yesterday we were doing some of these exciting things. Fifteen years have gone by very quickly.

Sadly, we have lost several of our family including, Billie Rardin, Bernie Bergeson, Connie Coulter, Byron Knupp, Forrest Lambson, Gary Smith, John Barrett, Dean and Edna Posten, Jim Boyd, Margaret Batschelet and Marie Fraser. We miss them.

RAY RARDIN: Just so you know and understand my actions, I am turning my back on you, the audience, and speaking from the opposite side of the podium because my remarks this morning are not for the general group but intended for and developed about this special group seated upon this stage, The Apple Dumpling Gang of 2004!

During 2003 when Sara and Ray Robinson and Billie and Ray Rardin were traveling around the state and working to form the group who would eventually become our Grand Family, we were looking not only for the best members to fill certain positions but also for companions who would “fit right in” and make ours a united family. We four had goals and ideals to develop during our year. Our selections were very difficult to make, but when we were done, we had what we considered a core of “grand” officers. Grand not only for what you each had done over the years in your chapters and in Grand Chapter, but also grand for what we knew was possible for you, as a group, to do during 2004. And during our year your performances exceeded all our hopes and dreams! Believe me you were grand then, you were grand during 2004, and you are still grand today! Some might call you “past grands” but for me the only past grands in the Apple Dumplings are those who have passed from this earthly life and now wait for us to join them in their heavenly home.

Today, as we celebrate this achievement, I thank each of you for the grand job you did for us and for OES during 2004 and have continued to do each year. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your making those efforts and for including me in all that you do. Thank You!!!

ANN ROBINSON: It is my pleasure to introduce those Apple Dumplings who are with us today: Ray Robinson, companion, JoAnn Berguson, Associate Grand Matron, Danelle Essing, companion, Nancy Niday, Grand Secretary & Larry, Janelle Hammarstedt, Grand Treasurer, Diane Bargfrede, Grand Conductress and Craig, Russell Hibben, Grand Chaplain and Leona, Mary and Ellen Knupp, companions, E. Florence Taets, Grand Organist, Tami Fetter, Grand Adah, Diane Clayworth, companion, Barbara Matheny, Grand Esther, Susan McCarty, Grand Martha, Marcia Barrett, Grand Electa, JoAnn Runyan, companion and Dr. Sue O’Dorisio.

Our Dr. Sue flew in form Washington DC to be with us. You were such an inspiration to all when we “Took a Bite Out of Cancer”.

Sister Sue McMain, I want to thank you for the beautiful and fun tribute. You are a dear friend as well as a Sister.

Brother Ray Rardin, would you please come here…our session was called “Apples, Chalk Dust and Memories”. I have so many memories of times we shared but none as special as the day we were having an exchange with Nebraska Grand Chapter. We were doing initiation and you were ready to explain the emblematic flowers. The next thing you said was that Adah’s flower was the AFRICAN violet! I think I remember saying “WHAT”? After the laughter died down you went right on and never missed a beat! Thank you for wonderful memories… all of you kids.

Dr. Sue, thank you for making an effort to be here with us. You are a special member of our Apple Dumpling Gang!

Always remember to Fully Rely on God…FROG!

PRESENTATION OF THE ADMINISTRATORS OF OUR HOMES

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you for the work you do at the Homes. The improvements, expansion and growth at both facilities is amazing! *Doesn't expecting the unexpected make the unexpected expected?*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Change is sometimes difficult. You have embraced change to better serve others. A great lesson for all of us to embrace. Thank you for your efforts.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EASTERN STAR MASONIC HOME
Rick Colby, Executive Director

Greeting to all. This year we embarked on a naming of the Grand Chapter executive team as "munchkins" and trying to follow the yellow brick road, but we have also encountered many of the same obstacles experienced in the "Wizard of Oz" movie as well. The storms change in directional paths, signs of impending doom due to building structure unknowns, new local and state requirements for building, multiple financing steps and we even experienced the scary flying monkeys for regulatory compliance. Altogether, Eastern Star Home maintained its steady course and has prevailed with success in so many different areas of operations. Our team at the campus continues to bring quality care, wellness and peace of mind for the loved ones we care for on the campus. That being said, a tribute to hard efforts by our staff, the Board of Directors and most of all, answered prayers by our God.

IN REVIEW OF THIS YEARS ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Continued faith-based leadership directives
- Strategic planning/focus on yearly goals for desired outcomes
- Sound and prudent investment strategies through implementing investment policies
- Focus on decentralized management in building strong healthcare teams, daily, weekly and monthly team building meetings with all
- Renovation of an existing building to meet the current population needs of Boone and surrounding communities with a focus on local support for the community builders and businesses
- Quality initiatives focused on improving outcomes for resident care- excellent annual survey with no revisits
- Purchase additional land for additional building for duplex expansion and broke ground
- Updated an employment handbook for all staff
- Board of Directors training under corporate compliance
- Developed an interdisciplinary team approach for staff
- Foster new programs for therapy and wellness
- Successfully challenged a state inspection that led to dismissal by the State of Iowa regulatory administration

- Continue additions of potential duplex tenants to waiting list
- Wellness Center and renovations to residential areas nearing completion before the end of the year.
- Financed projects with favorable interest rates and financing terms for the long run
- Added a pre-sold duplex complex to its inventory of 36 existing duplexes. Make considerable improvements to upgrade all duplexes for future marketability.
- Developed a solid workers compensation/safety program while reducing yearly premiums by $100,000.
- Created resident suites for greater space, desired room likability and features for individual care needs
- Monthly meetings with all residents for focus on improvements and suggestions
- Market eastern Star as a viable facility of choice

The Board of Directors through monthly board meeting and discussions and have taken upon themselves to analysis the service market, make the necessary, innovative and difficult decisions and allow the Home to grow. Their leadership and guidance have brought much need change to our organization. By this active approach, the Home continues to have a very viable and long future.

In an everchanging, healthcare industry, we now can say we are on the cutting edge of new innovation with our new senior wellness center. This will allow our senior community to improve their health and well-being for years to come.
For those who have a chance to visit our campus, please come to see the new Wellness Center and renovated floors in our residential facility. Example- I see life in our resident's eyes again and the ability to live out their lives to their fullest. We provide every year a safe Halloween for the children of Boone which we did on Tuesday night. One 92-year-old male resident who has been worn down by life participated in the event this year. He asked the staff to paint a clown face on him. When I walked him, I got down on my knees to see how he was doing. As he slowly raised his head, I could see he had tears in his eyes and a big smile, I have never seen him smile but he was enjoying the young children coming to get candy from him as he sat in line handing it out. He said, thank you.
This is what we are all about aren't we, changing lives for the ones we care for.

Members of our Board of Directors this year are:
Paula Larson, Pres, John Baker-VP, Jeaneen Kain Tres/Sec, Sister- Betty Clark and Sister- Joyce Sloniger. We should commend their hard efforts in all these changes that have taken place. Please take time to stop by the booth to look at the campus pictures. Thank you for the donations over the year that make the extra touches happen.

Finally, we start each Board meeting with devotions. Prayer continues to be a very important part of each board meeting and the main reason for our successful year. Thank you for your prayers and support

REPORT OF THE EASTERN STAR MASONIC HOME BOARD

Paula Larsen, President
Member of the Cancer Committee of the GGC
Past Grand Matron

It is my honor to be here today and report to you as President of the Eastern Star Masonic Home Board. It has been another exciting year at the home as the other members of the board will attest. The other members here with me are John Baker,

Vice President, Jeaneen Kain, Secretary/Treasurer and members Betty Clark and Joyce Sloniger.
Construction has been at a fast and furious pace this year with completion of a new duplex, updating duplexes, renovation of the 1959 wing, new windows throughout the complex, and plans for completion within the next two months of a new wellness center. It has been a joy to see the changes as we come to meetings each month. It doesn't end here. Work will soon begin on another duplex.
We have enjoyed meeting and hearing from the employees and department heads about new implementations and how those new ideas are working and how others react to them.
Rick has shared many more accomplishments from the year, and I will not repeat them. However, it is my hope that you will visit the home and the residents. It is your home. Please visit the display booth and bring your questions of any of the board members. They will be happy to talk to you.
Thank you for electing me to serve on this board for the past two years. It has been an eye opening and enjoyable experience. The home is in good hands and I look forward to seeing what the future holds for it.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN STAR MASONIC HOME AND PICNIC
Charles Sloniger, Chairman
Ankeny New Hope Chapter

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for asking me to serve as Chairman this year on the Eastern Star Masonic Home Committee with Brother Kent Strawn and Sister Kay Werts. The picnic was held on a very hot and humid September 15, 2019. There were over 100 people in attendance. They consisted of Veterans and their families, the Munchkins, Rick Colby, Home staff, Board members, Star members and families and residence members themselves.

Rick gave information on what is happening at the Home. These were updates in the main building, new treatment facilities, new duplexes being built, and care facilities in the Memory Wing. He conducted tours before and after the picnic. The staff prepared the hamburgers and brats for the guests along with the potluck dishes provided by the Star members.

Joyce Sloniger, member of the Board of Directors, conducted a Quilt of Valor ceremony to 8 Veterans that reside in the facility. WGM, Jean Koss and WGP Bruce Thomas helped with the presentation of the quilts. The families of these Veterans were in our presence. WGM Jean presented weighted blankets, fidget lap mats, and dolls from the TLC committee to the staff.

Board member, John Baker, PGP, acted as the auctioneer for the auction items donated by our OES members. As the temperature heated up, so did the auction. We collected $1,433 from the sale. A free will donation box had $322 in it. The admittance the picnic were items for the residences. Thank you to those who helped as runners for the auction.

I received thirty Chapter reports on their donations of $400. This brings the total of $2,155 to the Home. We thank everyone that made this year happen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Brother Charles. It was a bit steamy that day, but we had a wonderful time. The tours of the wellness facility were amazing. Also, we were honored to assist with the Quilts of Valor presentations.

ADMINISTRATORS OF THE BARTHELL O.E.S. HOME
Laurie Kreul, Administrator, Barthell OES Home

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Family and the membership: Hello and thank you for the opportunity to report on what has been happening at the Barthell O.E.S. Home in Decorah.

We have had an amazing and busy year.

We had a wonderful and successful plant sale in June. A huge thank you to all who attended, purchased plants or sent donations to make this event such a success! It is always a great day of food, fellowship and plant buying!

On September 22, we celebrated 50 years of providing kind compassionate care on our campus with a great program, live entertainment, good food, and fantastic **ice cream malts** from the Winneshiek County Dairy producers. We are grateful to all who attended.

Since last October we have built 8-beautiful new town homes which are open and ready for occupancy and we have just finalized plans for an addition to the front of our current facility. The main purpose of the addition is to create a much-needed chapel, larger activities and therapy areas, and a covered carport at the entrance of the building.

None of this would be possible without the fantastic members of our Board of Directors who give so **selflessly** of their time and talents to make our campus wonderful. Peg Liekweg has served as our President for the past year and has fearlessly led our board to do great things. Peg continues to acknowledge the work and compassionate care our staff provide with kind words and often, treats. Thank you Peg for your leadership. I would also like to offer a very heartfelt thank you to our board for their continued support and guidance over the past year. The other members of our board are Caryl Lawyer, Luke Reicks, Mike Whitson, and Sheila Kiehne.

On behalf of the residents, tenants and staff in Decorah, thank you again for the opportunity to speak today. We are so grateful for your kindness and support! We look forward to hosting the Grand Family in December.

REPORT OF THE BARTHELL O.E.S. HOME BOARD
Peg Liekweg, Chairman

Nearly 5 years ago when I attended my initial meeting of the Barthell O E S Home Board of Directors the first words I heard upon entering the Red Room of the Arlin Falck Assisted Living building were, "building on the hill". In the years since then 'building on the hill' has become a reality----What I call Red Room Magic. You will soon know why I call it magic.

Through the years since 1969 when we opened as a 46-bed nursing home, our growth has been a continuing achievement. The changes and upgrades enhance our goal of providing the best senior care possible. Accomplishments through the years have led to the expansion of facilities, providing more amenities for our residents. The Assisted Living complex was added in 2 projects----providing 32 apartments. Six independent living residences were also added.

These things could not have happened without the dedication of the 40 some people who have served on the Board of Directors, elected by you members of our Order.

Several administrators have lead operations, but most importantly are the 80+ devoted employees who care about, care for, and love the people who come to us. Several of our employees' service extends beyond 30 years.

Other members serving currently are Sheila Kiehne, Caryl Lawyer, Mike Whitson, and Luke Reicks. All together we have 205 years of membership in Eastern Star.

Our Chief Executive Officer, Laurie Kreul has already given her report, however, didn't share that she has 23 years of experience in administration. The last five years we have been pleased to have Laurie with us at Barthell. She is a member of Decorah Chapter.

In 2017, 2018, and 2019 we have had occasions to meet in the Red Room of the Assisted Living building. Each time major decisions of great importance to the Barthell Home have been made. They have led to the construction of the eight new independent living residences called Barthell Bluffs----and our 'building on the hill' dream has come true. The result is what I call Red Room Magic.

We appreciate the efforts of all who have supported the Barthell O E S Home through the past 50 years with your love, work, financial increments, and attending our events. All are welcome to come visit anytime. Northeast Iowa is especially beautiful this time of year!

Barthell Bluffs is a reality. The nursing home modernization and expansion project will improve resident experience and continue to give voice to Mathilda's dream of a home in Decorah so friends and family may remain close to their loved ones. She would be proud.

Also accomplished in 2019 is the nearly 5-year project of updating the Barthell Home bylaws. Changes include making them easier to read, the use of modern communications acceptable, and the wordings have become gender neutral. It is a document that should endure for many years to come.

This year, 2019, we have offered an employee retirement incentive program to which we join in participating with their savings plan.

Please plan a drive to northeast Iowa and stop to see us and the project to which so many have devoted their time.

We are living the Red Room Magic and "CARING FOR WHAT'S BEEN GIVEN AND ADDING TO THE LOVE; YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW".

REPORT OF THE BARTHELL OES HOME AND PICNIC COMMITTEE

Charlie Young, Chairman
Past Grand Patron

Sisters and Brothers, it was a pleasure to serve on this committee and I thank Sister Jean and Brother Bruce for the appointment. All my communications with the committee members were by email.

The picnic and plant auction the first Sunday in June was a great success. The home provided all the picnic meal and conducted tours of the new apartments available for purchase. Andy Derrrington was the auctioneer. The tables were loaded with plants

and the bidders were ready. A new addition this year was refurbished plant hangers. Proceeds for the day were over $6,300.

I received reports from 33 chapters. 8 of the 33 chapters reported they had programs on the home presented at chapter meetings or fun events; 29 members attended the Christmas program and 55 attended the plant auction. 24 Chapters support the home on a regular basis with donations and most all the chapters delegate a coin march to the home. Other donations included fidget muffs, quilts, items for the flower auction and monetary gifts for honoring stations. Oelwein Chapter hosted a birthday party, including singing with the residents and gifts for the honorees in July and played bingo with the residents and donated the prizes in September. While this is only a representative of all the subordinate chapters in Iowa the reports do show location is a factor in some chapters attending the activities at the home. It is a beautiful place in northwest Iowa and deserves our support.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Brother Charlie. Also, I'm sure glad you got the item you purchased painted red so you can look out and see the beautiful cardinal in your backyard each and every day.

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT AND PARADE OF FLAGS

Written, Directed and Narrated by:
Vicki Wallner, Associate Grand Conductress
and District Instructor

Assisted by: Kelly Walker, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah
Heather Wogomon, District Instructor
Accompanist: Bob Danner, Grand Organist, Past Grand Organist

Flag Bearers: Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Iowa and Visiting Grand Representatives

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: There are times when we are assigned a project that we just are not sure we are going to enjoy. It's not that I don't like to read but reading PROCEEDINGS! But I accepted the challenge and told myself to make the best of it.

Since I was the 2019 Fraternal Correspondent, I decided I should take my assignment seriously. I smiled each time I received a new delivery from Nancy Ramthun, our Grand Secretary. I decided it would be a new adventure, and who doesn't like an adventure. Being a Wizard of Oz fan, I thought maybe I could be Dorothy and have an adventure on the Yellow Brick Road myself. So, I put on my ruby red shoes, well mine were really slippers but you can pretend, and down the road to another Grand Chapter.

Each Session was a new adventure. Some Sessions would only be a 2-day adventure of fellowship, business, reports and installations. Others would be 3 to 4 days of adventure. Many of the sessions begin with their ESTARL and Memorial Services. I found that to put you in the right frame of mind for the rest of the sessions.

Being in the Oz frame of mind I found that each character played a part in reading the proceedings. Take for instance the Scarecrow. He showed me that our many other jurisdictions are using their brain power to retain members and increase membership. In Minnesota they have created a new brochure, a new web site and have energized their members and they ARE initiating new members. In Montana they not only track membership, but they also track proficiency! And in British Columbia and the Yukon,

they placed a poster on the ferries for one year promoting Eastern Star. That is using your brain power.

The Tin Man showed us that we all have a huge heart and are willing to make other people's dreams come true. From the amount of educational scholarships to the ESTARL grants, Eastern Star awards help our youth begin their educational experience and help older adults change their career paths. Projects ranged from those at the General Grand Chapter level to the Shriners Hospitals, to various veteran programs, children's programs and seniors! Some Grand Chapters raised just a little money for projects but gave a lot in scholarships, while other raises thousands of dollars. In Oregon their total contributions to charities was $594,000.

The Cowardly Lion taught us courage. The courage that each Grand Chapter showed to their obligations, membership and communities was dramatic. Communities were well served by meals prepared and served by our membership; quilts, clothing, and other handmade items donated; honored our veterans by presenting quilts of valor. The Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania held a military theme ball with over 700 in attendance. It takes courage for our organization to step out and provide the dollars and services to our communities.

Last but no means least, we meet the Wizard himself. The Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons were the Wizards. They provided the means for all the selfless acts to happen for the year. Their dreams became reality. As new "moms and dads", they create a family with bonds like no other. With watchwords, themes and mottos to form a greater unity. Each jurisdiction had their own yellow brick roads lined with fun symbols from Snoopy and Woodstock, and teacups and tea pots, to orca whales and snowman, leading the way to the Emerald City.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of the Iowa Grand Representatives for taking the time to send me your reports. My hope is that you have made lasting friendships. And to those who have just been appointed, I believe you will expand your horizons and spread the OES spirit to your jurisdictions.

The common thread we have is that we believe in our Order and we desire for the Order to continue. We will all work hard to make that a reality. So put on your ruby slippers, click your heels, and repeat after me "There is no place like Eastern Star, there is no place like Eastern Star".

Alabama Mary Lou Mann 118th Session Making Music with My Friends was held in Birmingham on October 11the through the 14th, 2018. Sister Lisa Gay, WGM and Brother Jon Owen, WPG presided. Their symbols were angels and the American flag. Fun symbols were cats, all things musical, and dalmatian dogs. The theme of the session was "Life is like a piano, what you get out of it depends on how you play it". During the year there were many occasions where Harmony and JOY (Jesus - Others – You) could be heard as these were the watchwords for 2017-2018. With colors of red, black, silver, gold, hot pink, and lime green they would have been a rainbow of colors, and red and yellow roses, and seasonal flowers decked the stage. Their honor stations were Organist and Marshal. Nine scholarships for $2000 each were presented. Their Session found 296 registered guests. Alabama initiated 100 new members and has a total membership of 3900. FUN FACT: The Star Points had narrative and laid flowers on the altar for the memorial services, which was at a morning session. The next year grand officers and escorts are introduced before installation.

Alberta Alex Strong 107th Believe Session was held on June 1st through the 3rd in Calgary. WGM Debbie Buxton and WGP Hal Welke presided over the Session. Electa's

Cup was used for the symbol. Butterflies, stars; bald eagle and the M&M Kids were their fun symbols. Respect, Kindness, Love, Honor, and Duty were their watchwords. Colors of navy blue, turquoise and fuchsia graced the year. Flowers were the pansy and the Alberta wild rose. Their honor station was, surprise, Electa. The WGM/WGP project was Immunotherapy which collected $55,000. In 2017, their chapters donated a total of more than $300,000 to charity, which included Alzheimer's Caregivers, Cystic Fibrosis, Autism Guide Dogs, and Alberta Cancer. They collected $11,150 for ESTARL but did not indicate how many scholarships were awarded. 297 attended the Session. They have a total membership of 1679.

Arizona Mark Hatcher

Arkansas Norma Hughett

Australia Robert Koss

BC & Yukon Dannine Gnat On May 28th through the 30th, 2018, the 107th Session Sea, Sky and Scotland was held in Nanaimo. Sister JoAnne Finley and Brother Brian Masters presided as WGM and WGP. Snowflakes, Eagles, and Orca Whales were their fun symbols for the year. Their Session was built around them. "Through Unity and Diversity, We Can Grow". One ESTARL was granted for $1,500 and seven other scholarships were awarded for a total of $13,600. A large crowd of 352 attended the session. They had a membership gain of 38 but unfortunately the had a loss of 253 leaving them with a total membership of 2189. FUN FACT: They placed posters on the ferries for one-year period promoting OES and smaller posters were made available to members to post in stores, etc.

California Bruce Stolba

Colorado Becky Barkley

Connecticut Becky Nolte WGM Anne Kellner and WGP J. Arthur Carbonaro presided over the 144th Session One Accord held on April 26-28 in Farmington. Dragonfly were spotted throughout the year flitting across the state. Black, grey, silver, and white were the years colors. Special flowers: the Lotus and carnations dotted the landscape on their travels. Chaplain was their honor station. Funds were raised for the following charities: Scottish Rite Learning Center ($2000); American Vet Dogs ($2000), Tabs for Tots (305 pounds of tabs); Youth Scholarships ($1200). One ESTARL grant in the amount of $3,191 was given. Their total membership is only 1812.

Delaware Chris Brown

District of Columbia Vera Varner

Florida Alvin Elmore April 17-19, 2018 the 113th Cup of Kindness Session of Florida Grand Chapter as held in St. Augustine. WGM Barbara Blanton and WGP James W. Ford presided over the Session. The emblems were the Crown, Scepter and Dove. Fun symbols of the teacups and teapots graced the settings during the year. Their motto was "Be the best you can be". Colors were teal, peach and mauve. The flowers for the year were the pink roses and lilies of the valley. Honor stations were Esther and Warder. They raised funds for the Youth (Rainbow, Jobs Daughters and DeMolay totaling $27,000, awarded 10 awards totaling $9500. FUN FACT: Their trip was a cruise to Aruba, Curacao and Bonaier. The WM of Aruba Chapter #2 met them at the ship and gave a tour of the island.

Georgia Pat Burch The 117th God's Jewels of the World Session, was held June 7-10, 2018 in Columbus. Sister June Mathews and Brother Richard Klenke presided as WGM and WGP during the session. Per their code (which they revised) award amounts cannot be any larger than $1200; they granted 3 ESTARL awards and 5 educational scholarships. They had 552 registered for their session. Their total membership is 5557. FUN FACT: Special project Christmas Cards for deployed troops - donated 17,658 cards!

Idaho Mary Jane Young Faith, Family, Friends was the name of the 116 Session held on June 9-12-2018 in Idaho Falls. Presiding over the session were WGM Liz Hughes and WGP John Hughes. Tandem bicycle was their fun symbol. ACE Attitude + Commitment = Excellence were the watchwords used throughout the year. The colors of wine, royal blue and silver had a happy place in this grand family. Daisies and Forget-Me-Nots were the flowers. Honor stations were Esther and Secretary. The project for the year was Cancer Connection Idaho and $9,800 was raised for the project. Their ESTARL awards totaled $9,000 (5 awards) Scholarships in the amount of $13,217.86 were also awarded. Total membership was 2010. FUN FACT: The WGM and WGP were husband and wife!

Illinois Marie Elmore October 2-3, 2018 as the date for the Home for the Holidays Session held in Springfield. Sister Janet Schmidt and Brother Ed Walker presided as WGM and WGP. Their emblems were Organ Pipes and Eastern Star Emblem, and the Nutcracker was used as a fun symbol. Their motto was "Joyfully make music to the Lord and Serve him and our Order", with watchwords of Faith and Love. Their colors were green and red. Eight ESTARL awards at $750 each and 51 scholarships at $750 each. They had 478 in attendance at their session. FUN FACT: One Chapter donated $10,000 to the Shrine Charities.

Indiana Ray Rardin

Kansas Terry Frisbie

Kentucky Barb Matheny

Louisiana Janice Megel

Maine Lois Chopard Faithful Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow Session of the Grand Chapter of Maine was held on May 14-17, 2017 in Augusta. Julieann Irving presided as WGM and James Owens as WGP. Their theme for the year was Learn from Yesterday, Live for Today and Hope for Tomorrow. Honor stations were Chaplain and Ruth. During the year dollars were raised for various projects throughout the state and General Grand Chapter projects for a total of $62,705.42. ESTARL awarded 6 scholarships for a total of $21,950. FUN FACT: They celebrated their 125th anniversary with a weekend event which included a banquet, history and musical talents

Manitoba Bev Dudziak

Maryland Reba Reed

Massachusetts Charles Rodrigues The 141st Session Soaring to Our Future, was held on May 18-20, 2016 was held in Boxboro. WGM Judith Goss and WGP William A. Greene Jr. presided over the session. Male and female cardinals sitting on a dogwood branch and a replica of Point Gammon lighthouse were the symbols for the year. "May every sunrise bring you Hope; May every sunset bring you Peace" was the motto used during the year. Watchwords were Pride, Integrity, Patriotism, and Reliable. Colors were emerald green, navy blue, ivory and violet. Flowers were snapdragon, carnation,

bearded iris, dogwood. Funds were raised for The Shriner Hospital in Boston for an extremely low radiation suite for young patients for treating both burns and orthopedics. Only one application for and ESTAR grand was received, but she was from out of state, so no awards given. They awarded 46 educational scholarships in the amount of $66,665. Total in attendance was 614, with a total membership of 4705. FUN FACTS: They used voting machines for elections. They received a donation from the hotel of $6,000, $2700 from comp rooms they didn't have to pay for and $2000 from vendor for a total of $10,700 in revenue.

Michigan Janice Schupback Cathedral of Praise was the 152nd Session of the Grand Chapter of Michigan and was held in Battle Creek. Sister Janice Fowler and Brother Thomas Huis presided over the session. Their motto was "Remember our obligation – To promote the welfare and prosperity of our order". Symbols for the year were a church, the Bible, lamb and wind chimes, colors were yellow, light blue, red white and blue. During their Bible and Emblem ceremony the emblems were placed during by Master Masons. Their projects were Masonic Pathways van ($15,000) and General Grand Chapter service dogs program (10,834). 62 educational scholarships were awarded for a total of $37,850 and 1 ESTARL grant awarded in the amount of $2,700. FUN FACT: They honored their life members by having them seated in the west and given special ribbons designating them as honored guests.

Minnesota Sandy Anderson St. Cloud was the location of the 140th Soar with Love Session held May3-5, 2018. WGM Peg Oliver and WGP Roger Taylor presided at the Session with symbols of hearts; and eagles. Soar with Love was the motto they choose for the year. Honor stations were Adah and Chaplain. Their project was Give Them Hope; Give Them A Voice, Give Them a Lift and they raised $17,826.11. They awarded $13,000 in ESTARL grants and scholarships totaling $52,300. They had 329 in attendance. They have seen a decline in membership with a total membership of 3774. FUN FACT: After their All Membership Banquet, they have their scholarship presentation and entertainment - in casual clothes.

Mississippi Frances Robinson

Missouri Diana Buresh

Montana Jim Smith June 13-16, 2018 the 129th Session called "Harmony of Friendship" was held in Billings. Sister Margie Matovich and Brother Butch Damuth presides as WGM and WGP. Their symbols were the lyre and the Star within a Star. Lots of funs symbols were seen throughout the year, M&M's, Yorkie dogs, teddy bears, and cowboy hats and boots. The theme for the year was Love, Faith, Song, and the colors were teal, gold, black brown and red. The flowers for the year were the Yellow Rose of Friendship, Bleeding Hearts; Rock Roses, Violas, and Shooting Stars. The Warder, Organist, and Associate Patron were the honor station. Three projects for the year were: Baskets for Youth, Bench Raffle - K9 Care; Shriners Hospital. There were two ESTARL awards at $2000 each. They had 271 in attendance at their session, with a total membership of 2863. FUN FACT: They track both membership and proficiency

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Nebraska Sue Thomas The 143rd Session, was held May 8-10, 2018 in Kearney. Presiding at the session was WGM Anita Sohm and WGP James Taylor. God Bless the USA was the theme for the year, and the fun symbols were candy jars and antique cars. Be yourself, Enthusiasm, Attitude, Compassion and Hope = BEACH. Ruth, Warder, Chaplain and Associate Patron were the honor stations for the year. 9 educational loans granted; 3 ESTARL for a total of $4,400; scholarships were given to Jobs, DeMolay and Rainbow at $1000 each. They had 464 members registered for their session.

Nevada Charlotte Deitrich

New Brunswick Deb Jones

New Hampshire Terri Grover

New Jersey Thelma Donaldson

New Mexico Wanda Koch

New York Janice Halverson

North Carolina Janice Crow

North Dakota Sandy Hoover

Nova Scotia & Price Edward Island Lorraine Sindelar

Ohio Janelle Hammarstedt

Oklahoma Rick Hegland

Ontario Donald Drennan Toronto was the location for the 104th Sands of Time Session held August 24-27, 2019. WGM Brenda Hooper and WGP Kenneth Ulch presided over the session. Snowman, flip flops, bunny rabbits, seashells, and seahorses were the fun symbols used during the year. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you was the motto used by this Grand Family. Their project was Wounded Warrior Canada and $68, 096.94. 13 ESTARL grants were awarded at $2,000 each. FUN FACT: They began each session with a thought of the day.

Oregon Aaron Connor The 129th Rendezvous Session, was held on June 17-20 in Pendleton. Gloria Varner, WGM and Jay Saatkamp, WGP presided during the session. The Compass, Globes, Maps, Crossed Telescopes and Powder Horn were the years symbols. “It is not the road we take that shapes us; it is the fact that we took the road” was their motto. Red, White, Black, and Blue were the colors used during this year. Simple non-fragrant flowers like carnations and roses were their choice for flowers. Various projects within the State and General Grand Chapter were what they raised funds for, and wow did they raise funds **$594,618.75**. Three ESTARL awards were granted for a total of $6,200; FUN FACT: The Associate Matron, Conductress and Associate Conductress gave reports similar to the WGM/WGP reports.

Pennsylvania Tom Cannon June 18-20 the 124th Session “The Light of Hope York” as held in York. Sister Emily D. McCarthy and Brother Donald C. Graver presided as WGM and WGP. The anchor, shamrock, and farm tractor were chosen as their symbols. Their motto was “Together WE can fix it”. Rejoicing in Hope; Remember your obligation and have fun, was selected as the theme for the year. Colors of blue, green, white and gold were seen throughout the year. Service Dogs was the project and they raised $81,331.00. Their Educational and ESTARL awards totaled $139,300 to 99 applicants. There were 926 at the session. FUN FACT: They held a military themed ball with 722 in attendance.

Puerto Rico Wade E. Sheeler

Quebec Jennifer Smith Season in the Sun, the 96th Session was held on Oct 11-12 in Granby. WGM Helen Black and WGP Bryan Mitchell presided over the session. The Sheaf and Cup were their symbols, with fun symbols of Snoopy and Woodstock used

throughout the year. Their motto was “Forgive and Forget that Friendship may Live”. Watchwords of Charity Trust and Loving Kindness were used for the year. Black, white, silver and blue were the colors they selected, with the Lilly and the Sweetheart Rose as the flowers. Honor stations were Ruth and Electa. Sun Youth was their project and raised $17,563.00 for the project. ESTARL had two awards at $500 each. The total membership was 237.

Rhode Island Pam Spratte Oct 12 -13, 2018 the 123rd DreaMuppets Session was held in Warwick. Deborah Therrien, WGM and Richard Therrien WGP (acting) presided at the session. Symbols for the year were rainbow colored stars and anchors. Their motto was “When it rains, look for rainbows; When its dark look for the stars”. Using “working together with hope for the future” as their theme for the year. Colors of kelly green and royal blue were selected. The project for the year was Regenerative Medicine. There were two awards for both Educational and ESTARL totaling $38,000. There were 181registerd for the session. FUN FACT: They had more visitors than own members at the session; and the Grand Electa had a baby during the year!

Saskatchewan Nancy Niday 102nd “Ties that Bind” Session was held April 26-28, 2018 in Saskatoon. Sister Colleen Hozack and Brother Bruce Farrer presiding as WGM and WGP. The Cross and treble cleft were used for the symbols, while the Maple leaf, fork and knife were the fun symbols. “Your smile is your logo, your personality is your business card, how you leave others feeling after an experience with you becomes your trademark” was their motto. They used the words Choice, Chance Change for the watchwords. Flowers used were the Calla Lilly, Rose, native plants and flowers to Saskatchewan. The stations of Chaplain and Organist were honored throughout the year. KidSport Community was the project for the year. Four ESTARL awards totaling $6355 were presented. Their total membership is 689. FUN FACT: They touch their badge when they are doing the opening and reference is made to their badge and release when star or triangle wording is given.

Scotland Lisa Hauser

South Carolina Charity Stone

South Dakota Deb Hahn WGM Sandra Vanneman and WGP Max Jones presided over the 129th Session “A Wish, A Song, A Prayer on Oct 12-14, 2017 and was held in Pierre. Wishing well, sheet music/notes dotted the landscape throughout the year. The motto of “The needs of many outweigh the needs of a few. Do or Do not there is no try” were reflected throughout the year. Wish, Prayer, and Song could be heard as they were the watchwords. Colors of gold, silver, black and green were sported by the grand offices. Flowers were wildflowers and daisies. Honor stations for this year were Organist and Martha. Shrine Prosthesis Program for Children was their spotlight project and they raised $6,857.02. Three ESTARL awards totaling $2,300 and four scholarships totaling $2,000 were awarded.

Tennessee Tom Raulerson

Texas Leanne Wait

Utah Jane Beeman The 112th Imagine the Possibilities Session, was held on Oct 13-15, 2017 in Salt Lake City. Debra May Madsen, WGM and Bruce Betts, WGP presided at the session. They selected the fun symbols of flip flips, flamingos, shamrock and pot of gold at the end of the Rainbow. Visibility was used for their watchword. Colors were of the Sunset, with Gerber Daisies and Forget Me Nots for the flowers. Honor stations were Conductress and Secretary. They selected Childhood Cancer

Research which they raised $3,500 and Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund which received $3,035.00. Four ESTARL awards were granted for a total of $7,000. Membership total is 807. FUN FACT: When it comes time for election of officers IF the WGM has not received an objection WGM, WGP, AGM, AGP will be elected by a motion and voted on. This also happens for the advancing Conductress.

Vermont Peg Christensen June 6-8, 2018 the God and Country Session was held in Killington. Sister Georganna Dow and Brother David Katz presided as WGM and WGP. The lighthouse was used for their symbol, with teddy bears and ducks for the fun symbol. The theme of the year was "Charting a course for our future" and watchwords of Faith and Loyalty. Blue was the only color selected. Flowers were the sunflower, ivy and geranium. Conductress and Associate Conductress were the honor stations. V.N.A. of Vermont was the recipient of the fundraising for the year and $14,522.41, with additional charities for a grand total of $31,266.40. No ESTARL applications were received, but they did award eight scholarship awards at $500 each. There were 284 registered for the session and they have a total membership of 1712. FUN FACT: They had a map of Vermont which went to each official visit. They added a teddy bear for each new member.

Virginia Cindy Beatty

Washington Carolyn Anderson June 25-27, 2018 the 130th Unlimited Possibilities Session was held in Yakima. WGP Jean Ballard and WGP Al Cramer presiding at the Session. Fund symbols of hot air balloons; trains and keys were used for the year. Their motto was "When we believe in our dreams, they can carry us to the stars". The theme was fitting for the name of the Session "Eastern Star, Soaring to new heights". Colors of the Aurora Borealis, blues greens, reds, purples pinks, and wildflowers and fireflies; yellow roses were selected for use. General Grand Chapter General fund was the recipient of the fundraising for the year. Six scholarships were awarded at $2,500 each and one at $1,000, and two at $1,500. Their total in attendance was 513, with a total membership of 5911. FUN FACT: They had veterans carry their branch flags to be presented.

West Virginia Jan Wilson

Wisconsin Linda Lyons

Wyoming Mary Knupp 121st Garden of Dreams Session was held in Casper. Sister Stephanie Cox and Brother Howard Bopnd presided at the Session. The carriage light and Star point flowers were selected as the symbols and butterflies, hummingbirds, and racoon were the fun symbols. Their motto was "Light the Path for Others". Garden of Dreams was the theme for the session, and the watchwords were Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Much. They selected the rose for the flower. Honor stations were Esther and Organist. Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Service Dogs were where you found fundraising which totaled $14,312.05. ESTARL grants were given to two recipients at $2,000 each. For ESTARL they do not give all funds raised. There were 241 in attendance at the Session. FUN FACT: The WGM visited 27 of the 28 chapters. They had one member expelled.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Vicki. I know how much work that is, and you no longer have to hide every time Nancy comes looking for you with proceeding books and CDs.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Sister Vicki for your report. Your efforts at times go un-noticed but that means you have done a fantastic job. We appreciate all you do.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

CLOSING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

CLOSING MARCH: Grand Officers

INFORMAL OPENING
OCTOBER 25, 2019
Friday Evening - 6:15 P.M.

PRELUDE: Mary Danner, Past Grand Organist

OPENING WELCOME
Beverly Reinert
Chairman, Courtesy Committee, Past Grand Matron
Charles Jackson
Past Grand Patron

BEVERLY REINERT: Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters, and Brothers; What a special night this is going to be. It is an honor for me to extend each one a warm Iowa welcome as we open this meeting of the "Over the Rainbow" session. We have traveled the yellow brick road this year with the Munchkin Grand Family and membership. We've had such fun with Dorothy and all her companions along with the cardinal and eagle, jig saw puzzles, Snickers Candy Bars and the Green Bay Packers.

We are pleased and happy to have so many out of state guests with us, GGCCM, WGMS and WGPs, Elected and Appointed Grand Officers, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, Grand Representatives, Grand Lecturer and all their companions. Enjoy your time with us. Sister Jean, Brother Bruce and their Grand Officers have visited many Grand Chapters of other Grand Jurisdictions throughout the year and I'm sure represented Iowa well. Of course, we are especially proud of our Sister Betty Brings for her many years of service to the General Grand Chapter and Iowa Grand Chapter and Iowa's General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sisters Cynde Lemley, Paula Larsen, Lynn Tague and Sara Ann Robinson and Mary Hicks, our Campfire Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron. We commend each of you for your dedication and service to our Order.

Sister Jean, how proud I am of you. We have quite a long history. I was your District Instructor and you were Grand Ruth in our 2000 M&M Grand Family. I have one memory of you that will always remain with me. You had asked me to nominate you for the office of Grand Conductress. Somehow, I nominated you for the office of Grand Secretary. You hold the record for how fast a Grand Officer can leap from her chair, while saying, "NO, NO, NO". After I regained my composer and those members present that day had a good laugh, I apologized, nominated you for the office of Grand Conductress and look where you are today. You have been a delight to watch as you served as WGM, you have such a great rapport with our membership, and we love your sense of humor. You have been thinking outside of the box, made some much-needed changes, and tomorrow we will watch as your Grand Officers confer the degrees at Grand Chapter for the first time in many, many years. Your companion, Bob, has been a wonderful support to you through the years and a faithful Gopher. Brother Bruce, you are my adopted son and such a joy to know. I enjoyed watching you as you served as WGP, greeting the membership and of course, I enjoyed your sense of humor also. Your companion, Sue has been by your side throughout the years and successfully performed all the duties as wife of the WGP. Jean and Bruce, you have had a year full of activities, visiting our Chapters, our Iowa homes, traveling to other Grand Chapters and several state exchanges, Youth and Masonic activities and a wonderful cruise down

the west coast and much, much more. We have watched you as you lived your Aim, "Make Every Day A Great Day". Your Special Project, The Forgotten Ones—Alzheimer's Caregivers has touched each of us. We await the results which will be revealed on Saturday. Your year has passed quickly, and you will soon realize the fruition of your plans and dreams. Enjoy your session!

Thank you for the privilege of sharing the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charlie. It has been special to have a couple of the M&M Grand Family share in the opening tonight. Sister Mary Danner for the beautiful prelude and Brother Bob Lemley for giving the inspiring invocation. Brother Chuck, I know that everyone is waiting to hear you tell us what day it is.

CHARLES JACKSON: Welcome, Sisters, Brothers and Friends. As with my tradition – *"Today is National Greasy Foods Day and National Buy a Donut Day."*

Congratulations Sister Jean and Brother Bruce on a successful trip down the "Yellow Brick Road." We are very proud of both of you. We had several health issues and bad weather, so we did not get to many of your visitations, but we did think of you. Every week Melba would look to see where you were going to be, so our thoughts were with you.

I am pleased to be here with my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Beverly in opening this special session. And it is indeed special to have Brother Bob Lemley leading us in prayer and Sister Mary Danner getting us in a musical mood. Again, welcome and enjoy the evening.

INVOCATION

Robert Lemley
Chairman, Golf Outing Committee, Past Grand Chaplain

Dear Lord, by your Grace you have allowed us to attend this evening. We come together, feeling your love and sharing it with each other and all those around us. Please put Your Hand upon those who are ill, those who need your comfort and our soldiers who are protecting us.

Now as we come before you tonight, Our Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress will guide us down the "yellow brick road". On this special night, we will greet old friends and make new ones and we will always sing your praise. Let us rejoice in each other and be glad in it, for we can do all things through you who strengthens us. In His Name we pray. Amen

PRESENTATION OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON, WORTHY GRAND PATRON, GRAND OFFICERS AND GRAND COMPANIONS

Written and Narrated by Kelly Walker, District Instructor, Past Grand Adah

Assisted by Sandy Meredith, District Instructor, Past Grand Martha
Lori Rasmusson, District Instructor, Past Grand Esther

Accompanist: Vivian Pitlo, Past Grand Organist

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, you started this journey together over 2 years ago, when Jean and Bob asked Bruce and Sue to take this trip down the yellow brick road. What a

"whirlwind" (tornado) it has been. How many times have you felt like "we're not in Kansas anymore"? You have shown the courage to take on your project to provide for the "The Forgotten Ones – Alzheimer's Caregivers" and have and will touch the lives of many, including many of our Eastern Star members. "The true courage is not facing danger when you are afraid" and you have done this with your Munchkin Grand Family.

For the Special Presenting of the Munchkin Grand Family this evening, I asked each Grand Officer and their Grand Companion for their most embarrassing/funny moment of the year (that could be shared with the membership) and the best thing about being part of the Munchkin Grand Family.

I have found a couple of recurring themes with embarrassing moments and this year seems to be that it is "all about the shoes" and keeping secrets. For many, the best memory was meeting old friends and making new ones and as the Wizard of Oz said, "It's not where you go; it's who you meet along the way"

As you finish your year, this weekend, keep reminding yourselves "there's no place like home" as we recreate Oz.

(The members of the Munchkin Grand Family were individually introduced)

"A heart is not measured by how much you love but how much you are loved by others", and "experience is the only thing that brings knowledge". We love each and every one of you and hope that your experience this year has been "Over the Rainbow". These are our 2019 Munchkin Grand Family

BIBLE AND EMBLEM CEREMONY

Written and Directed by:
Lori Rasmusson, District Instructor and Past Grand Esther

Assisted by Kelly Walker, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah
Joan Waller, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah

Accompanist: Bob Danner, Grand Organist and Past Grand Organist

Bible Bearer: Robert Koss, Grand Representative of Australia, Grand Companion
Adah: Cynde Lemley, Chairman, Benevolence Committee of the GGC, Past Grand Matron
Ruth: Ruth McGinnis, Past Grand Warder
Esther: Mary Danner, Past Grand Organist
Martha: Pat Burch, Grand Representative of Georgia and Past Grand Martha
Electa: Melba Jackson, Past Grand Marshal

Our emblem bearers have crossed the *bridge of time* to bring *peace, faith, love and laughter* to our membership. They continue to live like there's no tomorrow as they spread love wherever they go in order to *make every day a great day*. As we begin this Over the Rainbow session, we remember the beautiful lessons of our order and the significance they have in our lives.

Adah: The lesson of Adah is fidelity. We should be faithful to ourselves, to our Sisters and Brothers, to our country, and to God. The sword and veil is an emblem of that faithfulness, as demonstrated by Jephthah's daughter as she sacrificed her life so that her father could be faithful to his word.

Ruth: The lesson of Ruth is constancy. We should be steadfast, constant and true in standing up for what we believe to be right, as Ruth demonstrated in her love for Naomi. The sheaf is an emblem representing that constancy by the gathering of its many parts to provide for the future.

Esther: The lesson of Esther is loyalty. We should be loyal to our friends, our country, and to our God. The crown and scepter represent royalty and power. Though royalty and power were Esther's, she demonstrated loyalty to her people as she was willing to sacrifice her crown and life for them.

Martha: The lesson of Martha is that of faith and hope. Martha demonstrated that we should have a trustful faith and the hope of eternal life in order to bear the struggles of this life. The broken column represents an earthly life cut off all too soon but reminds us that we have a glorious resurrection to follow.

Electa: The lesson of Electa is love. We should love our neighbors as ourselves and let that be the motive for our giving to those in need. The cup is an emblem of that charity and hospitality, which Electa demonstrated in her love-inspired gifts to the poor and distressed.

Bible: God's love for His people, and instructions for our lives, is at the center of all of these lessons. The Bible is placed on the altar to remind us that we need to keep close to God and to return frequently to His teachings in order to confidently come safely to the end of our journeys.

It is God's Word that reminds us that He strengthens us and gives us the ability to do all things. He has instructed us to go forth and rejoice and be glad in the day that He has made.

FLAG TRIBUTE

Written and Narrated by:
Heather, District Instructor

Assisted by Mary Reicks, District Instructor and Past Grand Marshal
Joan Waller, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah

Accompanist:
Bob Danner, Grand Organist and Past Grand Organist

Flag Bearers:
United States Flag: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal
Canadian Flag: Tim Ramthun. Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee
Christian Flag: Jerry Jones, Board of Grand Trustees, PGP
Eastern Star Flag: Jack Nelson, Jurisprudence Committee and Past Grand Warder
Masonic Flag: Ron Hicks, Grand Warder
Iowa State Flag: Kent Strawn, Eastern Star Masonic Home & Picnic and Past Grand Chaplain
Rainbow Flag: Abigail Sinclair, Grand Hope
Job's Daughter's Flag: Paige Harmon, Honored Queen
DeMolay Flag: Jacob Gimmy, State Master Councilor

United State Flag: Though it is known by many names, “The Star-Spangled Banner,” “The Stars and Stripes,” “The Red, White and Blue,” and “Old Glory”, its meaning remains the same. It represents the ideals of this Great Nation, that has for its motto “In God We Trust,” a nation that guarantees liberty, freedom and truth to all its people.

Red symbolizes courage and valor, White symbolizes purity, innocence and peace and Blue symbolizes vigilance, perseverance and justice.

Our Flag carries a message of hope for all mankind. It represents many things to many people, but most of all it stands for the freedom we enjoy in our daily lives. May God bless our Flag and keep our Country safe.

Canadian Flag: The Canadian Flag features vertical bands of red and white. The red bands symbolize prosperity and hope while the white bands symbolize peace and tranquility. The 11-pointed red maple leaf in the center represents the cultural heritage of the Nation and the natural resources found in Canada.

Christian Flag: The Christian Flag represents a belief in a living god. It is symbolic of all the faith, love, kindness and understanding that we have for our fellow man. It consists of a field of white representing peace, purity and innocence. The canton of blue stands for faithfulness, truth and sincerity. In the center of the blue is the red cross, symbolizing the blood Jesus shed for us. May we ever be mindful of the virtues of the Christian Flag and what it means to us.

The Eastern Star Flag: The Eastern Star Flag is a beautiful symbol of our Order and as such merits our love and respect. Its unique design and bright colors allude to the lessons taught by the heroines of our Order and remind us that we should always endeavor to exemplify th**e** sublime virtues of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love. Not only in our Chapter Rooms, but, in our everyday lives.

Masonic Flag: We pay tribute to the Masonic flag in order to honor our Master Masons, as they are the foundation of our Order. The flag bears the Square and Compasses an emblem that reminds every Mason of his gratitude to the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and his commitment to the teachings of Freemasonry, and serves as a symbol of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

Iowa State Flag: In 1921, almost 75 years after the admission of Iowa into the union. The Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution designed the Iowa State Flag. It consists of three vertical strips, the blue strip stands for loyalty, justice and truth, the white strip for purity and the red for courage. The eagle displayed on the white center strip, carries in its beak a streamer inscribed with the state’s motto: “Our liberties we prize and our rights we will maintain.” The name Iowa is in red below the streamers.

Rainbow Flag: On a field of white you will find the official emblem of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. It is highlighted with seven discs representing the seven lessons learned in Initiation, Love, Religion, Nature, Immortality, Fidelity, Patriotism and Service. At the base of the triangle are outstretched arms with clasped hands, which denotes friendship and universality. At the top is a rainbow of red, white and blue, which are embedded in gold the letters BFCL, the contents of the Pot of Gold. Attached to the emblem is the Pot of Gold, which symbolizes Charity. The letter “R” is embedded in a field of white, symbolizing the crystallization of all colors, which is symbolized in the Assembly room by the Holy Bible.

Job's Daughters Flag: The Job's Daughters Flag is composed of the emblematic colors of the Order. The four Purple strips represent the highest ideals of life and the royalty of womanhood. The three white strips symbolize the purity of a beautiful and womanly life. The emblem is the three Daughters enclosed within a triangle representing the threefold influences of Job's Daughters, God, Country and Home.

DeMolay Flag: The white field of the DeMolay flag symbolizes purity and the cleanness of thought, word and deed. The three red stripes represent the basic tenants and foundation of DeMolay, those being Love of God, Love of home, and Love of Country. The helmet is emblematic of chivalry, the crescent is a sign of secrecy, the five-armed white cross symbolizes one's intentions to always remember the motto of the Order. The crossed swords denote justice, fortitude and mercy. The official emblem is centered around a crown which is symbolic of the Crown of Youth and constantly reminds a DeMolay of his obligations and the seven Precepts of his Order.

As we gaze upon the Flag's that have been posted in their proper places of honor may we ever be mindful of the obligations we have to our Country, our Sisters and Brothers, our neighbors, ourselves and to our God.

OPENING DOUBLE MARCH: Grand Officers and District Instructors

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good Evening! Welcome to the Friday night session of our 142nd Grand Chapter. We have enjoyed our fun introductions, beautiful Bible and Emblem Ceremony and the always moving Flag Tribute. What a great way to start the night.

We are happy to have guests to present tonight. We welcome our out of state guests and will honor our Iowa members. Thank you for being here.

Sister Bev – nope – Mama Bev, thank you for opening tonight's session. You and Chuck asked me to be in your Grand Family and for that, I am forever grateful. I can't imagine my life without my M&M's.

Brother Chuck – nope – Dad Chuck, thank you for being here with us this evening. The M&M's are a HUGE part of my life. The leadership you and Mama Bev brought to our grand family is tops. Thank you!

Brother Bob, thank you for your prayer. Losing our Grand Chaplain, Sister Maren Enslow, was tough on our Grand Family. However, I could think of no one else to fill her shoes. Thank you.

Sister Mary, thank you for your beautiful music. Talk about coming around full circle - you were my sister, now I'm your mother – I'm so confused.

Sister Kelly, thank you for the Introductions. Great job by you and your Flying Monkey helpers.

Sister Lori, thank you for the Bible and Emblem Ceremony, it was very special, especially with all my M&M Sisters.

Sister Heather, thank you for the Flag Tribute, well done!

Just Remember – Don't worry if plan A fails, there are 25 more letters in the alphabet.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I also extend a huge thank you to a group of gifted and talented people that made the opening of this session a special event.

Sister Bev and Brother Chuck, you took a chance and adopted Sue and me into your Grand Family. Thank you for opening our session tonight. Your assistance makes this a special day. The M & M's have a special place with this Grand Family.

Tonight, we have the privilege of welcoming many distinguished guests. Enjoy the evening festivities which are planned especially for you. Thank you to all for joining us in this display of friendship and fellowship.

WELCOME – SHERATON, WEST DES MOINES
Laura Warner

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

PRESENTING COMMITTEE

Chairman: Janice Alger, District Instructor and Past Grand Warder
Assisted by Kelly Walker, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah
Lori Rasmusson, District Instructor and Past Grand Esther
Joan Waller, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah
Assisting Friday night:
Sandy Meredith, District Instructor and Past Grand Martha
Mary Reicks, District Instructor and Past Grand Marshal
Heather Wogomon, District Instructor

WORTHY MATRON: I want to thank the Presenting Committee, which this year includes all of the Instructors that aren't Grand Officers. Sister Janice, as Chairman, I know that you have prepared diligently for this night. Thanks again, Little Sis! Love you! *Sister Janice – I refuse to answer that question on the grounds that I don't know the answer.*

PRESENTATION OF
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS
OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

SISTERS:

Pam Abel	Member, Credential Committee, PGM, Kansas
Sharlene Coulter	Member, Appeals and Grievances Committee, PGM Nebraska

PRESENTATION OF
IOWA'S GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SISTERS:

Cynde Lemley	Chairman, Benevolence Committee, PGM
Paula Larsen	Member, Cancer Committee, President, Eastern Star Masonic Home Board, PGM
Sara Ann Robinson	Member, Service Dogs Committee, PGM

TRIBUTE TO
IOWA'S GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Written and Narrated by:
Susan Jones, Grand Chaplain

When I received my assignment to write the Tribute to Iowa's GGCC Members, I cannot tell you how honored I was. Three very special Eastern Star Ladies that I could talk about all day long - well, Sister Jean said no.

Sister Cynde Lemley, Chairman of the Benevolence Committee; Sister Paul Larsen, Member of the Cancer Committee; and Sister Sara Ann Robinson, Member of the Service Dogs Committee - I can certainly tell you that when Sister Marianne and Brother Henry were looking for General Grand Chapter Committee Members they certainly knew where to go - Iowa, the Heartland, and here we certainly had some very special Past Grand Matrons that will work above and beyond expectations to help them accomplish their goals and I know that you will each make them very proud.

You have already been working on your special projects for one year and will continue your work for an additional two years.

Sister Cynde, in 1998 you were appointed as a District Instructor by Sister Laurene Gemberling and went on to become Worthy Grand Matron in 2013 where your Whispering Winds "Enjoyed the Little Things" as they traveled the State of Iowa teaching our membership about Down Syndrome and raising funds for GiGi's Playhouse Down Syndrome Awareness Centers.

Sister Paula, in 1996 Sister Darlene Shepherd appointed you as a District Instructor and in 2009 you became Worthy Grand Matron and we Celebrated with you and your Lucky Stars Grand Family as you worked with the University of Iowa on Cardiovascular Disease Research with the Green Mouse Project.

Sister Sara Ann, Sister JoAnn Runyan appointed you as a District Instructor in 1992 and your special year, 2004, was the Year of Apples, Chalk Dust and Memories and we did our best to "take a bite out of cancer."

The three of you have "celebrated life" as you "enjoyed the little things in life" and you continue to "make a difference in the lives of others" as you "sow seeds of friendship" throughout Iowa and beyond.

I want you to know that the members of Iowa Grand Chapter are very proud of you and we are all backing you on your service to General Grand Chapter during the next two years. We look forward to seeing you in November 2021 in Salt Lake City, Utah as your reports are given.

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

SISTERS:	Garrie Oppitz	Kansas
	Kathy Foster	Minnesota
	Debi Olson	Missouri
	Laramie Reissner	Wisconsin
BROTHERS:	Ronald Kammerer	Kansas
	Mike Reeder	Missouri

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

SISTERS:	Mary Hayselden	Kansas
	Wanda Ryan	Kansas
	Brenda Goings	Missouri
	Cinda Reeder	Missouri
	Cheryl Beckius	Nebraska
	Candy Martin	Nebraska
	Jerrie Wilcox	Nebraska
	Ellen Helming, Grand Treasurer	South Dakota
	Lisa Russell	South Dakota
	Peggy Stoddard	South Dakota
	Rosie Fiscus	Wisconsin
	Mary Rasmussen, Grand Treasurer	Wisconsin
BROTHERS:	Lloyd Hannah	Colorado
	Jack Olson	Missouri
	Harold Terry	Nebraska
	Arthur Drescher	Texas

PRESENTATION OF
PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF IOWA

SISTERS:	
Betty Briggs	Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus, Right Worthy Grand Trustee Emeritus of the GGC
Caryl Lawyer	Secretary, Barthell O.E.S. Home Board
Carolyn Kropf	Vice President, Board of Grand Trustees
Shirley Peterson	
Julie Pedersen	
Dorothy Masters	
JoAnn Runyan	President, Board of Grand Trustees
Betty Shoup	
Beverly Reinert	Chairman, Grand Chapter Courtesy Committee
Mary Sue VanRyswyk	
Connie Esbeck	
Danelle Essing	
JoAnn Bergeson	Member. Board of Grand Trustees
Diane Bargfrede	
Mary Jane Young	Grand Representative of Idaho
Phyllis Moore	
Nancy Ramthun	Grand Secretary
Nancy Kiehne	President, Board of Custodians
Jane Green	Secretary, Board of Custodians
Ellen Knupp	Member, Board of Custodians
BROTHERS:	
Larry Jones	Member, Jurisprudence Committee
Ronald Larsen	
Charles Jackson	
Ben Kain	
Richard Wehde	
John Baker	Vice President, Eastern Star Masonic Home Board

Wayne McGinnis	
Carl Yoder	
Dennis DeJoode	
Jerry Jones	Member, Board of Grand Trustees
Phil Corwin	Military/Veterans Committee
Russell Hibben	
John Hauser	Webmaster
Charlie Young	Chairman, Barthell O.E.S. Home and Picnic Committee

PRESENTATION OF
ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

SISTERS:	Karen Monteith	Associate Grand Matron	Kansas
	Dottie Arent	Associate Grand Matron	Nebraska
	Karen Willis	Associate Grand Matron	South Dakota
	Theresa Hundhausen	Associate Grand Matron	Wisconsin
	Karla Lawler	Grand Treasurer	Nebraska
	Carol Salmon	Grand Conductress	Kansas
	Nancy Gonsor	Grand Conductress	Kansas
	Tamara Hundhausen	Grand Conductress	Wisconsin
	Agnes Maxon	Associate Grand Conductress	Missouri
	Linda Dubry	Associate Grand Conductress	Nebraska
	LaVonne Geslilng	Associate Grand Conductress	South Dakota
BROTHERS:	David Wetrosky	Associate Grand Patron	Nebraska
	Leonard Pederson	Associate Grand Patron	Wisconsin

PRESENTATION OF
APPOINTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

SISTERS:	Terri Spence Sachs	Grand Chaplain	Missouri
	Carrie Knapp	Grand Esther	Nebraska
	Joy Zastrow-Mucahy	Grand Esther	Wisconsin
	Susan Declue	Grand Electa	Missouri
BROTHERS:	Bill Raymond	Grand Chaplain	Nebraska
	Orville Olson	Grand Warder	Wisconsin

PRESENTATION OF
GRAND OFFICER EMERITUS

Nancy L. Niday	Grand Secretary Emeritus and Grand Representative of Saskatchewan	Iowa
Janelle Hammarstedt	Grand Treasurer Emeritus and Historian	Iowa
Connie Chase	Grand Treasurer Emeritus and Acting Grand Treasurer	Iowa

PRESENTATION OF
SPECIAL APPOINTMENT – CAMPFIRE FRIEND
OF THE MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Mary Hicks, Campfire Friend of the Most Worthy Grand Matron

PRESENTATION OF
GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF IOWA
IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS AND
VISITING GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

Liesa Sienkowski	Iowa in Connecticut
Patti Roach	Iowa in Florida
Phillip C. Smith	Iowa in Michigan
Rolf Widstrand	Iowa in Minnesota
Neta Phillips	Iowa in Missouri
Mavis Haines	Iowa in South Dakota
Jean Brannock	Iowa in Tennessee
Linda McNaught	Australia in Nevada
Tom Hayselden	Missouri in Kansas
Ron Kribbs	Rhode Island in Missouri
Sue Terry	Utah in Nebraska

RESPONSE ON BEHALF OF ALL DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
Lisa Russell
Past Grand Matron, South Dakota

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers. What an honor it is for me to respond for the visiting distinguished guests. A special thank you to Sister Jean and Brother Bruce for the gracious welcome extended to all of us. You have truly given us the royal treatment. We have traveled the yellow brick road to arrive in OZ for your “Over the Rainbow” session. It has been a great joy getting to know both of you over the past several years. It is the gift of Eastern Star and the special friendships we have made along the way that makes the journey sweeter.

We all hope that this session is all that you have wished and dreamed it would be. I was told just a few short weeks ago to take time and take it all in, for in just a blink of an eye the session will be over. It is true. Enjoy each moment.

Once again thank you to the Sisters and Brothers of Iowa for the hospitality and for making our journey “Over the Rainbow” a trip to remember. Dorothy taught us that all a girl really needs is a beautiful pair of shoes and a loyal dog. As promised 2 weeks ago, I kept the snow away for the weekend! On behalf of the distinguished guests we would like to present you both with this love gift. Best wishes for a very successful session.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Lisa. We have enjoyed getting to know you the last several years. We were so happy we were able to attend your Grand Session just a couple of weeks ago.

PRESENTATION OF
IOWA'S GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

Norma Hughett, Arkansas
Robert Koss, Australia
Bruce Stolba, California
Becky Nolte, Connecticut
Chris Brown, Delaware
Vera Varner, District of Columbia
Alvin Elmore, Florida
Pat Burch, Georgia
Marie Elmore, Ilinois
Terry Frisbie, Kansas
Barbara Matheny, Kentucky
Janice Megel, Louisiana
Lois Chopard, Maine
Sandy Anderson, Minnesota
Sue Thomas, Nebraska
Charlotte Deitrich, Nevada
Deb Jones, New Brunswick
Terri Grover, New Hampshire
Janice Crowe, North Carolina
Sandy Hoover, North Dakota
Rick Hegland, Oklahoma
Jennifer Smith, Quebec
Pam Spratte, Rhode Island
Charity Stone, South Carolina
Leanne Wait, Texas
Jane Beeman, Utah
Cindy Beatty, Virginia
Jan Wilson, West Virginia
Mary Knupp, Wyoming

DISTRICT DEPUTIES, DISTRICT DEPUTY INSTRUCTOR
OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

SISTER:

Myra Reser, District Deputy Grand Matron — Missouri

DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS OF IOWA

Polly Miller, Associate Grand Matron
Mary Reicks
Sandy Meredith
Janice Alger
Lori Rasmusson
Kelly Walker
Heather Wogomon
Joan Waller

RESPONSE FROM THE 2019 DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS

Lori Rasmusson
District Instructor and Past Grand Esther

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:
Thank you, Sister Jean, for the honor of giving this response on behalf of your Flying Monkeys, the 2019 District Instructors. We were each honored to receive our appointments, and to *fly* both around the state and within our districts. Our aim was to *Make Every Day a Great Day* as we provided instruction and support to the members in our districts.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, as we traveled *Over the Rainbow* and across this Iowa Grand Jurisdiction, it was our privilege to share your aims of *family, friends, faith, flag, and freedom* with our membership. We learned and sang about cardinals and eagles, and enjoyed the friendly competition between them, as we promoted our state projects. We will always treasure our DI bells, and will promise to turn them around regularly so that both the cardinal and eagle have equal chance to face out.

Sisters Nancy, Jane, and Ellen, our dear Board of Custodians, thank you so much for your instruction, guidance, and support throughout this "Over the Rainbow" grand year.

The friendships that we have formed with each of you will always be very dear to us. We want you to know that we appreciate all that you have done for us.

And now, Sister Jean, Brother Bruce, and the Munchkin Grand Family, we wish for you a successful grand session and hope that it will be all that you have dreamed and hoped that it would be. It will be our pleasure, and with much love, to fly as your *"Pretties"* as we complete our assignments for 2019.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Lori. I want to thank the Flying Monkeys for all of your hard work this year and especially here at Grand Chapter. Did you know, that in the Wizard of Oz book, the Wicked Witch has a "Golden Cap". Whoever owned it could call up on the Flying Moneys who would obey any orders they were given, no matter how evil or silly. So, go now and Fly My Pretties, Fly! And complete your tasks as assigned for Grand Chapter.

PRESENTATION OF
GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SISTERS:

Tammy VanHorsen Post	President, Eastern Star Educational Board
Mary Ann Francois	Vice President, Educational Board
Leona Hibben	Secretary, Eastern Star Educational Board
Joyce Sloniger	Member, Eastern Star Masonic Home Board
Sheila Kiehne	Vice Chair, Barthell OES Home Board
Karen Wood	Chairman, Arrangements
Loretta Coffman	Arrangements
Becky Woolery	Arrangements
Sandy Raab	Co-Chair, Courtesy
Robin Kimbrill	District 6 Sheaf Chairman, Florida
Elaine Howell	District 18, Sheaf Chairman, Florida
Sandy Ley	Chairman, Galaxy
Linda Messer	Public Schools
Kim Reason	Chairman, Registration
Pat Mullenger	Registration
Cynthia Hagmeier	Registration
Irene Wachter	Registration
Janice Ruble	Registration
Jeanne Davis	All Iowa Event
Barb Wood	All Iowa Event
Jonnetta Theisen	All Iowa Event
Kay Werts	Eastern Star Masonic Home and Picnic
Doris Rice	ESTARL
Kaylene Kiewiet	State Project Chairman
Judy Boden	State Project Co-Chairman
Pam Bruns	Project Chairman, District 1
Lark Randall	Project Chairman, District 3
Sharon Guffey Lewis	Project Chairman, District 5
Jody Connor	Project Chairman, District 7
Lorraine Hagmeier	Chairman, TLC Project
Linda Hascall	TLC Project
Kris Stolba	Youth

BROTHERS:

John Whitaker	Vice President, Board of Grand Trustees
Bill Post	Member, Board of Grand Trustees

David Gnat	Arrangements
Jamie Ross	Arrangements
Carroll Duysen	Arrangements
Dale Woolery	Arrangements
Steve Lewis	Chapter Concerns
Tim Ramthun	Chairman, Jurisprudence
Jack Nelson	Jurisprudence
Kent Strawn	Eastern Star Masonic Home and Picnic
Tom Rice	Golf Outing
James Dietrich	Project Chairman, District 2
Joe Reed	Project District 6
Greg Grover	Chairman, Sound

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters Cheryl and Vicki, thank you for doing such a great job presenting our distinguished guests. I hope you enjoyed presenting – the two of you just floated out there! Thank you.

Sister Janice Alger, thank you for all the work you did tonight, you and your committee worked very hard and it showed! You're almost done. Thank you.

Brother Bob, thank you for all the music tonight. I took a lot of years of piano lessons and know I could never, ever sound like that! You are a master on the keyboard.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CLOSING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

DOUBLE CLOSING MARCH BY THE GRAND OFFICERS
AND DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS

OCTOBER 26, 2019
Saturday Morning – 8:15 A.M.

PRELUDE Barb Howie, Past Grand Organist

OPENING WELCOME
Nancy Ramthun
Grand Secretary, Past Grand Matron
Jerry Jones
Board of Grand Trustees, Past Grand Patron

NANCY RAMTHUN: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers. It is with great pleasurer that I bring greetings to each of you as we gather this Saturday morning for the opening of the 143rd "Over the Rainbow" Grand Chapter Session.

A very special welcome, to our distinguished guest from other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend a warm Iowa welcome to each of you. To our Iowa members, thank you for attending and showing your support to Iowa Grand Chapter.

Sister Jean, thank you for allowing me the privilege of once again stand in the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron Brother Jerry Jones, along with our Grand Organist, Sister Barbara Howie, and Brother, Bill Howie, who has been asked to give our invocation this morning.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, you have been wonderful ambassadors and have served your term as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with much horror, dignity and often throwing a bit of humor. Bruce, I am so glad to see that you have come out of your shell this year. You have always been the shy and quiet guy. The Candlelighters are very proud of you and we have enjoyed following you this year as you served as Worthy Grand Patron.

The awareness you brought to our members on the responsibilities of a "Care Giver" has been an eye opener for many of us.

Your TLC committee went above and beyond, making fidget muff, and an abundance of fidget pads; their enthusiasm flowing over to our membership where a number of Chapters got their members involved in their own fidget sewing day, not to mention individuals making numinous weighted blankets. What a great way to get our member involved, along with bringing them together for fellowship.

To the Munchkin Grand Family, you are nearing the completion your term of office, which started just one a year ago. I hope this year is full of special memories, and that you have enjoyed it to its fullest. Congratulations to each of you!

Jean and Bruce, Tim and I have loved being part of your Munchkins Grand Family, we have enjoyed our times together, traveling the yellow brick road of Iowa, and watching these special Sisters and Brothers become a family.

My wish for you both, may your Grand Chapter Session be all that you've dreamed it to be and may the memories you have made this year last you a lifetime.

JERRY JONES: Good Morning Sisters and Brothers. It is an honor and privilege for me to welcome all of you to this 2019 "Over the Rainbow" Session of Iowa Grand Chapter. It is fantastic to share this moment in the east with Sister Nancy, my own Worthy Grand Matron of 2014, and our own Grand Organist, Sister Barb and her companion, Brother Bill, who will offer our invocation.

Sister Jean & Brother Bruce, I am sure that this year, which is quickly coming to an end, will be remembered by you and your Munchkin Grand Family, with great satisfaction and many fond memories. We are looking forward to having your Munchkin Grand Family confer the degrees this morning - how exciting that will be for our candidates. as well as for all of us. It has been many years since Iowa has done anything like this.

You are to be congratulated for having an awesome year as you followed the yellow brick road to your Emerald City and then back home again. Whoever thought that a yellow M&M and a Candlelighters could mix so well. Sister Jean, I can assure you that your BIG SIS is looking down on you today with a big smile on her face.

It is a great pleasure to welcome all our distinguished guests and friends from other Grand Jurisdictions. We hope that your visit to the "Heartland" will be one that will remain a cherished memory.

Yes, we welcome each and every one of you to this 142nd Session of Iowa Grand Chapter where we have gathered to renew old friendships, make new friends, and to promote the welfare and prosperity of our Order, for ourselves and the good of our fellowmen.

Let us therefore rejoice in the day the Lord has made. May God Bless.

INVOCATION
Bill Howie
Member, Eastern Star Educational Board

Holy and Merciful God; we give you thanks for allowing us to gather at this time and in this place to do the work that you have given us to do during this Grand Chapter session. We acknowledge your presence in all our deliberations and ceremonies. We ask you to provide us with your wisdom as we make those decisions to sustain our beautiful Order and honor You.

Holy God, we ask Your blessing on our beautiful Order and each of our members and families as we make our way through the next year and beyond. May our projects be as blessed in the future as they have been in the past through the generosity of our members and friends.

We ask that You watch over, protect, and guide each of us as we travel to our homes from this place and as we travel about the state and beyond. May we remember that all we do is in Your name and may it all bring You glory and honor and reflect positively on, not only on our wonderful Iowa members but all members, wherever they may be.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen

OPENING MARCH: Grand Officers

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

OPENING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Nancy and Brother Jerry, thank you for opening this session of Grand Chapter. It was fun to have my adoptive parents opening today's session! Once again, I'm confused – you are my adoptive mom & dad; Jerry you are also my brother; but now I am mom to both of you???

Brother Bill, thank you for the opening prayer. It was beautiful!

Sister Barb, thank you for your music this morning. Such a talent!

The more you weigh the harder you are to kidnap. Stay safe, eat cake.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister Nancy and Brother Jerry, thank you for being here and taking part in opening this session of Grand Chapter.

Thank you, Brother Bill, you have prayed for me and with me before and your words are again very timely.

Sister Barb, your gift of music is a blessing shared by all. Thank you.

The Candlelighters Grand Family has shared many memories. Thank you to all who have made this memory a very special one for me.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Well here we go! I'm super excited about this – how about you Bruce? We are about to confer Degrees at this Grand Chapter Session. The last time Degrees were exemplified at Iowa Grand Chapter was 1964.

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES BY GRAND OFFICERS

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: To my officers, kudos, job well done. I have seen you grow each time I have seen you to these degrees and I am so proud of each and everyone of you. You know we kind of expect it of our electives, we really do, and you live up to those expectations. Thank you so much, Vicki, great job prompting when we needed it. Thank you. Kenny, I have to say it…good job!

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: To our officers – you have progressed to the point where you no longer give lectures, you tell stories. Very impressive. Thank you! To Cheryl and Vicki, thank you very much for that word or two when I needed them.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

To the members of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, Order of the Eastern Star, thank you for your friendship as the Munchkins traveled the state. We thank you for all the gifts and support of all our projects, your dedication is amazing. Your support for our project, The Forgotten Ones: Alzheimer's Caregivers, was overwhelming. We cannot thank you enough.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS

The Elective Grand Officers are a fantastic group! We enjoyed having each of them in our Grand Family. They fast became an integral part of the Munchkins Grand Family. We were saddened by the loss of Sister Bev Smith in July. Sister Connie Chase, Grand Treasurer Emeritus, graciously agreed to finish out the year as our Grand Treasurer.

Polly Miller	Associate Grand Matron	Greenfield Chapter
Kenny Wogomon	Associate Grand Patron	Amber Star Chapter, Quick
Nancy Ramthun	Grand Secretary	Tri-Star Chapter, Eddyville & Knoxville Chapter
Bev Smith	Grand Treasurer	Davenport Chapter
Cheryl Payne	Grand Conductress	Wayland Chapter & Brighton Chapter, Washington
Vicki Wallner	Associate Grand Conductress	Davenport Chapter

APPOINTIVE GRAND OFFICERS

Choosing our Appointive Grand Officers was a fun but extremely important duty. I know I'm partial, but I think we couldn't have asked for a better group. I worried whether or not they would get along, would they bond, would they like their mom and dad. It didn't take long before I realized my worries were unfounded. I saw how quickly they looked out for one another. The laughter they shared and the tears we shed together said it all. Each brought along companions who we loved and were thrilled they were a part of our crazy grand family.

Susan Jones	Grand Chaplain	Toledo Chapter, Tama
Craig Bargfrede	Grand Marshal	Ankeny New Hope Chapter, Ankeny
Bob Danner	Grand Organist	Electa Chapter, Muscatine
Sue McMain	Grand Adah	Altoona Chapter
Judy Hill	Grand Ruth	Central Chapter, Marshalltown
Cyndie Strawn	Grand Esther	Indianola Chapter
Rita Gerking	Grand Martha	Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City
Carol Nelson	Grand Electa	Lady Washington Rhinehart Chapter, Adel & Linden Chapter, Panora
Ron Hicks	Grand Warder	Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill
John McCallum	Grand Sentinel	Unity Chapter, Mason City & Northern Light Chapter, Northwood

DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS APPOINTED

We had 10 District Instructors this year. This is a group of women for which I have extreme respect and admiration. They work so very hard for our Grand Chapter. I thank them for their instruction and for being such wonderful ambassadors for our Order. With the appointment of 10 District Instructors it made assigning districts interesting. We called them the Flying Monkeys and they each received a porcelain bell painted by Sister Marla Norman, Algona Chapter.

Polly Miller	Greenfield Chapter
Cheryl Payne	Wayland Chapter & Brighton Chapter, Washington
Vicki Wallner	Davenport Chapter
Mary Reicks	New Hampton Chapter
Sandy Meredith	Bedford Chapter
Janice Alger	Buena Vista Chapter, Sioux Rapids
Lori Rasmusson	Cedar Falls Chapter
Kelly Walker	Heartland Chapter, Des Moines & Southgate Chapter, Des Moines
Heather Wogomon	Amber Star Chapter, Quick
Joan Waller	Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Surprising our Sisters and Brothers with Grand Representative Appointments was such a joy! We started during the Reception season and gave out appointments throughout the year. There were a few we could not deliver due to our travel schedule and I thank the District Instructors who delivered those for us. We were honored to recommend the following 30 Sisters and Brothers for appointments

Alberta	Alex Strong	Electa Chapter, Muscatine
Arkansas	Norma Hughett	Algona Chapter
Australia	Robert Koss	Polk City Chapter
California	Bruce Stolba	Malta Chapter, Cedar Rapids
Colorado	Becky Barkley	Indianola Chapter
Connecticut	Becky Nolte	Purity Chapter, Wilton
Georgia	Pat Burch	Indianola Chapter
Illinois	Marie Elmore	Davenport Chapter
Louisiana	Janice Megel	Altoona Chapter
Manitoba	Bev Dudziak	Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer
Massachusetts	Charles Rodriguez	Council Bluffs Chapter
Montana	Jim Smith	Davenport Chapter
Nebraska	Sue Thomas	Algona Chapter
Nevada	Charlotte Deitrich	Aspasia Chapter, Sigourney
New Brunswick	Deb Jones	Ophir Chapter, Osceola & Highland Chapter, Siam
New Jersey	Thelma Donaldson	Unity Chapter, Mason City
New Mexico	Wanda Koch	Bellevue Chapter
North Carolina	Janice Crowe	Coinette Chapter, Reinbeck & Cedar Valley Chapter, Waterloo
North Dakota	Sandy Hoover	Algona Chapter
Ohio	Janelle Hammarstedt	Lady Washington Rhinehart Chapter, Adel
Oklahoma	Rick Hegland	Davenport Chapter
Ontario	Don Drennan	Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic
Pennsylvania	Tom Cannon	Exodus Chapter, Exira
Puerto Rico	Wade Sheeler	Newton Chapter
Quebec	Jennifer Smith	Minnehaha Chapter, Colesburg & IN
Rhode Island	Pam Spratte	Marion Chapter
Saskatchewan	Nancy Niday	Knoxville Chapter
South Carolina	Charity Stone	Clinton Chapter, Camanche
Utah	Jane Beeman	Lady Washington Rhinehart Chapter, Adel
West Virginia	Jan Wilson	Bedford Chapter

APPOINTIVE BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

I thank each of the members who served on a Board or Committee this year. You graciously took on your task and worked hard to help make this year a success. These Boards and Committees need those that are willing to say “yes” when asked. For that, I thank you!

STANDING COMMITTEES

Eastern Star Educational Board:	Tammy Van Horsen Post (2 years)
	Mary Ann Francois (3 years)
	Leona Hibben (1 year)
	Bill Howie (4 years)
Arrangements Committee:	Karen Wood (1 year)
	David Gnat (1 year)
	Jamie Ross (1 year)
	Loretta Coffman (2 years)
	Carroll Duysen (2 years)
	Becky & Dale Woolery (2 years)
Courtesy Committee:	Beverly Reinert (1 year)
	Sandy Raab (2 years)
Chapter Concerns Committee:	Mary Hicks (1 year)
	Steve Lewis (2 years)
	Kris Roudybush (3 years)
Galaxy Committee:	Sandy Ley (1 year)
	Sharyn Blake (2 years)
	Janice Wauson (3 years)
Jurisprudence Committee:	Tim Ramthun (1 year)
	Jack Nelson (2 years)
	Larry Jones (3 years)
Public Schools Committee:	Lois Jean Wehde (1 year)
	Linda Messer (2 years)
Registration Committee:	Kim Reason (1 year)
	Pat Mullenger (1 year)
	Cyndi Grosing (1 year)
	Cynthia Hagmeier (2 years)
	Janice Ruble (2 years)
	Irene Wachter (2 years)
Service Dogs Committee:	Gail Dyer (1 year)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES – IOWA GRAND CHAPTER PROJECTS

All Iowa Event Committee:	Rhonda Wedeking
	Pat Burch
	Jeanne Davis
	Barb Wood
	Jonnetta Theisen
Barthell OES Home and Picnic Committee:	Charlie Young (1 year)
	Chris Mishler (2 years)
	Terri McCulley (3 years)
Eastern Star Masonic Home and Picnic Committee:	Charles Sloniger (1 year)
	Kent Strawn (2 years)
	Kay Werts (3 years)
ESTARL Committee:	Doris Rice
Golf Outing Committee:	Robert Lemley (1 year)
	Tom Rice (2 years)
	Ron Mullenger (3 years)
Historian:	Janelle Hammarstedt
Military/Veterans Committee:	Phil Corwin

	Mike Wood
Pave A Memory Brick Project:	Rilla Baker
State Project Chairman:	Kaylene Kiewiet
State Project Co-Chairman:	Judy Boden
Project Chairmen:	#1 Pam Bruns
	#2 James Deitrich
	#3 Lark Randall
	#4 Jennifer Diller
	#5 Sharon Guffey-Lewis
	#6 Joe Reed
	#7 Jody Connor
	#8 Kathy Hackathorn
	#9 Karen Jones
	#10 Becky Krogman
Sound Committee:	Greg Grover (1 year)
	Scott Davis (2 years)
	Michael Miller (3 years)
TLC Project:	Lorraine Hagmeier
	Linnea Clausen
	Linda Hascall
	Joann Olson
Webmaster:	John Hauser
Youth Committee:	Kris Stolba

OFFICIAL LETTER OF 2019

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We are humbled by the confidence you have placed in us to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron this year. We sincerely thank you for providing us this extraordinary opportunity. This is as much of an honor for our Chapters, Polk City Chapter and Algona Chapter, as it is for the two of us.

We fully recognize the magnitude of the duties and responsibilities with which we have been entrusted. We pledge to the best of our abilities to promote the welfare and prosperity of our beautiful Order. The success of any organization depends upon the cooperation and support of its membership. As your presiding officers, we ask for your support, commitment and participation in the events and activities we have planned for you throughout the year. Working together we can accomplish great things in 2019 and make a difference in the lives of others through our many projects.

As we begin this new Eastern Star year, we are thrilled to be able to share the plans we have for you. We encourage you to travel this year and to reach out to the world around you, meeting and making new friends along the way.

Session:	"Over the Rainbow" October 24-27, 2019 The Sheraton West Des Moines
Aim:	Make Every Day A Great Day.
Watchwords:	Family, Friends, Faith, Flag, Freedom

Travel Emblems:	Holy Bible, Gavel, Drape, Sheaf, Crown & Scepter
Colors:	Red and Black
Flowers:	Red Rose, Lilacs, Peonies, Tulips
Symbols:	Cardinals and Eagles
Fun Symbols:	Jig Saw Puzzles, Snickers Candy Bars, Anything Related to the Wizard of Oz, Green Bay Packers
Honor Stations:	Associate Patron, Secretary, Ruth, Esther
Honor Groups:	Pro-tems and Sideliners
WGM Scripture:	I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
WGP Scripture:	Let us rejoice in the day the Lord has made and be glad in it.
March:	Taking Flight
Bible Carried In & Altar Work:	Old Rugged Cross
Opening Ode:	Love Lifted Me
Flag Tribute:	This Is My Country
Draping Tribute:	It is Well
Coin March:	Seasonal or Sing Along Songs
Closing Ode:	On Eagle's Wings
After Closing March Formation:	Over the Rainbow
Initiation:	Sung to the tune of "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

2019 IOWA PROJECTS

Special Project:
The Forgotten Ones:
Alzheimer's Caregivers

Eastern Star is partnering with University of Iowa this year to help develop programs for the support and training of those acting as caregivers to those afflicted with Alzheimer's.

Proceeds from the following will be directed toward our project:

- Cardinal Pins
- Sale of Decals

- Baked goods at Conferring of the Degrees by the Grand Officers
- OES Golf Outing – Friday, July 19, 2019
- District projects
- Chapter and Individual Contributions
- Coin March at Official Visits in May, June and July

ESTARL

Proceeds from the following will be directed toward ESTARL:

- Cross Pin
- Nuts sold by the "Munchkin" Grand Family during the Reception season
- Note cards
- Coin March at Schools/Inspections and Official Visits in February, March and April

Youth

Proceeds from the following will be directed toward the youth organizations:

- Flag Pin
- Fill the Eagle's Nest
- Collection of Pop Tabs
- Collection of Box Tops for Schools in Your Area

Homes at Boone and Decorah

The following events will be directed toward our support of the homes:

- Christmas Parties at Homes – December 1, 2018 (Boone) and December 8, 2018 (Decorah)
- Spring Picnic & Plant Auction at Decorah – June 2, 2019
- Fall Picnic & Fundraiser at Boone – September 15, 2019
- Taking Flight March Music & 2019 Music CD's
- Coin March at Official Visits in August, September and October

TLC

This year our primary emphasis for the TLC project will be to supply memory care units with sensory quilts, weighted blankets and other items that will be on their wish list.

Sewing patterns and specifications for the weighted blankets and sensory quilts will be available from the members of the TLC committee or your District's Project Chairman. If your chapter have projects they like (such as port-a-cath pillows, blank face dolls, etc.) we encourage you to continue with these efforts.

Iowa Grand Chapter	Iowa Grand Chapter needs our help! We will be having an All Iowa Event on Saturday, August 24, 2019 with all the proceeds going to Iowa Grand Chapter. Also, all proceeds from the Pave-A-Memory Bricks will go to Grand Chapter. We will be working very hard to help cut costs where we can in 2019 so that we can help Iowa Grand Chapter eliminate our losses from operations.
Support of our Military	We encourage your Chapter to find ways in your local communities to support our military service personnel. We will be honoring our Eastern Star Veterans by allowing them to give the Flag tribute at Chapter meetings.
Service Dogs	This is a General Grand Chapter project. The purpose of this project will be directed toward raising, training and placement of service dogs to enhance the life of those in need of support.

In lieu of flowers and gifts to the Grand Officers, we strongly encourage you to contribute to our special projects. While we appreciate the thought of personal gifts, by giving to our projects you are helping to make a difference in the lives of others while at the same time supporting our theme for this year. Nothing in life is more rewarding or fulfilling then the feeling of knowing you have made a difference in another person's life.

There will be several opportunities to have fun and fellowship with members from other Grand Jurisdictions as Iowa hosts the Iowa/Nebraska Exchange, in September 2019. For the members, there will be conferring of the degrees by both Iowa Grand Officers and Nebraska Grand Officers. Other activities are open to all Iowa members, family, and friends. The 5-State Exchange will be hosted by South Dakota and will be held July 26-28, 2019. The 3-State Exchange with Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin will be held in Wisconsin October 5-6, 2019. We encourage you to attend as many of these fun events as possible.

Get ready for a week of non-stop activities and entertainment. Our Eastern Star trip this year takes us to the West Coast. Join us on our "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" cruise. We departed Thursday, May 2 and return Saturday, May 11. We will have the opportunity to tour the USS Iowa Battleship, Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles and Venice Beach. We then board the Royal Princess cruise ship for fun, friendship, fellowship and relaxation. Our cruise stops include San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle and we end our cruise in Vancouver to return home. We hope you will plan to join us. Relax and unwind, on this exciting adventure.

We wish to extend a very special "thank you" to all the Chapters who extended an invitation to us for an Official Visit of the 2019 "Munchkin" Grand Family. We are delighted and looking forward to visiting your Chapter. We especially look forward to the opportunity to meet and greet each of your members during our visit with you.

Please accept our invitation to attend the 142nd "Over the Rainbow" Grand Chapter Session to be held October 24-27, 2019 at the Sheraton West Des Moines. We are excited to be holding a session that affords our membership the luxury of having housing as well as the session, meeting rooms, and meals all under one roof, in a fabulous newly renovated facility. Plan now to attend and bring a member who has never attended along with you.

We are looking forward to the wonderful year ahead. We are blessed to have the opportunity of serving you, the members of Iowa Grand Chapter.

Fraternally,

Jean Koss
Worthy Grand Matron

Bruce Thomas
Worthy Grand Patron

RECEPTIONS

We started the year with the Joint Reception at the Sheraton West Des Moines. We traveled to 12 more, getting to know our Grand Officers and their chapters along the way. It was so much fun! Thank you to the Chapters who hosted the receptions. No two receptions were the same and the meals were wonderful.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

A Christmas Greeting was issued with a picture of the Munchkins Grand Family. We wished all our membership joy, good luck, love of family and friends and happy days that never end.

CHRISTMAS AT OUR HOMES

Two of my favorite activities – the Christmas Parties – one each at the Boone and Barthell Homes. The Munchkins enjoyed caroling and delivering gift bags to all the residents. We then had a short program engaging all in song. The joy we give to the residents is returned to us 1000% by the residents. So much fun!

STATE SCHOOL

We then attended State School at Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill on January 11, 12 & 13. We stayed at the Sleep Inn and Suites, Pleasant Hill. (Ask any of about therapy pigs and housing them at the hotel.) Meals were provided by the members of Des Moines Chapter and all I can say is YUM!

Our Board of Custodians, Sisters Nancy Kiehne, President; Jane Green, Secretary; and Ellen Knupp, Member, presided over each session. Thank you, to each of you, for your dedication to our Order as you assisted our District Instructors, the Flying Monkeys. The Instructors were all present and did beautiful work. This is truly a special group of ladies. Thank you each for your love and dedication to our Order.

I know the appointive Munchkins and their companions were thankful for the opportunity to attend and participate in State School. They came away with a new appreciation for all the work these ladies do for the Order. Thank you to the many Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and their companions who attended and showed their support for the District Instructors. To the Board of Custodians, thank you for your hard work to prepare and conduct a very successful State School. A special thank you to Brothers Russ Hibben, John Hauser and Charlie Young for their assistance in filling in some of our stations; as well as Sisters Nancy Ramthun, Grand Secretary, and Bev Smith, Grand Treasurer who assisted with filling in at their stations.

Thank you to Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill for the use of their temple, chapter furniture and paraphernalia. You had everything ready to go for us and put it all away after we were done. THANK YOU for all that you did and do for our Order.

Brother Bob Danner, Grand Organist, provided music; Brother John McCallum, Grand Sentinel, guarded the door with the assistance of several other brothers. We thank Sister Sue Thomas for the table decorations. They were just right.

A conference with the District Instructors was held at the beginning of State School at Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill. They received instruction for the year from me as Worthy Grand Matron, as well as greetings from the Board of Custodians and Sister Nancy Ramthun, Grand Secretary. It was special to have Brother Bruce Thomas, Worthy Grand Patron, in attendance and he offered words of greeting and support to our District Instructors.

On Saturday evening, Sister Polly Miller and Brother Kenny Wogomon presided during the meeting. We switched it up a bit this year and no Inspection meeting was held. We opened with short form, flag tribute and pledges, presented those not previous presented, roll call and then, Sister Polly Miller directed the Munchkins in a short presentation to Brother Bruce and me. What a delight! This was followed by a short skit by Sisters Lori Rasmussen and Mary Reicks for the Board of Custodians. It was a wonderful ending to our State School.

A time of fun and fellowship was held after the meeting closed as all Sisters and Brothers in attendance were invited to the snack party hosted by the Munchkins. It was held at the Sleep Inn a large conference room. There was room for everyone and food, fun and lots of card playing and Farkle going on. (Again, ask any of us about the therapy pigs staying at the hotel. You can't make this stuff up!)

On Sunday morning, the Flying Monkeys took their exam. The Board was pleased with the results of the exam and felt our District Instructors were ready to go out and perform their duties for the year.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I was able to visit each District once during the School season. One very common theme is that many of our Chapters rely on protem officers to fill stations. Sadly, most of our Chapters do not have a full corps of officers.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!! Thank you to all the Chapters who hosted our Munchkin Grand Family. We enjoyed each and every visit – no two were the same! The fellowship, decorations, games, greetings, food – all was spectacular! Thank you for the gifts and generous donations to our projects but THANK YOU most of all for your friendship. Brother Bruce and I were privileged to present several 50-year pins and certificates. What an honor for us!

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S ITINERARY

November, 2018

Sun.-Thurs., 10/28-11/1	General Grand Chapter – Orlando, Florida
Sunday 4	WGM & WGP Reception – West Des Moines
Friday 9	Grand Esther Reception – Indianola
Saturday 10	Grand Adah Reception – Altoona
Friday 16	Grand Organist Reception – Muscatine
Saturday 17	Grand Ruth Reception – Marshalltown
Sunday 18	Grand Chaplain Reception – Toledo
Friday 30	Grand Marshal Reception – Ankeny

December, 2018

Saturday 1	Eastern Star Masonic Home Board Meeting – Boone
Saturday 1	Christmas Party, Eastern Star Masonic Home – Boone
Saturday 1	Grand Electa Reception – Adel
Sunday 2	Grand Warder Reception – Pleasant Hill
Friday 7	Grand Sentinel Reception – Mason City
Saturday 8	Barthell OES Home Board Meeting – Decorah
Saturday 8	Christmas Party, Barthell OES Home – Decorah
Saturday 8	Munchkins Christmas Party – Davenport
Sunday 9	Associate Grand Conductress Reception – Davenport
Friday 14	Grand Martha Reception – Sioux City
Saturday 15	Associate Grand Patron Reception – Council Bluffs

January, 2019

Thursday 10	Meeting with Board of Custodians – Pleasant Hill
Friday-Sunday, 11-13	State School, Des Moines Chapter – Pleasant Hill
Sunday 13	Board of Grand Trustees Meeting – Pleasant Hill

February, 2019

Saturday 2	Grand Conductress Last/First School, E.C. Blackmar Chapter – Burlington
Saturday 9	Mount Ayr School – Mount Ayr
Saturday 16	Arrangements Committee Meeting – Des Moines
Saturday 16	Associate Grand Matron Last School, Greenfield Chapter, Northgate Chapter-Des Moines
Saturday 23	Cedar Falls Chapter & Coinette Chapter, Reinbeck Joint School – Cedar Falls

March, 2019

Saturday 2	Lady Washington Rhinehart Adel School – Adel
Sunday 3	Masonic/OES Brunch – Altoona
Saturday 9	Pleasant Chapter School – Pleasantville
Sunday 10	Heartland Chapter Fun Day – Des Moines
Saturday 16	Clinton Chapter School – Camanche
Sunday 17	Linden Chapter Fun Day – Panora
Saturday 23	Coral Chapter, Sanborn & Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer Joint School – Spencer
Sunday 24	Board of Grand Trustees Meeting – Knoxville
Wednesday 27	Arrangements Committee Meeting – West Des Moines
Saturday 30	Ankeny New Hope School – Ankeny
Saturday 30	Rainbow Spring Fling – Des Moines
Sunday 31	Albia Chapter & Centerville Chapter Fun Day – Centerville

April, 2019

Saturday 6	Laurens Chapter & Algona Chapter Joint School – Algona
Sunday 7	Signet Chapter Fun Day – Carroll
Thursday-Sat., 11-13	Kansas Grand Chapter Session – Topeka, Kansas
Saturday 13	Winterset School – Winterset
Sunday 14-20	Easter Week
Sunday 20	Board of Custodians and Line Officers Meeting – Reinbeck

Monday 22	Grand Representatives Luncheon – Des Moines
Friday 26	Ollie Fun Day – Ollie
Saturday 27	Lamont Chapter, Pearl Chapter, Guttenberg & Minnehaha Chapter, Colesburg Joint School – Colesburg
Sunday 28	Camp Courageous – Monticello

May, 2019

Thursday-Sat., 2-11	Follow the Yellow Brick Road Cruise
Tuesday-Wed., 14-15	Nebraska Grand Chapter Session – Kearney, Nebraska
Saturday 18	Board of Grand Trustees Meeting & BOC – Knoxville
Sunday 19	South Gate Rainbow & Altoona DeMolay Fun Day – Des Moines

June, 2019

Saturday 1	Davenport Chapter & Silver Creek, LeClaire Conferring of Degrees – Davenport
Sunday 2	Barthell OES Home Board Meeting – Decorah
Sunday 2	Barthell OES Home Picnic and Plant Sale – Decorah
Friday 7	Bona Dea, Holly, and Toledo “Grand Cookout” – Toledo
Saturday 8	Marion Chapter Fun Day – Marion
Sunday 9	Bellevue Chapter Fun Day – Bellevue
Thursday 13	Jessamine Chapter Strawberry/Friendship Night – Iowa City
Friday-Saturday, 14-15	Rainbow Grand Assembly – Des Moines
Saturday 22	New Hampton Fun Day – New Hampton
Sunday 23	New London Fun Day – New London
Friday 28	Sibley Fun Day – Sibley
Saturday 29	Loess Hills Chapter Conferring of Degrees – Sioux City
Sunday 30	Buena Vista Chapter Fun Day – Sioux Rapids

July, 2019

Saturday 6	Indianola Chapter Conferring of Degrees – Indianola
Sunday 7	South Gate Chapter Fun Day – Des Moines
Friday 12	Funeral for Sister Beverly Smith, Grand Treasurer – Davenport
Saturday 13	Board of Grand Trustees Meeting – Knoxville
Sunday 14	Bedford Chapter Fun Day – Bedford
Friday 19	Golf Outing Terrace Hills – Altoona
Saturday 20	Educational Board Meeting – Des Moines
Saturday 20	Altoona Chapter Fun Day – Altoona
Sunday 21	Tri Star Chapter, Eddyville & Knoxville Chapter Joint Fun Day – Eddyville
Friday-Sunday, 26-28	Five State Exchange – Sioux Falls, South Dakota

August, 2019

Saturday 3	Unity Chapter Conferring of Degrees – Mason City
Sunday 4	Ophir Chapter Fun Day – Osceola
Friday 9	Grand Council RAM & York Rite Banquet – Des Moines
Saturday 24	All Iowa Event – Earlham
Sunday 25	Exodus Chapter Fun Day – Exira

September, 2019

Friday 6	Job’s Daughters Fun Day – Council Bluffs

Friday-Sunday, 6-8	Iowa/Nebraska Exchange – Council Bluffs
Saturday 7	Iowa/Nebraska Exchange; Degrees by NE Grand Officers – Council Bluffs
Saturday 7	Iowa/Nebraska Exchange; Degrees by Iowa Grand Officers – Council Bluffs
Sunday 8	Iowa/Nebraska Exchange; Sunday Worship Service – Council Bluffs
Sunday 8	Golden Rule Chapter Fun Day – Atlantic
Saturday 14	Board of Grand Trustees Meeting – Knoxville
Saturday 14	North Gate Chapter & Des Moines Chapter Fun Day – Pleasant Hill
Sunday 15	Eastern Star Masonic Home Board Meeting – Boone
Sunday 15	Eastern Star Masonic Home Picnic & Auction – Boone
September 19	Grand Lodge Banquet – Cedar Rapids
September 28	Masonic Library & Museum Tour – Cedar Rapids
September 28	Cedar Chapter Fun Day – Cedar Rapids
September 29	Electa Chapter Fun Day – Muscatine

October, 2019

Thursday 3	Iowa Grand Court of Amaranth Banquet – Des Moines
Saturday 5	Wisconsin, Minnesota & Iowa Exchange – Dodgeville, Wisconsin
Sunday 6	Polk City Chapter Fun Day – Polk City
Thursday-Friday, 10-11	South Dakota Grand Chapter Session, Pierre, SD
Sunday-Monday, 13-14	Missouri Grand Chapter Session, Jefferson City, Missouri
Sunday 20	Reception for Tom Rice, Odd Fellows – Storm Lake
Wednesday 23	Meeting with Board of Custodians – West Des Moines
Thursday-Sunday, 24-27	"Over the Rainbow" Iowa Grand Chapter Session – West Des Moines

JOINT SCHOOLS

I granted 48 chapters permission to have Joint Schools, resulting in 22 Joint Schools. That's over half the chapters working together.

GLEANINGS FROM THE DISTRICT INSTRUCTOR'S REPORTS

- Spirit Lake Masons built a new Masonic Temple and Twilight Chapter moved into the new building September 2018.
- A tornado hit Marshalltown in July of 2018. The Masonic Temple sits right across the street from the courthouse which suffered extensive damage. The Masonic Temple had windows blown out and some roof damage. The building now has new windows and repairs were made so they are back in the building for their meetings.
- Several new secretaries which is always a change for the chapter.
- At least 3 new Worthy Patrons who were learning the work.
- At least 2 new Associate Patrons who learned the short optional.
- Former Rainbow Girls who have joined and are taking an active part in their Chapters.
- New organist in one chapter and she was very nervous but did a great job.
- One Chapter was using a Chart rather than a Signet because of a lack of room.

IRREGULARITIES

- One-chapter officer had an open ritual. The District Instructor did discuss with the officer.
- Due to the sudden death of a chapter secretary the books were not up to date yet. The chapter is working hard to get that done.
- Books didn't balance but they are working on it.
- One Worthy Matron had an open ritual. The District Instructor did her duty and removed the ritual and discussed it with her.
- One-chapter secretary has not brought books to meeting to be checked. Bills not paid on time.
- Books not present and not up to date. Worthy Matron's notebook not up to date. District Instructor working to improve this.
- Found some copies of rituals.
- Chapter rooms are usually set up completely, but some chapters don't always put out the floor cloth and during bad weather some meet in a smaller room.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The Grand Officers thank the Chapters who agreed to host the Munchkins for conferring the degrees during the year. These Chapters are: Davenport Chapter & Silver Creek Chapter, LeClaire; Loess Hills Chapter, Sioux City; Indianola Chapter; Unity Chapter, Mason City; and Council Bluffs Chapter. Each Chapter did an excellent job of hosting the event and were well prepared for the day. Also, for the first time since 1964 Iowa conferred the degrees at Grand Chapter. All of the Grand Officers were fantastic! We were so proud of each and every one. We initiated 12 new members into our Order.

MASONIC AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

We feel very strongly that we need to work together as one big Masonic family. Grand Lodge hosted a brunch for the Grand Lodge Officers and the Munchkins Grand Family at Prairie Meadows Event Center. Terry Osborne, Worshipful Grand Master, introduced the Grand Lodge Officers in attendance, while I introduced the Munchkins who were present. We assisted the Grand Lodge Officers at Camp Courageous in Monticello, to help serve their annual omelet breakfast. We attended the Grand Lodge Banquet, Cedar Rapids and brought greetings from Eastern Star. We attended the Iowa Grand Court of Amaranth Banquet in Des Moines and brought greetings from Eastern Star. It was an honor to receive the invitation to each of these events and we always receive a very warm welcome from their members. We must work together!

We attended a fun event hosted by South Gate Rainbow and Altoona DeMolay in May. We also attended Spring Fling and Rainbow Grand Assembly banquet. Jobs Daughters hosted us in Council Bluffs in September. These youth are amazing and are our future. Get out there and support them!

TRAVEL TO OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

I was able to represent Iowa at General Grand Chapter Session held in Orlando, Florida. I also attended the following Grand Chapter Sessions: Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and South Dakota. I was honored to be asked to give the response on behalf of the out-of-state distinguished guests at South Dakota Grand Chapter.

I attended the Multi-State Exchange (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and South Dakota) held in Sioux Falls South Dakota and the Iowa/Minnesota/Wisconsin exchange held in Dodgeville, Wisconsin. It was a fun time for all who attended. Such a marvelous way to get to know your counterpart and to just let your hair down and have a good time.

It was Iowa's turn to host/plan the Iowa/Nebraska Exchange this year. Karan Birdsall, Worthy Grand Matron, Nebraska, and I worked together to have the degrees exemplified by each of our states. It was so interesting and a great learning experience for all in attendance. I always enjoy seeing how each state differs in their work. But in the end, we are all in it for the greater good of the Order. After the full day, we enjoyed an evening of pizza, cards, Farkle, jigsaw puzzles and just plain fun! Sunday morning, we had a worship service with our Grand Chaplain working with Nebraska's Grand Chaplain for a beautiful service. We had over 50 in attendance. The perfect end to a great weekend.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

We were blessed to be given Honorary Membership this year. On behalf of the Munchkins, I thank each chapter. We know it takes a unanimous vote of the chapter and each and every one of them is very special.

CONSOLIDATIONS

We started the year with 78 chapters but by the end of 2018 we lost Twin City Chapter, Douds to consolidation with Ollie Chapter and Queen Victoria Chapter, Pleasanton to consolidation with South Gate Chapter, Des Moines. We then had one more consolidation that became effective in September. Buena Vista Chapter, Sioux Rapids consolidated with Laurens Chapter. We are now down to 75 Chapters.

WAIVERS OF JURISDICTION

I granted one Waiver of Jurisdiction. Waiver of Jurisdiction to Illinois was granted for Danelle Grimshaw, Clinton to be initiated in Merton Chapter, Fulton, Illinois. Granted: May 16, 2019.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS

I granted 12 Special Dispensations:

REQUEST	DATE GRANTED	CHAPTER
to move election to Dec.	November 13, 2018	Unity Chapter, Mason City
to move meeting date	December 6 2018	Valley Chapter, Missouri Valley
to move Charter	February 10, 2019	Greenfield Chapter
to move meeting date	March 15, 2019	Laurens Chapter
to move meeting date	April 15, 2019	Amber Star Chapter, Quick
to move Charter	April 15, 2019	Bona Dea Chapter, Traer
to move Charter	April 15, 2019	Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic
to move Charter	April 15, 2019	Bona Dea Chapter, Traer
to move meeting date	April 15, 2019	Amber Star Chapter, Quick
to move Charter	April 15, 2019	Bona Dea Chapter, Traer
to move Charter	June 2, 2019	Malta Chapter, Cedar Rapids
to move Charter	June 2, 2019	Malta Chapter, Cedar Rapids

PROJECTS

THE FORGOTTEN ONES: ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS

We partnered with the University of Iowa to help develop programs for the support and training of those acting as caregivers to those afflicted with Alzheimer's. We sold pins, decals, baked goods, etc. to raise funds. Sister Pat Burch, Indianola Chapter, made and donated four beautiful quilts for us to raffle. We sold over 2,200 tickets for the four quilts. The quilts were a cardinal quilt (won by Karen Wood); an eagle quilt (won by Kent Strawn); another eagle quilt (also won by Karen Wood); and a Wizard of Oz quilt (won by Craig Bargfrede). In the end, we were able to donate over $37,000 to the University of Iowa for the project. Well done Iowa – WELL DONE!

TLC PROJECTS

This project far exceeded our expectations! Thank you to the TLC committee. Led by Sister Lorraine Hagmeier, the committee started making memory/sensory lap mats. Holy Cow! Once our membership saw some of the lap mats made by Lorraine and others, the project took off! Chapters around the state organized sewing days. You truly didn't have to have great sewing skills – just a willingness to help out and have some fun. We distributed well over 150 of these lap mats. Also, a huge undertaking were the weighted blankets. We donated several weighted blankets to the Boone Home and also other homes in need. One chapter donated a lifelike baby doll. This doll was given to the Boone Home and the residents are thrilled with it.

"FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD" CRUISE

Our Eastern Star trip this year took us to the West Coast. Our "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" cruise departed Thursday, May 2 and returned Saturday, May 11. We had 90 travelers with us. A HUGE thank you to Brother Jerry Jones and Sister Susan Jones for being our travel planners! It was everything we had envisioned. We arrived in Los Angeles and settled into our hotel. The next day we toured Los Angeles. We got to see Rodeo Drive, the famous Hollywood sign, Grauman's Chinese Theatre, the Hollywood Walk of Fame, Venice Beach and the list goes on and on. The next day we boarded our buses and went to the USS Iowa where we had several hours to tour the USS Iowa. WOW – just WOW! What a piece of history. From there we went to the port where we boarded our cruise ship. For many, this was the first cruise ship they had ever been on. We settled into our cabins and set sail later that day. Our ports were San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle and Vancouver. I was able to ride a cable car and tour Alcatraz as well as so much more. We were all glad to get back home but it is truly a trip I will remember forever.

GOLF OUTING

The 19th Annual OES Charity Golf Outing was held at Terrace Hills Golf Course, Altoona, on Friday, July 19. The Munchkins supported Hole #1 and had a great time visiting with all the golfers. The day gave a new meaning of "having a hot time in the old town tonight". On one of the hottest/highest heat indexes days of the year, we still had a wonderful turnout. We thank the golf course management and the OES Golf Outing Committee for their vigilance in keeping us all hydrated and safe. They brought water to us, made sure we had ice, cooling towels, etc. Thank you to all who planned, donated items for the silent auction or participated in this annual event. It is one of our best fundraisers.

ALL IOWA EVENT

On August 24 we held our All Iowa Event with over 110 people in attendance. All proceeds (over $4,800) from this day went back to Grand Chapter. The food was fantastic! The trivia

contest was so much fun. The silent auction was a HUGE success and the puzzle exchange was a terrific idea! I brought home a few puzzles and loved hearing/seeing our members laughing and just having a good time.

ESTARL

The ESTARL scholarship program has always been well supported by the membership and this year was no different! We are working hard to get the word out about the ESTARL program to our membership and those outside of Eastern Star. The Grand Officers sold the fancy nuts for ESTARL. This along with donations from our members made for almost $30,000 to be distributed to our applicants. We need to keep telling all about our ESTARL scholarship program.

MUSIC

Tammy Van Horsen Post, Polk City Chapter, wrote the march music this year, *Taking Flight*. She also helped us in the selection of our music for our odes. Tammy put together all the music for the CD's. Thank you, Tammy! The artwork on the cover of our march music was by the famed artist (okay at least on the OES front) Larry Niday, Knoxville Chapter. Thank you, Larry! It was perfect.

GALAXY

Sandy Ley and her committee did a fantastic job on the Galaxy. Full color again this year with lots of articles and pictures. Thank you so much to Sandy and her committee. Your hard work showed in the beautiful publications you were able to share with our membership.

TRAVEL EMBLEMS

The Bible I used, was given to me by my family. The bible marker was made by Sister Joann Olson, Polk City Chapter. It traveled with me to each Official Visit and was signed by the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons and Grand Representatives. Bruce's bible was identical, and we took turns as to which Bible we placed on the Altar at our official visits and also at Grand Chapter.

The gavel I used was handmade by my cousin Randall Lorimor. He hand-turned the gavel and it is beautiful. The engraved plaque on the gavel was a gift from my daughter Sylvia.

The sheaf was given to me by my 2000 M&M Grand Family (I was Grand Ruth that year). The carrying case for the sheaf was given to me by Brother Gary Scroggie. His late wife, Sister Joanne Scroggie, PGM, was also a Grand Ruth and he asked me if I would accept this gift. Such special friends and I will cherish the sheaf and carrying case forever.

IN LOVING MEMORY

We mourn the loss of each of our members and extend sympathy to their loved ones. We were saddened by the death of Sister Beverly Smith, Grand Treasurer. Bev was a dear friend. Bev was a straight shooter and I felt comfortable bouncing ideas off of her and hearing her opinions. Bev always promised to "kick my caboose" if I didn't do things, she thought were appropriate. I know there were times she was looking down at me shaking her head…. We miss her and know she is watching over us all. I miss her smiling face and mischievous side. What a grand lady! We also lost two Past Grand Patrons: Brother Darwin Will and Brother Ken Eshelman. Such devoted members and we thank them both for their leadership.

THANK YOU'S

To our Board of Custodians, thank you, for the years of dedicated service that you have given to our Order. Thank you, Sister Nancy Kiehne for being the President of the Board. You have been there when I have had questions and backed me up on some tough decisions. The three of you worked together all year long.

To Polk City Chapter and Algona Chapter, you have been behind Bruce and me through thick and thin. Polk City Chapter, you were very generous to me as I traveled this road and I will never forget it. Whether monetary, hands on, emotional support – you were always there for me. Thank you to both chapters. I love you all!

To Brother Larry Niday, Knoxville, thank you for my beautiful Past Grand Matron's jewel. You are truly an artist. It means so much to me that I have a "Larry Niday Original".

Sister Janice (my real sister), thank you for all of your support. You have been one of my biggest supporters. I cannot thank you enough. You and I both miss mom a lot, but I know she would be proud of both of us and all we have done. Thank you for being my sister and thank you for keeping me knee-deep in Diet Pepsi!

Robert, my husband and Grand Companion, it is because of you that I was able to complete this journey. You were not a Mason before you met me. Once you joined, you then became a member of Eastern Star. You have toted, lugged, unfolded quilts, folded quilts, unfolded quilts, folded quilts, listened to my struggles, loved me unconditionally. I love you and am truly blessed that mouse brought us together one day in Denison, Iowa.

Brother Bruce and Sister Sue, thank you for saying YES that Saturday a few years ago. I really didn't have a "plan b" if you had said no. You were open to my ideas and agreed that this year was not "my year" it was "our year". We truly worked together on all aspects. We are a great team and I know we will continue to work together.

To our elective officers, thank you for joining us on this Yellow Brick Road. You fit right in with this crazy group of Munchkins! To our appointive officers, WELL DONE! Thank you for saying yes when you were asked. You never know how a family is going to come together, but I can truly say you made mom and dad very proud. You traveled well, had fun, smiled, laughed, cried, supported each other and the list goes on and on. I am honored to call you my "kids".

IN CONCLUSION

The generous gift of $3,000.00 from Grand Chapter was used for gas and postage for this year; further expenses not to be reimbursed. I thank Iowa Grand Chapter for this gift. I personally have traveled a total of 18,554 miles for this entire year.

In conclusion, I have enjoyed this year as I have served this great Order. Everyone's love and support were felt every step of the way. I have been in Eastern Star since 1975 and never in a million years, did I think I would end up as your Worthy Grand Matron. I am humbled by the generosity of our membership. You never cease to amaze me. I truly do love you all.

SOLOIST: Danelle Essing, Past Grand Matron "*What I Did for Love"*
ACCOMPANIST: Bob Danner, Grand Organist, Past Grand Organist

PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Polly Miller
Associate Grand Matron and District Instructor

Sister Jean, it has been a wonderful year traveling with you and our Munchkin Grand Family! We have had lots of fun and rewarding experiences as we traveled many miles together.

It is my pleasure to present the Love Gift from your Munchkins, District Instructors, Grand Representatives, Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. We appreciate your dedication and love for our beautiful Order and hope your "Over the Rainbow: session is everything you dreamed it would be.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, thank you for this special gift, I truly appreciate it. Thank you also for the very special scrapbook I received yesterday morning at the DI Breakfast. I know I will enjoy looking through the pages – but it may have to wait until Grand Chapter is over.

Sister Polly, I look forward to you and Kenny taking over and wish you success in the coming year. I know you will lead Iowa Grand Chapter with dignity and grace. Thank you again.

Sister Danelle, thank you for your gift of song. It was absolutely beautiful! Thank you for sharing your talents with us.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

It has been a tremendous blessing to represent the members of the Iowa Order of the Eastern Star this past year. Our travels have taken us near and far. The friendship and fellowship extended to us, our Grand Family and our Grand Companions in this jurisdiction as well as others was overwhelming. We were humbled with this opportunity as we began this journey but soon discovered that the year was to pass quickly. This "Once in A Lifetime" experience was priceless. Because Worthy Grand Matron Jean Koss and I worked as a team, my comments, where appropriate, will indicate the efforts of our year serving in the Grand East.

RECEPTIONS

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron reception was held on November 4, 2018. The event was hosted by Algona and Polk City Chapters. The event was held at the Sheraton in West Des Moines. The entertainment was outstanding, and we were pleasantly surprised by the appearance of the chicken. Good weather and a fantastic number of attendees provided a memorable evening to begin the Munchkin Grand Family year.

GRAND VISITATIONS AND FUN EVENTS

Visitations by the Grand Family were held primarily on Friday's, Saturday's and Sunday's. These events were to honor those chapters that worked so hard to provide meals, entertainment, and informative programs in support of our Order. We were pleased the Grand Family was able to attend these events and share our appreciation for the opportunities presented. We were also able to join with other Masonic bodies and youth organization to help spread the word of all the work we do to serve others.

The School of Instruction season began in January with the State School. The members of the Board of Custodians gave excellent instruction to the District Instructors and to those in attendance. The information presented would prove to be valuable for the upcoming chapter

schools held in February, March, and April. Highlights included the Last/First school of our Grand Conductress, Sister Cheryl Payne. Her announcement of Brother John Whitaker, as her choice to join her in her journey to the Grand East was met with great joy. Our Associate Grand Matron's "Last School" was outstanding and provided the foundation for Sister Polly Miller and Brother Kenny Wogomon's upcoming year.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS RECEIVED

Due to the nature of receiving an Honorary Membership requiring a vote of the chapter members, this recognition came with special meaning and great appreciation. Please see the following:

E.C. Blackmar Chapter, Burlington
Greenfield Chapter, Greenfield
Cedar Falls Chapter, Cedar Falls
Coinette Chapter, Reinbeck
Lady Washington Rhinehart Chapter, Adel
Pleasant Chapter, Pleasantville
Linden Chapter, Panora
Clinton Chapter, Camanche
Heartland Chapter, Des Moines
Coral Chapter, Sanborn
Evening Shade Chapter, Spencer
Ankeny New Hope Chapter, Ankeny
Centerville Chapter, Centerville
Albia Chapter, Albia
Algona Chapter, Algona
Laurens Chapter, Laurens
Signet Chapter, Carroll
Winterset Chapter, Winterset
Minnehaha Chapter, Colesburg
Pearl Chapter, Guttenberg
Lamont Chapter, Lamont
Davenport Chapter, Davenport
Silver Creek Chapter, LeClaire
Bona Dea Chapter, Traer
Holly Chapter, Malcom
Toledo Chapter, Tama
Bellevue Chapter, Bellevue
Jessamine Chapter, Iowa City
Sibley Chapter, Sibley
Buena Vista Chapter, Sioux Rapids
South Gate Chapter, Des Moines
Bedford Chapter, Bedford
Altoona Chapter, Altoona
Tri Star Chapter, Eddyville
Knoxville Chapter, Knoxville
Unity Chapter, Mason City
Ophir Chapter, Osceola
Exodus Chapter, Exira
Council Bluff Chapter, Council Bluffs
Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic
Polk City Chapter, Polk City

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

One of the greatest privileges of serving in the Grand East is to have the opportunity to present Grand Representative Appointments. These individuals warrant special recognition for their contributions to the Iowa Grand Chapter as well as to their local chapters. Our hope is that they will continue to spread the message in Iowa as well as their appointed jurisdictions. These people represent the best we have to offer in our service to others. Thanks to each of you as you serve as our ambassadors.

OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

I had the pleasure of attending several events in other Grand Jurisdictions. Fresh out of the gate after installation in October was the General Grand Session in Orlando, Florida. It was a special event for many reasons but was highlighted as having been an "Eagle" special appointee of the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert Penoyer. This event also saw Sister Betty Briggs, honored for her many years of service with the General Grand Chapter. Other jurisdictions on the list of visits included: Kansas, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Missouri and South Dakota. It was tremendously rewarding to see so many from Iowa attend these events as well as the several multi-state exchanges throughout the year.

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES

We were able to confer the degree on six different occasions in 2019. We would like to thank the chapter members of Davenport, Loess Hills in Sioux City, Indianola, Unity in Mason City, and Council Bluffs for providing the opportunity to confer the degrees. Your hard work and preparations made these events special for us as well as the new members. It was exciting to see the work given by the Munchkin Grand Family. It was an awesome experience. We were also able to confer the degrees at Grand Chapter for the first time since 1964. We were all a bit nervous, but everyone performed well. It was a tremendous experience that made "Mom" and "Dad" very proud of their Grand Family and hopefully the start of something we can continue to do.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

Thank you to the members of the Board of Custodians: Sisters Nancy Kiehne, Jane Green, and Ellen Knupp. Your preparation and work make it possible for Iowa to be a leader. From your work beginning with State School, thru the School of Instruction season, degrees and concluding with our Grand Session, we must say that you are the best. You lead us without dictating, you make decisions for the good of our Order, and your leadership for those that follow makes each of you special. Words of thanks may not be enough, but the pay scale does not allow for much more. Thanks for everything.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS

Having completed this past year of service, we have gained a greater appreciation for your dedication and work as well as your continued contributions. The view from the back of the line is one that gives us true understanding of the impact each of you have left on our Order. For each of you and for those we have lost, we thank you for your wisdom and advise. May we always remember this is a "Once for A Lifetime Opportunity". Thanks for all you continue to do. You are like the credit card commercial. Don't leave home without it because you are "Priceless".

DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS

You ladies are a very special group of talented and dedicated individuals. Just like the flying Monkey in the "Wizard of OZ", when the boss makes a request, you get it done! Each of you have been examples of the best we have to offer our members. You lead by example, you instruct with respect, and you live with great joy in knowing what you do makes a difference. Thanks for everything.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

To be successful we must surround ourselves with the best people available. We thank each of you for agreeing to serve. We depend on your unique talents to get things done. As each of you look back over your service to others, take note of your accomplishments. This Order is but a shell of an organization without its members just as this Grand Chapter would be without your dedication. Thank you for agreeing to serve. Your efforts have left us in a better place.

BOONE AND BARTHELL HOMES

Our Eastern Star and Masonic homes are alive and well. Change is on the horizon and good things can be seen for the future. Expansion is taking place to provide services requested by the residents and communities they serve. The facilities are in good hands with our current

leadership. We were able to see this firsthand in our interactions with the staff and clients this past year. The picnic, plant sale, Holiday social events and our daily interactions provide a sense of pride in what we do for others. Thanks for a job well done.

HOST CHAPTERS

Thank you to the members of Algona Chapter and Polk City Chapter for all you have been able to do for us this past year. Because of our commitment to the Grand Chapter, we may not have been able to be at every event but know this journey would not have been possible without your support these past two years. The opportunities we were able to enjoy was only possible because of the faith we had in our home Chapters. Your combined contributions of time and talent have made this year very special. Thank you to each of you.

WEST COAST ADVENTURE

Our trip this year was filled with fun and adventure. The first 10 days in May saw a small group of 90 of our closest friends and family members depart on a cruise along the West coast of the United States and Canada. We began in Los Angeles with stops in San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle and Vancouver. It was many things to many people, but it was great fun for all. We traveled on the Royal Princess cruise line and were treated like royalty. Our cruise director and member of the Munchkin Grand Family, Brother Jerry Jones, assisted by his lovely wife Susan, provided us with an event to remember. Their hard work was evident in the smiles and laughter that was ever present. Thanks for the wonderful trip. It was FANTASTIC!

PROJECTS

This year's project, "The Forgotten Ones – The Caregivers of Alzheimer's" was near and dear to our hearts. As we soon discovered, this project was also very important to many of our members. Efforts were made to work with the University of Iowa to develop programs designed to address the needs and concerns of individuals caring for those with Alzheimer's. We also encouraged others to make fidget/activity mats. Sister Lorraine Hagmeier and her TLC Committee was instrumental in leading the way. With the help of individual and chapter donations of time, talent, and resources, the project was successful and continues to help those who help others. The ESTARL project, led by the nut sales of the Grand Family, was a success in assisting several individuals wishing to continue with Christen education and leadership programs. This is a gift that continues to give. The Youth project, supporting our Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters, and DeMolay, was directed toward assisting with their program needs. The "Eagle Nest" was seen quite often in our travels around the state. Thank you to anyone who contributed to any of these projects in any way.

TO OUR WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sister Jean, thank you for taking the leap of faith by asking me to join you in this adventure down the "Yellow Brick Road". You knew very little about me and perhaps that was a good thing. We had a common passion for our Order and dedication to serve. Problems turned into opportunities and our weaknesses became strengths. You were the right person at the right time to begin a transformation that will be a key to success in the future. We shared the good time and the bad, some of which we asked for and others we did not. The time spent together plotting and planning the future will be times we will cherish in the future when we look back with a smile and say, "Yea, We Really Did That". Everything we did, we did together. Thank you for allowing me to be a small part of this journey.

I do not want to overlook the contributions of your companions, your husband Brother Robert and your Sister Janice. They were there to listen to us crab and complain and did so with a smile offering their suggestions. They were there to help pack, plan and carry what we needed to keep going. The extra Mt. Dew was always appreciated. They were a very special part of a very special year and I cannot imagine doing this without them.

TO THE MUNCHKIN GRAND FAMILY

Proud and thankful are two words to express our gratitude for being part of the Munchkin Grand Family. It was a happy day when we received a positive response from each of you agreeing to join us. Your proud parents have stated on several occasions how lucky we have been to have each of you with us. You have traveled well and have represented our Order with dignity, honor and respect. Your ritualistic work is to be admired. You have given your time, talents and resources to be a part of this group. Collectively, we have come together as a true family sharing and caring for each other. Many of us are members of other Grand Families and have that special bond. Some will become members of other Grand Families. It is our hope that we continue to support each other.

We understand that the appointed officers were elected and not selected. We have been blessed to consider each of you as family and hope that your future is filled with as much joy as this past year has been to have you with the entire Munchkin Grand Family. Thank you to each of you for making this journey special.

TO MY WIFE AND COMPANION

Words cannot express my thanks and gratitude to my wife and companion. Our journey to the Grand East has passed quickly. You have shared your thoughts when I needed wisdom. You have assured me when I needed reinforcement. You have reacted when I needed motivation. You have kept me awake during our long drives and provided the necessary direction to be sure we arrived on time and in the right location. We began our journey over 44 years ago and if it possible, I love you more now than when we stood at the church alter and exchanged vows. Thanks for continuing to be there for me. I love you.

IN CONCLUSION

I would like to thank the entire membership of the Grand Chapter of Iowa for the friendship and fellowship extended over the past few years. In the beginning, a person does not completely understand the blessings that will follow. You have been very generous with you time, talents and resources to see that our vision in the service to others was met. The membership is the glue that holds our Order together.

Thank you to Brothers Jerry Jones (PGP) and Phil Corwin (PGP) for agreeing to be my pages during this year's Grand Session. After having served with each of you in the Candlelighters Grand Family, you have been a role model for me as you have "been there and done that"! You have led by example and continue to serve.

The jewel of the Past Grand Patron reminds us of many things. The experiences we have had, the people we have met, the places we have seen, the laughter, the loss of loved ones, the friendships made, the fellowship, and so many memories. What a privilege to have my good friend Brother Larry Niday design, construct and present this special pin. Your gifts and talents extend beyond your artwork. I am humbled and thankful for this opportunity and will wear this jewel with pride.

I could not have proceeded in this endeavor without the support of the Grand Chapter, staff, and Board of Trustees. The $2,000 contingency I received helped to offset approximately 50,000 miles of travel over the last couple of years as well as other personal expenses incurred. Your support has been priceless.

This is the path that I have chosen. I live life following the scripture found in Psalms 118:24 which says, "Let us rejoice in the day the Lord had made and be glad in it". This leads me to believe that "every day is a great day". The members of The Order of the Eastern Star continue to make every day a great day.
Thanks for everything.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S ITINERARY

October 2018	
Friday – Thursday 26-31	General Grand Chapter – Orlando, Florida
November 2018	
Sunday, 4	WGM/ WGP Joint Reception – West Des Moines
Friday, 9	Grand Esther Reception – Indianola
Saturday, 10	Grand Adah Reception – Altoona
Friday, 16	Grand Organist Reception – Muscatine
Saturday, 17	Grand Ruth Reception – Marshalltown
Sunday, 18	Grand Chaplain Reception – Toledo
Friday, 30	Grand Marshal Reception – Ankeny
December 2018	
Saturday, 1	Boone Home Christmas Party - Boone
Saturday, 1	Grand Electa Reception – Adel
Sunday, 2	Grand Warder Reception – Pleasant Hill
Friday, 7	Grand Sentinel Reception – Mason City
Saturday, 8	Barthel Home Christmas Party – Decorah
Sunday, 9	Associate Grand Conductress Reception – Davenport
Friday, 14	Grand Martha Reception – Sioux City
Saturday, 15	Associate Grand Patron Reception – Council Bluffs
January 2019	
Friday – Sunday, 11-13	State School – Pleasant Hill
Sunday, 13	Trustee Meeting – Pleasant Hill
February 2019	
Saturday, 2	Grand Conductress Last/First School – Burlington
Saturday 9	Grand Trustee Workday – Mt. Ayr
Saturday, 16	Associate Grand Matron Last School – Northgate – Des Moines
Saturday, 23	Cedar Falls & Coinette (Reinbeck) Joint School – Cedar Falls
March 2019	
Saturday, 2	Lady Washington Rhinehart School – Adel
Sunday, 3	Masons/OES Brunch – Altoona
Saturday, 9	Pleasant Chapter School – Pleasantville
Sunday, 10	Heartland Chapter Fun Day – Des Moines
Saturday, 16	Clinton Chapter School – Camanche
Sunday, 17	Linden Chapter Fun Day – Panora
Saturday, 23	Coral & Evening Shade Chapters Joint School – Spencer
Saturday, 30	Ankeny New Hope Chapter School – Ankeny
Saturday, 30	Rainbow Spring Fling – Des Moines
Sunday, 31	Albia and Centerville Chapters Fun Day – Centerville

April 2019

Saturday, 6	Laurens & Algona Chapters Joint School – Algona
Sunday, 7	Signet Chapter Fun Day – Spencer
Thursday – Friday, 11-12	Kansas Grand Chapter
Saturday, 13	Winterset Chapter School – Winterset
Friday, 26	Ollie Chapter Fun Day – Ollie
Saturday 27	Lamont, Pearl & Minnehaha Chapters Joint School – Colesburg
Sunday, 28	Camp Courageous Omelet Breakfast – Monticello

May 2019

Saturday – Saturday, 4 – 11	West Coast Cruise – Los Angeles to Vancouver
Tuesday – Thursday, 14 – 16	Nebraska Grand Chapter
Saturday, 18	Grand Trustee Meeting – Knoxville
Sunday, 19	South Gate Chapter / Rainbow Fun Day – Des Moines
Tuesday – Thursday, 21 – 23	Wisconsin Grand Chapter

June 2019

Saturday, 1	Davenport Chapter Degrees – Davenport
Sunday, 2	Barthell OES Home Plant Auction – Decorah
Friday, 7	Bona Dea, Holly & Toledo Chapters Fun Day – Toledo
Saturday, 8	Marion Chapter Fun Day – Marion
Sunday, 9	Bellevue Chapter Fun Day – Bellevue
Thursday, 13	Jessamine Chapter Fun Day – Iowa City
Friday – Sunday, 14 – 16	Rainbow Grand Assembly – Des Moines
Sunday, 23	New London Chapter Fun Day – New London
Friday, 28	Sibley Chapter Fun Day – Sibley
Saturday, 29	Loess Hills Chapter Degrees – Sioux City
Sunday, 30	Buena Vista Chapter Fun Day – Sioux Rapids

July 2019

Saturday, 6	Indianola Chapter Degrees – Indianola
Sunday, 7	South Gate Chapter Fun Day – Des Moines
Saturday, 13	Grand Trustee Meeting – Knoxville
Sunday,14	Bedford Chapter Fun Day – Bedford
Friday, 19	OES Golf Outing, Terrace Hills – Altoona
Saturday, 20	Educational Board Meeting – Altoona
Saturday, 20	Altoona Chapter Fun Day – Altoona
Sunday, 21	Tri Star and Knoxville Chapters Joint Fun Day – Eddyville
Friday – Sunday, 26 – 28	5 State Exchange – Sioux Falls, South Dakota

August 2019

Saturday, 3	Unity Chapter Degrees – Mason City
Sunday, 4	Ophir Chapter Fun Day – Osceola
Saturday, 24	All Iowa Event – Earlham
Sunday, 25	Exodus Chapter Fun Day – Exira

September 2019

Friday, 6	Job's Daughters – Council Bluffs
Saturday, 7	Council Bluffs Degrees – Council Bluffs
Friday – Sunday, 6 – 8	Iowa – Nebraska Exchange – Council Bluffs
Sunday, 8	Golden Rule Chapter Fun Day – Atlantic
Saturday, 14	Grant Trustee Meeting – Knoxville
Saturday, 14	North Gate Chapter Fun Day – Des Moines
Sunday, 15	Boone Home Picnic & Auction – Boone
Saturday, 28	Iowa Masonic Library Tour – Cedar Rapids
Saturday, 28	Cedar Chapter Fun Day – Cedar Rapids
Sunday, 29	Electa Chapter Fun Day – Muscatine

October 2019

Saturday, 5	Wisconsin/Minnesota/Iowa Exchange – Dodgeville Wisconsin
Sunday – Tuesday, 6 – 8	Missouri Grand Chapter – Jefferson City, Missouri
Thursday – Saturday, 10 – 12	South Dakota Grand Chapter – Pierre, South Dakota
Sunday, 13	Polk City Chapter Fun Day – Polk City
Thursday – Sunday, 24 – 27	"Over the Rainbow" Grand Chapter Session – Des Moines

SOLOIST: Sheila Kiehne, Vice Chair, Barthell O.E.S. Home Board
"How Great Thou Art"
ACCOMPANIST: Tammy Van Horsen Post, President, Eastern Star Educational Board

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister Sheila, thank you for sharing your special gift with us. Sister Tammy, it is always a pleasure to listen to your music. I want to offer a special thank you to your parents for enrolling you in lessons at an early age. It was a great investment.

PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON
Kenny Wogomon
Associate Grand Patron

Brother Bruce, we have enjoyed so many fun gatherings this last year. We have all enjoyed being a part of your Grand Family. It is indeed a great pleasure for me as Associate Grand Patron to present this Scrapbook of memories complied by your Munchkin Grand Family, District Instructors, the Board of Custodians and other special people who have been a part of your Star years. They say you reap what you sow, now, with that being said, you do of course realize that probably no less than ninety percent of the pictures you may find in this book will have been taken by you. The other ten percent will most likely have you in them.

Along with this lovely scrapbook please except this love gift on behalf of the Grand Officers, Companions, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, the District Instructors, Grand Representatives and Grand Chapter Committee Members as a small token of the respect, trust and love you have given throughout your year.

My Brother my friend my dad so many things I can call you now, but I think I like friend the most for today. Thank you so much for all you have done this last year for Iowa Eastern Star, and in all the years leading up to it. Take this, find a quiet spot on a quiet day and look back at the love we all have for you

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Brother Kenny for presenting me with this treasured book of memories. Also, thank you to everyone who participated by completing a page or adding to the love gift. It is a gift that will keep on giving as we have time in the future to look back. Like our friendships, the memories will last a lifetime. Thanks again to everyone who had a part in this.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers. Time passes very quickly when you enjoy what you are doing. What an honor and privilege it has been for me to serve the Grand Chapter of Iowa, thank you for entrusting me to this position.

The Munchkin Grand Family welcomed Tim and I, and it has been a joy getting to know each of you better.

The busy year began with the Grand Officers receptions. Attending each of their chapters and watching how proud they were of their Officer was a time to cherish. Each chapter greeted us with open are arms and feed us well.

It has always been a special time when we visit our OES Homes. In December we enjoyed celebrating Christmas with the residents and staff members at the Eastern Star Masonic Home in Boone and the Barthell home in Decorah, The Grand Officers entertained the residents with Christmas carols and gave them a gifts bag full of goodies. In the spring we returned to the Barthell Home for the Plant Auction and in September another trip to the Eastern Star Masonic Home for the Boone, Picnic and Auction. Both homes have amazing renovations and new building projects in the works.

January always bring us to State School, which was held at Des Moines Chapter #89, Pleasant Hill. December saw the two Nancy's busy copying, stapling and stuffing, getting the packets ready for the Worthy Grand Matron, Board of Custodians and our District Instructors, who by the way did a great job.

February through April I enjoyed traveling to various Chapters for their School of Instructions. I never tire of watching our Sisters and Brothers perform their work, Iowa still shines in their Proficiency.

The Board of Grand Trustees met in my office for most of their meetings scheduled this year. February, they held a needed works day to discuss and organize their thoughts on upcoming decisions that would need to be made.

I enjoyed watch the comradery and respect among the 5 members of the Board of Grand Trustees along with the Line Officers as they work together to make the right choices and decisions for what is best for our Order.

At the close of our 2018 Grand Chapter we had a total of 80 Chapters. Since that time there have been three consolidations. They are: Queen Victoria Chapter #310, Pleasanton with South Gate Chapter #547, Des Moines, Twin City Chapter #258, Douds with Ollie Chapter #549 and Buena Vista Chapter #309, Sioux Rapids with Laurens Chapter #265. This will leave us with a total of 77 chapters as of this date. I do have two in the process that will be completed by December. At the close of the 2018 Annual Reports, we had a total of 5480 members, that was a net loss of 407 members.

The amount of Per Capita continues to decrease due to the increase number non-paying dues member. This plays a large part in the decrease amount of income that Grand Chapter has for general expenses. This decrease continues to be a concern for our Board of Grand Trustees. Beginning November 1, 2018 through October 21, 2019 I have issued a total of 83 fifty-year certificates, this is a slight decrease from last year. At the beginning of 2018 we had a total of 2570 life members.

I did not hold a Secretary/Treasurers conference this year. I did have a few secretaries ask if I planned to schedule a conference, and my answer to them was plain and simple. I can't teach you what I don't know myself!

There were so many wonderful and memorable moments this year, but for me the highlight was the West Coast Cruise. Thanks to our WGM and WGP for allowing us this amazing opportunity. For those who have been following the progress of the Archive Report. I am happy to report that before the close of 2018 the scanning of the Annual reports, is now complete thanks to the many hours Brother, Larry Niday put into this massive project.

I wish to thank the Galaxy Committee for the work they have done this last year. Thank you, Sandy for nudging me on my articles. I appreciate the communication between us.

It was a great loss for Iowa Grand Chapter when we lost Sister, Bev Smith our Grand Treasurer. She always had gentle smile and calm manner about her. I remember as our year began and we were lining up at Jean and Bruce's reception, Tim came up to stand by me and he asked okay, where am I to stand, Bev Smith chuckled and said "you stand between the Debit and the Credit". Bev was a delight to work with and I have missed her dearly.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, I congratulate you have had a wonderful year traveling across the State of Iowa and beyond its borders, greeting the members and making new friends. You should be proud of what you and the Munchkin Grand Family have accomplished this year, and this evening you will get to celebrate the fruits of your labors.

Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, I wish the very best for you in 2020. Tim and I will be there to support you, your Grand Family and your special project any way we can.

Sister Cheryl and Brother John, in the event, may you have the best of time making special plans and choosing those special Sisters and Brothers; as you begin bringing your year together.

Sisters, Vicki and Mary, and so here we are, how exciting. All I can say is, listen, watch and take lots of notes on what is happening ahead of you, for soon that will be you!! My dear Sisters, I wish you both the very best.

A you may have already noticed, the table with the left-over pins, music, etc. has found its way to Grand Chapter again this year. Please visit the table, and if you see something you like, donate and it is yours. Thank you, Sister Loretta Coffman and anyone else who has helped sit at the table, thank you so much volunteering

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There are many rewarding moments in the job as Grand Secretary, one of those moments is getting interact with Chapter secretaries. I have enjoyed getting to know those Sisters and Brothers I have not had the pleasurer of meeting before. Thank you for assuming the office of Secretary, as one myself, I understand what this office entails.

Sister Nancy Niday, I don't even know where to begin…. you are kind, patient, understanding and just plain fun to work with. Thank you, Nancy, from the bottom of my heart for sticking with me, especially when I would say "can we do that again". I continue to learn every day, because there is always something new or different that pops up, thank you for not throwing in the towel on me. I treasurer our friendship.

In 1997 when I came home from a school in Akron, Iowa and told my husband Tim that Sister Marilyn Rozeboom had cornered me in the fellowship hall and asked me to be a District Instructor. I said, what do I say? Tim said, I will support you in whatever you want to do. Well, here it is 22 years later, and I am still receiving the love and support I have always felt. Thank you for always being there to encourage me, get me where I need to be and most importantly my best friend…I love you!

To the members of Iowa Grand Chapter, this organization would not continue to do what we do each year if it were not for your caring and giving to the projects each year. You are amazing and I am proud to call you my Sisters and Brothers.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Sister Nancy, for everything you've done for me this year. It has been a learning experience for us both!

CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS

CHAPTER	ESTARL	RELIEF	INTL TEMPLE	BOONE	BARTHELL	WGM 18 WGP 18	WGM19 WGP19	GR. CHAPT AND MISC	TOTAL
001Signet	98.00	0.00	0.00	120.00	10.00	0.00	50.00	74.00	352.00
025 Harmony	10,025.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	35.00	154.00	10,414.00
026 Valley	80.00	50.00		10.00	25.00	0.00	124.00	267.00	556.00
032 Electa	19.13	0.00	0.00	10.00	25..00	0.00	40.00	94.00	188.13
041 Coral	68.00	0.00	0.00	29.00	19.00	0.00	217.00	149.50	482.50
045 Oelwein	87.00	0.00	5.00	10.00	40.00	0.00	55.00	154.00	351.00
058 Unity	35.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	0.00	231.95	63.00	364.95
059 Twilight	62.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	155.50	559.00	301.50
065 Clinton	108.25	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	115.00	36.00	309.25
067 Central	116.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	28.00	0.00	100.00	76.00	345.00
068 Algona	320.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	741.75	151.00	1,412.75
073 Decorah	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	13.00	12.00	25.00
075 New Hampton	22.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	114.00	0.00	108.70	165.00	459.70
078Cedar Falls	124.00	0.00	0.00	18.00	42.00	0.00	108.00	1,048.00	1,340.00
085 Knoxville	48.50	0.00	0.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	144.00	246.00	468.50
089 Des Moines	59.25	0.00	0.00	47.25	47.25	0.00	276.00	80.00	509.75
091 Greenfield	152.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	31.00	233.00
099 Tri Star	48.50	0.00	0.00	53.00	81.00	0.00	173.65	137.30	493.15
100 Newton	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	64.00	0.00	0.00	103.00	197.00
102 Sibley	28.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	147.00	10.00	215.00
116 Evening Shade	55.50	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	38.50	244.00
125 Julien	28.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	130.00	0.00	66.75	187.00	411.75
128 Cedar Valley	65.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	12.00	0.00	37.33	22.00	156.33
135 Jessamine	147.00	105.00	0.00	0.00	46.00	0.00	356.00	28.00	682.00
138 Alta	5.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	18.00	73.00
143 Pearl	63.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	20.00	0.00	52.05	8.00	153.05
178 Davenport	355.00	50.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	585.62	527.00	1,567.62
180 Winterset	214.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	164.00	478.00
183 Marion	89.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	110.00	89.00	315.00
184 Cedar	57.25	0.00	5.00	31.00	30.00	0.00	291.00	16.00	430.25
194 Golden Rule	44.75	0.00	0.00	14.80	39.55	0.00	676.20	174.00	949.30
198 Aspasia	49.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	0.00	65.00	118.00	267.00
214 Clarinda	72.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00	0.00	12.00	101.00
228 Bedford	30.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	110.00	69.00	249.00
230 Liberty	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	32.00	102.00
239 Centerville	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
240 Albia	151.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	25.00	0.00	126.15	33.00	375.15
262 Northern Light	35.00	0.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	120.00	12.00	232.00
265 Laurens	95.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	0.00	200.00	88.00	418.00
267 Ophir	53.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	103.50
273 Coinette	61.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	120.00	107.00	338.00
284 Altoona	57.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	525.22	291.00	893.22
302 Silver Creek	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	230.00	71.00	566.00
305 Heartland	207.25	0.00	0.00	55.00	25.00	0.00	50.00	106.00	443.25
306 E.C. Blackmar	275.00	0.00	20.00	35.00	35.00	0.00	280.00	216.00	861.00
309 Buena Vista	1,201.00	0.00	0.00	24.00	19.00	0.00	420.00	34.50	1,698.50
310 Queen Victoria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	8.00
313 Exodus	69.90	0.00	0.00	33.50	33.50	0.00	58.05	38.00	232.95
328 Amber Star	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	14.00	39.00
335 Lady Washington/ Rhinehart	66.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	320.00	1,147.00	550.00
338 Indianola	203.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	240.00	55.00	523.50
344 Minnehaha	35.00	0.00	0.00	19.00	34.00	0.00	134.00	95.00	317.00
353 Waverly	145.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	52.00	297.06
356 Mount Ayr	96.00	0.00	5.00	58.00	25.00	0.00	99.05	86.00	369..05
359 Bellevue	78.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	400.00	32.00	560.00
361 Polk City	45.60	0.00	0.00	198.12	116.00	0.00	179.00	78.00	616.72
365 Purity	29.12	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	68.00	117.12
375 Bona Dea	112.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	3.00	190.00
378 Pleasant	100.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	40.00	0.00	537.00	122.00	814.00
380 Toledo	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	377.30	16.00	438.30
382 Fairest	27.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	33.25
415 Malta	28.00	0.00	0.00	55.00	55.00	0.00	143.00	214.00	495.00
417 North Gate	33.00	0.00	0.00	22.25	47.25	0.00	50.00	30.00	182.50

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440 New London	221.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	267.25	145.05	658.30
441 Council	27.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	21.00	316.54	20.00	484.54
472 Lamont	49.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	57.00	206.00
477 Holly	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	150.00	12.00	202.00
482 Linden	196.10	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	402.00	66.00	714.10
483 Artaban	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	81.00
486 Brighton	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	80.00
494 Wayland	75.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	69.00	194.00
502 Loess Hills	122.50	0.00	0.00	125.00	125.00	0.00	533.13	67.00	972.63
513 Ankeny/New Hope	99.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	48.00	0.00	230.00	70.00	472.00
523 Highland	55.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	55.00
544 Stockport	5.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	50.00	26.00	131.00
547 South Gate	42.00	25.00	0.00	10.00	25.00	0.00	902.00	26.00	1,030.00
548 Silver Azure	26.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	62.00	88.00
549 Ollie	194.00	0.00	0.00	44.00	37.00	0.00	86.00	47.00	408.00
552 Rose	93.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26.00	119.75
TOTALS	**17,569.66**	**280.00**	**50.00**	**1,871.92**	**2,409.55**	**38.00**	**13,281.19**	**7,330.55**	**42,830.87**

CHAPTER	ESTARL	RELIEF	INTL TEMPLE	BOONE	BARTHELL	WGM 18 WGP 18	WGM 19 WGP 19	GR. CHAPT AND MISC	TOTAL

2019 MEMBERSHIP

Chapter #	Location	**01/01/19** Membership	Audit Adj.	Initiations	Reinstatements	Affiliations	Consolidated	Deaths	Demits	Suspensions	**12/31/2019** Membership	**12/31/2019** Life Members
1	Carroll	196						149	3	1	178	100
25	Council Bluffs	75				2		10	2	3	62	20
26	Missouri Valley	54						6		0	48	25
32	Muscatine	33		1				2		1	31	7
41	Sanborn	73						3		1	69	31
45	Oelwein	79		1				3			77	44
58	Mason City	72						3	1	1	67	31
59	Spirit Lake	84				1		5		7	73	42
65	Clinton	89		1				3		3	84	51
67	Marshalltown	96				1		7			90	58
68	Algona	129						11	1		112	63
73	Decorah	41						5			36	13
75	New Hampton	32				1		1			32	10
78	Cedar Falls	86						4			82	26
85	Knoxville	18							1	1	16	4
89	Des Moines	116		2		2		8	2	6	104	38
91	Greenfield	72						2	1		69	30
99	Eddyville	56						3		1	52	27
100	Newton	65		4		2		3			68	23
102	Sibley	28							1		27	12
116	Spencer	59						3	2		54	16
125	Dubuque	57						4		3	50	17
128	Waterloo	78		2		1		3	1	3	74	30
135	Iowa City	102						6	2		94	46
138	Alta	66						5	2	1	58	32
143	Guttenberg	24				1		1			24	10
178	Davenport	114		4				6	4		108	42
180	Winterset	47		1		1				1	48	19
183	Marion	84				2		6	2		78	40
184	Cedar Rapids	54	1			1		3			53	24
194	Golden Rule	105						9	1	2	93	37
198	Sigourney	61						2			59	26
214	Clarinda	40						2		1	37	18
228	Bedford	76						1			75	40
230	Marne	55						3		2	50	11
239	Centerville	97						9	6		82	40
240	Albia	30						3	2	3	23	6
262	Northwood	37				1		1			37	15
265	Laurens	62	-1				31	6	5	1	80	47
267	Osceola	54						8		1	45	26
273	Reinbeck	57						4			53	31
284	Altoona	60		2							62	26
302	LeClaire	60						2	2	2	54	16
305	Des Moines	148			1			10	3	2	134	67
306	Burlington	119		5				4	7	3	110	42
313	Exira	72						3	1		68	30
328	Quick	34						4	3	2	25	12
335	Adel	80						3	1	1	75	36
338	Indianola	109		1				7			103	50
344	Colesburg	41						6			35	15
353	Waverly	65						2			63	15
356	Mount Ayr	92						7	2		83	36
359	Bellevue	30						1			29	10
361	Polk City	140		1		3		9	1		134	65
365	Wilton	67						6			61	29
375	Traer	55						2			53	32
378	Pleasantville	29							1	7	21	6
380	Tama	38								1	37	16
382	Fairfax	16									16	4

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415	Cedar Rapids	76		2				4	2	2	70	34
***417**	**Des Moines**	**115**									**115**	
440	New London	45									45	14
441	Council Bluffs	71		3		1		6	1	2	66	16
472	Lamont	16							2		14	7
477	Malcom	37									37	15
482	Linden	83			2			1			84	33
483	Donnellson	17						1			16	4
486	Brighton	113						8		8	97	61
494	Wayland	27				2				4	25	8
502	Sioux City	214		3				13	2	5	197	97
513	Ankeny	48						1	1		46	14
523	Siam	29									29	6
544	Stockport	43						2	1		40	20
547	Des Moines	93						4		1	88	38
548	Sioux City	94						6		7	81	34
549	Ollie	121						9	2		110	60
552	Ottumwa	99						9	1	2	87	36
	Totals	5449	0	33	3	22	31	308	72	91	5067	2232
	Consolidation #	31										
	Total members											
	January 1, 2019	**5480**										
	December 31. 2019	**5067**										
*	**NO REPORT RECD**											

CHAPTERS ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED BY TOWNS

TOWN	HANDICAP ACC	CHAPTER NAME	NO.	TIME OF MEETING	LOCATION OF MEETING PLACE
Adel	Yes*	Lady Washington/Rhinehart	335	3rd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	411 South 12th St
Albia	Yes**	Albia	240	1st Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	15 ½ S Clinton
Algona	Yes*	Algona	68	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	1413 N. McCoy St
Alta	Yes**	Alta	138	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	203 Main St
Altoona	Yes**	Altoona	284	3rd Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	707 8th St SE
Ankeny	Yes***	Ankeny New Hope	513	2nd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	1010 SW 7th Street
Atlantic	Yes***	Golden Rule	194	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	412 ½ Chestnut St
Bedford	No	Bedford	228	2nd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	617 Court Ave
Bellevue	Yes*	Bellevue	359	1st Tuesday after 1st Monday (7:00 p.m.)	206 N Riverview
Burlington	Yes***	E.C. Blackmar	306	2nd Monday (7:00 p.m.)	401 N 5th St
Camanche	Yes*	Clinton	65	2nd Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	220 9th Ave, Camanche
Carroll	Yes*	Signet	1	1st Monday (7:30 p.m.)	2002 N Hwy 71
Cedar Falls	Yes***	Cedar Falls	78	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	212 ½ Main St
Cedar Rapids	No	Cedar	184	2nd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	210 6th St NE
Cedar Rapids	No	Malta	415	1st Saturday (10:00 a.m.)	610 6th St NE
Centerville	Yes** ***	Centerville	239	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	216 ½ North 12th St
Clarinda	No	Clarinda	214	3rd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	117 ½ North 15th St
Colesburg	Yes*	Minnehaha	344	3rd Tuesday (10:00 a.m.)	508 Church St
Council Bluffs	Yes***	Harmony	25	3rd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	130 South 6th St.
Council Bluffs	Yes***	Council Bluffs	441	2nd Friday (7:30 p.m.)	130 South 6th St.
Davenport	Yes*	Davenport	178	2nd Monday (7:00 p.m.)	511 Veterans Memorial Parkway
Decorah	Yes*	Decorah	73	1st Saturday (2:00 p.m.)	911 Ridgewood Rd

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TOWN	HANDICAP ACC	CHAPTER NAME	NO.	TIME OF MEETING	LOCATION OF MEETING PLACE
Des Moines	Yes***	Heartland	305	2nd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	4133 Urbandale Ave.
Des Moines	Yes**	North Gate	417	3rd Monday (7:00 p.m.)	3843 6th Ave
Des Moines	Yes*	South Gate	547	2nd Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	1111 Randolph
Donnellson	Yes*	Artaban 483		1st Thursday after 1st Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	615 Chestnut St.
Dubuque	Yes**	Julien	125	3rd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	1155 Locust St
Eddyville	Yes*	Tri Star	99	3rd Monday (7:00 p.m.)	603 E Walnut St
Exira	Yes * ****	Exodus	313	2nd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	200 S. Jefferson St.
Fairfax	Yes**	Fairest	382	1st Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	323 Vanderbilt St
Greenfield	No	Greenfield	91	3rd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	209 W. Iowa St
Guttenberg	No	Pearl	143	2nd Wednesday (7:00 p.m.)	106 South 1st St
Indianola	Yes*	Indianola	338	2nd Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	1606 Hwy 92 W
Iowa City	Yes***	Jessamine	135	2nd Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	312 E College St
Knoxville	Yes*	Knoxville	85	2nd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	714 Willets Dr.
Lamont	Yes*	Lamont	472	1st Tuesday (8:00 p.m.)	627 Bush St.
Laurens	No	Laurens	265	2nd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	W Main St
LeClaire	Yes* **	Silver Creek	302	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.) except Sept—2nd Monday	113 S Cody Rd
Malcom	Yes*	Holly	477	3rd Tuesday (7:30 p.m.) Except August- 4th Tuesday	Highway US 63
Marion	No	Marion	183	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.)	684 10th St
Marne	Yes*	Liberty	230	3rd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	51 Washington St
Marshalltown	Yes***	Central	67	Jan—Feb 2nd Saturday (12:00 p.m.) Mar—Dec 1st Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	26 South 1st Ave
Mason City	Yes***	Unity	58	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	304 St St SE

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Missouri Valley	Yes**	Valley	26	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.) Except, Sept - 3rd Monday	310 E. Erie
Mount Ayr	Yes**	Mount Ayr	356	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.) Sept– 2nd Monday	121 ½ S. Fillmore
Muscatine	Yes*	Electa	32	2nd Monday (7:30 p.m.)	317 East 3rd St
New Hampton	Yes*	New Hampton	75	1st Monday (7:30 p.m.)	201 N. Locust Avenue (United Methodist)
New London	Yes**	New London	440	1st Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	128 West Main
Newton	Yes***	Newton	100	1st Monday (7: 00 p.m.) except Sept– last Mon in August	208 1st Ave W
Northwood	Yes**	Northern Light	262	1st Monday (1:30 p.m.)	99 8th St N
Oelwein	Yes**	Oelwein	45	3rd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.) Except Dec – Feb – (1:30 p.m.)	113 N Frederick
Ollie	Yes*	Ollie	549	1st Wednesday (7:00 p.m.)	207 Main St.
Osceola	Yes**	Ophir	267	1st Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	100 S. Park
Ottumwa	Yes*	Rose	552	3rd Thursday (1:00 p.m.)	611 E. Pennsylvania Ave.
Panora	Yes*	Linden	482	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.)	110 E. Market St.
Pleasant Hill	Yes*	Des Moines	89	1st Wednesday (7:00 p.m.)	5201 Maple Dr
Pleasantville	No	Pleasant	378	3rd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	110 W. Jackson
Polk City	No	Polk City	361	1st Monday (7:00 p.m.) Except Dept – Tuesday after Labor Day	106 N 3rd St
Quick	No	Amber Star	328	2nd Monday (7:30 p.m.)	27046 Highway 6
Reinbeck	Yes**	Coinette	273	2nd Saturday (9:30 a.m.)	118 Broad St

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Sanborn	Yes***	Coral	41	2nd Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	226 Main St
Siam	No	Highland	523	3rd Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	Main St.
Sibley	Yes*	Sibley	102	1st Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	704 4th Ave
Sigourney	Yes*	Aspasia	198	1st Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	207 S Jefferson
Sioux City	Yes**	Loess Hills	502	2nd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	4110 Morningside Ave.
Sioux City	No	Silver-Azure	548	3rd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.)	662 Fredette St
Sioux Rapids	Yes***	Buena Vista	309	1st Wednesday (9:30 a.m.)	First United Church 408 Thomas Street.
Spencer	Yes***	Evening Shade	116	2nd Tuesday (7:00 p.m.) Except Sept – 3td Tuesday	103 East 4th St.
Spirit Lake	Yes*	Twilight	59	1st Tuesday (7:30 p.m.)	3740 Aurora Ave
Stockport	No	Stockport	544	1st Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	120 S. Main
Tama	Yes*	Toledo	380	2nd Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	1105 E. 5th St.
Traer	Yes*	Bona Dea	375	1st Saturday (10:00 a.m.)	614 2nd St.
Washington	No	Brighton	486	2nd Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	108 1/2 N. Marion
Waterloo	Yes**	Cedar Valley	128	1st Wednesday (7:00 p.m.)	607 Bishop Ave
Waverly	No	Waverly	353	1st Thursday (7:30 p.m.)	203 3rd St SE
Wayland	Yes*	Wayland	494	1st Wednesday (7:30 p.m.)	218 West Main St.
Wilton	Yes***	Purity	365	3rd Monday (7:30 p.m.)	405 Cedar St.
Winterset	Yes**	Winterset	180	1st Thursday (7:00 p.m.)	109 ½ N 1st Street

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Connie Chase, Acting Grand Treasurer
Grand Treasurer Emeritus

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, this is a position that I never expected to occupy. The loss of Sister Bev Smith was a shock to everyone and left some necessary duties of Grand Chapter without someone to do the work. But here I am - to assist our beautiful order continue smoothly during the last few months of this year. I have tried to achieve that.

I have reviewed Sister Bev's records from November 1, 2018, and everything is as accurate and informative as we have expected from her work. She accomplished her duties for State School meals and completed all the Educational Loan repayment records through June of 2019. With the aid of Bev's family and Sister Jean's work with Well's-Fargo Bank in Davenport, I received all information needed - the balance of the bank account, files from Sister Bev's records, and checks for repayment of Educational Loans. All of that has been deposited into the appropriate accounts for Iowa Grand Chapter. It includes Educational Loan principal replacement and the interest paid on Educational Loans.

We also had one Educational Loan which was paid in full, one Educational Loan which was applied for and granted, and one Educational Loan which has become due and payable. Our new Grand Treasurer will receive information on handling these specific tasks and the other ongoing duties.

I was able to mail out the ESTARL Grants in late August. They were to:

5 (five) previous applicants 7 (seven) first time applicants

After the close of this Grand Chapter Session I will update all the books, records and procedures for the next Grand Treasurer. I hope it will make these duties easy to accomplish and keep our Grand Chapter functioning smoothly.

It has been a pleasure to work again with Sister Leona Hibben, secretary of the Educational Board as we worked together previously when I was Grand Treasurer. As always, working with Sister Nancy Ramthun has been pleasant and even almost as much fun as when we roomed together as District Instructors several years ago. Thank you, Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, for giving me this opportunity to be of service to Grand Chapter of Iowa OES. Finally, to the members of Iowa Grand Chapter, thank you for the warm comments and encouragement I have received from you after taking on this task. You are the best.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Sister Connie. We truly appreciate you agreeing to fill out the year due to Sister Bev's death. You stepped right in and got to work. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CLOSING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

CLOSING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

GRAND OFFICERS RETIRE

OCTOBER 26, 2019
Saturday Afternoon - 12:15 P.M.

PRELUDE: Vivian Pitlo, Past Grand Organist

OPENING WELCOME
Dorothy Masters
Past Grand Matron
Diane Bargfrede
Past Grand Matron

DOROTHY MASTERS: Good afternoon, Sisters, Brothers and Friends. Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure along with my good friend, Sister Diane, to welcome you to this business session. To our faithful Iowa members, your presence is an inspiration to our Grand Officers. To our visitors, we're glad you are here. We hope you have enjoyed our hospitality and will return again.

This is the time when new officers are elected, legislation is considered, and reports given. Listen carefully and vote for the Good of the Order.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, you have had a wonderful year. "Every Day has Been a Great Day!!!" Our main Project – "The Forgotten Ones: Alzheimer's Caregivers has created an awareness of the special needs for certain individuals including many of our members. The sensory quilts have been given to deserving people with memory challenges throughout the state. The workdays set aside for making the quilts provided a time of fun and fellowship for our members. This along with the "All Iowa Event" has through your leadership given us a very successful year. Your chosen watch words: Family, Friends, Faith, Flag and Freedom - have been the foundation of our journey on the "Yellow Brick Road!" For me personally, it has been fun being one of your Munchkins – renewing old friendships and making many new friends. Thank you!

Sister Polly and Brother Kenny best wishes as you assume the leadership of Iowa Grand Chapter. May your year be filled with much happiness and many rewarding experiences.

Sister Vivian, thank you for your beautiful music and for sharing your talent with us. Brother Kent, it has been a joy for me getting to know you and Cyndie this year. I know your invocation will be an inspiration to the membership. Thank you.

Sister Diane, we have shared many good times, much laughter and a few tears since 1984. Now we share the benefits of being in the same Grand Family. I know the members will enjoy hearing your words of welcome.

DIANE BARGFREDE: Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, good afternoon! Make every day, *an awesome* day!

Welcome to the business meeting of the 'Over the Rainbow' session. Today is an important day in our grand chapter. We will be electing new leaders to guide us into the future. Listen closely to the proposed legislation. Decisions made today can greatly affect

us for many years to come. Please give your undivided attention and be wise in your decisions.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, it has been a pleasure to serve in your grand family and I congratulate you on a successful year. With your watchword of 'faith' as a guide, you have followed the yellow brick road across Iowa and into many other states. You can be pleased that you and the Munchkin Grand family have inspired the members of our Order to serve. For, *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.* (Philippians 4:13) Thank you for the honor to share in the opening of the Saturday afternoon session. Soon you will be clicking your heels saying, "*There's no place like home".*

To Sister Polly and Brother Kenny and Sisters Cheryl and Vicki, I wish for each of you all the very best as you see your plans come together for the future.

Sister Dorothy, it is my pleasure to share the east with you this afternoon. My longtime Northwest Iowa friend, you are also known as Aunt Dorothy to the 1998 Hummingbirds. You were my very first District Instructor when I was Electa in my Rock Rapids Chapter. Remember I how scared I was of you; I must say I am still kind of scared of you. It has been great to serve with you in a grand family as companions, a new role in which we both had to learn our jobs and I do feel we have done it successfully.

Let us rejoice in the day the Lord has made and be glad in it. (Psalms 118:24)

CYCLONE……POWER CYCLONE……. POWER!

You might think the cyclone chant was in reference to the twister in the *Wizard of Oz*, but it was actually in support of the Homecoming football game at Iowa State today.

INVOCATION
Kent Strawn
Eastern Star Masonic Home and Picnic Committee
Past Grand Chaplain

Thank you for allowing me the honor of providing the invocation today, it is an important day with important items at hand and to be able to ask our lords blessing on these proceeding is absolutely my pleasure, no matter what I may have said when I got the email asking me to do this. Seriously thank you! Please assume the attitude of prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for this great day and for the safe travels throughout the year for our grand family "the munchkins". We are so grateful for the support of our members that have so graciously given to our Project "the forgotten one's" - we can hear and see the difference this project has made already for those that care for those that need but so often those folks are the ones forgotten in the process. Father we thank you for all that you provide for us and ask that you help us enjoy and share those gifts of love each and every day of our lives.

Blessed father, today we are charged with setting the course of the upcoming year and the years to come, we ask for your blessing on all those folks that will step forward and take on the daunting task of leading our organization into the future. We ask that you instill on each and every member, in this room the wisdom to make the choices they know are right for our Iowa Grand Chapter. We further ask that once the business before us is done each and every one of us can see it was the best of democracy in the best of the

organizations. Let us support the decisions of our membership and move forward to keep our organization strong and doing what we do best; sharing our love for each other and for you our God!

We read in the scriptures “we can do all things through Christ who Strengthens us” please help us understand and keep those words close to our hearts as we strive to do and achieve the goals of the leaders of this organization for the upcoming year. Lord help us make a difference and give us strength to do your good work and make this world a better place for all.

The days to come are bright and the future before us may be uncertain - therefore let us rejoice in the day you have made and be glad in it.

Father we ask this all in your son’s most precious name – Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

OPENING MARCH: Grand Officers

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

OPENING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good Afternoon, it’s now time to turn our attention to the business of Grand Chapter. Please think carefully and act for the good of our Order.

Sisters Dorothy & Diane thank you for opening this session of Grand Chapter. I am so darn proud of my two “kids”. It has been a joy to get to know you both better this year.

Brother Kent, thank you for giving the invocation this afternoon. You are another one of my “kids” this year. Cyndie, after trying to keep track of this guy this year, you have earned my sincere respect and admiration. ☺

Sister Vivian, thank you for your beautiful music. FYI – I am still having nightmares about seeing Bruce in a skirt with pom poms and me being dressed up as one of the Mario Brothers at Bellevue’s fun event. It was so much fun!

Birthdays are good for you. Statistics show that people who have the most live the longest.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister Dorothy and Sister Diane, thank you for opening our session this afternoon. Your contributions have had a tremendous impact on our Order and the opportunity to travel and learn from the two of you this past year has been wonderful.

Brother Kent, you have been a true and faithful member of the Munchkin Grand family. Thank you for your prayer today and for your continued friendship. Keep on smiling. People wonder what you are thinking.

Sister Vivian, thank you for your music. We have had a special bond since that faithful day several years ago when I backed my truck into you during a drill practice. And that skirt, well, let’s just leave it with that. Thank you to all.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
Kim Reason, Chairman
Past Grand Marshal

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers; My name is Kim Reason, Chairman of the Registration committee and Past Grand Marshal. Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, thank you for asking me to chair your Registration committee this year. It has been an honor. At this time, I would like to introduce the other members of the committee: Sisters Pat Mullenger, Cyndi Grosing, Cynthia Hagmeier, Janice Ruble and Irene Wachter. We have had an enjoyable time sitting at the Registration table greeting all of our Sisters and Brothers as they arrived for Grand Chapter.

The 2019 registration report is as follows:

Total number of Pre-registrations (Iowa Members)	@ $15	308
Total number of Pre-registrations (Iowa Members)	@ $20	16
Total number of Courtesy Registrations (Candidates)		3
Total number of Registration cards sold at the session		26
TOTAL NUMBER OF IOWA REGISTRATIONS		**353**
Total number of Pre-registrations (Out of State)	@ $15	58
Total number of Pre-registrations (Out of State)	@ $20	9
Total number of Out of State Registrations sold at session	@ $20	7
TOTAL OUT OF STATE REGISTRATIONS		**74**
Grand total of all Iowa registrations		353
Grand total of all Out of State registrations		74
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL REGISTRATIONS		**427**
Total registration fees deposited prior to Grand Chapter		$ 5,990
Total registration fees collected at Grand Chapter Session		$ 660
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL REGISTRATION FEES		**$ 6,650**

Worthy Grand Patron, the total number of Iowa registrations is 353.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you Sister Kim and the members of your committee. Sometimes your faces are the first people see when they arrive, and Grand Chapter and we thank you for your smiles and kindness.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we are about to begin the election of Grand Officers and Board Members for the ensuing Grand Chapter year. We will also be voting on legislation. It is of utmost importance that you remain seated and that no one enters or leaves the Grand Chapter room until all voting has ceased. Please remember to vote for the good of the Order and in the best interests of this Grand Chapter.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Carl Yoder, Chairman of Tellers
Past Grand Patron

CARL YODER: One of the duties of this 142nd Grand Chapter Session is to elect the Grand Officers and the Board members of our Order for the coming year. At the discretion of Sister Jean Koss, our Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Officers and the Board Members elected at this session will be chosen by nominations from the floor. Should there be more than one nominee for the same office; a written ballot will be taken to decide the choice. Instructions will be given for a written ballot before being cast. We shall proceed to do this, in compliance with the election rules as set forth by our Code. Section 14, last paragraph: Any member selected for an elective position in the Grand Chapter must be present in the Grand Chapter room at the business session of the annual election of officers to accept his/her election.

Section 15. Method of Voting in Grand Chapter: Voting in Grand Chapter shall be either by written ballot, by show of hands, or by a standing vote. The first method shall be taken in all cases of election of officers provided that when there is but one nominee for any elective office, the Grand Chapter may order otherwise. In the selection of a place to hold the Grand Chapter, the second method may be used at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron. In all cases, the second or third method may be taken unless (25) twenty-five members concur in a demand for a vote by the ballot, in which case the vote shall be so taken.

Section 16, Elective Officers: The elective officers of the Grand Chapter shall be a Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Conductress, and Associate Grand Conductress. They shall be elected annually.

Section 17, Elective Offices and Board Members: It may be permissible for a Worthy Matron or Past Matron or a Worthy Patron or Past Patron of an Iowa Chapter to submit to the Grand Secretary's office her/his name and qualifications for any elective position. Names of nominees other than self shall be accompanied by written consent of nominee. Names shall be in the Grand Secretary's office at least ninety (90) days before the formal opening of Grand Chapter. Said names and qualifications shall be sent to Chapters along with the proposed legislation after August 15th of each year and shall be announced immediately prior to the election.

Section 18, Majority Elects: In all elections of officers in Grand Chapter and in subordinate Chapters, a majority of the votes cast, shall be necessary to elect.

Section 19, Appointive Officers: The appointive officers of the Grand Chapter shall be Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Grand Organist, Grand Adah, Grand Ruth, Grand Esther, Grand Martha, Grand Electa, Grand Warder, and Grand Sentinel. They shall be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron with the approval of the Worthy Grand Patron at each annual session of the Grand Chapter preceding the time of installation, but no one of the appointive officers shall be eligible to an elective office in the Grand Chapter earlier than the second succeeding stated session of the Grand Chapter after her or his Installation in such appointive office.

Section 20, Restrictions: No member shall hold more than one Elected office, Appointed office, District Instructor appointment, Committee Member, elected or appointed, or Grand

Representative appointment in the Grand Chapter at the same time, during the same Grand Chapter year, and no officer of the Grand Chapter shall be eligible to re-election except the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. At least two of the Trustees shall be Sisters and at least two of the Trustees shall be Brothers, the fifth member may be a Sister or a Brother. There shall be no less than one Past Grand Matron and one Past Grand Patron, and not more than three may be Past Grand Matrons and/or Past Grand Patrons. This year it shall be one Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron and one Sister or Brother.

A member shall be elected to the Eastern Star Masonic Home Board at Boone for a term of five years. A term of one to expire each year. A member who has served two consecutive full terms, shall not be eligible for re-election until the lapse of one Grand Chapter year. It may be a Sister or a Brother.

A member shall be elected to the Barthell O.E.S. Home Board at Decorah for a term of five years. A term of one to expire each year. A member who has served two consecutive full terms, shall not be eligible for re-election until the lapse of one Grand Chapter year. It may be a Sister or a Brother.

As members of Grand Chapter, it is a privilege to vote and our responsibility.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you, Carl. We also have in attendance Brother Tim Ramthun, Chairman of Jurisprudence and Sister JoAnn Runyan, Parliamentarian.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

The offices were filled by nomination from the floor and the following were elected:

Worthy Grand Matron ..... Polly Miller
Worthy Grand Patron..... Kenny Wogomon
Associate Grand Matron..... Cheryl Payne
Associate Grand Patron .....John Whitaker
Grand Secretary ..... Nancy J. Ramthun
Grand Treasurer..... Kent Strawn
Grand Conductress .....Vicki Wallner
Associate Grand Conductress.....Mary Reicks
Board of Grand Trustees (five-year term).....JoAnn Runyan, PGM
Board of Grand Trustees (one-year term) .....Christa Guthrie
Boone Home Board..... Paula Larsen, PGM
Barthell OES Home Board..... Peggy Liekweg

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPTER COURTESY COMMITTEE

Beverly Reinert, Chairman
Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, before continuing with my report, I would like to introduce Sister Sandy Raab, co-chairman of the Iowa Grand Chapter Courtesy Committee. It has been a pleasure to plan and work with Sister Sandy. The Grand Families of the 2000 M&M s and 2010 Faith Walkers have been a great team. All the refreshments and goodies were provided by the Faith Walkers and the registration duties were the responsibility of the M&Ms. The Hospitality Room was set up on Wednesday evening and the registration table was in place to begin greeting our out of

state guests by the appointed time of noon on Thursday. A special thanks to each one who gave of their time and talents to assist during the past two days.

We were delighted to welcome so many to Iowa Grand Chapter. We were happy to greet two (2) General Grand Chapter Committee Members, four (4) Worthy Grand Matrons and two (2) Worthy Grand Patrons, thirteen (13) Elected Grand Officers, six (6) Appointed Grand Officers, eight (8) Past Grand Matrons, four (4) Past Grand Patrons, eight (8) Grand Representatives of Iowa in other Grand Jurisdictions and three (3) Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions, two (2) Grand Chapter Committee Members and two (2) Grand Lecturer/Deputy and twenty (20) companions of out of state guests or those with no title.

A total of 74 out of state guests. Only two (2) packets were not picked up. We were pleased to meet and greet each of the out of state guests and hope that each one enjoyed the time spent with us and plan to return many times.

A special thanks to Sister Nancy Ramthun, our Grand Secretary for all her help, to Sister Karen Wood, Chairperson of the Arrangements Committee for arranging all the transportation for those arriving by plane and to each one who helped in any way.

Thank you to Sister Jean for this appointment as it is always so enjoyable to meet our Sisters and Brothers from other Jurisdictions, meeting old friends and making new ones.

This is always a real enjoyable assignment. I know that Sandy and her Faith Walker Grand Family enjoyed meeting and greeting our out of state guests as did the M&M Grand Family. It is a lot of work, but it is labor of love.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you Sisters Bev and Sandy and your workers for your hospitality and making our out of state guests feel welcome.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

JoAnn Runyan
President and Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:
I have the pleasure and honor of introducing those members who have served on this Board for the past year: Brother John Whitaker, Vice President, Sister JoAnn Bergeson and Brothers Bill Post and Jerry Jones, Members. By their elections, Sister Jean and Brother Bruce also served as voting members of this Board. Please thank these members who are hard-working, diligent, supportive, and knowledgeable.

Your Board held five regular meetings this year – including an organization meeting following the election of officers at Grand Chapter. Even though no formal action could be taken, the Board also had two Saturday work sessions. We also communicated several times using electronic e-mail.

We were pleased that the Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, and Associate Grand Conductress also attended our meetings. The Board gives special thanks to Sister Nancy Ramthun, Grand Secretary, for preparing our financial reports, taking our minutes, and providing us with a meeting place. We thank Sister Nancy Niday for her continued work and support in the Grand Secretary's office. We were happy to have Sister Beverly Smith, Grand Treasurer, join us when her health

permitted. We were happy that Sister Connie Chase, Deputy Grand Treasurer, joined us in September to provide information about our Educational Loan Fund. The Board also appreciates the input from the Grand Chapter line officers who also participated in our meetings.

Members of the Board of Custodians also joined us in May to share ideas, thoughts, and mutual concerns. Thanks to Nancy Kiehne and Jane Green for discussing their Board responsibilities and strategies for the future. Each Board's responsibilities are different, but we feel it is important to work together to have a better understanding of our budget and to understand our mutual concerns as all of this has an impact on Grand Chapter activities including the work of the district instructors.

The primary responsibility of this Board is to monitor and provide financial direction for Grand Chapter. This requires us to be diligent as we continue to study our financial picture and work to meet our financial obligations. In addition to donations and gifts, Grand Chapter has only two real sources of revenue: per capita sent by chapters and interest generated from our investments. We realize that we cannot continually withdraw $40,000 per year from our investments to balance our budget. We lose financially in two ways –- not as much interest is received from investments and the investment principal is down. Previous Boards have also struggled with this issue.

The following list indicates some of the actions that the Board has taken throughout the year:

- Approved the investment policy recommendation by RBC Wealth Management to move some of the investments from a low risk to a more moderate risk to help increase our interest.

- Signed a contract to keep the Grand Secretary's office in Knoxville through 2021.

- Purchased a new computer for the Grand Secretary as well as a new copier and a paper shredder.

- Purchased the Macrium back up system to protect our archive computer and its documents that, at one point, were on microfilm and last backed up in 2017.

- Purchased new equipment including six new units that will accommodate twelve microphones and new lighter weight speakers for the Grand Chapter Sound Committee.

- Moved the ESTARL account and the Relief Funds from the RBC Wealth Management to the Great Southern Bank to make the fund more accessible

- Accepted the audit report from Don Croghan and Matt Russell of Donald W. Croghan CPA. The Grand Chapter audit also included reports from the Eastern Star Home at Boone and the Barthell Home in Decorah. This firm will no longer be handling audits. An accounting firm from Urbandale will provide us with assistance. We will investigate using a compilation report rather than a full audit as it is less expensive and would provide us with the necessary information.

- Voted to approve hotel expenses for District Instructors, the Board of Custodians, and working officers for one night at State School.

- Appreciated Sister Jean and Brother Bruce designating the profit from their All-Iowa Event to support Grand Chapter instead of their chosen state projects.

- Expressed support for making the Galaxy available on the OES website.

I feel like I have a better understanding and a greater appreciation of the service and dedication of these Trustees who face lots of challenges and financial decisions. My thanks for all they do and will continue to do for Iowa Grand Chapter. Thank you to the membership for the confidence you have placed in me.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you Sister JoAnn. I so enjoyed attending the Board of Grand Trustee meetings over the last few years. It has been a joy to see the work these dedicated individuals accomplish. You all have the best interests of this Grand Chapter foremost in your minds.

Proposed Budget for 2019-2020

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters, and Brothers: As part of your registration materials, you should have received a copy of the proposed budget for 2019-2020. Hopefully, you have reviewed it.

Your Board of Grand Trustees, with the assistance of our Grand Secretary, has been very diligent in attempting to present to you a realistic budget. We studied our expenses and tried to make cuts anywhere that we felt was feasible. We appreciate the efforts of the line officers in brainstorming ways that might help us to cut expenses – no matter how small. Our investors continue to tell us that if we continue to spend our general investments to balance our budget, we will be financially insolvent in ten years.

We have proposed a total budget of $165,765. Last year, the proposed budget showed a total of $173,815. In order to show a balanced budget, it requires that we take $40,115 from investments. Even though this seems like a huge amount, last year it was $48,615. This is a $8,500 decrease from last year. - a positive for Grand Chapter

Our total membership is approximately 5500 – a loss of around 400 members during 2018. Of those members, 2400 of them are life members who are not required to pay dues; however, many do pay. Some chapters also pay for their members. Grand Chapter struggles to operate in the black. A large part of our invested money is attached to special funds and projects and cannot be used for the general fund. Our budget tries to reflect a real view of our income and expenses.

I move the adoption of this budget for 2019-2020 Grand Chapter Fiscal Year.

2019 – 2020 Proposed Budget
General Fund

INCOME:		**EXPENSES:**	
Interest Income - General Fund	$ 12,500	PGM/PGP Jewels	$ 1,950
Per Capita – General Fund	$ 42,000	Proceedings	$ 1,500
Contributions – General Fund	$ 2,000	Trustee Expense	$ 0
Office Supplies – Sales	$ 6,000	Board of Custodian Expense	$ 0
Proceeding Sales	$ 500	Instructor Expense	$ 3,500
Session – Banquet - 2020	$ 31,000	Session – Banquet – 2019	$ 32,000
Session – Interest - 2020	$ 6,500	Session – Tent – 2019	$ 4,500

Session – Registration – 2020	$ 7,000	Session – Courtesy – 2019	$ 200
Session – Misc/Vendor Fee – 2020	$ 2,000	Session – Misc – 2019	$ 5,000
Galaxy	$ 2,500	**General Contingency Fund	$ 7,700
Per Capita – GGC	$ 5,800	Per Capita – GGC	$ 10,900
State School	$ 3,700	State School	$ 9,000
Postage Income from Sales	$ 500	Accounting Fees/Audit	$ 4,000
Miscellaneous Gr. Chapter Projects	$ 3,000	Supplies – Resale	$ 5,000
Meeting Income	$ 100	Office Supplies	$ 2,000
Miscellaneous Income	$ 550	Grand Chapter Project Exp.	$ 700
Records Management	$ 0	Telephone	$ 2,500
		Utilities	$ 2,700
***Principle from investments to balance budget**	**$ 40,115**	Insurance	$ 5,200
		Postage and Shipping	$ 3,100
		Rent	$ 7,440
TOTAL INCOME:	**$ 165,765**	Equipment Rental	$ 2,700
		New Computers	$ 2,000
*This reflects the amount of money that will be needed from our investment Principle to present a balanced budget.		Office Maintenance	$ 500
		General Printing	$ 150
		Dues & Memberships	$ 0
		Publications	$ 225
		Meeting Expense	$ 150
**General Contingency Fund		Payroll Tax Expense	$ 3,200
Worthy Grand Matron	$ 3,000	Salaries	$ 32,250
Worthy Grand Patron	$ 2,000	Wages – Assistant	$ 9,000
Grand Secretary	$ 1,000	Miscellaneous Expense	$ 300
Grand Treasurer	$ 1,000	Galaxy	$ 4,000
Associate Grand Matron	$ 700	Web Page	$ 300
		Sound System	$ 500
		Records Management	$ 1,600
		TOTAL EXPENSES:	**$ 168,765**
		INCOME OVER EXPENSES	**$ 0**

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF RELIEF
John Whitaker, Chairman
Vice President, Board of Grand Trustees

The Relief Committee of the Iowa Grand Chapter of the OES functions to help those who through no fault of their own, experience trials in their lives. During the past year, we received three requests to assist Sisters and Brothers in need. We met on conference calls for each request and granted relief to our Sisters and Brothers.

We realize that it can be difficult to ask for help. We ask our Lord to help us in times of need but often miss the angels that God sends to us. The OES Relief Committee may be that angel that the Lord sends us. If you have a need, we are here to help.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you Brother John. We did have several requests this year and we appreciate you pulling your board together to assist those in need.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN STAR EDUCATIONAL BOARD

Tammy Van Horsen Post
President and Past Grand Organist

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters & Brothers, it is my pleasure to introduce the members of the Educational Board: Sisters Leona Hibben, Secretary; Mary Ann Francois, Vice President and Brother Bill Howie, Member. We also appreciated the support of Sister Beverly Smith, who enjoyed serving as Treasurer to this Board

Our heartfelt thanks to Leona Hibben who has served a total of 12 years on the Educational Board. Her terms of service are complete after this Grand Session.

Only one (1) Educational Loan was granted this year, in the amount of $1,500.

We encourage all members to continue to remind people of both the ESTARL and Educational Loan programs.

Our annual meeting was held Saturday July 20, 2019 at Christ Lutheran Church in Des Moines, IA. The decision was made to meet there to allow those attending to also go to the Altoona afternoon fun day. In addition to the Board members, those attending included: Sisters Jean Koss, Polly Miller, Cheryl Payne and Vicki Wallner and Brothers Bruce Thomas and Kenny Wogoman

Our membership once again generously supported the ESTARL program. Purchases of note cards, cross pins, coin marches throughout the year and “in memoriam” donations when Chapter members passed away, as well as general contributions from individuals towards ESTARL are received and tracked through the Grand Secretary office. Thank you, Sister Nancy, for diligently tracking these donations.

The 3rd $4,000 award from the Geraldine Wickhart bequest was available to be awarded to one applicant. Several years ago, Cliff & Bev Godsey had given a generous gift to the ESTARL program. Through the years the Grand Trustees have overseen this investment and it has grown in value. After talking with Sister Bev Godsey, it was decided to start awarding $1,000 to one applicant each year until their gift is depleted. The Grand Trustees will continue to oversee this investment. The Grand Officers once again earned additional monies through their nut sales. Additionally, Harmony Chapter, Council Bluffs, gave a very generous donation of $10,000 to be awarded to ESTARL recipients.

At our July meeting all 12 completed applications were reviewed & discussed by all attending. 5 of the applicants had previously received ESTARL Awards. The Board, WGM/WGP, Line Officers and AGP awarded the Grand Chapter funds based on a “point system” that has been utilized for a number of years. WGM Jean & WGM Bruce then determined how the Grand Officer monies were to be distributed.

THANK YOU to everyone who had a part in making **a total of $29,951.96 available for ESTARL grants**! A complete listing of the names and amounts given to each recipient will be printed in the Official Proceedings of Grand Chapter.

As appointed Educational Board members we thank the Worthy Grand Matron’s who asked each of us to serve on this Board. It truly is a joy, amongst the hard work, to serve Grand Chapter in this capacity.

We hope you will attend the ESTARL worship service tomorrow morning. Our guest minister will be Rev. Craig Ferguson, who has received 2 ESTARL awards from Iowa Eastern Star.

2019 ESTARL Recipients:

Previous Applicants:

Applicant Name	Award
Darcy Metcalfe	$ 1,900.56
Dalend Pearson	$ 2,134.87
Patrick Mulloy	$ 2,186.94
Lih-Wen Lee	$ 2,108.84
Craig Ferguson	$ 2,134.87

1st time Applicants:

Applicant Name	Award
Alisha Ungs	$ 6,239.01
Logan Ellis	$ 2,108.84
Kay Christie	$ 1,978.66
Regina Harrison	$ 1,624.58
Nathan Ferguson	$ 2,108.84
Reghan Harms	$ 3,395.22
Deb Devine	$ 2,030.73
Total Grants	$29,951.96

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you Sister Tami. We realize how much hard work is put into choosing these applicants, but we also know it is a labor of love.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
Tim Ramthun, Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers.
It is my pleasure to introduce the other members of the Jurisprudence Committee, Brothers Jack Nelson and Larry Jones. It has been an honor to have served with these two brothers this past year.
The Legislation this was submitted in a timely manner. We would like to thank Sister Nancy Ramthun, Grand Secretary for forwarding the legislation to each one on the committee and assisting with additional contacts and information to prepare the legislation.
Our Committee generally corresponded through emails. We also contacted each other at visitations. We had one meeting held in Pleasant Hill to review the Legislation which had been submitted.

The legislation was given to the Advisory Board on Friday October 25th, 2019 at 0900 am. Discussion was held and votes were cast:
The Legislation was read to the membership on Saturday 26, 2019. There was a total of five items to be addressed. Voting and discussion following each legislation being read. It was noted that Legislation: Dual Members Section 111 (h) page 47-49, that there is a TYPO to the Session Number and recognizes that it should read 142nd Session.

DIVISION I
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE II.
Of Whom it Consists
Page 3

Section 5. No one shall be eligible to hold office in this Grand Chapter except members who have attained the rank of Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron in some Subordinate chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction and no husband and wife of the same family shall serve as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in this Grand Chapter in the same year.

Proposed Change:
After the word Jurisdiction add: **with the exception of the office of Grand Organist.** Remove the word "and" and start a new sentence with "No".

Section will now read:
Would now read: Section 5. No one shall be eligible to hold office in this Grand Chapter except members who have attained the rank of Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron in some Subordinate chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction **with the exception of the office of Grand Organist. No** husband and wife of the same family shall serve as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in this Grand Chapter in the same year.

Rationale: Due to the lack of qualified, willing, eligible and able members, it's extremely hard to find a Grand Organist who can play. Changing it to two sentences to stop the run-on sentence.

Advisory Board: Aye 28 Nay 1 Abstain 1

CARRIED

DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF CHAPTERS
Page 52
Section 122. GRAND CHAPTER DUES —
(2009) The Grand Chapter dues shall be due on the first day of January each year. Each Chapter shall pay as Grand Chapter dues for all members upon its roll for the year ending December 31st preceding, including affiliates and initiates (except those whose dues have been remitted, those who hold life certificates, and those entitled to prepaid credit for dues paid before the transfer of membership) a per capita tax of fourteen dollars ($14.00) per member plus the General Grand Chapter Per Capita amount, which sum shall be apportioned as follows: fifty cents ($.50) for the Eastern Star Masonic Home, fifty cents ($.50) for the Eastern Star Board of Relief, the payment of the General Grand Chapter Per Capita and the balance for the maintenance of Grand Chapter.

Proposed Change:
Delete the underlined wording concerning apportionment of dues to the Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone. **Section 122. GRAND CHAPTER DUES —**
(2009) The Grand Chapter dues shall be due on the first day of January each year. Each Chapter shall pay as Grand Chapter dues for all members upon its roll for the year ending December 31st preceding, including affiliates and initiates (except those whose dues have been remitted, those who hold life certificates, and those entitled to prepaid credit for

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Rationale:
The Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone is financially independent. With the agreement of the Boone Home Board, the Home does not depend upon the fifty cents ($.50) received from Iowa Grand Chapter. The amount paid by chapters to Grand Chapter would remain the same at fourteen dollars ($14.00). However, the fifty cents – no longer apportioned to the Home – would be added to the amount utilized for the maintenance of Grand Chapter. Since the main sources of revenue for the operation of Grand Chapter come from interest on investments and Grand Chapter dues. It becomes increasingly difficult, with declining membership, to function without depending too heavily upon investments. This would generate additional budget revenue for the operation of Grand Chapter.

The Section would then read:
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Advisory Board: Aye 31 Nay 0

CARRIED

REVENUES OF GRAND CHAPTER
Page 27

Section 64. DISTRIBUTION OF DUES—
Chapters shall pay such per capita annual dues to the Grand Chapter as may be law be authorized by the Grand Chapter. The Grand Chapter shall determine by law what portion of annual dues shall be apportioned to the Eastern Star Masonic Home, the Eastern Star Board of Relief, and for Grand Chapter purposes.

The per capita tax determined by law for the maintenance and support of the Eastern Star Masonic Home shall be based upon the entire membership as of January 1, immediately preceding the Grand Chapter Session, and also the per capita of new members during the current subordinate Chapter fiscal year. The per capita shall be remitted to the Eastern Star Masonic Home Board as collected.

Proposed Change:
Delete the reference in paragraph one to the annual dues apportioned to the Eastern Star Masonic Home. Delete the entire second paragraph that applies to how Per Capita will be distributed to the Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone

Will then read:
Chapters shall pay such per capita annual dues to the Grand Chapter as may be law be authorized by the Grand Chapter. The Grand Chapter shall determine by law what portion of annual dues shall be apportioned to the Eastern Star Board of Relief, and for Grand Chapter purposes.

Rationale:
This section is no longer applicable if the per capita paid by chapter to Grand Chapter is no longer used to subsidize the Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone

Advisory Board: Aye 30 Nay 0

DUAL MEMBERSHIP – Section 111
Page 49
Sub-section (h)

(h) Dual members must pay dues in both Chapters and shall be entitled to all the right and privileges of membership in both, except that such dual members shall not hold any one of the four principal offices or that of Secretary in more than one chapter at the same time.

Proposed Change:
The amendment would be to remove this exception…except that such dual members shall not hold any one of the four principal offices or that of Secretary in more than one Chapter at the same time.

Would then read:
(h) Dual members must pay dues in both Chapters and shall be entitled to all the right and privileges of membership in both.

Rationale:
The purpose of dual membership is to increase the number of active members in each Chapter and to help eliminate the need for mere Chapters to consolidate. By having Dual Membership, we are reducing the need to consolidate chapters; however, in some chapter as members age, they are less willing to accept one of the top elective positions. This is resulting in one officer retaining the same position for multiple years or the chapter consolidating with another Chapter. We are finding dual members are more willing to accept offices in more than one chapter at the same time which helps keep both Chapters active. By eliminating the exception, dual members receive and extend all rights and privileges to both Chapters and provide support as needed.

Advisory Board: Aye 30 Nay 0 Abstain 1

CARRIED

Resolution for 142ND Session of the Grand Chapter of Iowa
Resolution to add a Service Dogs Committee to the list of Standing Committees of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, Order of the Eastern Star:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
The following new committee be added to the list of Standing Committees of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, Order of the Eastern Star as found within the Code in

Sections 44 through 52 (pages 20-23):

Proposed new Standing Committee, if approved will then read:

SERVICE DOGS COMMITTEE -
The Service Dogs Committee shall be a revolving committee consisting of three members. Each year one member shall be appointed for a term of three years, thereby staggering the term expiration dates of its members. The member serving the one-year term shall be the Chairman. If an Iowa member is appointed to the General Grand Chapter Service Dogs Committee, that person shall also be an ex-officio member of the committee. The duty of this Committee shall be to promote an annual Service Dog Project to be selected by the Worthy Grand Matron. develop a program whereby the Order of the Eastern Star will actively support a respectable The Committee shall work with the Grand Secretary to track all project proceeds and shall also report the results of the project to the General Grand Chapter Service Dogs Program Committee Triennially.

Rationale:
At the Triennial Assembly in 2015, the General Grand Chapter approved legislation to make Service Dogs the permanent and identifying charity of the Order of the Eastern Star. All proceeds of an annual Service Dog Project are to remain in each individual Jurisdiction. This brings our Code into compliance with this new General Grand Chapter premier charity while allowing each Worthy Grand Matron to choose the specific Service Dog organization she'd like the proceeds donated to during her term as Worthy Grand Matron.

Advisory Board: Aye 18 Nay 9 Abstain 4

Discussion ensued with 3 points of discussion for and 3 points of discussion against. A written vote was requested.

DEFEATED

REPORT OF THE TLC COMMITTEE
Lorraine Hagmeier
Chairman

Sisters, Brothers and friends; what a fun year this has been for me and my committee. I am Lorraine Hagmeier a member of E.C. Blackmar Chapter, Burlington. The other members of the committee are: Linnea Clausen from Coral Chapter, Sanborn, who is unable to be here today, Linda Hascall, Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic and Joann Olson, from Polk City Chapter. In fact, as I sat on the sidelines, my mind was planning the next busy quilt. Jean, do I need to go to JoAnn's Fabric or Dollar General or maybe there is a goodwill store nearby?

I want to thank the 31 chapters that sent in reports to me. I was so glad to hear of everyone's involvement in this project. The sewing days hosted by several chapters were fun and very successful. The totals reported to me were:

- Weighted blankets made 6
- Sensory lap quilts 284
- Sensory muffs 92

Total number of hours reported for this years' TLC projects reported was 733.

Many of our members still make the port-a-cath pillows, quilts of Valor, prayer shawls, mittens for school children, teddy bears for emergency rooms and participate in Meals on Wheels. One chapter reported they have a local church starting to work on the project as well.

Thanks to our dedicated members for all their hard work and to Worthy Grand Matron, Jean and Worthy Grand Patron, Bruce for asking the four of us to lead the way. I hope that we have helped you in achieving your goals. Sewing is cheaper than therapy!

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Lorraine. OMG – just OMG! Sister Lorraine, you and your committee took our suggestions to heart and ran with it! The activity/fidget mats, the knitted/crocheted activity muffs – wow, wow, wow! Rumor has it, the Dollar Tree/Dollar General in your area has hit all time sales high this year – is that true? Thank you.

REPORT OF THE STATE PROJECT CHAIRMAN

Kaylene Kiewiet
Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: Wow, it's really hard to believe how quickly this year flew by. It has been my pleasure to serve as Chairman of the State Projects this year. I want to thank last years' Chairman, Sister Cyndie Strawn for her guidance and Judy Boden, my Co-Chairman this year, for all of their help and support. Many of you helped this year when I could not be at events because of family health issues. I couldn't possibly list all of you, but please know I could not have done this without your help. Thank you so very much. I appreciate all that you did.

To say it was a very busy year is an understatement! I also had the privilege of working with 10 awesome District Project Chairmen, as we roamed all over the State on the "Yellow Brick Road", attending as many events as possible selling and promoting our projects. Thank you for your dedication to OES and hard work. It was like Christmas every month opening up your reports to see what had been sold and collected. The beautiful Cardinal Pin was the most popular, but all of them, including the Flag and Cross, along with the 4 beautiful quilts made by Pat Burch, were a big hit. We will continue to sell pins and chances on the quilts at the state project table. Thank you, Pat Burch for your time, talent and dedication on making and donating these 4 beautiful quilts.

Congratulations to our Top salesperson this year, Sharon Guffey-Lewis, from District 5 and Runner-Up Lark Randall, from District 3. Great job everyone. As of this writing, our sales total is $11,474. And a great big thank you to everyone who purchased something, big or small, and supported the projects. As a reminder, everything we do brings recognition to our beautiful Order.
Thank you to WGM Jean and WGP Bruce for this appointment ...and also Thanks to PGM Ellen and PGP Charlie for the Co-Chair Appointment last year. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve all of you and your Projects.

In closing, I would like to quote one of my favorite Bible verses that I have in my office. I think it pertains to all of us in Eastern Star...and always reminds me to lead a life of service. ***Gal. 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time you will reap a harvest if you do not give up!***

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, we thank you for the time and talent that you shared with us this year. Your willingness to promote and sell our projects is truly appreciated. Thank you. *A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man.*

PRESENTATION OF DISTRICT PROJECT CHAIRMAN

Pam Bruns, District #1
James Deitrich, District #2
Lark Randall, District #3
Jennifer Diller, District #4
Joe Reed, District #6
Jody Connor, District #7

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WORTHY GRAND PATRON: *Even a stubborn mule knows you have to pull together.*

TRIBUTE TO ASSOCIATE PATRONS
Kenny Wogomon
Associate Grand Patron and Past Grand Marshal

Associate Patron the Brother behind the Brother. The oath says to perform all the duties in the absence of that officer referring to the Worthy Patron. This is indeed a great responsibility and an honor, as you have been elected to a position that not only has you performing the duties of the Brother in the West which include the proper set up of the chapter room, along with the Marshal Assoc. Matron and the Assoc. Conductress, it also comes complete with its own ritual work to include the now not so optional short lecture. It signifies that at a moments' notice you will be willing and ready to step in for the Worthy Patron and perform his duties in the East including assisting the worthy matron when requested and the knowledge and execution of his ritual and floor work also knowing when to sit stand and move on the dais.

That my friend is a good deal of responsibility. You would not have been nominated elected and installed into that office if your chapter was not sure that you were capable, deserving and willing to take the office and the duties that come with it. This year, as most in the past you have had the privilege of giving the flag tribute which has been written by our Worthy Grand Patron and I consider it an Honor to read.

I hope you have used your time in the west to get to know all of the work needed both east and west and to meet with all of the members of your chapter. As day passes to night and weeks to years, we rejoice in the selections we have made to have such dedicated brothers on side of the setting sun give us confidence that the work to be done will be well handled.

PRESENTATION OF ASSOCIATE PATRONS
Associate Grand Patron and 14 Chapter Associate Patrons

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: *Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Your office tells us you perform all the duties of the Worthy Patron in the absence of that officer. This is only a small portion of your contributions. You add to the stability of our chapters. Thank you for all you do and for your continued support.

TRIBUTE TO SECRETARIES
Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

To our Sisters and Brothers who wear the badge of the crossed pens within a star, an emblem of intelligence, we salute you. The words “Thank You” can barely express our appreciation for the work you do each day in our chapters.

As you well know, your station carries significant responsibility as you are charged with recording the business of our chapters, conducting our correspondence and in conjunction with the Treasurer, keeping accurate records of the Chapter’s finances. Without your dedicated service and attention to detail, the history of our chapters and the good deeds of our companions would go unrecorded and our legacy will be forever lost.

It takes a special person to fulfill the duties of secretary. It requires dedication and love; compassion and devotion; faithful service and commitment plus the ability to multi-task during chapter meetings.

To each one of our Secretaries, many of whom have served in their stations for numerous years, we offer our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for a job well done. Please know that the work you do is recognized and greatly appreciated. All the best to you as you continue your dedicated service.

PRESENTATION OF SECRETARIES
Grand Secretary and 34 Chapter Secretaries

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Chapter Secretaries have always held a special place in my heart. My mother was secretary for 64 years! Your duties are vital to the success of our chapters. *Always remember that you're unique. Just like everyone else.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: You are our rock and our foundation. All things run through you and without you our lives are filled with a lot more stress. Your efforts keep us organized and on task. Thank you for your efforts

TRIBUTE TO RUTHS
Tribute by: Judy Hill, Grand Ruth

The story of Ruth is one of the most beautiful stories ever written. Naomi, aged and dependent, would have undoubtedly suffered without Ruth’s dedication to assist in her maintenance.

Today we honor all those who have served as the Yellow Ray of Ruth with her undying devotion. She bravely left her own family and friends to follow her mother-in-law to a land of poverty and despair.

The Sheaf is an emblem of plenty and reminds us to gather here a little and there a little to provide for the infirmities of age.

The yellow jessamine is dedicated to Ruth because of its meaning of humbleness as she gave of herself working in the fields of Boaz to support herself and Naomi.

Let us never assume that the happenings of our lives are random. God has a plan for each of us and we should listen for his instructions and follow the path on which he leads us.

My Sisters, be faithful to the duties of your station, ever teaching that honor and justice which Ruth portrayed in the touching and beautiful incidents of her life.

May God bless all of you as you faithfully give of yourselves to our beautiful Order and our God.

PRESENTATION OF RUTHS
Grand Ruth and 11 Chapter Ruths

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: To our Ruths – you represent the yellow ray of our Star. Thank you representing this heroine of our Order. *A balanced diet means a cupcake in each hand.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Constancy teaches us to be faithful and dependable. A valuable lesson for everyone in our travels through life.

TRIBUTE TO ESTHERS
Cyndie Strawn, Grand Esther

The Book of Esther in the Old Testament tells the story we are familiar with. After the divorce of Queen Vashti, the most beautiful women from all of the empire were brought to the palace that the King might select her successor. The choice fell upon the beautiful Jewish maiden. Soon after her accession a great crisis occurred in the history of the Jews. The entire people were threatened with destruction. Esther, noble queen was prepared to sacrifice her crown and life to save her people from destruction. By this heroic action she is given a distinguished place among the women of the Bible, the great enemy of the Jews was destroyed, and the King spared the chosen people.

Esther is the ideal wife. She was successful not only in fulfilling her duty to her husband, but she also remained loyal to her own principles, loyal to her family and friends, and met her obligations of duty to her God and her people.

The color appropriate to Esther is white a symbol of Light, Purity and Joy, which teaches purity, innocence of soul and holiness of life.
Esther's flower is the white lily, a symbol of purity and peace. It seems appropriate as she remained pure of heart and was successful in her efforts to maintain peace between a captive people and their conquerors. Her name means "Star" and she was indeed a star of hope for the Jewish people in their time of need.

The crown and scepter united means royalty and strength. The crown symbolized victory and distinction. The scepter represents authority. Together they symbolize that their force of power and authority should be used to achieve justice for all people.

The sun, a symbol of light, power and strength, provides us with the deeper meaning of this heroine's story. As Esther gave enlightened leadership in a case of extreme

emergency and it made her the strength and power of her people, so Christ the Son of Righteousness brought God's enlightened leadership into the world and is a source of poser and strength for his people.

As the third point of the Star, the "Wife's" sign or the sign of Esther, I have been honored to join those that came before me and those that will follow in the telling of the story of the heroine we represent and reveal the moral principles which are essential to each individual's existence.

PRESENTATION OF ESTHERS
Grand Esther and 9 Chapter Esthers

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: My Sisters – your story is a beautiful story about loyalty to our family, our friends and our God. A good lesson for us all to remember. *Life is like juggling pitchforks: everyone knows when you mess up*.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Loyalty to ourselves, our family, our friends and our God brings a calm into our lives. It sometimes takes courage. This is another stone in the foundation of our service to others.

PRESENTATION OF WORTHY MATRONS/WORTHY PATRONS OF CHAPTERS 1 – 552
34 Sisters and 34 Brothers

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: To each and every one of you – THANK YOU for taking on the leadership positions in your Chapter. Thank you also for your loyalty and dedication to our Order. *Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Saying thank you isn't enough for the service provided by our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. Many of you have filled this station several times. We are grateful to you.

TRIBUTE TO PRO-TEMS AND SIDELINERS
Carol Nelson, Grand Electa

Good afternoon. Today, I have the honor and privilege to pay tribute to our sideliners and pro-tems. When we all joined our lovely Order, our Eastern Star journey began as a sideliner which provided us the opportunity to learn about our ritual and the meaning of our stations that our Order teaches. We, then have the opportunity to participate as an officer. Today, as a sideliner, you are always there to support and encourage each other and at times to step in and to help out where needed as a pro-tem.

Most chapters today need pro-tems to help maintain a full court of officers especially now when our membership is declining. Your support as a pro-tem means a great deal to the Worthy Matron when the chapter does not have all the stations filled.

Our sideliners always help in creating new ideas for activities for our chapters and to help elsewhere whenever needed. I believe that all sideliners and pro-tems are an integral part of the backbone of our Order. Therefore, I would like to say "Thank You" to everyone for being a sideliner and to those who help out at our stated meetings as a pro-tem. Thank you for all your help and support.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: If you have ever pro-temed in another chapter, please stand. If you have ever just attended to a meeting and were a sideliner, please stand. As you can see, this is the majority of our membership. Thank you all for helping out other chapters and going to meetings to support other chapters as well! *Always dance with the one who brought you unless it is your cousin.*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Your support when and where you can, is the true measure of a servant to others. Thank you for your contributions to the chapters.

PRESENTATION OF PROJECTS FOR 2020
Polly Miller, Associate Grand Matron
and District Instructor

It is with pleasure that we present the projects which we will be supporting I 2020. Our main project is called H.O.R.S.E. Therapies in Motion. H.O.R.S.E. is an acronym for Helping Our Riders Surpass Expectations. We will be supporting a facility called Timber Creek Therapy outside of Guthrie Center. They provide Hippo Therapy (horse therapy). They have found that certain kinds of horses have a gait that mimics the way a human's pelvis moves and by riding the horses, many injuries, etc. can be improved. This is only one of the methods of therapy offered at this facility. We will be raising funds by the sale of a Rose pin, the annual Golf Outing, baked goods at the conferring of the degrees and coin marches at Official Visits in May, June and July.

We will continue to support ESTARL with the sale of the Butterfly/Cross pin. This pin was designed by my pastor. We will also raise funds by the sales of nuts by the Grand Officers, notecards and coin marches at Official Visits in February, March and April.

Brother Kenny explained that for our Youth, we will be collecting pop tabs and collecting box tops for schools. A pin, which is a replica of the truck which our Worthy Grand Patron and his wife drive, will be sold. The proceeds will also benefit our youth.

We will continue to support our TLC project with fidget quilts, activity muffs for our residents and Boone and Barthell, chapter sewing days and projects of choice by our chapters and members.

We continue supporting our homes at Boone and Decorah with the sale of the March Music and CDs, coin marches at Official Visits in August, September and October. We will also continue our Christmas parties at the homes as well as the plant sale at Barthell and fall picnic at Boone.

Grand Chapter will be supported by the sale of an Eastern Star tote bag, Masonic family decals and proceeds from the All Iowa Celebration

For those who are interested, we will be taking a cruise in June. We will fly out to Boston and board the cruise ship and sail up the Northeastern coast ending up in Canada and then fly back home.

We are continuing to support our GGC Service Dogs project with information and awareness.

KENNY WOGOMON: Worthy Grand Matron, I move the acceptance of the projects for 2020.

CARRIED

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, we look forward to your special plans next year. I know our Iowa membership will be supporting you and your projects. Enjoy your year – it does fly by!

REQUEST FOR OPEN INSTALLATION
Kenny Wogomon, Associate Grand Patron

KENNY: Worthy Grand Matron, I move that we have open Installation of the Grand Officers of 2020 at 1:00 PM Sunday afternoon.

CARRIED.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, this concludes the business portion of our Session. The remaining sessions are open to all who wish to attend. Our session tonight starts at 6:15pm and concludes with our Memorial service.

Our ESTARL Worship Service Sunday morning will be at 9:00am and will be held here in our Grand Chapter Room.

We hope you will join us at these sessions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING ODE: *"On Eagles Wings"*

CLOSING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

CLOSING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

CLOSING MARCH: Grand Officers

REPORTS NOT GIVEN AT GRAND CHAPTER

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

Nancy Kiehne
President and Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, it is my official duty to present a report of this year's Board of Custodians. We sincerely hope that you will be pleased with the work that the Board has accomplished this year. It is my pleasure to introduce the other members of the Board: Sisters Jane Green, who has been Secretary; and Ellen Knupp, as Member. I sincerely thank the two of you for your love and friendship and wish you the very best as you continue your service on the Board.

As a Board, we acknowledge the presence and support of three special Brothers who have continued to be helpful. I don't know if they realized when they said that special "yes" that their commitment was for more than just two years. Brothers Russ Hibben, John Hauser and Charlie Young, we appreciate the time and effort that you have given and the support that you continue to give to us. Thank you.

We met for the first time as a Board prior to Sister Jean and Brother Bruce's Reception on November 4 at the Sheraton, West Des Moines. We met with our Worthy Grand Matron to discuss her plans, changes and emphasis she wished to be implemented during this next year. This meeting was also used to discuss the initial planning for State School to be held at Des Moines Chapter in January 2019.

We found it very difficult to find a date for a second meeting to make final plans for State School that would work for all of us, and as the format was not changing, I made all of the changes as requested by Sister Jean and printed the State School notebooks. I then met with Sister Jane and Sister Ellen separately. I went over with each of them the schedule of meetings and their assignments.

State School was held at Des Moines Chapter, Pleasant Hill, January 11-13, 2019. In preparation for the beginning of State School, the Board once again met as a group on the afternoon of Thursday, January 10, in a conference room at the Sleep Inn and Suites. We then held conferences with the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron to review any changes, modifications and assignments with these officers. We met Friday morning with the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress. We were pleased to be invited by Sister Jean Koss to attend her conference with the District Instructors. Each of the members of the Board received a beautiful bell from Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, and I was pleased to be able to use my bell to open the various sessions of State School. I introduced the other members of the Board and gave brief remarks and encouragement to each instructor.

The Board called on their own Worthy Grand Patrons to assist with various duties during State School. We thank Brothers Russ Hibben, John Hauser and Charlie Young for graciously accepting your various responsibilities.

Once again, with only 10 instructors making assignments to demonstrate the various ritual work and business of our Order was challenging. We called upon the Grand Officers to assist, and I think they enjoyed getting out on the floor and participating rather than just

watching. And we could not have done it without our own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. We thank them so much for always being willing to help where needed. The instructors were well prepared, and it was a joy to conduct State School watching as they accepted each assignment.

The Friday evening session centered around those items that the instructors should include in their Workshop. Saturday morning included those items to cover before the School break. Sister Polly and Brother Kenny presided at the Presenting portion of the School. Saturday afternoon completed those items that the instructors would instruct at their own School. Sister Jean made a change for the Saturday night Inspection meeting. This year it did not include Initiation. Sister Polly directed the Munchkins in a tribute to Sister Jean and Brother Bruce. This was followed by a skit given by Sisters Lori Rasmusson and Mary Reicks, assisted by Sister Janice Alger for the Board of Custodians.

All 10 instructors were present for the written exam. Only the District Instructors, the Worthy Grand Matron and the Board of Custodians are invited to be present for the exam. There was then time for questions and discussion. The Board then discussed the names of those instructors who need to recertify. Also, we decided which School each member would be responsible for attending.

Many people are responsible for the success of a State School. We appreciated the Arrangements Committee for setting up the room and assisting us with the placement of tables; to the sound Committee who was always ready to turn on the appropriate mike; to the Grand Secretary who printed items for the District Instructors and took minutes; to the Grand Treasurer who took reservations for the meals and received the money; and for the Grand Organist and Grand Sentinel who performed their duties so proficiently.

The Board of Custodians was pleased to give two recertification examinations to current District Instructors. Two other examinations were given to ladies who were returning after several years away from instructing.

On April 20, the Board met with the Line Officers to discuss and review instruction from the 2019 School season. The meeting was held at the Masonic Temple in Reinbeck. We also discussed making changes to the Presenting Instructions, and Sister Jane will send a Draft of the Instructions with the changes to each of us for review.

We were pleased to be asked by our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jean Koss, to attend and assist with practice for the Conferring of the Degrees. At least one member was at each Degree. They were held in Davenport, Sioux City, Indianola, Mason City, and Council Bluffs.

The Board of Grand Trustees invited the Board of Custodians to attend a joint meeting to discuss options for the good of our Order. Many ideas were exchanged. The Trustees need to cut expenses in order to keep our Order viable in the long future. One of those cuts needs to be in our State School and they would like it shortened by one day.

The final meeting of the Board of Custodians was held at the Sheraton, West Des Moines on Wednesday, October 23, 2019. We met with the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress and the Chairman of the Presenting Committee to go over responsibilities and duties for Grand Chapter 2019 and to answer any questions. The Board was also asked to serve as practice coordinators, and we were present for all

practices in the Grand Chapter Room. We were also present at all Sessions of Grand Chapter and were ready to assist the Worthy Grand Matron as was our responsibility.

On behalf of the Board, we thank Sister Cheryl Payne for our invitation to the District Instructors Breakfast Thursday morning. It is such a special way to start our Grand Chapter Session and enjoy fellowship with this special group of Sisters. I have been privileged to attend this breakfast during my years as a District Instructor, Worthy Grand Matron and during my time on the Board. I will treasure each one as a special memory and will miss not attending next year.

To Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, it was an honor for me to serve as President of the Board and to have the privilege of being your Installing Officer last year. You both have served our Iowa membership well and have been great leaders. We congratulate you on a wonderful year and wish you much happiness in the future.

To Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, I look forward to watching your plans and dreams unfold and I know our leadership is in good hands. To Sister Cheryl and Brother John, you are about to begin a year of planning. I wish you the best of luck.

I have enjoyed my time spent on this Board the last three years. Thank you to our Iowa membership for your continued love and support starting when I first became a District Instructor in 1994 and after a six-year break returned in 2008. It has truly meant a lot to me. I could not have served without knowing that each and every one of you were walking with me during this journey.

REPORT OF THE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Karen Wood
Chairman and Past Grand Adah

The Grand Chapter Arrangements Committee had three meetings prior to the event. With a new venue the West Des Moines Sheraton Hotel, there were some changes in 2019. All housing reservations were to be placed online or through the phone, which saved the Committee quite a bit of time and concern regarding credit card information privacy. Those needing assistance called member Jamie Ross for assistance. There were a few bumps along the way, but it did work out. The other major change was the use of an outdoor tent for large meal events. It was an experiment of sorts, and the weather and location of the tent were not ideal. The tent experiment will not be repeated! Similarly, pre-ordered lunches did not work out as planned and will not be repeated.

The Chapter Room was decorated in a Wizard of Oz, Eagle, and Cardinal motif. The Committee thanks WGM Jean Koss and WGP Bruce Thomas for the loan of many of the decorations. In the East there was an Emerald City backdrop, and many thanks to Golden Rule Chapter, Atlantic, for the use of their beautiful pedestal. The cardinal lights along the fencing were sold for a donation, easing a bit of the financial burden to Grand Chapter.

The committee was present for the entire session- practices, meetings, etc., and enjoyed the work and talking with our members. We appreciate the opportunity to serve.

REPORT OF THE CHAPTER CONCERNS COMMITTEE
Mary Hicks
Campfire Friend to the MWGM
Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters, Brothers, and Distinguished Guests I am Mary Hicks, Chairman of the Chapter Concerns Committee. Although we have not been invited to chapters working on consolidations, I want to thank Brother Steven D. Lewis, and Sister Kris Roudybush for serving on this committee with me this year.

We ended the 2018 Grand Chapter Session 80 active chapters. We had 3 completed consolidations this year. I have received requests for possibly two more chapters considering consolidations.

With our aging membership and members not coming back to chapter after being initiated. It becomes difficult for chapters to hold onto a full corps of officers and keep their chapters going. I don't have the answer, but we need to find new ways to make a beautiful Star shine and make our members excited to come to star meetings. Losing a chapter is like losing your home for those members closing.

I want to thank Sister Nancy Ramthun, Our Grand Secretary for her assistance. I also want to thank Grand Chapter for giving me the privilege and opportunity to serve our beautiful order for the past three years.

REPORT OF THE GALAXY COMMITTEE
Sandy Ley
Chairman and Past Grand Ruth

Being a member and editor of the Galaxy, this year has been an enjoyable but challenging task. I wish to thank Sharyn Blake for keeping the subscription spreadsheet updated; Janice Wauson for sending out copies to our e-mail subscribers; and our Grand Secretary – Nancy Ramthun – for receiving and forwarding all subscription information to members of the Galaxy committee.

There were 4 issues published & printed for the Iowa Galaxy this year in November 2018 and February, May and August 2019. We have approximately 225 subscribers. The Galaxy is $15.00 for mailed copies and $10.00 for e-mailed copies.

Thank you to the 24 chapters who completed and submitted the Galaxy & Journal report sheets. The most favorite features reported included: WGM & WGP greetings, colored pictures, chapter events/activities, & OES history articles by Janelle Hammarstedt.

The November 2019 Iowa Galaxy will be created by new editor – Danelle Essing – so all articles/photos need to be sent directly to her no later than October 30th, so she can get the next issue published. Any articles/photos sent to me after the August issue was published will be forwarded on the her for the next issue.

THANK YOU to all the members/chapters who subscribe to our Iowa Galaxy. Be sure you check the date on the last mailed issue for your expiration (or expired) date. If you receive an e-mail copy – Janice would have notified you of your expiration date. You will need to send a renewal OR new subscription sheet to our Grand Secretary with your payment. If you are unsure of your subscription/expiration dates – please contact any member of the

Galaxy committee to see if you are current subscriber. See us at Grand Chapter in October to renew your subscription.

Finally, thank you Bruce & Jean for the honor to be a member of the Iowa Galaxy!

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMITTEE
Lois Jean Wehde
Chairman and Past Grand Organist

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Patron, Jean and Bruce and Past Grand Matron and Patron, Ellen and Charlie for appointing me to the Public Schools Committee. We all know how important a good education is for our young people and this was proven by the various ways our Chapters supported the schools: from pre-school to scholarships for graduating Seniors.

One of the simplest ways to support our schools is by collecting Box Tops for Education of which 19 Chapters participated. This is something ALL Chapters could do! Collecting and donating school supplies and clothing items was reported by 18 Chapters, two collected pop tabs for Education. Bedford Chapter collected paper products for Rainbow House in Omaha/Council Bluffs and one chapter supported the Jr. Air Force ROTC. Two Chapters sponsored a family at Christmas with gifts & dollars for groceries. Ten Chapters reported that members volunteer at the schools in various capacities by serving on the Prom Committee, Booster Club, PTO, substitute teach, teachers aids, score keeper (WGM) for 35 years, read with the kids, help students manage an event at Norman Borlaug farm, chaperone events, help with musicals and bake goods for school fund raisers. Altoona Chapter gave $200 to an Elementary school to be shared between the Music and PE departments. Scholarships were given by several Chapters ranging from $100 to $1000. Jessamine Chapter gave two $1000 Scholarships.

Only 30 chapters responded which was a disappointment, but those that did respond should be proud of their Chapters interest in supporting their local schools. Linda Messer also serves on this committee.

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DOGS COMMITTEE
Gail Dyer
Chairman

I received reports from 22 Chapters. Of these 22 Chapters, 6 chapters reported having a program about Service Dogs and 16 Chapters said they did not. Some asked Sister Ann Robinson to explain the project. Sister Ann explained that there are many ways that a Chapter could support the program such as by a monetary donation or purchasing the items that General Grand is selling. The money received from the sale of these items will stay within the state. A couple of Chapters reported that they discussed the project as a group at their regular meeting and one Worthy Matron said that she talked about the project herself by explaining how the Service Dog program affects IA OES. One Chapter even had the Worthy Grand Matron of Nebraska give the program. I believe that Service Dogs is there project this year. One Chapter was planning to have a program but had to cancel it due to illness. They are hoping to have one in 2020.

Six Chapters reported making a monetary donation. I hope that we are able to get more information about this project out to the membership this next year and are able to get more support for it.

Supporting the Service Dogs Program can be done in several ways. Use your imagination. Contact an organization and see what their needs are and how you can help. You don't have to spend huge amounts of money to support them. Buy food, volunteer, make blankets or send money earmarked for vet bills. When you support the program, you are also supporting the individuals who receive the dog.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Janelle Hammarstedt
Grand Treasurer Emeritus

We pause a few days each October to celebrate the Grand Chapter of Iowa and its accomplishments for the year. This is the 142nd time that Sisters and Brothers have gathered from across the state to make new friendships and to renew fraternal bonds.

This year I wish to acknowledge the earliest years of our history. Pursuant to a call issued by Sister Jennie E. Mathews, Deputy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star for the State of Iowa, twelve Sisters and Brothers met in convention at the Masonic Lodge room in the city of Cedar Rapids on Tuesday, July 30, 1878, at 10 o'clock A.M., to take steps as were necessary to organize a Grand Chapter. The following were in attendance at this important event: Mrs. Jennie E. Mathews and Mrs. M.E. Wilbur of Fidelity Chapter No. 42, Rockford; Mrs. O.N. Williams and E.B. Dyke of Excelsior Chapter No. 51, Charles City; Mrs. J.W. Darland of Charity Chapter U.D., Marble Rock; E.E. Savage of Gem Chapter U.D., Shell Rock; Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Jackson, Mrs. M. Tabor and Miss E.A. Bennett of Harmony Chapter No. 25, Council Bluffs; G.W. Nash of Waverly Chapter No. 18, Waverly and J. Norwood Clark of Ruth Chapter No. 6, Iowa City. (The Souvenir Booklet for our Diamond Jubilee in 1927 and subsequent memory books published in 1952, 1978 and 2000 also includes the name of J.O. Baxter from Cedar Rapids.) Congratulations to Harmony Chapter No. 25, Council Bluffs for having a representative at all 142 sessions of Iowa Grand Chapter.

The following year in 1879 the Grand Chapter proceedings records a membership of 356 in the following twelve chapters: Ruth No. 6, Iowa City; Cross and Crown, No. 16, Winthrop; Harmony Chapter No. 25, Council Bluffs; Valley Chapter No. 26, Missouri Valley; Danville Chapter No. 36, Danville; Fidelity Chapter No. 42, Rockford; Charity Chapter No. 49, Marble Rock; Gem Chapter No. 50, Shell Rock; Excelsior Chapter No. 51, Charles City; Nora Springs Chapter No. 55, Nora Springs; Home Chapter No. 56, Des Moines and Lady Washington Chapter No. 57, Adel.

I have read that there were 57 chapters in Iowa at the time Iowa Grand Chapter was organized. Unfortunately, there is no record of the names and locations of these chapters. Each chapter had to relinquish their Macoy charter and receive a Rob Morris charter in order to join Grand Chapter. It took a few years for some chapters to decide to reorganize and few chapters never did make the change. In several cases the Macoy chapter disbanded and a new chapter was instituted with a Rob Morris charter a few years later.

By 1919 the Grand Chapter of Iowa had grown to 428 chapters with a membership of 52,373. Between 1919 and 1969 the number of chartered chapters still numbered 428. (The number of chapters was the same, however there had been many changes during those 50 years. Several new chapters had been instituted while several other surrendered their charters or consolidated with another chapter.) Membership in 1969 was 71,021.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as historian. I enjoy reading and writing about the yesterdays. Please subscribe to the Galaxy and read what I write. Thanks for listenin'.

REPORT OF THE PAVE-A-MEMORY BRICK COMMITTEE
Rilla Baker
Past Grand Electa

It has been a slow year for the project. Only one brick was sold this year. Many Chapters did report that they did discuss the project. It is a pleasure to report that all the brick at the Boone Home have been laid in the garden of the gazebo area and look lovely.

REPORT OF THE SOUND COMMITTEE
Greg Grover
Chairman

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers: in 2019, the sound equipment was provided to:

- State School in January
- Last-First School for Grand Conductress
- Last School for Associate Grand Matron
- Conferring of the Degrees in Davenport, Sioux City, Indianola, Mason City and Council Bluffs.
- 2019 Grand Chapter session

In February, due to the age and weight of the speakers, two new compact speakers were purchased, and the old speakers were sold.

In September, due to the age of the wireless microphone packs, and some packs no longer functioning and not repairable, five new dual receivers that included ten wireless lapel microphones were purchased. These new receivers are current technology and should provide better connections and sound. A wooden carrying case has been built to hold the new receivers to reduce wear and tear on the equipment from packing and unpacking the receivers. The functioning, older receivers and microphones will be kept, in the event that any of the new equipment becomes damaged or additional unity are needed.

Thanks go to the Sound Committee members, Scott Davis and Michael Miller and everyone that helped set up the sound system during the year. Thanks also goes to the chapters for being available for early setup to meet our schedules. A special thanks goes to our wives, Terri Grover and Jeanne Davis for their help in setting up and tearing down.

REPORT OF THE WEBMASTER
John Hauser
Past Grand Patron

This year 23 chapters sent reports. Those who responded reported that between 1 to 20 members visited the website. Most reported they visited the website as needed.

The favorited features were the calendar, event information, invitations, Secretary's Page, especially the song and presenting sheets. Several mentioned they like the OES trip information. The website was most often used to retrieve forms, sign-in sheets, and Grand Chapter Registration Forms.

Suggestions this year included: Putting the Galaxy online, Subordinate Chapters contact information of the Worthy Matron, Worthy Parton, and Secretaries. Keep in mind that due to the security concerns, we will not post this information online without the consent of the members or would have to put on a password-protected section of the website. Two asked for direction or maps, and one asked for the meeting dates. The website already has this information posted on the chapter locator page. Another commented that the website needs to be kept up to date.

One comment was that they would like to see all chapters send info about official visits to the webmaster to put on the website. Another comment was that they would like to see photos of events on the website. It is difficult to keep photos posted on the website, so the OES Facebook page has been used very effectively to post these event photos.

Several commented that they appreciated the downloadable sign-in sheets used for presenting. We are fortunate that our Grand Secretary provides these sheets to be used by all, as this is not a uniform practice across all jurisdictions.

Remember to continue to send invitations and information to the Webmaster to be uploaded to the website for all to view. As a reminder, the Webmaster does not create or edit, update forms, invitations, or documents but will upload them as they are received.

Thanks to all those who have provided input, information, and suggestions. Worthy Grand Matron Jean Koss and Worthy Grand Parton Bruce Thomas thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve the Iowa Grand Chapter.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Kris Stolba
Chairman and Past Grand Adah

Chapters Submitting Reports: 29

- Oelwein #45, Laurens #265, Winterset #180, Albia #240, Toledo #380 Tama, Coral #41 Sanborn, Golden Rule #194 Atlantic, Linden #482 Panora, Sibley #102, Pleasant #378, Exodus #313 Exira, Lady Washington Rhinehart #335 Adel, Council Bluffs #441, New Hampton #75, Wayland #494, EC Blackmar #306 Burlington, Cedar #184 Cedar Rapids, Northgate #417, Ollie #549, Polk City # 361, Cedar Valley #128 Waterloo, Malta #415 Cedar Rapids, Aspasia #198 Sigourney, Algona #68, Buena Vista #309 Sioux Rapids, Davenport # 178, Holly #477 Malcom, Bedford #228, Central # 67 Marshalltown

How many of your members purchased the "Flag" Youth pin?

- 130/ 3, 5, 6, 3, 5, 2, 8, 7, 3, 3, 3, 5, 20, 6, 6, 4, 3, 3, 7, 6, 2, 18, 4, 10, 5, 1, 4

- **How many of your members are leaders or adult advisors for a youth organization?** 27/ 2, 3, 1, 1, 9, 2, 2, 1, 4, 2

Did you invite a youth group for a program for your Chapter this year?

- 3 Yes

If so, describe:

- Youth Grand Officer gave presentation and bow lecture.
- Jobs Daughters carry in flags at installation & participated in the IA/NE Exchange,

- Our Chapter and our local Rainbow Girls presented a joint program telling about Rainbow & Star to a local Masonic group for recruitment purposes.

In what other ways did your Chapter support any type of youth group?

- Donated to their Rainbow's state project - 2
- Gave 5 youth scholarships to seniors
- Donated items to schools - 4
- Volunteer at schools
- Support Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Youth Rec programs, Sunday Schools-5
- Coin March for Youth project & Fun afternoon donation - 2
- Donation to WGP's Youth Project-4
- Donation to Prom
- Support and Donate to the Jr ROTC
- Girl Scout Leaders
- Support local 4H
- Attend youth activities - 2
- Box Tops & Pop Tabs

Provide any ideas you have about how we can support and encourage our youth:

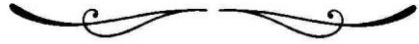
- "Tell them that there are caring adults in the world ready to help them with advice and sometimes financially. Encourage them to become Masons and star persons in the future."
- "Keep doing activities with them."

Chapter members attended the following:

- Rainbow Grand Assembly, regular meeting or special event: 34
- DeMolay event on Sunday, Feb 10, 2019: 8
- Job's Daughters event on Fri, Sept 6, 2019: 39 Other Jobs Meeting: 2
- Rainbow/OES event on Sun, May 19, 2019: 20

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: In the interest of time we would like to take a moment to thank each of you who have worked so hard this year in your various duties, rather than doing it one by one. Your hard work has paid off and we can see it in the end results of our projects. We could never have imagined the response we have received. The number of weighted blankets and activity mats, monetary donations, etc. – truly overwhelming! We can't thank the membership or the Committees enough for everything that you have done to make this year a success. The reports we will hear today are dictated by the Code or they are a report of the money collected for the projects. Whether we hear your report today or read it later, please know that your committee is just as important as the next. Our good works speak for themselves. *You are like the corner pieces of a puzzle. Without each of you, we are completely lost.*

OCTOBER 26, 2019
Saturday Evening - 6:15 P.M.



PRELUDE: Janet Vincent, Past Grand Organist

DRILL

OPENING WELCOME
Cynde Lemley
Chairman, Reach Out and Read
Chairman, Benevolence committee of the GGC
Past Grand Matron
Carl Yoder
Past Grand Patron

CYNDE LEMLEY: Good evening, everyone! It is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to our Saturday evening Session of Iowa Grand Chapter. What a wonderful Session it has been. We have followed that Yellow Brick Road all year and tonight we truly will travel "Over the Rainbow" and celebrate all our accomplishments this past year! We look forward to the announcement of the proceeds of our special project this year.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, thank you for asking me to open this Session of your Grand Chapter and for allowing me to once again share the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Carl! You have lead Iowa Grand Chapter this year with poise, honor, grace and that ever present smile and wit that both of you possess. What a great team you have been! Enjoy this evening and the rest of your "Over the Rainbow" Session and know that it was a job well done!

Sister Jean, wow, what can I say? Who would have thought when we met for the first time in 1999 that our friendship and love would grow stronger every year? You are my M & M Sis, my Little Sis and my dearest friend. We have both remarked over the years that even though we are not "blood related" Sisters, it seems like we are! It has been such a pleasure to share this special bond with you!! I am so proud of all your accomplishments and wish you much happiness now and forever! Always remember…. This "blue one" will always love the "yellow one"!!

Brother Bruce, we have known each other all our lives, literally. You are my cousin and our family ties run deep, both on the Fischer side and the Thomas side. We grew up together learning that God, family and hard work were a way of life. I am proud of your accomplishments as you have traveled the Eastern Star trail for several years! It was a pleasure to have you be part of our Whispering Winds Grand Family when Sue was a Grand Companion. Best wishes to you always!

Brother Carl, you and I have traveled many miles together and it is always a pleasure to share the East with you.

CARL YODER: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: It is my honor and pleasure to extend a warm welcome to each of you as we open this evening Session of “Over the Rainbow”.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, I am honored to be asked by you to share in opening this Session of Grand Chapter for you and your Grand Family.

Sister Jean I was not acquainted with you a few years ago, until Laverta and I started spending time and traveling with Cynde and Bob. By the time we met “face to face” I felt I had known you a long time!

Brother Bruce, we were not on a “first name basis “either a few years ago. But curiosity got a hold of you and you were Sue’s constant companion with the “Whispering Winds “and you were in the background, always with camera in hand, and became a friend to all. I love you both as Sister and Brother and the friendship we share together.

I congratulate you for the leadership you have given to Iowa Grand Chapter. The project you have chosen this year is most worthy and affects each one of us. We are excited with you in learning the result of the efforts for this project. The “Munchkin “Grand Family has made Iowa Grand Chapter proud as you have traveled the State from corner to corner representing Iowa Eastern Star.

Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, you are only hours away from occupying the “Big Chairs “and leading Iowa Grand Chapter on another yearly adventure, I wish you and your Grand Family a very successful year.

Sister Cynde, it has been my pleasure to share the Grand East with you in opening this session, time slips quickly thru the hourglass, but memories remain. May our love as “Whispering Winds” continue to serve each other.

Life is like an ice cream cone; you have to lick it a day at a time

INVOCATION
John Whitaker
Vice President, Board of Grand Trustees
Past Grand Chaplain

Holy and Loving God, we come to you, thanking you for the many blessings you have given us. You have shown your love to us in so many ways throughout our lives. You have blessed us with your love through the compassion and caring of Sister Jean and Brother Bruce. We thank you for the smiles and warm loving friendship they bring into our lives. Thank you for the help they provide to those who are forgotten, those in the background who need our love and support, those who wear themselves down caring for their loved ones.

Lord, remind us that we are all your children as we look to you for strength and guidance. Bless us with safe journeys as we care for your creation until we are blessed to meet you face to face. In thy Holy name we pray, Amen

DOUBLE MARCH: Grand Officers and District Instructors

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good Evening! Thank you for joining us tonight. Sister Cynde and Brother Carl, thank you for opening the session tonight. Carl, I have gotten to know you over the years, and you are a special guy. You have a quiet way about you, but you are a bit mischievous! Cynde, what can I say – we didn't know each other, and we became part of a fantastic grand family, in 2000. Little did I know, you would become my Big Sis and such a dear friend. Love you!

Sister Janet and Brother John – thank you for your music and prayer. Janet – I met you last year as part of the Country Kids and enjoyed getting to know you. I never did that Euchre lesson! John – since the day you and Lorrie walked into our Masonic Temple, you have impressed me with your Star work, intelligence and just being a good guy! Thank you both.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Welcome and thank you for being with us this evening. Sister Cynde and Brother Carl, thank you for opening our session this evening. The two of you have played an important role for me in this organization since my year of traveling with you and the Whispering Winds Grand Family. Brother Carl, you continue to be a role model for me. You still amaze me. Sister Cynde, I have literally known you my entire life. Family reunions are always special, and I thank you for making this evening a special event as well.

Sister Janet, thank you for sharing your gift of music. You provide the energy to make our meetings filled with excitement. Go Hawks!"

Brother John, thank you for your prayers. Your words are filled with wisdom and dedication. I might mention that greeting you has always been an experience. Go Cyclones!"

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We would like to take a moment and thank those who have given us plants or flowers, we have enjoyed them.

PRESENTATION OF MILITARY/VETERANS

36 Veterans Presented

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: What a wonderful group of men and women. Thank you for your service. *Experience s a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again!*

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Our flag tribute tells us that all have sacrificed some while some have sacrificed all. Your contributions and sacrifices allow us the freedoms we enjoy today. Thank you for your service. *You can't blame a worm for not wanting to go fishing!*

REPORT OF THE MILITARY/VETERANS COMMITTEE

Phil Corwin
Chairman and Past Grand Patron

Sister Jean & Brother Bruce - It has been my honor along with my Navy Veteran Brother Michael Wood, who I am sure is watching over me as I give this report. May he rest in Peace. This year has provided Iowa Eastern Star with many opportunities to Honor our Veteran Hero's in so many ways. The Veterans around this state continue to serve all of our Iowa Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers even after they have left their stations of active and reserve duty. I am sure I would miss someone if I started mentioning names of those that have spent time and money honoring these hero's so I will not at this time.

However, I am happy to report the following events that have been done by our Chapter's around the state of Iowa. I did receive reports from 25 Iowa Chapters. This is what they report – WWII – 11, Korea – 19, Viet Nam – 28, Desert Storm – 1, Afghanistan – 1 and 1 Reservist were during the year.

It was reported to me by Sister Pat Burch, that approximately 38 Quilts of Valor were presented this year. I thank her and her team greatly, and I know all Veterans who have received a Quilt of Valor. Talk to a Veteran who has received a Quilt of Valor and ask then what it means. It means a tremendous amount to know that what they did for our country was appreciated and remembered. It was reported that 8 Quilts of Valor were presented to those Veterans that had not received one and that all recipients were so very appreciative and felt undeserving of such an honor.

When I hear the word Veteran, I think of Normandy, Afghanistan, Desert Storm, all over the world, and the different battles that our soldiers have fought, when those at home think dad, father, brother, son, daughter, mother when those are on the shores here. So those are the thoughts that go through a Veterans mind and yours also, I'm sure.

Our Veterans were also honored at the Chapter meetings where those present did give the flag tribute and were recognized for their service. One WWII veteran felt overwhelmed when receiving his Quilt as his family look on.

One Chapter honored their vets by donating money to the local Amvets who do tributes to Vets at their funerals. Another did the folding the Flag ceremony explaining the folds. Another Chapter assisted the Masons with a breakfast honoring Veterans. There has been several Iowa Veterans that have been honored to go on their Honor Flight this year and many of our Sisters and Brothers have attended their homecoming at the airport. The Honor Flight is always an event that is so very meaningful that they all will remember.

Giving a report of these happenings cannot do justice to what all our Sisters and Brothers do every year in every way possible to pay tribute to our Veterans. I, for one, Salute you all for your efforts.

Sisters and Brothers, I will now give you a little military history –

The Army was formed – June 1775 – their motto is – "This We'll Defend"
The Air Force formed – Sept 1947 – their motto is – "Aim High, Fly-Fight-Win"
The Navy formed – Oct 1775 – their motto is – "Always Strong"
The Coast Guard formed – Aug 1790 – their motto is – "Always Strong"
The Marines formed – Nov 1775 – their motto is – "Always Faithful, Always Loyal"

And now Sister Jean we will hear your favorite medley played by my very own Past Grand Organist Sister Judy Wilson.

SIGNING OF “GOD BLESS AMERICA” – Marla Norman, Algona Chapter

REPORT OF THE ALL IOWA EVENT COMMITTEE

Rhonda Wedeking
Chairman and Past Grand Martha
Given by:
Pat Burch
Past Grand Martha

Worthy Grand Matron, Worth Grand Patron, Sisters, Brothers and Friends; it was a great opportunity to serve on the All Iowa Event fundraiser. I was part of a wonderful committee that knew how to get things done. Committee members include Pat Burch, Jeanne Davis, Jonnetta Theisen and Barb Wood.

This year Iowa’s annual summer fundraising event had a new twist. Instead of raising money for our yearly projects, Worthy Grand Matron Jean and Worthy Grand Patron Bruce decided funds from the All Iowa Event would go to Iowa’s Grand Chapter.

The date given us was August 24th – with instructions to plan a “fun” event.

Since our committee members came from all over the state – we were able to hold our planning meetings via conference call.

We secured the Community Building in Earlham to hold the event.

We decided on a noon meal, with a menu of ham balls, cheesy potatoes and green beans - and for desert – each committee member would bring 2 gallons of homemade ice cream. We chose the “Wizard of Oz” for our decorating theme and committee members even donned Wizard of Oz costumes the day of the event. Tables were also decorated with puzzles as attendees were encouraged to participate in a puzzle exchange. The entertainment portion of the day included a Trivia Contest. Attendees put together 8 person teams to collaborate on answers and compete for prizes. Turns out OES members can be very competitive!

As for raising money, we asked the District Instructors to bring something from their District for a silent auction. As usual – they went above and beyond, as there were a number of fun things to bid on. Many individuals also donated items to the auction and brought items to sell with proceeds also being donated to the cause. At the end of the day, clean up was quick as many attending pitched in to help.

I received reports from 25 chapters. Many had positive comments about the food, trivia and over all great fellowship.

We had 115 reservations the day of the event and reports from 25 chapters were received.

The Silent Auction was received well, and we had a couple of generous donations to help with the events expenses. I am happy to report the total I have confirmed today, after expenses, is $4,844.89.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Sister Pat for giving this report for Sister Rhonda. The Committee did a super job and a good time was had by all. Quick question – Our team did file a protest regarding several of the trivia questions. Was there a ruling on our protest?

REPORT OF THE GOLF OUTING COMMITTEE
Robert Lemley
Chairman and Past Grand Chaplain

Worthy Grand Matron, Jean and Worthy Grand Patron, Bruce, thank you for the honor of serving on this committee. I would like to introduce the other members of my committee, Brothers Tom Rice and Ron Mullinger. They are both great people and I know this committee is in great hands going forward.

We had a very good response from our members and others who supported this golf outing. Support came in many forms including hole sponsorships, silent auction items, golfing, donations and volunteering. Of course, as always, we enjoyed fellowship with each other which concluded with dinner in the evening.

To say it was a VERY HOT day was a mild statement!! Joe Riding & his wife made sure that their staff at the Golf Course offered cool wet cloths to help keep our golfers and hole sponsors from getting overheated. Unfortunately, we did have one person get overheated, but God was watching over her and we were so glad she was alright.

I would like to stress that it is you, the members and participants, that make this Golf Outing a success. Please pat yourselves on the back for a job well done. The total amount raised for "The Forgotten Ones-Alzheimer's Caregivers" from our Golf Outing is $9,370!

And last, but not least - the winner of the traveling trophy is: The 2008 Kaleidoscopes - Sister Mary Jane Young & Brother John Baker.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you, Brother Bob. You and your Committee worked so hard to make the day a success – and it was! We commend the Committee and also the golf course personnel. The day wasn't ideal weather wise – with a heat index of over 110 – but the committee and golf course personnel took extra measures to get water and ice out to our golfers. We thank you!

REPORT OF THE
"FORGOTTEN ONES – ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS" COMMITTEE
Jean Koss
Worthy Grand Matron

I really didn't assign a committee for this project as we are all working together on it. So, I have the following to report. I received reports from 32 chapters. Many chapters reported that their members had purchased the cardinal pins and the Masonic Family decals. Also, many reported that their members had purchased baked goods at the Degrees and attended the Golf Outing as well. We had chapters who allowed casual attire at their meeting in exchange for a donation to the project. One chapter held a "31" company fundraiser and the representative of the company donated her profits to our project. Another chapter had a silent auction at their school and donated the proceeds. District #4

had a great turnout at their fundraiser and raised over $700 for the project. We had a one of our members who spoke about the project at two friendship nights at their Masonic Temple.

As I was reading these reports, I was encouraged by the various ways our chapters raised funds for the project. A huge, huge thank you to our Iowa members.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We want to congratulate these committees. You surpassed our goals in so many ways! The members of Iowa Grand Chapter are so generous both with their time but also monetarily. Thank you to all of our members for your support. We could not have done this without you!

PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO
"FORGOTTEN ONES – ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS"
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: One of the hardest things to choose (in my opinion) is the project for Iowa Grand Chapter. Bruce, Sue, Robert and I were talking through possibilities and we all had the same idea – something with Alzheimers. So, we decided to focus on the caregivers as they are many times "The Forgotten Ones" in more ways than one. We contacted the University of Iowa regarding our thoughts and met with them several times to come up with our plan. Thus, was launched our "The Forgotten Ones: Alzheimer's Caregivers" project. I know the University of Iowa is planning several workshops around the state and we look forward to hearing about them. Now not everyone can contribute financially but the number of people who have made activity/fidget mats, knitted or crocheted fidget muffs, donated items on our "memory unit's" wish list were phenomenal! We were not surprised as our membership's generosity never ceases to amaze us! We were humbled by your response!

I would like to introduce to you: Natalie Denberg, Associate Professor of Neurology; Tonya Hall, Advancement Program Coordinator – Health Sciences Development and Meghann Litton, Assistant Director of Development Neuroscience all from the University of Iowa.

Ladies, we've worked hard all year long and have been selling pins, raffle tickets, baked goods, and much more. We have no idea what the total is – but we are going to find out very shortly. We are very pleased to present you this check in the amount of…**$36,647.18**!

REMARKS
"FORGOTTEN ONES – ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS"
Natalie Denburg
Associate Professor of Neurology
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics

We are deeply grateful for the support of the Order of the Eastern Star. Your support will allow us to immediately implement our workshops to improve the wellbeing of caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease. Our work is especially important to the people of Iowa, many of whom live in small towns and rural areas that tend to be underserviced by neurology and psychiatry. This gift will allow our team at the University of Iowa to move the needle in caregiver wellbeing. Gifts such as your have been critical to our previous

work on Alzheimer's disease, and we cannot put into words how thankful we are for your support.

After final preparations during November and December of this year, the first workshop will commence in January of 2020. Caregivers will receive the four-hour workshop in their community, along with a free lunch and a "Forgotten Ones" handbook. My team and I will be in touch monthly with Jean Koss and Bruce Thomas with progress updates. We encourage the membership of the Order of the Eastern Star to join a workshop in their community.

As Jean mentioned earlier, we have brought with us today a two-page handout which summarizes the content of the new workshops, provides the workshop schedule for 2020, and lists our team of workshop leaders.

Finally and importantly, as also described in our handout, is the plan to grow our team through the training of paraprofessionals who will learn to carry-out these workshops on their own, so that we can reach additional caregivers in need and continue to grow this program over the years to come.

Thank you again for your generous support of caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you for all your help and for taking the time to be here tonight. Please help me thank them for their attendance this evening.

SIGNING OF "*He Touched Me"* by Sister Marla Norman

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: We will now have the drawing for our quilts. A huge THANK YOU to Sister Pat Burch. Pat made all of these beautiful quilts and donated them for our raffle. We started out with two (the cardinal and "original" eagle quilts). Then Pat came to us with two more – the other eagle quilt and the Wizard of Oz quilt. Wow! Just Wow! We will be drawing for the cardinal quilt first, then the "orange eagle" quilt, the "brown eagle" quilt and finally the Wizard of Oz quilt. Now you don't have to be present to win but we do hope some of the winners (if not all) are in the room this evening.

QUILT RAFFLE WIINNERS
Cardinal Quilt – Karen Wood
Orange Eagle – Kent Strawn
Brown Eagle – Karen Wood
Wizard of Oz – Craig Bargfrede

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Thank you so much for purchasing all of the tickets for these beautiful quilts and supporting the project.

REMARKS OF
SISTER CYNDE LEMLEY
CHAIRMAN, BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
AND PAST GRAND MATRON OF IOWA

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished guests, Sisters, Brothers and friends. I bring you greetings from the Benevolence Committee of the General Grand

Chapter. Benevolence is defined as desire to do good to others; goodwill; charitableness. An act of kindness; a charitable gift

What better way to describe the Order of the Eastern Star? We have just seen the incredible support our members have given to our "Forgotten Ones – Alzheimer's Caregivers" project this past year. Wow, congratulations!! Let's keep up the good work and support all our projects and activities.

Some other ways that we can promote good will is to volunteer your time and talents; make phone calls or visits to shut-ins; provide meals for those in need. The list is endless. Any act of kindness could be the sunshine in someone else's life!! Make a difference!! I encourage you to share your experiences through our Iowa Galaxy and the Eastern Star Journal. You just might be the spark that gets other fires burning….

Our committee will collect information from our members throughout this triennium as to what they are doing for the good of others. Let me know how you are making a difference in our world today.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Cynde, thank you for your report. We are so very proud of you and look forward to hearing more about your duties as you approach General Grand Chapter in a couple of years.

REMARKS OF
SISTER PAULA LARSEN
MEMBER OF THE CANCER COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
PRESIDENT OF THE EASTERN STAR MASONIC HOME
AND PAST GRAND MATRON OF IOWA

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends; Greetings. It is indeed my honor to be here tonight representing the Cancer Committee of the General Grand Chapter.

Cancer is a group of diseases involving abnormal cell growth with the potential to invade or spread to other parts of the body. Over 100 types of cancers affect humans. Do you know someone who has suffered because of cancer? You, a family member, a neighbor, a friend? I dare say there is no one in this room who can answer that question "no".

What can you do to help someone with cancer? Use your imagination. I encourage you and/or your chapter to do your own thing. Perhaps you could volunteer your time to take someone to their treatment or take a meal to a family where someone suffers from cancer. Many people who suffer from cancer cannot afford gas to drive to their treatments. Your chapter could raise money, in any number of ways, or designate one of your coin collections to go to the local cancer treatment center to use for gas cards for persons who cannot afford the gas.

We, the cancer committee, are not selling anything to raise funds for this project. It is an important and much needed project. I challenge you and your chapter to do something locally to help someone who suffers from this dreaded disease. I look forward to hearing what you and your chapters do for cancer locally. Thank you.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Paula, thank you for sharing your report and congratulations on this appointment!

REMARKS OF
SISTER SARA ANN ROBINSON
MEMBER OF THE SERVICE DOGS COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
AND PAST GRAND MATRON

(Woof, Woof) Good Evening. Several years ago, I was asked to serve on a committee for General Grand chapter call VISION. We were asked to think outside the box, be creative, be innovative. We tried many different things, so when I learned that General Grand Chapter had voted "service dogs" as the primary and permanent identifying charitable program of the General Grand
Chapter I was thrilled!

Do not mistake with I say as dismissing… ESTARL, OUR YOUTH ORGANIZATION, PUBLIC SCHOOLS OR THE WORTHY GRND MATRON'S SPECIAL PROECT! NO ONE WHATS THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S SPECIAL PROJECT TO SUCCEED MORE THAN I.

HOWEVER, out in the public domain we have been viewed as a secret organization, we spend lots of money on pretty clothes, wear long white dresses, and we must memorize certain words for a book called, a ritual. That does not always appeal to those who do not belong. It does not tell people what we are all about, serving and making life better for those with special needs, in our community, our country and our world. Service Dogs might be the boost, we have needed to get our name out in the public, perhaps some of the younger public, would want to join be and become involved.

Money raised in Iowa stays in Iowa to help facilities raise and train dogs for individuals.

As our legislation states, each Worthy Grand Matron will decide at her own discretion what will be the role of this standing committee in the State, just as she does with other committees.

When St. Jude's is mentioned or Shriners Hospitals, we associate certain groups of individuals, so it can be with the Service Dogs program with Eastern Star.

During a training session in Salt Lake City, we had many dogs in attendance. That was a new experience for me. I was sitting next to a sister, with her dog, and the dog now had its head next to my foot. She looked at me and said, "You can ask be one question, what is my dog trained to do for me?" When I asked, she raised her head and I could see she had trouble seeing and she told me she had great difficulty with balance when walking. I have asked that question many times in the last year and have received answers quickly followed by questions about Eastern Star. I have had questions about Eastern Star and what we do.

I have seen members become excited about this program and wanting to become involved. Many have shared accounts of the wonderful work that dogs can do. In fact, I have a member in my chapter, a wonderful brother who comes to chapter but needs a purpose. In the last week we, along with our local law enforcement K-9 officer, have put

together a fund raiser for a protective vest for our Ciba! The officer has asked other handlers from other counties to come and demonstrate the dogs working. The K-9 dog is just 1 of 11 different kinds of service dogs recognize by General Grand Chapter.

My goal has not been about money this year but making you aware of the program.

I want to thank Sister Marianne Shenefelt, Our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Henry Martin, Our Most Worthy Grand Patron for giving me the opportunity to serve on this committee. I challenge you to go on the web site: www.oesservicedogs.com. On there you will find a new video with lots of information.

Thanks to Sisters Lynn Tague and Gail Dyer for their continued support and assistance. Also, Sister Mary Sue and Brother Rob Van Ryswyk for making this beautiful plan holder and donating to the cause.

One little dog story… What do you get when you cross a frog and a dog? A croaker spaniel! Let's get busy and leave Paw Prints on the Hearts of Others! (Woof) Thanks (Woof, woof, woof) Good Night.

DRAWING FOR CHAIR AND POTTED MUM: LaVon Brockman

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Ann, thank you for sharing your information regarding the service dogs project. We wish you well with this committee over the next few years. I have heard you

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT AUCTION QUILT WINNERS: Red and Black Quilt – Edith Lenehan
Yellow Brick Road Quilt – Rick Colby
Maxine Quilt – Pam Bruns

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: A special thank you Sisters Joyce Sloniger and Jerrie Wilcox for donating these quilts with the proceeds going to our project.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters and Brothers, following the removal of the drape from the Altar, the house lights will remain down and there will be a brief interlude as the Grand Officers and Companions prepare for the Memorial Hour. For your safety please remain seated quietly during this time. Thank you.

DRAPING CEREMONY

MUSIC: *"It is Well"*

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Let us turn our hearts to prayer as we prepare to drape the Altar.

I saw a Cardinal in my tree,
the bright red color so beautiful to see.
Thoughts of loved ones brought a smile to my face,
as I watched it flitter about with grace.
Visitors from Heaven they are said to be,
I feel blessed that you came to see me.

The officers will drape the Altar in loving memory of our departed sisters and brothers

GRAND CHAPLAIN: Dear God, we thank you for this opportunity to pay tribute to loved ones who have joined you in your Heavenly Home. Thank you for the privilege of having called them Sister and Brother. Bless and keep them under your watchful care. In your precious name we pray, Amen.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed. From the shadows of earth to the sunlight above, a thousand bright memories are holding them fast to the places they blessed with their presence and love.

NECROLOGY REPORT
Susan Jones
Grand Chaplain

Sisters, Brothers and Friends, in the quiet of this time together, it is with grateful and reverent hearts that we pause to pay loving tribute to the sacred memory of our dear departed members. Our hearts swell with sympathy for all who have experienced sorrow but let us remember that the transition from earth to heaven is our greatest triumph and that earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot remove.

In the book of Matthew, Chapter 5, verse 4 we read: "Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted."

It is with a great feeling of sorrow that I report that on July 7, 2019, the Golden chain of the Munchkin Grand Family was broken when we lost our Grand Treasurer, Sister Beverly Smith. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Brother Jim and the entire Smith family.

The Munchkin Grand Family has also been saddened by the loss of Sister Sally Strawn, Mother of Brother Kent Strawn, Companion of our Grand Esther; Marjory Fuller, Sister of JoAnn McCallum, Companion of our Grand Sentinel; Brother John Bruns, husband of Pam Bruns, companion of our Associate Grand Matron and Emily Peckham-May, niece of our Grand Secretary, Sister Nancy Ramthun.

We are saddened by the loss of two of our own Past Grand Patrons this year - Brother Kenneth D. Eshelman, on December 15, 2018, and Brother Darwin Will, on October 10, 2019.

A special thank you to our brothers for their service to our Grand Chapter and a sincere sympathy is extended to their families.

To our Subordinate Chapters, we share with you in the loss of your dedicated Sisters and Brothers who have been called to their Heavenly home. We will remember, along with you, their contributions to your Chapters and to our Grand Chapter.

We extend our deepest sympathy to other Grand Jurisdictions, who have lost 30 Past Grand Matrons and 43 Past Grand Patrons. We especially remember those who held honorary memberships in the Grand Chapter of Iowa.

SISTERS:
Beverly Perkins-Bobb, Nebraska
Martha Hardison, Georgia
Barbara P. Russell, Vermont
Leslie E. Smith, Nebraska

BROTHERS:
Donald Pollick, North Dakota
Bryon J. Vest, Georgia
Charles E. House, Nebraska
George E. Larson, Connecticut
Paul Buriak, North Dakota

At this time, I would like to share a poem written by Helen Steiner Rice.

"Love Always Remembers"
May tender memories soften your grief,
May fond recollection bring you relief,
And may you find comfort and piece in the thought
Of the joy that knowing your loved one brought-
For time and space can never divide
Or keep your loved one from your side
When memory paints in colors true
The happy hours that belong to you.

Please join with me in Prayer: Holy and Merciful God, be with us in this hour of commemoration and while we are reminded of the uncertainty of life, may we be comforted by the promise of life everlasting.

We thank You for the lives of our departed members who have set the example of service for us to follow.

Forgive our selfishness when we should be grateful for the years, we shared with them. Strengthen our faith that we may comfort those who grieve.

May we go forth into tomorrow, not with sadness in our hearts, but with calmness, and the peace and assurance of a glad reunion with our loved ones in God's eternal home. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

MEMORIAL TO SUBORDINATE CHAPTER MEMBERS
Nancy Ramthun
Grand Secretary and Past Grand Matron

Remember Me

Remember me with smiles - not tears,
for the joy through all the years.
Recall the closeness that was ours,
A love as "sweet" as fragrant flowers
Don't dwell on thoughts that cause you pain,
We'll see each other once again,
I am at peace…try to Believe,
It was my time…I had to leave.

But, "what a view" I have from hear,
I see your face; I feel you near.
I follow you throughout the day,
You're not alone along the way.

And when God calls you…you will be,
Right by my side…right with me.
till then, I'll wait by heaven's door,
We'll be united evermore!

May the prayers of those who love you carry you through this time of sorrow. The Grand Chapter of Iowa extends its heartfelt sympathy to the subordinate chapters, their families,

friends and ones loved. And may the hope of heaven give you peace and the tender touch of the Father bring you comfort.

…**MEMORIAL TO BROTHER DARWIN WILL**
PAST GRAND PATRON
Julie Pedersen
Past Grand Matron

On October 20, 2019, the motorcycle of Darwin E. Will became silent as he left his earthly home for his eternal home. He will truly be missed by his Sisters and Brothers as he spread Love and Friendship to each of them.

Darwin E. Will was born October 20, 1932 in Payton, Iowa to Harry and Ila Will. He was raised in rural Milford, where he attended country school and graduated from Milford High School in 1951. He entered the United States Army in 1953 and served 18 months in Germany. He was honorably discharged from the Army on February 28, 1955.

Darwin was united in marriage to the love of his life, Sally Eisele on August 26, 1956 and they shared 63 years together. They made their home in rural spirit Lake, where they were engaged in farming. They were blessed with two sons, Rodney and Trent. Today their family includes two daughters-in-law, Tracey and Beth and four grandchildren: Amanda, Alex, Gregory and Jennifer. They also welcomed three great-grandchildren, Clair, Cora, and Owen. A family that he cherished dearly.

He was a member of the United Methodist first in Terril and then in Spirt Lake. He was a devout Christian and lived his life accordingly. His faith continued strong throughout his illness. Two of the hymns he picked to be sung at his funeral were “It is Well with My Soul” and Hymn of Promise”. A true testimony of his life and his faith.

Darwin was initiated into Richloyd Lodge #612 on August 24, 1961. He also belongs to ABU-BEKR Shrine, Sioux City Consistory, Iowa Great Lakes Shrine Club and the Spencer Area Shrine Club. He was a Past Master of Richloyd Lodge #612, Twilight Lodge #329 and Gloaming Lodge #482. Darwin and Sally were initiated into Gloria Chapter, Terril in March of 1963. They served as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron in 1972 and 1973. They then became members of Twilight Chapter in Spirt Lake, where they served as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron several times. In 1988 Darwin accepted Julie Pedersen’s invitation to serve in the East with her in 1991. They presided over the “Gifts of the Heart” Grand Chapter session.

Darwin was a kind, caring, gentle man, always had a listening ear and some kind words of wisdom and encouragement to all who knew him.

A Star has fallen from the family tree.
I keep hearing a voice that says - “grieve not for me.”
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.
Continue my heritage, I’m counting on you.
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.
Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don’t worry about falls.
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.
Until the day comes - we’re together again.

MEMORIAL TO BROTHER KEN ESHELMAN
PAST GRAND PATRON

Connie Esbeck
Past Grand Matron

"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the Heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1. That verse of scripture was the one chosen by Brother Ken Eshelman when he served as my Worthy Grand Patron in 2002.

Kenneth D. Eshelman was born June 3, 1925, in Bridgewater, Iowa and passed away December 15, 2018. He and his twin sister were the youngest of five children.

Brother Ken graduated from Fontanelle High School in 1943 and entered the military in 1944. He received an honorable discharge in 1946 and on March 9, 1947, married Mary Alice Sparling. To this union were born twin sons, Dale and Dean, a son, David, and a daughter Janel. Brother Ken and Sister Mary Alice farmed in the Fontanelle area for more than 17 years before moving to West Des Moines where he worked for CDS.

In 1975 he was raised to a Master Mason degree in Gnemeth Lodge No. 577, West Des Moines, serving as Worshipful Master in 1983. He was also a member of Scottish Rite and a 32 Degree Mason. Ken's love for his Masonic work continued. He went on to receive his certificate as a District Lecturer and also served as Grand Chaplain in the Grand Lodge of Iowa A.F. & A.M. in 1995. He also served on the Rainbow Advisory Board for Valley Junction Rainbow Assembly, was Associate Bethel Guardian for Job's Daughters, and a Past Noble Grand of Valley Junction Lodge No. 604 IOOF of West Des Moines.

In 1978 Brother Ken was initiated into Valley Chapter No. 305, Order of the Eastern Star and served as Worthy Patron five times. In 1990 he served as a Grand Chapter Committee Member on the Arrangements Committee for Sister Twila Seley.

Ken became a member of the C&C Crew in 1988 when his wife, Sister Mary Alice served as Grand Chaplain for Sister Carolyn Kropf and Brother Carl Mumme.

In 2000, Brother Ken was elected as Associate Grand Patron at the "Bridges in Time Session" and in 2001 at the "Let Your Light Shine" Grand Chapter Session in Altoona he was elected to serve with me as my Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Ken fulfilled his duties with proficiency and presided with me in 2002 at our "Angels Among Us in God's World Around Us" Grand Chapter Session in Altoona.

Brother Ken was a rather quiet man but brought forth ideas to me as we planned for our year. He knew his ritual work well and demonstrated that with dignity. Ken worked hard at raising money to support our ALS, Research for Lou Gehrig's Disease, project as he was in the running to serve as King of our Quasquicentennial Ball in Earlham. Although he was not the King, he was very competitive in the race to be so.

In addition to his Eastern Star life, Brother Ken served on several committees in the Methodist Church in West Des Moines. He portrayed the Disciple Andrew in the *Last Supper* performed by members of his church. For many years Ken served as the auctioneer for the annual picnics and auctions held at the Eastern Star Masonic Home

and the Barthell OES Home. Ken collected old shaving mugs and John Deere tractors for many years.

Ken was a kind and gentle man and was an example of our daily guide used in 2002. "When God measures man, he puts the tape around the heart, not the head."

MEMORIAL TO BEVERLY SMITH
GRAND TREASURER
Written by Elsie
Past Grand Matron
Narrated by Cynde Lemley
Chairman, Benevolence Committee
of the General Grand Chapter
Past Grand Matron of Iowa

Beverly Ann Engles was born May 9, 1946 in Davenport, Iowa. She was united in marriage to James Smith on October 30, 1965. Bev and Jim have two daughters, Mindi and Annette.

Bev owned and operated Stretch and Sew Fabric in Davenport until 1990. She then went to work for Davenport Bank, later Wells Fargo, until retiring in 1998. Bev also assisted Jim in their various family business ventures.

Bev cherished her family and especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed traveling the world, quilting, sewing and her flower garden. She had beautiful flowers both inside and outside her historic home. Her love for quilting was quite evident at her visitation and funeral service that was held at her Church. The church pews were decorated with over 40 of the quilts Bev had made so lovingly for family and friends.

Bev loved Eastern Star. She was a District Instructor for several years. In 1979 she served as Grand Esther for Frank Rosenboom and me. Bev, Jim and the girls were an asset to our Grand Family. Bev was currently serving as Grand Treasurer. She was always ready to assist the surrounding Chapters and worked hard in her beloved Davenport Chapter.

Bev was such a thoughtful and loyal person. A shining example of this is that for the past 40 years since she had been Grand Esther, she and Jim never missed sending a beautiful bouquet of flowers for my birthday each year. When she saw me at meetings, her greeting to me was always "there's my Mom"! We will miss her great smile, but we are forever grateful for the many years we were able to enjoy her. We know she now is resting in peace with our Heavenly Father. God Bless the memory of Sister Beverly Ann Smith.

REMOVAL OF THE DRAPE: Grand Officers

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

"As we travel *the road of living*
With our loved ones we have trod.
We live this life by giving
Now we give them to our God.
We have grasped the loving hand of them,
Through joys and through pain,
We know they reached for our God's hand
*To dwell with Him aga*in."

MEMORIAL HOUR

Written and Directed by:	Susan Jones, Grand Chaplain
Assisted by:	Lori Rasmusson, District Instructor and Past Grand Esther
Participants:	2019 “Munchkins” Grand Officers and Companions
Soloist:	Sheila Kiehne, Vice Chair, Barthell O.E.S. Home Board
	Susan Swartz
Signed by:	Marla Norman
Accompanist:	Mary Danner, Past Grand Organist
	Bob Danner, Grand Organist and Past Grand Organist
Music:	*“On Eagles Wings” & “Somewhere Over the Rainbow”*

OVER the RAINBOW

We welcome each one of you to the 2019 Memorial Service. We come here this evening to remember our Sisters and Brothers, our Family Members, and our Friends who have left this world and have gone to their heavenly home. Let us always remember that grief never ends, but it changes. It is a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith, it is the price of love.

Let us Pray. Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for the friends and family that we have known and loved and whose presence have made our lives so bright and happy. We ask Your blessings on every bereaved home and family. Give each of us the strength and courage of Martha and fill us with the wisdom to know that we will be joined together again with each other and with Thee. Let us all see that we should live our lives in such a way that we leave fond memories for those who are left behind. Father, we ask that you abide in our hearts, fill us with the power to love, and give us grace to fulfill every duty we owe to each other and to Thee, Our God. In thy Holy name we pray. Amen.

There is a verse in the Bible which has been translated into more than 1100 languages. It tells us of One who loved us with an everlasting love. The verse has been recorded in 27 languages of the world which are understood by more than three-quarters of the earth's population. The verse is John Chapter 3, Verse 15 which reads:

> *"For this is how God loved the world: he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but so that through him the world might be saved."*

The red cardinal represents the fire and vitality of the living spirit. In addition**,** the cardinal is symbolic of the living blood of Christ. Cardinals have long been symbols of vitality and in the Christian context that vitality is everlasting. Traditionally, the Cardinal is symbolic of life, hope, and restoration. These symbols connect cardinals to living faith, and so they come to remind us, that though circumstances might look bleak, dark and despairing, there is always "hope".

The Eagle is steeped in religious tradition as well. In Christian art, the Eagle often represents the resurrection of Christ because the sight of an eagle rising in flight is a powerful one. It is the artistic symbol of the Gospel of St John, perhaps because that text is lofty in its theological perspective, and it is one of the four animal symbols seen by the prophet Ezekiel in Ezekiel Chapter 1, verse 10.

In the book of the prophet Isaiah, Chapter 40 verse 31, we read:

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

"On Eagles Wings" (Sung by Sheila Kiehne, signed by Marla Norman)

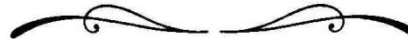
From Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3, verses 1-8 we read:

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. In Verdant pastures he gives me repose.
Besides restful waters He leads me, He refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths for His name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley, I fear no evil, for you are at my side.
With Your rod and Your staff, that give me courage,
You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes.
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.
Only goodness and Kindness follow me, all the days of my life.
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

Let us pray. Gracious, Heavenly Father. We come to you this evening with bowed heads and humble hearts. We thank you for the knowledge that you have welcomed our loved ones into your Heavenly home where we know that you will keep them under your watchful care. And Father, we know that someday, somewhere over the rainbow, we will fly with the bluebirds and once again be joined with those that have gone before us.

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow" - (Sung by Susan Swartz and signed by Marla Norman)



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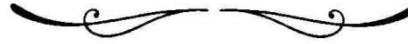
Sunday Morning - 8:45 A.M.



PRELUDE: Terri Grover, Grand Representative of New Hampshire, Past Grand Organist

OPENING WELCOME
Nancy Kiehne
President, Board of Custodians and Past Grand Matron
Russ Hibben
Past Grand Patron

NANCY KIEHNE: Good morning, everyone and welcome to the last morning of this year's Grand Chapter session. We begin this Sunday morning with Sister Jean's chosen scripture from Philippians: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, you are probably ready to celebrate after your busy year. You and your "Munchkins" have traveled many miles on that yellow brick road and your hearts should be overflowing with happiness as you reflect upon the accomplishments of those who have worked to support this year's project. It is my hope that you will look back upon your year with lots of memories. Good luck to you as you continue your "once in a lifetime" service to Eastern Star.

It has been my pleasure to work with you as the President of the Board of Custodians and I thank you for allowing me the opportunity to open this session with my Pacesetter Grand Family. Sister Terri Grover, I always enjoy your music, and Brother Scott Davis, your prayers. It is especially good to share the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Russ as it brings back many memories.

RUSS HIBBEN: Good morning Sisters, Brothers and Friends. Welcome to this final session of the 142nd "Over the Rainbow" session of Iowa Grand Chapter. What a great time we have had on the Yellow Brock Road with the Munchkin's Grand Family.

Your year of service to our Order is coming to an end and you both should be proud of your many accomplishments, along with all of the members of your Grand Family. You have surely promoted a greater understanding of those suffering from and those living with family members affected with Alzheimer's or Dementia.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, thank you for inviting me to share in this mornings' opening with my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Nancy. It has surely been my pleasure.

To Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, your time of planning is about to end, and your year of action is about to begin. We wish for you a joy filled year and success in all your endeavors.

We ask God's blessing to be with you as you assume the leadership of our Order.

INVOCATION
Scott Davis,
Sound Committee
Past Grand Chaplain

Let us rejoice in the day the Lord has made and be glad in it! Father in Heaven, as we gather this morning, let us be thankful for our family and friends, thankful that we can celebrate our faith and our freedoms. We thank you for the leadership of Sister Jean and Brother Bruce this past year over our beloved Order.

As we are nearing the end of our "Over the Rainbow" session and starting our ESTARL worship service, we ask that you continue to keep your mighty hand of protection over us as we complete our duties and allow us safe travels as we each depart and go our separate ways. Help us remember that "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." In Your Holy Name, Amen.

OPENING MARCH: Grand Officers

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good Morning! We welcome you to our worship service. Thank you for being here this morning.

Sister Nancy and Brother Russ, thank you for opening this session of Grand Chapter. I so enjoyed the year being part of your Grand Family.

Sister Terri and Brother Scott, thank you for your music and prayer, and for sharing your talent with us. So, Scott – does this make you the "favorite son"?

It was so nice to have the Pacesetters together today. It has been great to see many of you at our official visits through the state!

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Thank you to everyone for joining us on this sacred day. Sister Nancy and Brother Russ, thank you for opening our session. I have enjoyed our fellowship over the years. Sister Terri and Brother Scott, thank you for your part in the opening of this session. What a joy it has been to share in your time and talents. We have been blessed. Thank you for joining us.

ESTARL WORSHIP SERVICE
Grand Chapter Room
Under the direction of the Educational Board

Tammy Van Horsen-Post	President, Past Grand Organist
Mary Ann Francois	Vice President
Leona Hibben	Secretary and Past Grand Electa
Bill Howie	Member
Connie Chase	Acting Grand Treasurer, Grand Treasurer Emeritus

PRELUDE: Bob Danner, Grand Organist, Past Grand Organist

SPEAKER: Craig Ferguson, ESTARL Recipient

WORDS OF GREETING:

OPENING PRAYER:

RESPONSIVE READING:

HYMN: *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

COMMUNITY RESPONSE:

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalms 105: 1 - 5

HYMN: "*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"*

COMMUNITY RESPONSE:

SCRIPTURE: Romans 10: 8b - 15

SERMON: "One Another"
Craig Ferguson, ESTARL Recipient

INIVITATION FOR OFFERING:

COMMUNITY RESPONSE:

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING PRAYER:

SENDING OF BLESSING:

BENEDICTION:

CLOSING OF THE BIBLE: Polly Miller, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

CLOSING MARCH: Grand Officers

OCTOBER 27, 2019
Sunday Afternoon - 12:45 P.M.

PRELUDE: Tammy Van Horsen Post, President, Eastern Star Educational Board, Past Grand Organist

OPENING WELCOME
Phyllis Moore
Past Grand Matron
John Hauser
Web Master, Past Grand Patron

PHYLLIS MOORE: Good afternoon! We extend a warm Iowa welcome to all. Enjoy it NOW! I heard whispers about a hint of snow from our local weather forecasters.

During the last three days, we took time to view with pride the accomplishments of 2019 while looking with anticipation to the coming new year.

Sister Jean, thank you for giving me this honor of bringing Sunday afternoon's greetings. We are proud of your capable leadership, humor and dry wit as you and Brother Bruce led Iowa's membership down the yellow brick road to your "Over the Rainbow" Session. Great job! Using your newly coined work, "WOW"!

Sister Polly and Brother Ken, as you await to embark upon your special year, we wish you and your grand family to have all of your "Rainbow Wishes "come true.

As I stand here this afternoon, I recall my mother sharing a bit of wisdom. As you get older, time flies! (Boy that's true.)

Ten years ago, my WGP, Brother Gary Smith, and I welcomed Sister Polly into our 2010 FAITHWALKER FAMILY. Polly served as our Grand Martha. Yes, Sister Jean, she is another "green one".

Brother John, Iowa's Webmaster and PGP - You will always be my Past Grand Sentinel. It's a JOY to share the East with you.

JOHN HAUSER: Sisters, Brothers, and Friends – Good Afternoon! It is an honor to welcome all of you to the closing of the "Over the Rainbow" session.

This is the end of a very successful year in the Iowa Grand Chapter and the beginning of another. As the families and friends of the officers that will be installed have joined us, we all share in the excitement and anticipation of the start of a great year.

Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, thank you for the opportunity to open this session. Sister Jean we were members of the Pacesetters Grand family, where you took great delight in reminding me, in jest, that "I was not your problem." Brother Bruce, we have gotten to

know each other as you have served as member of the Board of Grand Trustees, also, when you were a Grand Companion and while you moved up the line.

Jean and Bruce, you can be proud of your accomplishments and your service. I know both of you will continue to serve our Grand Chapter in other roles, but take some time now to rest and reflect on all you have done, the friendships you have made, and the bridges you have built.

Sister Polly, my fellow sister from the Faithwalkers Grand Family, and Brother Kenny, my son from the Stargazers Grand Family, it is now time for you to take over the positions of leadership and start to implement your plans and dreams. Harriet Tubman said, "Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."

Sister Phyllis, my OES Mom, from the Faithwalkers, it is my pleasure to share the East with you.

Thank you to Sister Tammy Van Horsen-Post for the beautiful music during the prelude. Also, I want to thank Sister Nancy Niday for the invocation which she will give us.

In closing, the Munchkins Grand Family's journey has come to an end, and you have traveled well. To the Kruzers Grand Family your journey is about to begin. In the words of the Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu, "The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step." I wish you safe travels.

INVOCATION
Nancy Niday
Grand Representative of Saskatchewan
Past Grand Chaplain

Our Heavenly Father, creator of all that we see, touch and feel, we offer humble thanks for the beauty that surrounds us and the friendship that abounds in this room. We are grateful that you granted the Munchkin Grand Family, safe travels, new adventures, and friendships old and new. As we install the 2020 Grand Officers today, we would ask that you walk beside each one as they assume their respective duties. May they share their love of our Order to each one they meet in their travels and be a living example of our principles. Now as the close of our session grows near, we thank you for our many blessings and ask for safe travels as we each return to our respective homes. Amen

OPENING MARCH: Grand Officers

OPENING OF THE BIBLE: Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

OPENING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Good Afternoon! The final day is here. Thank you for joining us here in West Des Moines for the 142nd Grand Chapter Session as we enjoy the Installation of the 2020 Grand Officers. Thank you to Sister Phyllis and Brother John for opening this session. I thought it would be appropriate for Polly and Kenny's Big Day to have the two of you up here. Sisters Nancy and Tammy – you both have a very special place in my heart. Sister Nancy, you have always had my back and for that I thank you. Sister Tammy, well you played last year for the beginning of our year and now you are playing for the end of our year. How appropriate! Thank you all.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Good afternoon, sisters, brothers, and friends. Thank you to Sister Phyllis and Brother John for your opening. Sister Nancy – thank you for the beautiful and thoughtful prayer. Sister Tammy – your music is beautiful. It ALMOST makes me almost want to sing……

CLOSING REMARKS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Thank you. Once again, I am humbled by the opportunity to stand before you. We have accomplished much with the help of so many people. I do not have the time to specifically address all those who have helped along the way; however, I do want to mention just a few.

Sister Jean and Brother Bob, thank for allowing Sue and I to be a small part of this adventure. You took a chance and we hope it worked out for you.

The Munchkin Grand Family has been fantastic. Your dedication and passion for our Order is unmatched. We are thankful each of you said yes. You have made this year special.

Thank you to the Board of Custodians for allowing us to do things a bit differently. With your help, we were able to add a fun factor to our work.

To our District Instructors, thanks for your work and all the behind the curtain stuff you do to have made this year a success. I wish you the best in the future.

A special thanks goes to you, the membership. With your assistance, kindness, and generosity we were able to have successful project, schools, fun events and have supported others in their time of need. When you put all of the projects together the total collected is $77,000 plus. Thank you for your efforts.

To our newly elected line officers, Polly & Kenny, Cheryl and John, Vicki and (that person to be named later), and Mary, I wish you the best of luck. May you enjoy your experience as much as I have. Embrace change and turn challenges into opportunities.

And to my wife who has been by my side for the last 44+ years. You probably deserve some time of medal for all you do but I am sure Christopher & Banks will take care of that issue. Thanks for everything, I love you.

Finally, we are nearing a point in time when we can throw back the curtain on that great wizard. Jean will click her heels and suddenly we will be going home. Allow me a moment to reflect:

We have traveled the Yellow Brick Road
and become a family united in thought and deed.
We have formed friendships that will last a lifetime.
The lessons we have learned from our work will give
us faith to see the good in mankind.
We have the privilege to live in a country where
our flag is an emblem of strength and stability.
We enjoy freedoms because of the sacrifices
of the brave men and women of our armed
services, past and present.
Let us always remember that we continue to be
blessed by family, friends, faith, our flag, and freedom.

CLOSING REMARKS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sisters and Brothers, well here we go! It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron. I do not regret one moment of it – well maybe dressing up as a Mario Brother and seeing Bruce in a skirt – but even that was fun! You embraced our projects and the contributions were mind-boggling!

You have been so generous in your support of any project we come up with. I have just received word that over $400 has been collected by the sale of formals and the leftover pin sales is over $700. Thank you, Sister Loretta, for overseeing this year after year.

To my M&Ms, thank you for your help throughout the year. You were always there for me. I only hope that Bruce, Sue, Robert and I can be as good as a mom and dad as Sister Bev & Brother Chuck are for the M&Ms. Thank you!

To the members of Polk City Chapter, thank you for your support. I grew up in that building and as I child. I never understood what it was all about – but now I know! Talk about lasting friendships! I know this has been a challenge and new territory for our chapter. Just think, we get to do it all over again with John & Lorrie – and we wouldn't have it any other way!

To my pages, Sisters Karen and Janice, you have been behind me every step of the way. Thank you so much.

To Sister Karen and the Arrangements Committee, thank you so much for everything you've done. You turned this room into a beautiful chapter room. Sister Karen – thank you for saying "yes" when I asked you. It is hard turn down your Big DI Sis isn't it??

To the Lollipop Guild – I mean Sound Committee – thank you for everything. I thank you for your hard work not only at Grand Chapter but all year long! This committee is a tough one. You guys care about your work and it shows!

Sister Polly and Brother Kenny, we look forward to your year and I know the members will be behind you and your projects all the way. I know you will do great! I wish you the best.

Sister Cheryl and Brother John, I know you are already working hard on plans. My wish for you is that all your dreams come true.

Sisters Vicki and Mary, as you continue your journey on the Eastern Star Trail don't be afraid to try new things. Just because "it's never been done that way" doesn't mean we can't give it a try. Change is never easy, but sometimes it is needed.

To the Board of Custodians, thank you for everything, you've worked behind the scenes to help make everything happen. Thank you for talking through things with me and answering all my questions!

To the Flying Monkeys, you are rock stars! My admiration for this group never ends. I miss being a District Instructor but know Grand Chapter is in very good hands with each and every one of you. I am soon going to destroy the Golden Cap and release my Flying Monkeys back into the wild. Now go forth and Fly My Pretties – Fly!

To my sister, Sister Janice, I know I haven't been the best sister this year. I have had my crabby times/busy times and haven't been able to spend time with you. I know that mom, dad and the rest of our Masonic Family is looking down on us now and smiling. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do for me. I love you.

To our daughter Sylvia – you were 8 years old when I was Grand Ruth for the M&M Grand Family. You grew up around Eastern Star and I know that many of the meetings/events weren't a lot of fun to a child. However, you are now a member and we are so very proud of you. Thank you for your love and support.

To our Munchkins – you were each picked for being you! I have instructed several of you over the years and others I have met along the way. One of the many things you worry about as Worthy Grand Matron is how is the Grand Family going to get along?? Well you put my mind at ease very quickly as I saw the Star points together laughing and having a good time; or when I saw numerous late night card games or Farkle games being played; or when one of you was hurting, we all were hurting. You truly are a GRAND FAMILY! I was fooling myself thinking I could stand up here and not cry – nope, not in my nature! To say I am proud of you would be an understatement – you are all my children. I love each and every one of you (but sorry, you aren't in our will).

To Brother Bruce and Sister Sue, thank you for saying yes to this adventure. When we ambushed you at this very location while doing a site visit for the Board of Grand Trustees, I wasn't sure what your answer was going to be. Then when you whispered "yes" in my ear at a Board of Grand Trustees meeting I was overjoyed. The only problem was that I was in a room with other people so couldn't show any emotion. Then John Whitaker needed a ride home so for an hour in the car I couldn't show any emotion. I did stop the car long enough for Brother John to exit the vehicle and then let the emotions flow. I truly am honored to have been on this journey with the two of you. I love you both!

To Robert, where do I begin? You joined Masons and then Eastern Star after we had gotten married. Little did we know at that time where this would all go! You have toted the heavy suitcase and quilts. You have put up with my occasional (okay, many) mood swings, melt downs, questions, ideas, worries, etc. You have been my designated driver. We have been together just over 31 years and I can't imagine traveling this yellow brick road with anyone else. There is a song that comes to mind – it is one we both like to dance to: Could I have this dance for the rest of my life? Would you be my partner every night? When we're together it feels so right. Could I have this dance for the rest of my life? Thank you for being by my side and dancing with me. I love you!

To our Membership, thank you! I love this Order and all it stands for. We change lives and I firmly believe we make things better. When your chapter does things for the community, don't be afraid to toot your own horn. Spread the word about all Eastern Star has done and continues to do! We have a beautiful story to tell – we just need to be better at telling it!

Sisters and Brothers – thank you all for your support.

PRESENTATION OF INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER

Jane Green
Secretary, Board of Custodians
and Past Grand Matron

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Jane, I wish for you the best as you begin your year as President of the Board of Custodians. Enjoy your day as you preside as the Installing Grand Officer. *Our time together is like a nap, it just doesn't last long enough.*

INTRODUCTION OF THE INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS

Susan Jones	Past Grand Chaplain	Installing Grand Chaplain
Craig Bargfrede	Past Grand Marshal	Installing Grand Marshal
Bob Danner	Past Grand Organist	Installing Grand Organist

RETIRING MARCH OF THE 2019 GRAND OFFICERS

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: Jan Wilson, Past Grand Organist

INSTALLATION OF THE GRAND OFFICERS OF 2020

Worthy Grand Matron	Polly Miller, Greenfield
Worthy Grand Patron	Kenny Wogomon, Treynor
Associate Grand Matron	Cheryl Payne, Washington
Associate Grand Patron	John Whitaker, Polk City
Grand Secretary	Nancy J. Ramthun, Oskaloosa
Grand Treasurer	Kent Strawn, Norwalk
Grand Conductress	Vicki Wallner, Davenport
Associate Grand Conductress	Mary Reicks, Lawler
Grand Chaplain	Karen Heitmann, Victor
Grand Marshal	Michael J. Cross, Hampton
Grand Organist	Sheila Kiehne, Reinbeck
Grand Adah	Terri Murphy, Clarinda
Grand Ruth	Cindy Beatty, Atkins
Grand Esther	Julie Johnston, Packwood
Grand Martha	Leanne Wait, Slater
Grand Electa	Darcey Swope, LaVista, NE
Grand Warder	Terry Frisbie, Walnut
Grand Sentinel	Bill Howie, Manson
Grand Trustee	JoAnn Runyan, Atlantic
Grand Trustee	Christa Guthrie, Mason City

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Polly Miller
Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters, Brothers and friends, this is truly a humbling experience. Thank you for your confidence and trust for electing me to be your Worthy Grand Matron! This is a great honor bestowed on me and also on Greenfield Chapter. I will strive to lead with kindness, compassion, laughter and loyalty to our Beautiful Order.

Every year we anticipate a new group of projects and activities that have been planned. Some activities we do every year, other we only participate in for that single year. We hope you will enjoy the projects we have selected and will participate with enthusiasm in the activities we have planned for 2020.

Our special project is called H.O.R.S.E. – Therapies in Motion. H.O.R.S.E. is an acronym which stands for "Helping Our Riders Surpass Expectations". We will be working with Timber Creek Therapies of Guthrie Center, Iowa. This facility is fully insurance accredited

to provide hippo (horse) therapy, occupational therapy, and physical therapy to name a few programs they do. They have helped individuals recover from traumatic brain injuries, sports injuries, as well as helped with learning disabilities. Some may remember Sister Twila Seley, PGM from Greenfield. Her Grandson, Adam, was in a terrible car accident many years ago. He spent many months at the On with Life rehabilitation center in Ankeny. Later he went for therapy at Timber Creek, where he received help learning to walk again and with his speech. I would like to ask the Timber Creek representatives Cindy McCarty and Gigi Nelson to come up at this time and tell us more about Timber Creek Therapies. Please help me welcome them.

CINDY MC CARTY: I am extremely humbled and grateful for the honor of being selected as the recipient of your efforts in 2021. Sister Gigi has volunteered for many years at Timber Creek and is also a Speech Pathologist as am I. I started my career in 1976 and still like my job! I worked for the AEA for several years, but when I was in graduate school I worked in a geriatric program and helped people who had strokes and found it was something I really wanted to do. I then worked for hospitals, public health agencies long-term care facilities and taught children after school.

After 25 years, I started reading about using horses in rehab therapy. I always loved horses growing up but never had one. I found this very interesting. After much reading and studying, I learned there is an association called the American HIPPO Association. There are actually therapists all over the country who use horse-based therapy. During WWII there was a German woman who had polio and could not walk. She started riding a horse and kept a journal of her progress and she became an independent walker. In the early 1970, the Germans decided to investigate why this woman was able to walk. They studied her journal and created a program called classical HIPPO therapy. HIPPO is the Greek word for horse. They conducted studies with patients who had issues with mobility, gait and extremity strength and found the horses were amazing tools.

The reason the horse is so good in physical therapy is because their spines are identical to that of ours. We walk upright and they walk on all fours. But when a human walks, their pelvis moves on three planes simultaneously. Whey you sit on a horse, you sit right in front of his pelvis and his pelvis moves exactly the same as ours. So, if you put someone on a horse who cannot walk and let the horse walk for them, it aligns their spine correctly and activates the core muscles and it helps with extremity strength.

When I started Timber Creek Therapy, I knew that insurance would not cover all the expenses necessary for the therapy. Timber Creek Charity helps cover those additional costs. Donations have helped us to cover those costs and we have never had to charge a client, but it is getting more difficult year after year with the Insurance coverage and Co-pays to help these individuals. So, I just want to thank you for choosing Timber Creek Charity as your charity for this coming year.

GIGI NELSON: I am one of those Senior Citizens who goes to Timber Creek for therapy because I broke my back in a car accident. My doctor recommended hydrotherapy and they have a wave pool at Timber Creek. It has helped me a lot already. I recommend it highly.

Thank you! We are looking forward to partnering with Timber Creek to raise funds for scholarships for the clients. Also, some of the money raised will be used to help buy new equipment for the facility. To help raise funds, we have a yellow rose pin we will be selling for this project. I'd like to present you with a pin at this time.

We will continue to support our ESTARL program, our Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone, our Barthell OES Home in Decorah, our three youth organizations – Rainbow, Jobs Daughters, and DeMolay – as well as our TLC. We are going to continue making the fidget quilts and the knitted/crocheted activity muffs for our care facilities in Boone and Decorah.

We are going to have an All Iowa Celebration to support our Grand Chapter. As you know, Grand Chapter is struggling to be financially self-sufficient. Each year, due to declining membership and increasing costs we have to take money out of our investments to pay our expenses. So, the All Iowa Celebration is to be a fun way to gather and raise money. Also, this year, we will have an OES tote bag available from your Project Chairman. Proceeds from the sale of this bag will go to Grand Chapter.

At fun events in 2020, we will continue to have fun – so no presenting or introductions! Invite your friends and families to attend. We do ask that you have name tags available for everyone attending.

When you receive your Chapter packets, please read thru the pages to find out about the exciting 2020 projects. Share these pages with your Chapter members, so everyone is aware of the upcoming fun!

At this time, I would like to introduce my family members who are here today. My parents, Wayne and Ruth McGinnis, I could not ask for more supportive, loving parents. They have supported me thru school activities, 4H activities, Rainbow activities and Eastern Star activities. They are my sounding boards and cheerleaders. Thank you for all of your love and support – I could not have made it this far without you! Love you! To my son, Michael. Thanks for being there even when I'm sure you thought mom was a little (or a lot) unbalanced. For answering my computer questions and being a traveling companion. Mom is very proud of you and your accomplishments! Love you! To my sisters Pam, Peg and brother-in-law Jeromy. Thanks for all of your support and advice! To my nieces, Rachel, Brenna and Abby – so proud to call Rachel my OES sister and I hope to see Brenna and Abby join Eastern Star as well! Thank you so much to each of you for being here today. Will you please help me welcome these special people?

To Sister Jane Green, our Installing Grand Officer, the Installation Ceremony was beautiful! I appreciate your thoughtful advice and counsel as we work for the benefit of our Beautiful Order.

To our other Installing Officers, Sister Susan and Brothers Craig and Bob. I have enjoyed getting to know each of you a little bit better this past year. Thank you for the special part you had in our Installation today.

Sister Jan Wilson, thank you so much for the special music you played during today during the interlude. Sister Jan also composed our Dane of the Butterflies March music. Jan has been a special friend over the years as she was my Rainbow District Deputy.

To Sister Diane Bargfrede who appointed me as a District Instructor in 2006, thank you! I remember our phone call; you could have knocked me over with a feather. I am glad I said yes. I also want to say thank you to each of the succeeding Past Grand Matrons who reappointed me to serve as a District Instructor. I have thoroughly enjoyed my years as an instructor, and it will be very strange to not be doing that job anymore. I will miss it!

As a new instructor, I was assigned a Big Sis, Sister Lynn Tague. Sister Lynn, thank you for all of your support and guidance over the years!

To my Little Sis's, Sisters Sandy and Gale. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know you over the years. Thank you for your friendship!

Would all those I have instructed over the years, please rise? Thank you for your gracious welcome into your Chapters. I appreciated your patience as I grew in my knowledge as an instructor.

Would the members of Greenfield Chapter please rise? You are a wonderful group of Sisters and Brothers – several of you worked with our Rainbow Assembly as Mother Advisors and Rainbow Dads. Your love and support are a blessing, thank you for being here today. Will you please join me in thanking this special group?

I have had the honor of serving with five Grand Families. Please hold your applause until I have introduced all of these Grand Families.

Will the 2017 Stargazers Grand Family please rise? As the Associate Grand Conductress, you made Sister Pam and me feel accepted from the beginning. Sister Jane and Brother John, it was a very special year and I thank you for all of the friendships and wonderful memories!

Will the 2018 Country Kids Grand Family please rise? We enjoyed getting to know each of you as we traveled the state. I appreciate your love and support! Thank you for being here today!

Will the Munchkin Grand Family please rise? We have enjoyed getting to know each of you this past year. You are a great group to sit and talk with but watch them if they want to play cards. There are some shady characters in this group. Thank you for your support and friendship!

With the 2014 Candlelighters please rise? I had the privilege of serving as a companion to my Sister Pam, Grand Adah that year. It was a fun year with all of our travels. Now I am pleased to have Mom Sister Nancy and Dad two, Brother Tim serve with our new Grand Family. Thank you for your love and support.

I saved the best for last – will the 2010 Faith Walkers please rise? We are a small but mighty group! Thank you for all that you have done! Words cannot express how special you all are to me. Missing Papa Gary today, but I'm sure he is here is spirit watching over all of us this afternoon! Please help me in welcoming each of these special Grand Families!

To our newly installed Kruzers Grand Family, how thrilling it is to see each of you in your stations! You look great! Thank you to each of you for accepting when we asked you so serve as one of our Grand Officers, elective or appointive. It is a big responsibility to select a Grand Family and I think we succeeded in selecting a wonderful group! This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience and I encourage each of you to enjoy. Brother Kent Strawn, we are so happy to welcome you into our Grand Family as our new Grand Treasurer.

Sister Cheryl and Brother John best wishes as you work together to plan your year in 2021. You have much to accomplish in the coming months, please join us when your schedule allows. Let us know if we can help you out.

To Sisters Vicki and Mary, best wishes as you work on your plans for your years. Again, let us know if you need any help.

Congrats to Sisters JoAnn and Christa on being elected to the Board of Grand Trustees, Sister Peg Liekweg on her election to the Barthell O.E.S. Home Board and Sister Paula Larsen on her election to the Eastern Star Masonic Home Board. I look forward to working with each of you.

A great big thank you to our Board of Custodians, including Sister Nancy Kiehne, our out-going President and Sister Jean, our in-coming new member. Thank you to each of you for your past, present and future service to our Beautiful Order. I am blessed to have each of you as a special friend.

Brother Kenny and Sister Heather, I thought long and hard on who to ask, said many prayers, my list was very short. So, I am glad you said yes! We were on pins and needles for a while, but you finally shared your affirmative answer.

The Bible on the Altar today is a gift from Greenfield Chapter. Thanks, Mom, for the beautiful Bible marker. Thanks to my family for my lovely gavel. Last year Dad had some old trees bulldozed on the farm. I finally asked mom if a piece could be used to make me a gavel for this year. She got a funny look on her face and told me it was already taken care of – oops! The broken column I will carry this year belonged to Sister Twila Seley, PGM from Greenfield. I will treasure each of these very special emblems during our travels this year. Thank you!

In closing, thank you to everyone for attending our Installation today. I will leave you with our Daily Guide, to keep your F.A.I.T.H. – Forwarding All Issues to Heaven. Safe travels as you journey home.

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Kenny Wogomon
Worthy Grand Patron

As I stand here in the East for the first time, I am truly humbled. As I look out towards the West, I see a field of beautiful butterflies perched on flowers of blue, yellow, white, green and red. And others floating around the entire Chapter Room as well. These Grand butterflies make me so proud to be a tender to the Roses.
Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters, Brothers and friends.

What a wonderful day this has turned out to be. I would like to start by thanking our Installing Officers for the outstanding job they have done in our Installation Ceremony it was truly wonderful. Sisters Jane Green, President of the Board of Custodians, Susan Jones and Brothers Craig Bargfrede and Bob Danner, it is an Honor and a privilege to be a part of the beautiful work you have done here today.

To Sister Jane I cannot tell you how much it has meant to me to have my own O.E.S. Mom be in the East as my Installing Officer thank you so very much for the memory it has created.

I would like to thank the Board of Custodians for all their help, advice and attention to detail to ensure that we would have a beautiful Installation.

Sister Jean, I went from being very intimidated by you when we first met to a feeling of deep friendship, trust and respect and Brother Bruce you are a joy to be around and have left an example that I only hope I can live up to. You're "Over the Rainbow" session was a sight to behold and I was honored to be a part of it, you both have done a fantastic job during this Grand Chapter Session and throughout your time in the East.

To my Munchkin siblings, WOW what a great job you have done at this Grand Chapter Session and throughout this last year the Kruzers Grand Family have big shoes to fill indeed. This last year has brought us from friends and acquaintances to where we are today, family and I consider each and every one of you just that! Love is too small a word to describe the feelings that I have for you. Thank you all for this past year.

When I met my wife she was always going here and there doing things I did not know about or understand, she was as she told me, a Mother Advisor to a group of girls she called Rainbow Girls and she said she was also a Worthy Matron in something she called the Order Of the Eastern Star. I had no clue what it was really all about other than what she could tell me at the time. In 1998 I joined the Masonic Lodge in Oakland as a path to understand and join Eastern Star, which I did in 1999 in Oakland. I am currently a member of Amber Star Chapter, Quick. I have now come to understand what made her so happy and satisfied in what she was doing.

I have had the privilege to work with the Masonic Youth through the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Iowa and I look forward to refreshing that relationship along with that of the Job's Daughters and DeMolay in the ensuing years. Our youth groups are our future and we need to support them in every way we can. So, this year we are going to be "Loading up the Trailer for Youth". I am excited to say that the pin that has been designed to raise funds for our youth, is an exact representation of the truck that Heather I and own.

Our Chapter, Amber Star is small but mighty, and we do what we can for this beautiful Order? Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you have done for Heather and myself in the past and will do for us in the future you are the best!

I guess you could say my journey to where I stand today started in 2017 as a member of the Star Gazers Grand family would the Star Gazers please rise. Mom Jane and Dad John and all of my Star Gazer Brother's and Sister's it was truly a pleasure to be your Grand Marshal and watch us grow as a family. I love you all and will cherish the memories of that time forever. It was the confidence you had in me that gave me the courage to accept Sister Polly's invitation to serve in the East with her.

To My Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Polly and her Companions Sister Pam and Brother Michael, I want to thank you so very much for the trust and faith you have in me in asking Sister Heather and Myself to take this "Butterfly Dreams" journey with you it will surely be amazing. You have been on a lot longer journey to this point than I have, and as I have watched you get closer to this dream, I have seen you shine in so many Grand Families. I have watched you do your work and how well you handle any situation that comes your way. Now I may be a little biased, but I feel that the Grand Chapter of Iowa could not be in better hands.

Congratulations to all the new Grand Officers and Companions, elected and appointed. It is such a wonderful sight to stand here in the East and look out at you as you fill your stations in this Grand Chapter Room for the first time. I am pretty sure it has just gotten a little Grander.

To the membership, thank you so much. You are the backbone, the strength and the very air of this beautiful Organization, Iowa Grand Chapter would be not be able to continue without your Love and support.

And last but never least to my Loving wife Heather you are a melody when I have no music, words when I have no song, my strength when I cannot rise up and you are my will to carry on. Thank you for all you have done and will do so that we can take this journey together I love you.

PRESENTATION
OF THE JUNIOR PAST GRAND MATRON
AND THE JUNIOR PAST GRAND PATRON

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, you have enjoyed a very successful year which has now come to a close. It has been fun to be a part of your Munchkins Grand Family and to participate in your projects and plans as they unfolded. From cardinals, eagles, fidget mats, activity muffs & lots of fun travel, we have enjoyed supporting you all year long.

Congratulations to you both on not only a successful year, but on a beautiful "Over the Rainbow" session. I wish for you both much love and happiness always as you start new journeys.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: Sister Jean and Brother Bruce, as your Grand Year comes beautifully to a close. I am sure this is indeed a happy and sad moment in your lives. When we look back at your year, we see Cardinals and Eagles in flight, Munchkins running here and there and have followed a brick of yellow highway all around this lovely State. So, as you sit back and reflect on the past months grab a coaster and use it to enjoy the beverage of YOUR choice. May you enjoy the benefits and more than slightly less responsibilities, as you assume the titles of our newest Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron. My friends may you fly free and fly far.

PRESENTATION OF THE PAST GRAND MATRON'S JEWEL
Beverly Reinert
Chairman, Courtesy Committee and Past Grand Matron
Charles Jackson
Past Grand Patron
Robert Koss
Companion of the Junior Past Grand Matron
and Grand Representative of Australia

BEVERLY REINERT, PGM: Sister Jean, what an honor to be one of those whom you have chosen to present you with your Past Grand Matron's jewel. The pin is symbol of the great contribution you have given to Iowa Grand Chapter. You have a special place in the hearts of our Iowa Grand Chapter members because of your dedication, kindness and graciousness. Your year has been one that will remain in the memories of all who attended any meeting. Your work is not finished but you have attained the status of Past Grand Matron and I welcome you to the group. As one of our M&M kids, I am so very proud of you. Love you.

JEAN KOSS, PGM: Momma Bev and Dad Chuck - thank you for being up here with Robert and me today, it means a lot. Hard to believe I was thought to be the "quiet one" in 2000! Brother Larry Niday, thank you for your beautiful craftsmanship. This pin is remarkable and all that I hoped it would be! Thank you to the members of Iowa Eastern Star for the gift of my Past Grand Matron pin.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND PATRON'S JEWEL

Larry Niday
Knoxville Chapter
Sue Thomas
Companion of the Junior Past Grand Patron
Grand Representative of Nebraska

LARRY NIDAY: Brother Bruce, we had seen each other around for many years, but didn't get acquainted until 2013. We hit it off right away and found that we had many of the same interests. Then we found out we shared the same birthday… we are identical twins! I was either born nine years premature or you were born nine years late…depends on which one of us you ask! We have been good friends for these many years, and I have enjoyed watching you grow through the ranks. I am very proud of you and what you have accomplished. I am extremely honored that you asked me to present you with this Past Grand Patron's pin. Congratulations.

BRUCE THOMAS, PGP: Brother Larry, you have been such a special part in so many Grand Families. It is an honor for me to have you here to assist in presenting this beautiful jewel that will serve as a constant reminder of the friendship and fellowship we find in this organization.

Sister Sue, you have been with me on this journey through life. I want to express my appreciation to you for your understanding, guidance and most of all your patience and love. I cannot envision what it would have been like without you.

Finally, I want to thank the members of Iowa Grand Chapter for this gift and for the opportunity to serve. I will wear this jewel with pride.

PRESENTATION OF
2020 DISTRICT INSTRUCTORS

Cheryl Payne, Associate Grand Matron	Lori Rasmusson
Vicki Wallner, Grand Conductress	Kelly Walker
Mary Reicks, Associate Grand Conductress	Joan Waller
Sandy Meredith	Chris Brown
Janice Alger	Anna Boecker

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: My very special Sisters, you are our Skippers of 2020. You may wonder why this special group is called Skippers. A Skipper butterfly can carry up to 40x their weight and I thought that appropriate since our instructors carry the "weight" of instructing the membership. Thanks to each of you for accepting my invitation to serve as one of our special District Instructors this year. The members of our Chapters look to you for guidance and support throughout the year. Sisters Chris and Anna best wishes to each of you as you return to instructing and rejoin this amazing sisterhood. Thank you, Sister Janice for agreeing to serve as Big Sis for Sister Chris and to Sister Lori for agreeing to serve as Big Sis for Sister Anna.

I will miss instructing with you, but I look forward to watching you instruct this year and cheering you on with your important duties. I am confident each of you will serve with enthusiasm as you work with the members of your Chapters this year.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON: I barely have words that could reflect the appreciation and respect I hold for you ladies. I have spent the last two years living with my own personal District Instructor and I know the regiment you put yourselves through. I have never seen one person talk to herself so much while walking in circles around the living room. It is such a joy when I hear members of other jurisdictions compliment you on your work. You are everything it means to be a member of Eastern Star. You go above and beyond to maintain a level of Proficiency that allow our Schools of Instruction to flow like water in a stream. I look forward to State School and working with each of you while you flit and flutter from Chapter Rose to Chapter Rose as this next year goes by.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WORTHY GRAND MATRON: Sisters, Brothers and Friends, before we depart from this Grand Chapter Session, we are reminded of the privileges that are ours in our freedom to assemble in fraternal fellowship. As we go our separate ways, may we take with us the inspiration that this session and the beginning of a new year has afforded and determine in our hearts to make our own Chapters a dwelling place of peace and harmony and a fulfillment of our obligations to the purposes of our Order.

CLOSING ODE: *"Pass it On"*

CLOSING PRAYER: Karen Heitmann, Grand Chaplain

CLOSING THE BIBLE: Vicki Wallner, Grand Conductress and District Instructor

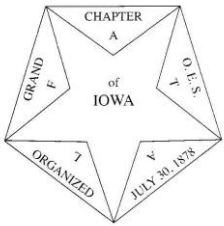
MIZPAH BENEDICTION

CLOSING PROCLAMATION: Craig Bargfrede, Grand Marshal

THE 2020 GRAND OFFICERS RETIRE

JEAN KOSS
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

BRUCE THOMAS
WORTHY GRAND PATRON



ATTEST:
NANCY J. RAMTHUN, GRAND SECRETARY

DATES OF FUTURE GRAND CHAPTER SESSIONS

2020

Sheraton West Des Moines
West Des Moines, Iowa
October 22 – 25, 2020

2021
Cedar Rapids Marriott
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
October 21 – 24, 2021

SOCIAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:00 A.M.	District Instructors' Breakfast
12:00 P.M.	All Membership Luncheon
6:30 P.M.	All Membership Banquet

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:00 A.M.	Tall Corn Breakfast
11:15 A.M.	Grand Representatives Luncheon
4:00 P.M.	Past Grand Matron/Past Grand Patron's Banquet

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:00 A.M.	P.A.G.O. Breakfast
11:15 A.M.	All Membership Luncheon

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

10:30 A.M.	ESTARL Breakfast and Program

"FLY MY PRETTIES! FLY"
District Instructor Breakfast
Written and Directed by Cheryl Payne, Grand Conductress and District Instructor
Assisted by Vicki Wallner, Associate Conductress and District Instructor

Iowa's District Instructors gathered for a time of sharing and friendship on Thursday morning at 8:00 AM in the Polk Room of the Sheraton West Des Moines. This is a special time of fellowship and calm before they begin the duties and responsibilities of Grand Chapter. Special guests, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jean Koss, and the Board of Custodians, Sisters Nancy Kiehne, Jane Green, and Ellen Knupp were also in attendance.

Tables were decorated with Cardinals, twinkly lights and goblets decorated with cardinals and candies. A prayer of gratitude was given by Sister Mary Reicks before the group shared breakfast.

After introductions, Sisters Cheryl and Vicki presented a tribute to each of the Board Members during which, soft music was played as a remembrance to their year served. Each of the Board Members was given a gift.

A special tribute to the Worthy Grand Matron was presented and culminated with the presentation of the Scrapbook, assembled by the Grand Conductress.

"CARDINAL & EAGLES"
All Membership Luncheon

The All Membership Luncheon was held in place of a Travel Club Luncheon. It was attended by sixty-two Sisters and Brothers. Our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their spouses were honored guests.

"SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW"
All Membership Banquet
Sandy Meredith, District Instructor and Past Grand Martha
Assisted by: Kelly Walker, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah
Heather Wogomon, District Instructor
Joan Waller, District Instructor and Past Grand Adah

The "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" All Membership banquet was held at the Sheraton West Des Moines. The centerpieces were colored vases arranged to make the tables look like a rainbow. Table favors were different sayings with a Snickers attached.

Junior Past Grand Matron, Ellen Knupp and Junior Past Grand Patron, Charlie Young was Mistress and Master of ceremonies. The 2019 Munchkin Grand family was introduced and escorted by the 2018 Country Kids Grand family.

Distinguished guests were introduced and given greetings. Masonic and Youth leaders were introduced and asked to speak on behalf of their respective organizations.

We were entertained by "Judy Revisited" by Preshia Paulding accompanied by Tammy Van Horsen Post.

TALL CORN BREAKFAST
Bill Post
Board of Grand Trustees and Past Grand Marshal

Brother Bill Post was appointed "Host" of the 2019 Tall Corn Breakfast. This early morning event is a breakfast for OES Brothers only. As host, Brother Post greeted and welcomed the attendees. Brother Post gave a short talk on the relationship Iowa Masons should and could have with the Order of the Eastern Star. The OES brothers enjoyed quality fellowship and a wonderful meal.

"TRAVELING RAINBOW FRIENDS"
Grand Representatives Luncheon
Joan Jones, Chairman
Hawkeye Links

The "Traveling Rainbow Friends" Grand Representatives Fall Luncheon, hosted by Hawkeye Links, was held on Friday, October 25, 2019 at the Sheraton West Des Moines Hotel in conjunction with the 142nd "Over the Rainbow" Grand Chapter Session. We also celebrated the 100th birthday of Hawkeye Links.

A Greeting was extended to approximately 205 guests, followed by introduction of those at the head table and a Table Blessing given by Sister Susan Jones, Grand Chaplain. The

tables were decorated with fluted bowls holding cardinals and the head table with rainbows. Table favors were small spiral notebooks decorated with rainbows.

Becky Nolte, Grand Representative of Connecticut in Iowa, gave the official Welcome. The Response was given by Liesa Sienkowski, Grand Representative of Iowa in Connecticut.

Remarks were given by Sister Jean Koss, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Bruce Thomas, Worthy Grand Patron, and Sister Vicki Wallner, Associate Grand Conductress and Fraternal Correspondent.

Grand Representatives to other Grand Jurisdictions, Grand Representatives to Iowa from other Grand Jurisdictions and current Iowa Grand Representatives were introduced and a hearty welcome extended. Honorary memberships and a small gift from Hawkeye Links were presented to Grand Representatives to Iowa from other Grand Jurisdictions. Other honored guests were informally introduced and also given a hearty welcome.

"GUIDING WINDS – OVER THE RAINBOW"
Past Grand Matron/Past Grand Patron Banquet
Cynde Lemley, GGCCM and Past Grand Matron, Hostess
Carl Yoder, Past Grand Patron, Host

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons banquet was held on Friday October 25, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the Polk Room at the Sheraton West Des Moines. The tables were decorated with vases of red poppies, greenery and rainbow lollipops with glitter surrounding on decorated mirrors. Each place setting was decorated with personalized rainbow name cards, banquet program and a rainbow lollipop.

Sister Cynde and Brother Carl welcomed all with words of greetings and special poems. Sister Ellen Knupp and Brother Charlie Young, Jr. Past Grand Matron and Jr. Past Grand Patron were initiated by Sister Jane Green and Brother John Hauser. Introduction of those seated at the Head Table included Sister Jean Koss, Worthy Grand Matron and her companion Brother Bob Koss; Brother Bruce Thomas, Worthy Grand Patron and his companion Sister Sue Thomas; Brother Carl Yoder, Past Grand Patron and his companion Sister Laverta Yoder; and Cynde Lemley, Past Grand Matron and her companion Brother Bob Lemley. After introductions, Brother Carl Yoder gave the Table Grace. All enjoyed a wonderful meal sharing love, laughter and friendship with each other.

Sister Jean, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Bruce, Worthy Grand Patron, were again welcomed by Sister Cynde and asked to share their remarks with all. Jean and Bruce were delightful in their remarks and all enjoyed their wit and humor.

Each hostess or host shared those seated at their tables with introductions. We were pleased to welcome many out of state guests as well as our own Iowa members. There were 88 in attendance at the banquet.

A memorial service entitled "There may be no thing greater than a life well loved" was given by Sister Cynde Lemley and Brother Carl Yoder. The service was a tribute to the lives of departed Past Grand Patrons; Brothers Darwin Will and Ken Eshelman as well as Sisters Connie Keyt & Betty Hammers and Brothers Duane Kropf and Larry Peterson; departed companions.

A special thank you to the Whispering Winds of 2013 who helped in assisting with several aspects of the banquet.

Sister Cynde recited a poem entitled “Dance with God” for her closing and again thanked all for attending. The banquet closed by all reciting the Mizpah Benediction.

“FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD”
P.A.G.O. Breakfast
Edith Lenehan, President and Past Grand Adah

The “Follow the Yellow Brick Road with the Munchkin Grand Family” 2019 P.A.G.O. Breakfast was held in the dining tent at the Sheraton West Des Moines at 7:00 am on Saturday, October 26, 2019 hosted by the 2017 Star Gazer Grand Family. There were 159 people in attendance.

The 2018 Country Kids appointive officers provided the centerpieces for the tables and were host or hostess at their respective tables. The Star Gazers provided a table favor consisting of a Wizard of Oz quote and a mini Hershey’s bar with a yellow brick road wrapper.

Edith Lenehan, PAGO President and PG Adah, welcomed everyone. The invocation was given by Brother Tom Rice, PG Chaplain. A delicious breakfast was served. Sister Edith introduced sister Jean Koss, WGM and Brother Bruce Thomas, WGP. Also introduced at the head table were Brother Robert Koss, Grand Companion of Sister Jean and Sister Sue Thomas, Grand Companion of Brother Bruce, Sister Becky Woolery, VP of PAGO and PG Esther, and Brother Jeff Johnson, Secretary of PAGO and PG Sentinel.

General Grand Chapter Committee members were introduced followed by our special guests, the 2019 Munchkin Grand Family. PGM and PGP stood and were given a hearty welcome! Out of state guest were introduced.

Remarks were given by Sister Jean Koss, WGM and Brother Bruce Thomas, WGP. The 2012 Pathfinder Grand Family won the traveling prize.

The Annual Meeting of PAGO club was called to order. The 2018 PAGO minutes were read by Brother Jeff Johnson, Sec. of PAGO. The 2020 PAGO officers nominated are: President, Sister Virginia Armstrong, PG Esther; Vice-President, Sister Marjorie Frisbie, PG Martha; and Secretary: Sister Jonetta Theisen, PG Marshal. The memorial service was given by Sister Becky Woolery.

“FOREVER FRIENDS”
All Membership Luncheon
JoAnn Seelye and Alice Hofer, Co-Hostesses

The all Membership Luncheon was held on Saturday October 26, 2019 at Grand Chapter of Iowa. This was the first time the luncheon was held for all the Line Offers together. It was Co-hosted by JoAnn Seelye and Alice Hofer. Each Line Officer had table decorations and favors they provided. Susan Jones, Grand Chaplain gave the table grace. Our Worthy Grand Matron, Jean Koss and our Worthy Grand Patron, Bruce Thomas were introduced and gave us a few words of thanks. Each Line Officer was introduced and gave us a hint of the plans for their year. We finish by all repeated the Mizpah Benediction.

ESTARL BRUNCH

Doris Rice, Chairman
ESTARL Committee

The ESTARL Brunch was held on Sunday morning following the Worship Service. Approximately 100 guests attended and enjoyed the delicious brunch provided by the hotel staff. After the meal Doris Rice, Chairman of the ESTARL committee gave the following report.

ESTARL REPORT

The Grand Chapter of Iowa has participated in the ESTARL project (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) since 1953, a year after it was created by General Grand Chapter. It provides grants to those pursing full-time positions as pastors or in other types of religious leadership. All money raised each year is given out to qualifying applicants for their use for tuition or other expenses. This year, thanks to the generous contributions of $29,951.96 from chapters and individuals; the Educational Board was able to award grants to twelve deserving individuals.

Funds for the grants came from the sales of Nuts by the Grand Officers, sales of the "Cross" pins and Note cards, designated "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" Coin Marches, Chapter fund raisers, interest on ESTARL investments, memorial contributions for members by Chapters and individuals, and many other individual contributions.

Thirty-seven chapters returned reports to me.

1. 178 members purchased Cross pins which resulted in $890.00 in sales.
2. The chapters raised funds in the amount of $2,572.45 through coin marches and other fund-raising activities.
3. Two chapters sent a total of $180.00 in memory of 5 deceased members.
4. Chapters promoted ESTARL by discussing it at meetings.
5. One chapter had a current recipient express gratitude at a meeting. Others have had past recipients speak at their meetings at the time they received their grant.
6. One person contacted their denomination's Committee on Preparation for Ministry to make them aware that these grants are available to their candidates and gave information on where to get an application.

Recipients do not need to be a member of Eastern Star or related to a member, so we need to get the word out to all who know of someone who might qualify. There is a shortage now of ministers in all denominations to serve churches and many times a pastor serves more than one church. Also, many of those who are seeking to serve are older and this is a second or third career choice. They may have families who depend on their income and they are going to school as well as working a job or two. Their financial burdens are great so the recipients are very grateful for the financial support we can give them.

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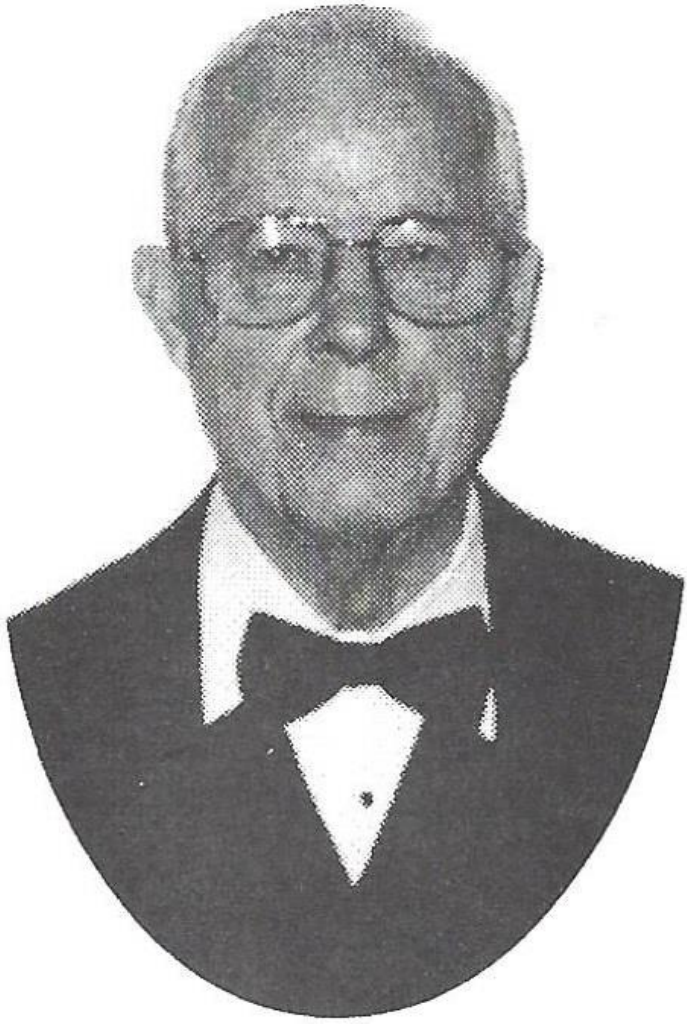
APPENDIX

IN MEMORIAM

MR. DARWIN WILL
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
1990 - 1991

"They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed
From the shadows of earth to the sunlight above.
A thousand bright memories are holding them fast
To the places they blessed with their presence and love.

IN MEMORIAM



MR. KENNETH D. ESHELMAN
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
2001 - 2002

"Though we say "they are gone", they still live on
In memories tender and true
And the cadence of their voice still rings
Our faith and hope to renew."

IN MEMORIAM

BEVERLY A. SMITH
GRAND TREASURER
2015 - 2019

"Your life was a Blessing,
You're memory a Treasure"

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF IOWA IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Commission Granted *2019 Commission Expires 2019 - 2021

ALABAMA	* Lynn Leighton	325 Margaret Ave. Section, AL35771
ALBERTA	*Mari Magill	9844 105 Street, Westlock, AB T7P 1S6 CANADA
ARIZONA	*Dorothy Jamieson	17249 N. 7ith Street 1093, Phoenix,AZ 85022-2424
ARKANSAS	Mary Ridgley	405 Ruddle, Mountain View, AR 72560
AUSTRALIA	*Rosalind Russ	11 Bonar Street, Maitland, NSW 2320 AUSTRALIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA & Yukon	* Dirk Donker	10736 Pinecrest Road, Vernon, BC V1H 2C1 CANADA
CALIFORNIA	Meredith Mert Gayler	83246 Brraid Court, Lindio, CA 92203-3086
COLORADO	*Kim Jordon	P.O. Box 2283, Durango, CO 81302
CONNECTICUT	Liesa K. Sienkowski	31 Lynch Road B2, Chaplin, CT 06235
DELEWARE	Jacqueline Kyle	81 Joyce Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19808
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Margo Bulmlan	5 Sampson Place, Annapolis, MD 21401
FLORIDA	*Patty Roach	16011 27ith Road, Lake City, FL 33024
GEORGIA	*Robion Holt	1152 Hunters Cove, Evans, GA 30809
IDAHO	*Glen Heins	2221 Sweetbay Avenue, Nampa, ID 83651
ILLINOIS	*Elsie Strasser	1013 Parkway Drive, Pekin, IL 61554
INDIANA	*Timothy Knafel	4497 N. US 33, Ligonier, IN 46767
KANSAS	*Linda Gibson	4822 West Douglas Avenue, Wichita, KS 67212-2333
KENTUCKY	*Pam Daniels	P.O. Box 183, Auxier, KY 41602
LOUISIANA	*Geraldine Barr	5461 Fennwood Drive, Zachary, LA 70791-2439\
MAINE	Susan Ford	151 Carter Point Road, Sedwick, ME 04676
MANITOBA	Sally Tully	307 295th Street SE, Portage la Praiarie, MN R1N 1H9 CANADA
MARYLAND	Connie A. Wheatley	P.O. Box 505, Sharptown, MD 21861
MASSACHUSETTS	*Scott Gerard	714 Main Street, Waymouth, MA 02190-1720
MICHIGAN	*Phillip Smith	13362 Lake Shore Drive, Fenton, MI 48430-1022
MINNESOTA	*Rolf Widstrand	5798 Stepetz Road 53, Aurora, MN 55705
MISSISSIPPI	*Connie Morgan	1608 Chunky Duffee Road, Chunky, MS 39323
MISSOURI	*Neta Phillips	P.O. Box 27, Rutledge, MO 63563
MONTANA	*Floavia Morgan	1800 9th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601
NEBRASKA	*Susan Gray	408 Apache Drive, Lexington, NE 68850
NEVADA	*Steven Crosby	6590 E. Viewpoint Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89156
NEW BRUNSWICK	Faye Stockford	1005 Route 105, Southampton, MB E6G 1L2 CANADA
NEW HAMPSHIRE	*Brad Bick	12 Sandpiper Path, North Hampton, NH 03862
NEW JERSEY	*Dawn Betts	9 Woodland Court, Manchester, NJ 08759

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Commission Granted *2019 Commission Expires 2019 – 2021

NEW MEXICO	Susan Helmcamp	6300 Montgomery NE #328, Albuquerque, NM 87109
NEW YORK	*Janis Hoover	9 Jane Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
NORTHCAROLINA	*Karen Pahl	231 Finley Court, Clayton, NC 27520-4158
NORTH DAKOTA	*Meredith Mitskog	76 N. 4th Avenue, Wahpeton, ND 58075
NOVA SCOTIA & PEI	*Clara Nieforth	10 Raymond Drive, Lower Sackville, NS B4C 1H1 CANADA
OHIO	Barbara Kelley	6554 Edward Street, Montor, OH 44060-3829
OKLAHOMA	*Mary Thompson Lynch	1630 E. Washington Place, Broken Arrow, OK 74012
ONTARIO	*Richard Spelay	261 Brock Street South, Sarnia, ON N7T 2W5 CANADA
OREGON	Barbara Folck	8298 SW 158th Place, Beaverton, OR 97007
PENNSYLVANIA	*Todd L. Johnson	36 North High Street, Newville, PA 17241
PUERTO RICO	Otilio Serrano	P.O. Box 410, San Sebastian, PR 00685
QUEBEC	*Andre Bailargeon	St Francois Xavier de Brompton, QC J0B 2V0 CANADA
RHODE ISLAND	*Denise Brown	27 Pullen Avenue, Pawtucket, RI 02861
SASKATCHEWAN	*Dianne Sanborn	P.O, Box 113, Drinkwater, AK S0H 1G0 CANADA
SCOTLAND	Kay Walker	44 Cloglands, Forth Lanark, Scotland ML11
SOUTH CAROLINA	*Joan DeGlau	121 Stone Road, Belton, SC 26927
SOUTH DAKOTA	Judy Hoellein	109 N Club Street, Chamberlain, SD 57325
SOUTH DAKOTA	*Mavis Haines	P.O. Box 86, Plankinton, SD 57368
TENNESSEE	*Jean Brannock	P.O. Box 1416, Athens, TN 37371
TEXAS	*Jean Harrison	224 South Rice Street, Lampasas, TX 76550
UTAH	*Doris Chandler	471 E. Center Street, Kaysville, UT 84097
VERMONT	*Joyce Fowler	P.O. Box 104, Plainfield, VT 05667
VIRGINIA	Gaylord Ambrose, SR	P.O. Box 305, Franklin, VA 23851-0305
WASHINGTON	*Jack Davis	30316 290th Avenue SE, Black Diamond, WA 989010
WEST VIRGINIA	*Jamie McNeely	7560 Paint Creek Road, Scarbro, WV 25917
WISCONSIN	*Mary Jo Unger	2714 Independence Lane, Madison, WI 53704
WYOMING	*Robert Smith	405 Rifle Pit Road, Beulah, WY 82729

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STATE	NAME	CHAPTER	ADDRESS	TOWN	EXPIRES
ALABAMA	Mary Lou Mann	477	4386 110th Street	Malcom	01/01/2020
ALBERTA	*Alex Strong	032	1305 1st Avenue	Muscatine	12/31/2020
ARIZONA	Mark Hatcher	513	314 SW Westlawn Drive	Ankeny	06/01/2020
ARKANSAS	*Norma Hughett	068	713 S. 18th Street	Fort Dodge	07/01/2021
AUSTRALIA	*Robert Koss	361	6532 NW 143rd Avenue	Polk City	07/01/2021
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON	Dannine Gnat	502 & 513	1201 SE Innsbruck Drive	Ankeny	12/31/2019
CALIFORNIA	*Bruce Stolba	415	5752 Hunt Ridge Drive	Cedar Rapids	12/31/2020
COLORADO	* Becky Barkley	338	213 Pleasantview Drive	Des Moines	07/11/2021
CONNECTICUT	*Becky Nolte	365	3175 120th Street	Durant	12/31/2020
DELAWARE	*Chris Brown	001	124 N. 5th Street	Manilla	12/31/2020
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Vera Varner	001	1100 5th Street	Ida Grove	02/28/2020
FLORIDA	Alvin Elmore	178	2110 West 75th Place	Davenport	11/30/2019
GEORGIA	*Pat Burch	338	1414 Meadow Drive	Norwalk	09/14/2021
IDAHO	Mary Jane Young	178 & 65	2995 267th Street	DeWitt	12/31/2020
ILLINOIS	*Marie Elmore	178	2110 W. 75th Place	Davenport	11/15/2020
INDIANA	Ray E. Rardin	344	507 First Avenue West	Dyersville	02/07/2020
KANSAS	Terry Frisbee	230	53501 Hwy 83	Walnut	01/01/2020
KENTUCKY	Barbara J. Matheny	026	321 S. First Avenue	Logan	07/01/2020
LOUISIANA	*Janice Megel	284	1916 34th Street	Des Moines	10/14/2021
MAINE	Lois Chopard	284	522 SW Ash Drive	Ankeny	03/01/2020
MANITOBA	*Bev Dudziak	116	3725 280th Avenue	Dickens	04/30/2021
MARYLAND	Reba Reed	267 & 338	Box 204	New Virginia	12/01/2019
MASSACHUSETTS	*Charles Rodriguez	441	2704 Kanesville Blvd, #40	Council Bluffs	12/31/2020
MICHIGAN	Jan Schupback	306	539 s. Leebrick Street	Burlington	01/01/2020
MINNESOTA	Sandy Anderson	183	2800 2nd Avenue	marion	12/31/2019
MISSISSIPPI	Frances Robinson	183	P.O. Box 153	Mechanicsville	12/31/2019
MISSOURI	Diana Buresh	382	9300 Club road	Cedar Rapids	01/01/2020
MONTANA	*Jim Smith	178	120 Muhs Circle	Eldridge	01/31/2021

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NEBRASKA	*Sue Thomas	068	1615 Elm Street	Algona	10/01/2021
NEVADA	*Charlotte Deitrich	198	1211 S. Stuart Street	Sigourney	12/31/2020
NEW BRUNSWICK	*Deb Jones	267 & 523	315 S. Dewey	Osceola	12/31/2020
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Terri Grover	078	1526 Lilac Lane	Cedar Falls	01/01/2020
NEW JERSEY	*Thelma Donaldson	058	409 2nd Avenue SE	Hampton	01/01/2021
NEW MEXICO	*Wanda Koch	359	4137 100th Street	Miles	12/31/2020
NEW YORK	Janice Halverson	361	P.O. Box 302	Slater	02/01/2020
NORTH CAROLINA	*Janice Crowe	273 & 128	605 E. Center	Conrad	01/01/2020
NORTH DAKOTA	*Sandy Hoover	068	1703 E. Lucas Street	Algona	11/01/2020
NOVA SCOTIA & PEI	Lorraine Sindelar	045	P.O. Box 127	Ft. Atkinson	12/31/2019
OHIO	*Janelle Hammarstedt	335	1856 Magnolia Road	Woodward	09/01/2021
OKLAHOMA	*Rick Hegland	178	2221 Waveland Drive	Bettendorf	03/01/2021
ONTARIO	*Donald Drennan	194	1302 Elm Street	Altantic	12/31/2021
OREGON	Aaron Conner	078	1410 Pin Oak Drive	Cedar Falls	03/01/2020
PENNSYLVANIA	*Tom Cannon	313	2123 Washington Street	Elkhorn	01/31/2021
PUERTO RICO	*Wade Sheeler	100	1204 E. 13th Street S	Newton	07/07/2021
QUEBEC	*Jennifer Smith	311 & 110IN	429 8th Avenue SE	Dyersville	05/31/2021
RHODE ISLAND	*Pam Spratte	183	474 Drake Street SW	Cedar Rapids	03/01/2021
SASKATCHEWAN	*Nancy Niday	085	1210 E. Robinson Street	Knoxville	12/31/2020
SCOTLAND					
SOUTH CAROLINA	*Charity Stone	065	701 13th Avenue	Fulton, IL	03/01/2021
SOUTH DAKOTA	Deb Hahn	222	500 3rd Street	Onawa	09/01/2020
TENNESSEE	Tom Raulerson	73 & 75	1669 Pondside Drive	Statesboro, GA	13/31/2019
TEXAS	*Leanne Wait	361	206 Main Street	Slater	01/01/2021
UTAH	*Jane K. Beeman	335	503 NW 3rd Street	Grimes	12/31/2020
VERMONT	Peg Christensen	091	506 NE Elm Street	Greenfield	08/01/2019
VIRGINIA	Cindy Beatty	415	3309 70th Street	Atkins	10/31/2019
WASHINGTON	Carolyn Anderson	380 & 375	804 N. Court	Toledo	10/15/2020
WEST VIRGINIA	*Janice Wilson	228	703 Hardin	Bedford	01/01/2021
WISCONSIN	Linda Lyons	375	300 South Main Street	Traer	01/01/2020
WYOMING	Mary Knupp	415	2655 63rd Street	Vinton	12/31/2019

2018– 2019 PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS

Elsie Miller	New London #440	2679 260th Street, New London 52645
Betty J. Briggs RWGS (Mrs. Bill)	Cedar #184	2403 Camelot Ave. NW, Cedar Rapids 52405
Ruth Marks	East Gate #538	2639 E. Walnut, Des Moines 50317-7949
Caryl Lawyer (Mrs. David)	Heather Hill #493	1139 Highway 9 , Manly 50456-0022
Donna J. Hodge (Mrs. Dick)	Marion #183	2115 1st Avenue SE, Apr. #310, Cedar Rapids 52402
Carolyn Kropf (Mrs. Duane)	Diamond #37	113 N. Geronimo Trail, Canton, MO 63435
Shirley Peterson (Mrs. Larry)	Bellevue #359	60252 Highway 52, Sabula 52070-9315
Julie Pedersen (Mrs. Richard)	Buena Vista #309	5429 – 70th Avenue, Alta 51002-7400
Dorothy Masters (Mrs. Wayne)	Rose Croix #400	2525 Lakeport #8, Sioux City 51106
JoAnn Runyan	Golden Rule 194	201 Crombie Place, Atlantic 50022
Betty J. Shoup (Mrs. Jack)	Coinette #273	1021 I Avenue, Reinbeck 50669-9650
Marcia Kucera (Mrs. Marvin)	Toledo #380	600 17th Street, Belle Plaine 52208
Frankie Little (Mrs. George)	Malta #415	MPO Box 836, Sherman, TX 75091
Becky Taylor (Mrs. William)	Amber Star #328	15493 Bobby Lane, Council Bluffs 51503-9257
Beverly Reinert	Winterset #294	P.O. Box 326, Earlham 50072-8606
Mary Sue Van Ryswyk (Mrs. Robert)	Runnells #518	430 North 4th Street, Carlisle 50047-7744
Connie Esbeck (Mrs. Glenn)	Exodus #313	1947 280th Street, Exira 50076-7621
Danelle Essing (Mrs. Randy)	Jessamine #135	816 Rider Street, Iowa City 52246
Sara Ann Robinson (Mrs. Ray)	Good Will #537	1617 State Highway 2, Bedford 50833
JoAnn Bergeson	Newton #100	6461 W. 52nd Street North, Newton 50208
Diane Bargfrede (Mrs. Craig)	Ankeny New Hope #513	2414 N.W. Park Meadows Drive, Ankeny 50023-8770
Mary Jane Young (Mrs. Charles)	Davenport #178 & Clinton #65	2995 267th Street, DeWitt 52742
Paula S. Larsen	Mt. Ayr #356 & Ollie #548	2268 110th Avenue, Diagonal 50845-8851
Phyllis Moore (Mrs. Alan)	Emerson #121	700 E. Oak Street, Red Oak 51566
Cynde Lemley (Mrs. Robert)	New London #440	2471 Oasis Avenue, New London 52645
Nancy Ramthun (Mrs. Tim)	Tri Star #99, Eddyville & Knoxville	2492 Queens Avenue, Oskaloosa 52577-9145
Nancy Kiehne	Coinette #273, Reinbeck	117 Ridge Street, Reinbeck 50669
Ellen Knupp	Malta #415, Cedar Rapids	204 Brush Avenue, Urbana 52345
Jean Koss	Polk City #361	6532 NW 142nd Avenue, Polk City 50226

* Died during the year

2018– 2019 PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS - (Continued)

F. Gilbert Mote (Audrey)	South Gate #547	8129 – 30th Avenue, Norwalk 50211-9347
Alvis Shaw (Esther)	Isabelle #271, Colo	P.O. Box 337, Collins 50055-0337
Dallas Moores	Clarinda #214	P.O. Box 207, Sidney 51652-0207
Ronald L. Hovick (Virginia)	Cedar Falls #78	509 Buddy Holly Place, Clear Lake 50428
Darwin Will (Sally)	Twilight #59	1653 – 290th Avenue, Spirit Lake 51360
Gerald Hammers (Betty)	Council Bluffs #441	700 Harrison St., Council Bluffs 51503-1412
Larry Jones (Deb)	Ophir #267	315 South Dewey, Osceola 50213-1402
John L. Mills (Janet)	Buena Vista #309	2035 – 500th Street, Sioux Rapids 50585
Ronald L. Larsen (Nancy)	Agatha #192	202 Benton, Council Bluffs 51503
Charles C. Jackson (Melba)	Cornelia #524	P.O. Box 59, Clearfield 50840-0049
Ben Kain (Jeaneen)	South Gate #547	P.O. Box 184, Carlisle 50047-0184
*Ken Eshelman		
Richard Wehde (Lois Jean)	Alta #138	134 Mallard Drive, Storm Lake 50588
Ray E. Rardin	Lamont #472	507 First Avenue West, Dyersville, IA 52040
Randall R. Essing (Danelle)	Jessamine #135	816 Rider Street, Iowa City 52246
Ed Meade (Karen)	Newton #100	5691 Highway S74 South, Newton 50208
John Baker (Rilla)	Linden #482 & Lady Washington Rhinehart #335	905 Clark Street, P.O. Box 4, Redfield 50233-0004
Wayne McGinnis (Ruth)	Greenfield #91	2706 270th Street, Greenfield 50849-8140
Edwin Hascall (Betty)	Clarinda #214	805 Depot, Coin 51636-2002
Dennis DeJoode	Pleasant #378 & Runnells $518	2501 E. Leach Avenue, Des Moines, 50320
Carl Yoder (Laverta)	Jessamine #135, Iowa City	400 5th Street, P.O. Box 337, Wellman 52356
Jerry Jones (Susan)	Toledo #380, Tama	1002 W. 13th Street, Tama 52339
Russ Hibben (Leona)	Julien #125	575 Kaufmann Avenue, Dubuque 52001-3146
Charlie Young (Mary Jane)	Davenport #178 & Clinton #65	2995 267th Street, DeWitt 52742
Bruce Thomas	Algona #68	1615 Elm Street, Algona 50511

DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING

Of the Grand Chapter OES of Iowa from Organization to Date: the Membership reported, together with the names of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer serving on such dates.

Date	Mbrs.	Location	Worthy Grand Matron	Worthy Grand Patron	Grand Secretary	Grand Treasurer
1878 July 30		Cedar Rapids	Organized			
1879 May 13	356	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. O.N. Williams	*George H. Jackson	*E.E. Savage	*J. Norwood Clark
1880 May 11	468	Council Bluffs	*Mrs. O.N. Williams	*George H. Jackson	*E.E. Savage	*J. Norwood Clark
1881 May 10	413	Charles City	*Mrs. Jennie Mathews	*J. Norwood Clark	*D.H. Moore	*J.P. Irwin
1882 June 6	855	Des Moines	*Mrs. Jennie Mathews	*S.A. Callvert	*D.H. Moore	*J.P. Irwin
1883 May 2	1,192	Mt. Pleasant	*Mrs. Jennie Mathews	*T.T. Ercanbrack	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. R.B. Callvert
1884 June 10	1,556	Grinnell	*Mrs. Jennie Mathews	*T.T. Ercanbrack	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs H.A. Ercanbrack
1885 June 5	1,657	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Mary C. Agnew	*T.T. Ercanbrack	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs H.A. Ercanbrack
1886 June 3	1,786	Des Moines	*Mrs. Mary C. Agnew	*T.T. Ercanbrack	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs H.A. Ercanbrack
1887 June 7	1,882	Davenport	*Mrs. Harriette A. Ercanbrack	*Sabert M. Casey	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Annie M. Miller
1888 Sept 11	2,309	Colfax	*Mrs. Harriette A. Ercanbrack	*A. I. Jackson	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Annie M. Miller
1889 Sept 10	2,624	Marshalltown	*Mrs. Harriette A. Ercanbrack	*A. I. Jackson	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule
1890 Sept 10	3,081	Colfax	*Mrs. Harriette A. Ercanbrack	*A. I. Jackson	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule
1891 Sept 10	3,707	Clinton	*Mrs. Harriette A. Ercanbrack	*George Barrette	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule
1892 Sept 14	4,414	Des Moines	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Frank M. Howard	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule
1893 Oct 4	5,517	Newton	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Horace S. Winslow	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule
1894 Oct 3	6,511	Keokuk	*Mrs. Sarah E. Woods	*Horace S. Winslow	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1895 Oct 23	7,510	Charles City	*Mrs. Sarah E. Woods	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1896 Oct 28	8,710	Clinton	*Mrs. Jennie A. Rule	*Eugene B. Dyke	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1897 Oct 27	10,051	Ottumwa	*Mrs. Delia B. Meredith	*J.W. Geiger	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1898 Oct 26	11,024	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Delia B. Meredith	*William H. Norris	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1899 Oct 25	12,297	Davenport	*Mrs. Mary B. Rathburn	*William H. Norris	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1900 Oct 24	13,087	Des Moines	*Mrs. Mary B. Rathburn	*A.J. Small	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1901 Oct 23	15,702	Sioux City	*Mrs. Freda Oppenheimer	*A.J. Small	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1902 Oct 22	17,467	Oskaloosa	*Mrs. Freda Oppenheimer	*W.H. Wray	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1903 Oct 28	19,683	Iowa City	*Mrs. P. Jane Webber	*J.C.W. Coxe	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1904 Oct 26	21,610	Waterloo	* Mrs. Fanny M. Sever	*A.L. Lindner	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1905 Oct 25	23,047	Davenport	* Mrs. Fanny M. Sever	*P.J. Martin	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1906 Oct 24	23,367	Mason City	*Mrs. Allena D. Ward	*P.J. Martin	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1907 Oct 23	25,712	Burlington	*Mrs. Allena D. Ward	*H.W. Hughes	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1908 Oct 28	27,270	Des Moines	*Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart	*Bruce Moore	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1909 Oct 27	28,700	Sioux City	*Mrs. Bessie Bills	*O.C. Meredith	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1910 Oct 26	30,410	Boone	*Mrs. Maggie Wiley	*E.M. Willard	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton
1911 Oct 25	32,471	Dubuque	*Mrs. Emma Beckman	*D.W. Clements	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ela Houghton

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1912 Oct 23	34,141	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Josephine Hobson	*J. L. Rose	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ella Houghton
1913 Oct 22	36,000	Council Bluffs	*Mrs. Alta M. Sullivan	*W. H. Killpack	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ella Houghton
1914 Oct 28	38,097	Waterloo	*Mrs. Luella M. Crooks	*W. F. Berry	*Mrs. Maria Jackson	*Mrs. Ella Houghton
1915 Oct 27	40,625	Des Moines	*Mrs. Cecelia Small	*Charles S. Kennedy	*Mrs. Clare E. Hughes	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1916 Oct 25	42,970	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Maud M. Keyser	*James A. Henderson	*Mrs. Clare E. Hughes	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1917 Oct 24	45,546	Iowa City	*Mrs. Fannie B. Hammill	*James L. Records	*Mrs. Clare E. Hughes	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1918 Dec 4	47,846	Davenport	*Miss Anna Stilwell	*George H. Irwin	*Mrs. Clare E. Hughes	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1919 Oct 28	50,261	Des Moines	*Mrs. Anna M. Orris	*B. Shimck	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1920 Oct 26	54,828	Des Moines	*Mrs. Lucy B. Bullock	*Charles Sutherland	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Ida Webster
1921 Oct 25	61,878	Sioux City	*Mrs. Etta B. Carpenter	*H. L. Mc Grew	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Esther Kennedy
1922 Oct 24	67,491	Des Moines	*Mrs. Edna Zerwekh	*George Hamilton	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Esther Kennedy
1923 Oct 23	71,305	Waterloo	*Mrs. Grace B. Sprecher	*John Hammill	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Esther Kennedy
1924 Oct 28	74,202	Sioux City	*Mrs. Myrtle Wiley Carlton	*Earl F. Mayer	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Esther Kennedy
1925 Oct 27	76,834	Davenport	*Mrs. Elizabeth Kammann	*John Burianek	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Esther Kennedy
1926 Oct 26	77,966	Waterloo	*Mrs. Jessie Wheeler	*Roscoe E. Zerwekh	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1927 Oct 25	79,043	Des Moines	*Mrs. Frances Dahl	*Theodore Hawkinson	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1928 Oct 23	79,860	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Harriet Mc Master	*Foster G. Iddings	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1929 Nov 12	79,940	Des Moines	*Mrs. Ethel Seidler	*Frank B. Hallagan	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1930 Oct 28	80,265	Sioux City	*Mrs. Sarah Bachman	*T. L. Wheeler	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1931 Oct 27	79,901	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Nellie Olander	*Roy F. Short	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1932 Oct 25	78,309	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Edna Duncan	*George E. Ward	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1933 Oct 24	74,080	Des Moines	*Mrs. Anna Blaylock	*Leo C. Percival	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1934 Oct 23	70,176	Des Moines	*Mrs. Maud Bowers	*Paul N. Clark	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1935 Oct 22	67,770	Des Moines	*Mrs. Gertrude May	*Robert Grapengeter	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1936 Oct 27	66,452	Davenport	*Mrs. Ada May Davis	*John F. Blaylock	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1937 Oct 26	64,335	Des Moines	*Mrs. Myrtle W. Cook	*Carl W. Bachman	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1938 Oct 25	65,076	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Rowena Johnson	*O. J. Kirketeg	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1939 Oct 24	64,793	Des Moines	*Mrs. Bessie Mc Murray	*Lester Jay	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1940 Oct 22	69,905	Sioux City	*Mrs. Mozelle Russell	*Nathan L. Hicks	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1941 Oct 28	65,461	Des Moines	*Mrs. Laura M. Lenz	*Charles A. Bowman	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1942 Oct 29	64,846	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Daisy Ray	*Harry W. Dunker	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1943 Oct 28	65,842	Des Moines	*Mrs. Pearl May Fluegel	*Clarence I. Spencer	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1944 Oct 26	67,425	Des Moines	*Mrs. Elsie L. Evans	*Claude V. Mc Broom	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H S Johnston
1945 Oct 25	70,417	Des Moines	*Mrs. Lillian Ritter	*Hugh J. Tamisiea	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston

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1946 Oct 24	73,654	Des Moines	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*W. Russell Hayes	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1947 Oct 28	75,546	Sioux City	*Mrs. Mildred Harrington	*Clifford Young	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1948 Oct 28	79,433	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Betty Fraseur	*Ray Mc Murray	*Mrs. Adah G. Thompson	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1949 Oct 25	81,868	Des Moines	*Mrs. Lucille H. Johnson	*Clyde E. Jones	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mary H.S.Johnston
1950 Nov 7	83,952	Des Moines	*Mrs. Velda Felton	*Henry W. Greeve	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1951 Oct 23	85,771	Sioux City	*Mrs. Dorothy Harris	*Henry E. Meyers	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1952 Oct 28	86,754	Des Moines	*Mrs. Hazel Cox Adamson	*Robert W. Hughes	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1953 Oct 27	87,636	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Esther Barber	*Lloyd O. Burtness	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1954 Oct 26	88,194	Des Moines	*Mrs. Nell Bonnell	*Edward G. Squire	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1955 Oct 25	88,535	Sioux City	*Mrs. Bernice Sundberg Lilly	*Dwight Mc Cracken	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1956 Oct 23	88,467	Des Moines	*Mrs. Helen Bowers	*Alvin Flint	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Bessie G. Strawn
1957 Oct 22	88,282	Sioux City	*Mrs. Isabelle Walensky	*Herman Beck	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1958 Oct 28	87,962	Des Moines	*Mrs. Viola Drape Sweet	*Frank L. Fellows	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1959 Oct 27	87,318	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. June Watson	*Howard Lyon	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1960 Nov 2	85,935	Des Moines	*Mrs. Norma Long	*R. Edward Dunlap	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1961 Oct 25	84,295	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Eva Lu Murrison	*Edward J. Yelick	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1962 Oct 24	82,903	Sioux City	*Mrs. Lois Hanke	*Harry Cowden	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1963 Oct 31	81,473	Des Moines	*Mrs. Helen Kline	*Wendell Teachout	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1964 Oct 27	79,616	Davenport	*Mrs. Luella Brammer	*Howard T. Miller	*Mrs. Gladys Haycock	*Mrs. Mable Steele
1965 Oct 26	78,348	Des Moines	*Mrs. Alice Young	*Henry Winger	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1966 Oct 25	76,984	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Virginia M. Jones	*Don Shoning	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1967 Oct 24	75,037	Des Moines	*Mrs. Josephine Walter	*Dean W. Hess	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1968 Oct 22	72,784	Davenport	*Mrs. Leona Dosland	*Charles W. Antes	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1969 Oct 28	71,021	Des Moines	*Mrs. Ruth Carlson	*Robert Kitchell	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1970 Oct 27	69,467	Des Moines	*Mrs. Eileen Y. Minnich	*Leo Maurer	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1971 Oct 26	67,613	Cedar Rapids	*Mrs. Lurene Walter	*George Clapsaddle	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1972 Oct 31	65,888	Des Moines	*Mrs. Peggy Hauswirth	*H. Victor Stead	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1973 Oct 25	63,925	Sioux City	*Mrs. Grace Countryman	*John Vasey	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1974 Oct 24	61,908	Des Moines	*Mrs. Leona P. Paschal	*L. Doyle Champion	*Miss Kathryn Anderson	*Miss Clara Brown
1975 Oct 28	60,239	Davenport	*Mrs. Dorothy Messinger	F. Gilbert Mote	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Miss Clara Brown
1976 Oct 26	58,676	Waterloo	*Mrs. Lucille Gremmels	*John E. Thompson	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Miss Clara Brown
1977 Oct 25	57,322	Des Moines	*Mrs. Beth Friday	*Dean E. Ellis	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Mrs. Grace Hansen
1978 Oct 24	55,710	Des Moines	*Mrs. Vera Mae Baker	*Karl Aschenbrenner	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Mrs. Grace Hansen
1979 Nov 1	53,811	Davenport	Mrs. Elsie Miller	*Frank Rosenboom	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Mrs. Grace Hansen

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1980 Oct 30	51,833	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Betty J. Briggs	Alvis E. Shaw	*Mrs. Naomi Jenkins	*Mrs. Grace Hansen
1981 Oct 29	50,085	Des Moines	Mrs. Ruth Marks	*Orrie Jones	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Grace Hansen
1982 Oct 28	47,968	Des Moines	*Mrs. E. June Peterson	*Frank B. Evans	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Grace Hansen
1983 Oct 30	46,276	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Caryl Lawyer	*A. Clarke Miller	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1984 Oct 24	44,609	Sioux City	*Mrs. Bonnie Martin	*Martin V. Evenson	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1985 Nov 9	42,765	Sioux City	*Mrs. Laurene Gemberling	Dallas D. Moores	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1986 Nov 1	38,751	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge	Ronald Hovick	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1987 Oct 28	37,279	Des Moines	*Mrs. Margaret Batschelet	*James Archer	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1988 Oct 28	35,423	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Carolyn Kropf	*Carl Mumme	Mrs. Betty Briggs, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1989 Oct 2	33,954	Dubuque	Mrs. Shirley Peterson	*Wilbur Bentrott	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1990 Oct 26	32,535	Des Moines	*Mrs. Twila Seley	*Ross Gould	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1991 Oct 25	30,922	Sioux City	Mrs. Julie Pedersen	Darwin E. Will	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1992 Oct 30	29,462	Sioux City	Mrs. Dorothy Masters	*Bill Freriks	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1993 Oct 29	28,152	Des Moines	Miss JoAnn Runyan	Gerald Hammers	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	*Mrs. Darlene Proudfit
1994 Oct 21	26,743	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Betty J. Shoup	*Donald Crowe	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
1995 Oct 27	25,600	Cedar Rapids	Mrs. Marcia Kucera	*Ford C. Thompson	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
1996 Oct 25	24,125	Des Moines	*Mrs. Darlene Shepherd	Larry D. Jones	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
1997 Oct 24	23,045	Dubuque	Mrs. Frankie Little	**Dale Robinson	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
1998 Oct 29	21,699	Sioux City	*Mrs. Laurene Gemberling	John Mills	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
1999 Oct 28	20,482	Council Bluffs	Mrs. Becky Taylor	Ronald L. Larsen	Mrs. Donna J. Hodge, PGM	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2000 Oct.19	19,243	Altoona	Mrs. Beverly J. Reinert	Charles C. Jackson	Mrs. Carolyn L. Anderson	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2001 Oct. 20	18,281	Altoona	Mrs. Mary Sue Van Ryswyk	Ben Kain	Mrs. Carolyn L. Anderson	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2002 Oct. 25	17,204	Altoona	Mrs. Connie S. Esbeck	*Kenneth D. Eshelman	Mrs. Carolyn L. Anderson	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2003 Oct. 24	16,152	Altoona	Mrs. Danelle R. Essing	Richard A. Wehde	Mrs. Carolyn L. Anderson	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2004 Oct. 29	15,256	Altoona	Mrs. Sara Ann Robinson	Ray E. Rardin	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2005 Oct. 28	14,267	Des Moines	Mrs. JoAnn Bergeson	Randall Essing	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2006 Oct. 19	13,318	Altoona	Mrs. Diane R. Bargfrede	*Russell D. Altes	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2007 Oct. 25	12,461	Altoona	*Mrs. Connie Coulter	Ed Meade	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2008 Oct. 23	11,613	Des Moines	Mrs. Mary Jane Young	John Baker	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Miss Janelle Hammarstedt
2009 Oct. 22	10.695	Coralville	Miss Paula S. Larsen	Wayne McGinnis	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Connie Chase
2010 Oct. 28	9,934	Altoona	Mrs. Phyllis A. Moore	*Gary Smith	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Connie Chase
2011 Oct. 27	9,170	Altoona	*Mrs. Joanne Scroggie	Edwin Hascall	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Connie Chase
2012 Oct. 18	8,532	Altoona	*Mrs. Karen Hyde	Dennis DeJoode	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Connie Chase
2013 Oct. 24	7,900	Altoona	Mrs. Cynde Lemley	Carl Yoder	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Connie Chase

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2015 Oct. 22	6,735	Altoona	Mrs. Lynn Tague	Phil Corwin	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Beverly Smith
2016 Oct. 20	6,308	Altoona	Mrs. Nancy Kiehne	Russ Hibben	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Beverly Smith
2017 Oct. 19	5,887	Altoona	Mrs. Jane Green	John Hauser	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Beverly Smith
2018 Oct. 18	5,480	Cedar Rapids	Ms. Ellen Knupp	Charlie Young	Mrs. Nancy L. Niday	Mrs. Beverly Smith
2019 Oct. 24	5,067	West Des Moines	Mrs. Jean Koss	Bruce Thomas	Mrs. Nancy J. Ramthun, PGM	*Mrs. Beverly Smith Mrs. Connie Chase, Acting GT

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